



**SAINT PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**Emergency – If someone is dying or there has been a death, please call: 804-402-1221**

**Mass Schedule**

**Sunday: 8:30 & 10:45 am Weekday: 12:05 pm**

**Holy Day: Call the Parish Office or See Notices**

**Confession: Mon. thru Fri., 11:45 am**

**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 8, 2018**

**Mass Intention: Austin Stovall**

**TODAY'S MUSIC**

<b>ENTRANCE</b>	#463
Christ the Lord is Risen Today	
<b>PSALM</b>	#838
Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love is ever lasting.	
<b>OFFERTORY</b>	#451
The Strife is O're	
<b>COMMUNION</b>	#447
O Sons and Daughters	
<b>RECESSIONAL</b>	#520
All Creatures of Our God and King	

**Holy Communion** – *This is a reminder that Holy Communion, in the Catholic Church, is reserved to actively practicing Catholics. If you are not Catholic or have not been actively practicing your faith, then please refrain from receiving Communion. If you would like to learn how to be welcomed to full Communion, we*

*would love to help. All you need to do is contact a priest. Our contact info is in this bulletin.*

**PRAYER LIST**

David Adams, Lorenzo Archer, Andre Basmajian, Joseph Birchette, Steve Campbell, William Claiborne, Mary Davidson, Cathy Lipchak, Jim Melton, Erin Moores, Jesse Oliver, Joel Rivera, Rachel Robinson, Marilyn Reilly, John Rogers, Beulah Taylor, Richard Williams. Thank you for your prayers.

**If you know of anyone who is sick, hospitalized, homebound, or dying and desires a visit from a priest, please call or email us. Without your help, we have no way of knowing.**

**SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon.: Mass Intention: Shirley Keyes (L)  
Tues.: Mass Intention: Mary Walsh  
Tues.: Social Ministry: 10:30 am – 12:30 pm  
Wed.: Mass Intention: Shirley Keyes (L)  
Thurs: Mass Intention: Madeline Flournoy  
Fri.: Mass Intention: Shirley Keyes (L)

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR**

Today is Divine Mercy Sunday.

Today, approximately 100 years ago, Jesus Christ appeared to a nun, named Sr. Maria Faustina Kowalska, in Poland. He appeared to her multiple times. As with all such spiritual events, the Church was interested.

She was assigned a spiritual director to help her discuss these apparitions. She told her spiritual director that Jesus was appearing to her and that they would have conversations. He asked, 'what type of things do you discuss?' She stated that they discuss God's mercy for the world, He instructed her to begin writing down what they talk about.

So she did. She obeyed and began to keep her conversations noted in a diary. Today, we have that diary. We have collected in a book all those conversations Sr. Maria Faustina Kowalska had, who has since been canonized, with Christ. It is called the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, Divine Mercy in My Soul.

In this diary are some of the most beautiful descriptions of the inner feelings and thoughts of God. They are recorded in great detail. If you have ever wondered how God thinks or feels, it's a great chance to dive into those sentiments.

The diary is available to purchase online.

Also, along with the book, St. Maria Faustina taught a new way to pray. It is called the Divine Mercy Chaplet. It is a prayer with consistent repetitions, similar to the Rosary, but with differing words. The bulk of the works are thus: Eternal God, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity, of your dearly beloved Son and our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

It's a wonderful prayer and is full of a considerable amount of the Church's theology and doctrine. If we understand the meaning and significance behind those prayers, then we understand the theology of the Church in a multitude of ways.

Today, Sunday, at St. Patrick, we will have a video presentation as well as a prayer service to which all are invited, beginning at 1:30 pm. Please come if you would like to learn more about this special Saint and Special Day. This day, Divine Mercy Sunday, was proclaimed and inaugurated by Saint John Paul II to commemorate and highlight that attribute of our Father that is of most significance to us and is the subject of St. Faustina's book, God's Divine Mercy.

Fr. Rossi

<b>Budgeted Weekly Income</b>	<b>\$ 3,288.00</b>
<b>Collection</b>	<b>7,164.00</b>
<b>Gain</b>	<b>\$ 3,876.00</b>

**Outreach & Social Ministry** – 107 lunches were served on Tuesday, April 3, 2018. 96 dinners were served on Wednesday, April 4, 2018. Thank you for your generous help in serving God's people.

**Divine Mercy Sunday, April 8:** St. Patrick Catholic Church will host a divine Mercy Sunday program from 1:30 to 3:30 pm in the social hall. There will be a movie on Sister Faustina and Divine Mercy; reconciliation; and praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Refreshments will be served. Contact Kathy Buttner at (804) 737-6199 for any questions.

Are we like Thomas and doubt the power of God in our marriage? Learn the tools to put God in your Sacrament of Marriage. The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** weekends are Aug 3-5, 2018 in Chapel Hill, NC and Sep 21-23, 2018 in Herndon, <https://renewmarriage-vasouth.org/> or contact us at [applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org](mailto:applications@renewmarriage-vasouth.org) or 757-690-1369.

**COMMONWEALTH CATHOLIC CHARITIES** – Help fill our Baby Clothes Closets – Our baby closets in the Richmond and Roanoke areas help moms provide for their baby's most basic needs. We are always grateful for donations to help stock our baby closets – either monetary donations or physical items such as diapers, formula, and gently used baby clothes. To donate or to learn more visit [www.cccofva.org](http://www.cccofva.org).

**COFFEE** downstairs in the Parish Hall after each Mass on Sunday. Please join us and get to know your church family.

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