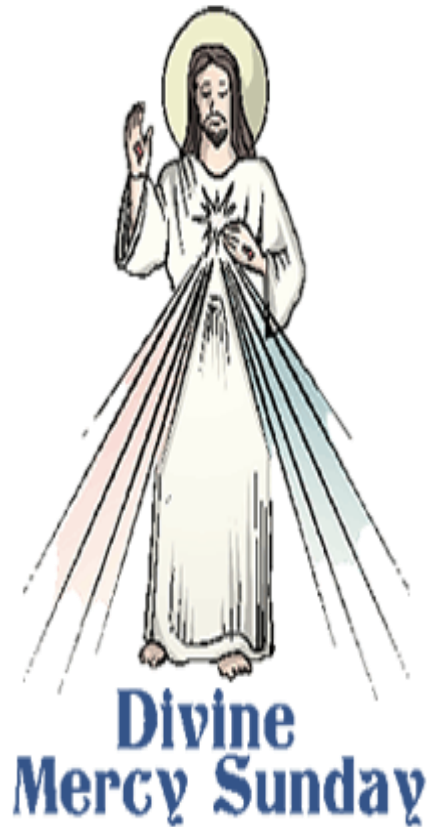


Sunday of Devine Mercy

April 12, 2026



On this Devine Mercy Sunday, may we trust fully in the Lord's mercy and extend that same mercy to others."

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EXEMPLAR OF THE FAITH

Poor Thomas. Singled out from among the disciples because he refused to believe what they were telling him—that they had seen, in the flesh, their friend and their Lord, Jesus Christ. Can any of us really blame him? All of the disciples were terrified, crestfallen, hiding. But what of Thomas? Just where was he when Jesus appeared the first time to the group huddled in fear? He had gone “out”—out of the community where his faith had life. Maybe this was actually a blessing for Thomas and not the curse associated with the “doubting Thomas” moniker bestowed on him by tradition. Oh, the divine mercy of the Lord! Could Thomas be the forerunner of all of us who come in fragile hope and uncertainty to the Christian community, so beautifully described in the reading from the Acts of the Apostles? Could Thomas be an ultimate exemplar of the faith described in the First Letter of Peter?

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Divine Mercy

Saint John Paul II named the Second Sunday of Easter “Sunday of Divine Mercy” in response to Saint Faustina Kowalska’s Divine Mercy devotion, which offered spiritual comfort to hearts worldwide. But Pope Francis challenges us to make the comfort that we receive a gift we gladly share, saying that because mercy was first shown to us we are therefore called to show mercy ourselves. The clearest expression of merciful love, says Francis, is pardoning others. He acknowledges how difficult it can be to forgive sometimes, but if we are to achieve peace in our hearts, pardon is the tool that has been put into our very fallible hands. The necessary condition for living joyfully? We must let go of anger, hatred, revenge, and violence. A tall order in a world seemingly bent on the destruction of every peaceful impulse. May Divine Mercy Sunday remind us that Jesus made mercy our life’s ideal and a criterion for our faith’s credibility: “Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy” (Matthew 5:7).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

First Reading — All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11;

1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Wednesday, April 15, Knights of Columbus will meet. Dinner at 6:00 PM, followed by the Rosary at 6:45 PM and the meeting at 7:00 PM.

Confirmation at St Mary's Catholic Church, Jackson TN will be held on Saturday, April 25 at 6:30 PM. Candidates and sponsors are required to attend practice prior to the service. Please arrive by 5:00 PM.

WEDNESDAY LECTORS

APRIL 8TH CHERI

APRIL 15TH MARY

APRIL 22ND BEVERLY

APRIL 29TH CHERI

APRIL 5TH-----EASTER-----

LECTOR MARY

SERVER MAX

EUCHRISTIC JIM
BEVERLY, JOY

COUNTER ———

APRIL 12TH DIVINE MERCY-----

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LECTOR MARK

SERVER CARLOS

EUCCHARISTIC JIM
FLORENCIA, ANN F.

COUNTER Ann F &JOY

April 19th -----

LECTOR BEVERLY

SERVER MAX

EUCCHARISTIC JDeacon ANN C
ANITA

COUNTER MARYANN &MARY
C.

April 26th -----

LECTOR MARY

SERVER CARLOS

EUCCHARISTIC. JOY,F LOREN-
CIA, BEVERLY

COUNTER Beverly & Michell

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