Divine Mercy Sunday



Extraordinary

Graces

Our Lord revealed to Saint Faustina His desire to literally flood us with His graces on Divine Mercy Sunday. He said: On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. The soul that will go to Confession [beforehand] and receive Holy Communion [on that day] shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. [Diary

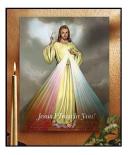
699] At three o'clock, implore My mercy especially for sinners.... This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world.

The theologian who examined Saint Faustina's writings for the Holy See, Rev. Ignacy Rozycki, explained that **this is the promise of a complete renewal of baptismal grace,** and in that sense like a "second Baptism." (Stand)

ENTRANCE

Cantor: O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus, as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You. [84] (three times)

VENERATION OF THE IMAGE OF DIVINE MERCY



(Kneel)

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

O salutaris Hostia Quae caeli pandis ostium: Bella premunt hostilia, Da robur, fer auxilium. Uni trinoque Domino Sit sempiterna gloria, Qui vitam sine termino Nobis donet in patria. Amen.

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY The Our Father

- *Leader:* Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
- *All:* Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

The Hail Mary

- *Leader:* Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.
- *All:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed

- *Leader:* I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
- *All:* I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Using the beads of the five decades of the Rosary, pray: On the large bead before each decade:

Cantor: Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ.

All: In atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.

On the 10 small beads of each decade:

Cantor: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, *All:* Have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Concluding Doxology (after five decades):

All: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. [476] (three times)



A PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY

Leader: O Greatly Merciful God, Infinite Goodness, today all mankind calls out from the abyss of its misery to Your mercy—to Your compassion, O God; and it is with its mighty voice of misery that it calls out.

Gracious God, do not reject the prayer of this earth's exiles! O Lord, Goodness beyond our understanding, who are acquainted with our misery through and through, and know that by our own power we cannot ascend to You, we implore You: anticipate us with your grace and keep on increasing Your mercy in us, that we may faithfully do Your holy will through all our life and at death's hour.

Let the omnipotence of Your mercy shield us from the darts of our salvation's enemies, that we may with confidence, as Your children, await Your final coming—that day known to You alone. And we expect to obtain everything promised by Jesus in spite of our wretchedness. For Jesus is our Hope: Through His merciful Heart, as through an open gate, we pass through to heaven. [1570]

(Stand or sit, as directed)

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(Kneel)

PRAYERS FOR OUR HOLY FATHER

Leader: For our Holy Father and that we may gain a plenary indulgence:

The Our Father

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- *All:* Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.
- All: Merciful Jesus, I Trust in You!

SAINT FAUSTINA'S PRAISES OF THE DIVINE MERCY

(To each invocation respond with "I trust in You.")

Divine Mercy, gushing forth from the bosom of the Father...

Divine Mercy, greatest attribute of God...

Divine Mercy, incomprehensible mystery...

- Divine Mercy, fountain gushing forth from the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity...
- Divine Mercy, unfathomed by any intellect, human or angelic...

Divine Mercy, from which wells forth all life and happiness...

Divine Mercy, better than the heavens...

Divine Mercy, source of miracles and wonders...

Divine Mercy, encompassing the whole universe...

- Divine Mercy, descending to earth in the Person of the Incarnate Word...
- Divine Mercy, which flowed out from the open wound of the Heart of Jesus...
- Divine Mercy, enclosed in the Heart of Jesus for us, and especially for sinners...
- Divine Mercy, unfathomed in the institution of the Sacred Host...
- Divine Mercy, in the founding of the Holy Church...
- Divine Mercy, in the Sacrament of Holy Baptism...
- Divine Mercy, in our justification through Jesus Christ...
- Divine Mercy, accompanying us through our whole life...
- Divine Mercy, embracing us especially at the hour of death...
- Divine Mercy, endowing us with immortal life...
- Divine Mercy, accompanying us every moment of our life...
- Divine Mercy, shielding us from the fire of hell...
- Divine Mercy, in the conversion of hardened sinners...
- Divine Mercy, astonishment for Angels, incomprehensible to Saints...
- Divine Mercy, unfathomed in all the mysteries of God...
- Divine Mercy, lifting us out of every misery...
- Divine Mercy, source of our happiness and joy...
- Divine Mercy, in calling us forth from nothingness to existence...
- Divine Mercy, embracing all the works of His hands...
- Divine Mercy, crown of all God's handiwork ...
- Divine Mercy, in which we are all immersed...
- Divine Mercy, sweet relief for anguished hearts...
- Divine Mercy, only hope of despairing souls...
- Divine Mercy, repose of hearts, peace amidst fear...
- Divine Mercy, delight and ecstasy of holy souls...
- Divine Mercy, inspiring hope against all hope ...

All: Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen [948-950]

BENEDICTION

Tantum ergo sacramentum Veneremur cernui: Et antiquum documentum Novo cedat ritui; Praestet fides supplementum Sensuum defectui. Genitori, Genitoque Laus et jubilatio, Salus, honor, virtus quoque Sit et benedictio: Procedenti ab utroque Compar sit laudatio. Amem.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

All: Blessed be God.
Blessed be His Holy Name.
Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true man.
Blessed be the name of Jesus.
Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart.
Blessed be His most precious blood.
Blessed be Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.
Blessed be the Holy Spirit, the Consoler.
Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.
Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.
Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
Blessed be Saint Joseph, her most chaste spouse.
Blessed be God in His angels and in His Saints.

REPOSITION

CLOSING HYMN

Holy God, we praise Thy Name; Lord of all, we bow before Thee! All on earth Thy scepter claim, All in heaven above adore Thee; Infinite Thy vast domain, Everlasting is Thy Reign. (repeat)

Hark, the loud celestial hymn Angel choirs above are raising, Cherubim and seraphim, In unceasing chorus praising; Fill the heavens with sweet accord: Holy, holy, holy, Lord. (repeat)



In addition to the extraordinary graces promised by Our Lord, in 2002, the Church decreed for Divine Mercy Sunday: "a **plenary indulgence**, granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession*, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!)"; a partial indulgence granted to the faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

*within 20 days of Divine Mercy Sunday