



OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH

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Mass Schedule:

Saturday	5:00 pm
Sunday	9:00 & 10:30 am
Mon-Fri	8:00 am
First Saturday Anointing	After 5:00 pm vigil
Sacrament of Penance	By appointment
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SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 27, 2025

The artwork has been restored to the church, and we have moved chairs from the PLC into the church while we await the return of our repaired and refurbished pews. Thanks to the help of a lot of good people we will begin celebrating the **Daily and Weekend Masses in the church on Tuesday April 29.**

Sunday April 27-Divine Mercy Hour-Adoration, Chaplet, Benediction



How to pray the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy**. The prayer is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades. The Chaplet is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of Saint Faustina and followed by a closing prayer. How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy: **1.** Begin with the Sign of the Cross In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. **2.** Opening Prayers: You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. (Repeat three times) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of Mercy for us, I trust in You! **3.** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. 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. **4.** Hail Mary Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women,

and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen. **5.** The Apostle's Creed 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. 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. **6.** The Eternal Father Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world. **7.** On the 10 Small Beads of Each Decade For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world. **8.** Repeat for the remaining decades Saying the "Eternal Father" (6) on the "Our Father bead" and then 10 "For the Sake of His Sorrowful Passion" (7) on the following "Hail Mary" beads. **9.** Conclude with Holy God (Repeat three times) Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. **10.** Optional Closing Prayer: 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 You holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself. <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/pray-the-chaplet>

Second Collection on May 3-4, all parishes in the Diocese of Venice will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Below is the letter from Bishop Dewane.

April 25, 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Catholic Home Missions Appeal support mission dioceses, which are dioceses in the United States which cannot provide basic pastoral services to Catholics without outside assistance. Grants from this Appeal provide pastoral programs, religious education, ministry training and support to schools in the poorest communities.

One of many examples is a Catholic School in southern Illinois which provides the only alternative to a troubled public school system. Ninety percent of families whose children attend this Catholic elementary school fall below the poverty line and the children know the realities of poverty, violence, and crime. Yet, despite these challenges, 100% of its graduates enter high school, and 95% of its graduates are enrolled in college or university. This program, and many others, give testimony to the great benefit of the Catholic Home Mission Appeal.

On the weekend of May 3 and 4, 2025, the Diocese of Venice will take up a collection for the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. On behalf of your brothers and sisters whom you will be helping, thank you for your support and generosity!

I take this opportunity to assure you and your family of my continued consideration as well as my prayers in this Easter Season.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane

Bishop of the Diocese of Venice in Florida

Catholic Faith Appeal (CFA) 2025

Our Lady of Mercy Parish Assessment: \$123,000.00

Pledged as of April 19: \$75,125.00

I ask each of us to pray about making our own sacrificial gift to the Catholic Faith Appeal. As we pray about our gift, remember that the Catholic Faith Appeal supports three critical areas of our Catholic Faith: **to boldly proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ; to share the Faith through the celebration of the Sacraments and Catholic formation; and to care for the poor, sick, and vulnerable.**

We are blessed to have a faith-filled and generous parish family. Your sacrifice positively impacts our Southwest Florida Catholic Family. All parishes throughout the diocese will be working towards this mission through the CFA. *Envelopes and CFA pamphlets are available on the table at the door in the PLC. Thank you for sharing your time, talent, and treasure.*

Safe Environment Training (SET) - As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice Requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and complete online training in SET prior to beginning employment or volunteering. Please visit the Diocese of Venice website. To report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families please call 800-962-2873. Further, if Diocesan personnel or volunteers are involved, notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.