

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Daily Mass every Thursday at 9:30am (Rosary @ 9:10)
- Bible study sessions are currently cancelled. Updates in future bulletin.
- Women's' Club Meetings meet regularly each Second Monday of the month /11am . Any & All women of the parish please join us .
- Annual Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour. Please join us THIS Sunday April 12 from 3-4pm .
- Parish Picnic at Hamilton Farm - Sunday April 26 @ 1424 West End. More info to follow NOTE DATE CHANGE

## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR

3-4PM THIS SUNDAY here at St. Joseph Parish

Adoration/Scripture/St. Faustina Diary  
Messages/Praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

*Let's all come together in prayer.*

*The world needs our prayers!*

**'JESUS I TRUST IN YOU'**

Due to a conflict in Father Guzman's Schedule, the First Holy Communion of Joseph Gonzaga and the reception of full communion into the church of Dalton Pearson will be made at a later date. We continue to pray for them and for the growth , both spiritually and in numbers, of our parish.

**Help St. Joseph Church become financially stable.**



Submissions for bulletins must be made by Tuesday to: [stjcoordinator@gmail.com](mailto:stjcoordinator@gmail.com)

Or to Bob Renaud~ [brenaud65@gmail.com](mailto:brenaud65@gmail.com)



# ST. JOSEPH

Catholic Church

## Divine Mercy Sunday



### MASS SCHEDULE:

**Thursday - Weekday Mass 9:30 am (Rosary 9:10am)**

**Saturday( Anticipated Mass) 4:00pm**

**Sunday 12:30pm**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation 3-3:45pm Saturdays  
(or by appointment)**

**All other sacraments please call parish office to inquire.**

**Rev. Agustin L. Guzman, CO, Pastor**

**Phone: 803-329-1008 (St Mary Catholic Church, Rock Hill)**

**Emergency: Home 803-327-2098 Cell: 803-627-5297**

**John Rodgers, Office/Business Manager**

**Office Phone - 803-377-4695 (St Joseph)**

**Office Hours: Wednesday 10 am to 2 pm (John Rodgers)**

**Thursday 9 am to 10:30 am & Saturday pm (Fr Agustin)**

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April 12, 2026

**UPCOMING FEAST**

- 12 St. Teresa of Los Andes
- 13 St. Martin I
- 14 Bl. Peter Gonzalez
- 15 St. Caesar de Bus
- 16 St. Bernadette Soubirous
- 17 St. Benedict Labre
- 18 Bl. James Oldo

**Sunday Prayer And Blessings**

Heavenly Father, as we gather on this sacred Sunday, we seek Your presence and blessings. Fill our hearts with Your peace, our minds with Your truth, and our lives with Your love. Guide us as we seek to honor and serve You. Amen.

**MINISTRY (Sat./Sun.) SCHEDULE :**

**LECTOR:** Sat. M. Hamilton/J. Rothe

**E.M.:** Sat. P. Hamilton/J. Schumacher

**LECTOR:** Sun M. Lifsey /R. Whisonant

**E.M.:** Sun. K. Hutto/K. Hutto

**WEEK of Feb 28th OFFERING:**

Envelopes \$1270.00

Loose \$0.00

Total: Under Budget \$1270.00

Other: candle, refurb, special \$741.00

Weekly Budget: \$1847.00

St. Joseph online Donation:

<https://www.osvhub.com/stmarysrh/funds/st-joseph-church-chester-donations>

**IF YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE CONSIDER INCREASING YOUR WEEKLY GIFT**

**ORATORY CENTER FOR SPIRITUALTY**

If you would like to have more information about the center or the programs it offers, you may visit the Oratory in Rock Hill.

[www.rockhilloratory.org](http://www.rockhilloratory.org)

[oratorycenter@gmail.com](mailto:oratorycenter@gmail.com)

**Divine Mercy Sunday** is a Catholic feast celebrated on the Sunday after Easter, emphasizing God's infinite mercy and offering special graces to the faithful.

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

The Lord expressed His Will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to St. Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her *Diary* entry 699: My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day are opened all the divine floodgates through which graces flow...

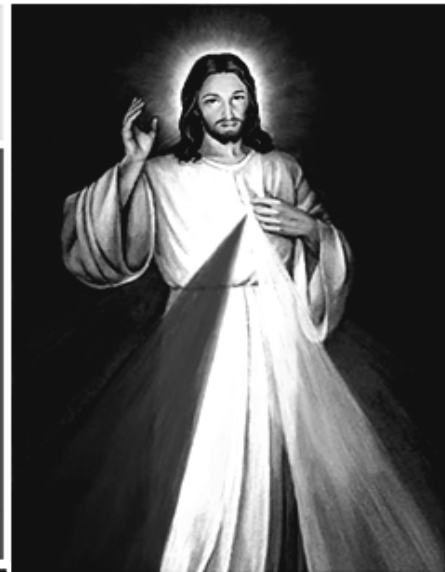
**THE HOUR of DIVINE MERCY** is 3-4pm. Join together Sunday to pray!

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Celebrated on the 2nd Sunday of Easter, it is an annual feast honouring devotion to Christ's tender mercy for all humanity

On this day, you may be granted a plenary indulgence\* if you:

- 1 go to confession
- 2 receive Holy Communion
- 3 pray for the pope's intentions
- 4 take part in the prayers and devotions held in the honour of Divine Mercy in any church or chapel OR recite the *Our Father*, the *Creed* and a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament



Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!

MAY YOU ALL HAVE A BLESSED AND GLORIOUS EASTER SEASON!

**Holy Humor**



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"I like it when everyone in church sings about that Ollie Louya guy."



"I must die to myself continually and accept trials without Complaining. Love without Suffering does not exist."

-St. Bernadette

**St. Bernadette, Pray for us!**

The souls of our deceased:

Jim Anderson	Damien Whisonant
Judithanne Hare	Mona Paragon
Danny McMurray	Warren Dew
Troy West	Jim McGee
Michelle Munnell	Bobbie Kay Lalli
Jim McMurray	Michael Young
Alfredo Guzman	

This Month's Remembrances

Dick & Dorothy Schumacher

Willis Johnson	Taylor Jurgens
Lou Emma Rowsam	Horace Johnson



Our sick:

Anne McMurray	Josette
Maggie Wilson	Beth Gaddy
Jay Williams	Tootie Juliano
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Gina McCanless	Maggie Robinson
Roger Ramsey	John Jacobs
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- We pray for the safety of all those who protect and serve, locally and throughout our country.
- We pray for the sanctity of marriage, the dignity of life from conception to natural death, and the end to the culture of death.
- We pray for all the suffering souls in Purgatory especially all our loved ones and those most forgotten.
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*Make me an Instrument of Your Peace*  
*St. Francis Prayer*

Lord, make me an instrument of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me sow love;

where there is injury, pardon;

where there is doubt, faith;

where there is despair, hope;

where there is darkness, light;

where there is sadness, joy.



O, Divine Master, grant that I may not so much

seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand;

to be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive;

it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

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