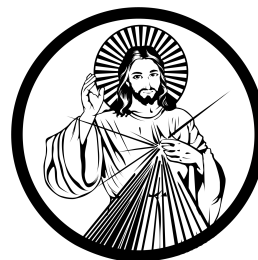


Saint Faustina - The Apostle of Divine Mercy

St. Faustina (Helen Kowalska), born on August 25, 1905 in the village of Głogowiec, near Łęczycza, was the third of ten children, of Stanisław and Marianna Kowalski. Raised in a simple but deep faith, she has become an important instrument in God's hands for the conversion of the contemporary world. She is called the Apostle of Divine Mercy. It was she who, although she did not even graduate from elementary school, was chosen by Jesus to remind the world of the truth about God's infinite Mercy: "My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy," (Diary #699). Extremely modest and humble, she received the grace of meeting Jesus and talking to him. Jesus, however, gave her the difficult task of telling mankind about the salvation that can only be found in God who is rich in mercy. "No soul will be justified until it turns with confidence to My mercy," (Diary #570). It is thanks to her trust in God that the truth concerning our salvation in God, was given greater focus. Faustina, not without obstacles, but consistently obeying her confessor and through him Jesus, commissioned the image of the Merciful Jesus with the slogan: JESUS I TRUST IN YOU and the transmission of a special prayer: THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY. Her spiritual notes written in several notebooks were compiled into what is called THE DIARY OF SAINT FAUSTINA KOWALSKA (Divine Mercy in my soul), which is among the great classics of spiritual literature.

In our church, on the right side of the altar, there is a painting of St. Faustina, which is venerated by many of the faithful who visit. We are also fortunate to have a relic of her, which is generally available for veneration on the 1st Sunday of each month, after the 4pm English Mass (refer to "Pastoral Announcements" for more details).


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DIVINE MERCY SHRINE

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Mass Times

~ Weekend Masses ~

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| Saturday | 6:00 pm Polish |
| Sunday | 9:00 am Polish |
| | 11:00 am Polish |
| | 4:00 pm English |

~ Weekday Masses ~

(Chaplet of Divine Mercy starts 15 minutes before each Mass)

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| Monday | 6:00 pm Polish |
| Tuesday | 6:00 pm English |
| Wed - Fri | 6:00 pm Polish |

~ Reconciliation/Confession ~

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| Sunday | 3:00 pm |
| Mon - Fri | 5:45 pm |

Opening Hours

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| Church | Every Day 8:00 am - 7:00 pm |
| Office | By Appointment |

Dairy of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

NOTEBOOK II, 718

After Holy Communion, I heard these words:— You see what you are of yourself, but do not be frightened at this. If I were to reveal to you the whole misery that you are, you would die of terror. However, be aware of what you are. Because you are such great misery, I have revealed to you the whole ocean of My mercy. I seek and desire souls like yours, but they are few. Your great trust in Me forces Me to continuously grant you graces. You have great and incomprehensible rights over My Heart, for you are a daughter of complete trust. You would not have been able to bear the magnitude of the love which I have for you if I had revealed it to you fully here on earth. I often give you a glimpse of it, but know that this is only an exceptional grace from Me. My love and mercy knows no bounds.

NOTEBOOK II, 719

(150) Today, I heard these words: Know, my child, that for your sake I grant blessings to this whole vicinity. But you ought to thank Me on their behalf, as they do not thank Me for the kindnesses I extend to them. For the sake of your gratitude, I will continue to bless them.

“At three o’clock, implore My mercy, especially for poor sinners: and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony. This is the hour of great mercy for the whole world. I will allow you to enter into My mortal sorrow. In this hour, I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion...” (Diary, 1320)

We strongly encourage you to visit our shrine every day and to private prayer in front of The Image of Merciful Jesus.

Pastoral Announcements

- *From Thursday, 1st June, onwards, church opening hours will be changed to the new time of 8am - 7pm.*
- *On Friday, 2nd June, we are delighted to have renowned Int'l Catholic Singer, Songwriter and Recording Artist, Anna Nuzzo, join us for our 6pm First Friday Mass. During Eucharistic Adoration following Mass, she's going to share a special sung Divine Mercy Chaplet she's composed, for us.*
- *We are very blessed to have Fr Chris Alar visit our shrine on Saturday, 3rd June, from 11am to 4pm, on his 1st Australian Visit (27 May - 7 June). Check the foyer notice board or website for more information.*
- *Eucharistic Adoration before our Sunday English Mass, starts @2:30pm. During this time, we will have the Holy Rosary, followed by the Hour of Mercy (@3pm). During the Hour of Mercy, we will have the Divine Mercy Chaplet, silent prayer, and Benediction.*
- *On the 1st Sunday of each month, after our 4pm English Mass, we will have veneration of Saint Sister Faustina's relic, followed by tea and coffee in the cafeteria. As this 1st Sunday is Holy Trinity Sunday, we will also be having personal blessings after Mass.*
- *Our shrine is the House of God, with Jesus truly being present in the Holy Eucharist. As such, please remember to maintain your reverence while in the church, by silencing phones/ devices, wearing modest clothing, and by maintaining silence. This is also considerate to those wishing to stay for personal prayer, after Mass.*
- *This month, English Mass will be held on Monday, 12th June; instead of the usual 2nd Tuesday.*
- *As June is dedicated to “The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus”, the Litany to the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be recited after each English Mass.*