Dairy of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska (cont.)

NOTEBOOK V, 1451 (cont.)

Two days before the new year, I had to go to bed, I was feeling very bad, and a violent cough was weakening me. And together with this, a constant pain in my intestines and nausea had brought me to the point of exhaustion. Although I could not join in community prayer.²²⁴ I united myself spiritually with the whole community. When the sisters got up at eleven o"clock at night to keep vigil and welcome the New Year, I had been writhing in agony since nightfall, and this lasted until midnight. I was uniting my sufferings to the prayers of the sisters who were keeping vigil in the chapel and atoning to God for the offences of sinners.

NOTEBOOK V, 1452

When the clock struck twelve, my soul immersed itself more deeply in recollection, and I heard a voice in my soul: (63) Do not fear, My little child, you are not alone. Fight bravely, because My arm is supporting you; fight for the salvation of souls, exhorting them to trust in My mercy, as that is your task in this life and in the life to come. After these words, I received a deeper understanding of divine mercy. Only that soul who wants it will be damned, for God condemns no one.

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Mass Times

~ Weekend Masses ~

Saturday

7:00 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)

Monday

7:00 pm Polish

Tuesday

7:00 pm English

Wed - Fri

7:00 pm Polish

~ Reconciliation/Confession ~

Sunday

4:00 pm

Mon - Fri

6:45 pm

Opening Hours

Church

Every Day

7:00 am - 8:00 pm

Office

By Appointment

Pastoral Announcements

- We wish everyone a Happy & Blessed New Year, for 2024.
- There will be NO Eucharistic Adoration (starting @2:30pm) before our 4pm Sunday English Masses this month. Eucharistic Adoration will resume again on 4th February.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession on Sundays in January, will only be available during the 4pm English Mass.
- Healing Mass & Service will be held on Tuesday, 9th January, celebrated by Fr Rojan.
- An extra Healing Mass & Service will be held on Saturday, 13th January, celebrated by Fr Anthony. Leaflets will be available in the foyer, with additional information.
- We need volunteers at our monthly working bees, to help clean the church. If you would like to help, please give your name and number to Nina or Alveera in the foyer, after Mass.
- We also need new lectors to participate in various services at the Divine Mercy Shrine, such as reciting Rosaries, Chaplets, Readings, etc... If you're interested, please let Nina or Alveera know in the foyer, after Mass.
- We invite all young children who would like to participate as Altar Servers at our 4pm Sunday English Masses, to please approach Fr Kamil, Nina or Alveera with their parents after Mass. Once enough numbers are reached, a training session will be held with the utmost care and safety, to teach new Altar Servers the ropes. We invite parents to encourage their children to sign up.
- Though we will sadly soon have to say goodbye to Fr Jerzy as Assistant Priest at the Divine Mercy Shrine for good, we wish him God's Blessings and all the very best to carry on his missionary work, in his newly assigned parish, in Brisbane.
- Just a friendly reminder, that our shrine is open from 7am til evening Mass each day, for private prayer.

Dairy of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska

The Year 1938
The First of January

NOTEBOOK V, 1449

Welcome to you, New Year, in the course of which my perfection will be accomplished.²²³ Thank You in advance, O Lord, for everything Your goodness will send me. Thank You for the cup of suffering from which I shall daily drink. Do not diminish its bitterness, O Lord, but strengthen my lips that, while drinking of this bitterness, they may know how to smile for love of You, my Master. I thank You for Your countless comforts and graces that flow down upon me each day like the morning dew, silently, imperceptibly, which no curious eye may notice, and which are known only to You and me, O Lord. For all this, I thank You as of today because, at the moment when You hand me the cup, my heart may not be capable of giving thanks.

NOTEBOOK V. 1450

So today I submit myself completely and with loving consent to Your holy will, O Lord, and to Your most wise decrees, which are always full of clemency and mercy for me, though at times I can (62) neither understand nor fathom them. O my Master, I surrender myself completely to You, who are the rudder of my soul; steer it Yourself according to Your divine wishes. I enclose myself in Your most compassionate Heart, which is a sea of unfathomable mercy.

NOTEBOOK V, 1451

+ I am ending the old year with suffering and beginning the new one with suffering as well.