



CORIO LARA

CATHOLIC PARISH

Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April 2024

Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska was a young religious in a convent in Krakow, Poland. She died on October 5, 1938. However, during the period between 1931 and 1938, our Lord appeared to her several times with messages about His great mercy. In obedience to our Lord and to her spiritual director, she put all of this into writing.

After a thorough examination of the matter, on April 15, 1978, the Holy See permitted the devotion to the Divine Mercy according to the writings of Sister Faustina. On April 18, 1993, Sister Faustina was beatified. In the year 2000, Sister Faustina was canonised.

Saint Faustina described our Lord's appearance to her in 1931: "In the evening, when I was in my cell, I became aware of the Lord Jesus clothed in a white garment. One hand was raised in blessing, the other was touching the garment at the breast. From the opening of the garment at the breast there came forth two large rays, one red and the other pale. In silence I gazed intently at the Lord; my soul was overwhelmed with fear, but also with great joy. After a while Jesus said to me, 'paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the inscription: Jesus, I trust in You.'"

Our Lord explained this image to her: "The pale ray stands for the Water [of sanctifying grace] which makes souls righteous; the red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My most tender Mercy at that time when My agonizing Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. ... Fortunate is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him."

Jesus also spoke of a Feast of the Divine Mercy and Confession and Holy Communion on that day. He said: "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. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy." Pope John Paul II established the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday in the year 2000.

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MASS TIMES

Tue. 9.15am | *Corio*
W. 9.15am | *Lara*
Th. 9.15am | *Corio*
F. 9.15am | *Corio*
Sat. 7pm (Vigil) | *Corio*
Sun. 9am | *Lara*
11am | *Corio*

CONFESSIONS

Tue. 7.30pm – 8.30pm | *Corio*
Sun. 8.30am – 8.55am | *Lara*

THE ROSARY

8.50am | Prior to weekday Masses

HOLY HOUR

Tue. 7.30pm – 8.30pm | *Corio*

FIRST SATURDAYS

8.30am Confessions | *Corio*
9.30am Weekday Mass | *Corio*
5.30pm Vietnamese Mass | *Corio*

PRESBYTERY GIVING (1st Collection)

St Francis Xavier Presbytery Account
BSB 083 347
ACC 543 292 126

CHURCH GIVING (2nd Collection)

St Francis Xavier Church Account
BSB 083 347
ACC 674 963 655

Mass Readings

Entrance Antiphon | 1 Pet 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading | Acts 4:32-35

Responsorial Psalm | Psalm 117(118):2-4,15-18,22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

Second Reading | 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation | John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

Gospel | John 20:19-31

Communion Antiphon | Cf. John 20:27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

MASS ROSTER NEXT WEEKEND 13th & 14th April 2024

7.00pm Corio	Reader EMHC	Jim Forssman Frank Moloney
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9.00am Lara	Reader EMHC	Angela Pearson Diane Saliba
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11.00am Corio	Reader EMHC	Lara Mesoga Adela Buaya Vicky Neri
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PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick:

The faithful departed: Michael Posterino

Pray for vocations to the priesthood!

Seminarians: Rhys Lowther, Greg Lewis

Parish Notices

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES FOR APRIL – JUNE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER FOR THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS:

Ryan & Annabelle Angulo

Irene Bingham

Mary Caruana

Belinda Celemin

Anthony & Jan Ciangura

Chit Chit

Sophia Cooper

Goerge & Julie Fava

Robert Htoo

Andrew & Snjezana Jalanski

Maria Koster

Jocelyn Langham

Lucia Praytho

Pleh Meh

Pui Moo

Maung & Mary No

Esther Oo

Geoffrey Parsons

Norman & Lhen Suann

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY. Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday on 7/4/2024 at St Francis Xavier. 2pm Holy Hour and Divine Mercy Chaplet. 3pm Holy Mass. 4pm Veneration of Relics. Confessions available from 2pm – 4.30pm. Divine Mercy Sunday Mass fulfills the Sunday obligation.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS. Courses preparing children to receive the sacraments of First Reconciliation and Confirmation will be offered this year. Courses preparing children (aged 7+) to receive Baptism and First Communion will be offered next year. Enrolment for the First Reconciliation course closes Friday 26 April. For more information and to enrol, visit coriolaracatholicparish.com.au/children.

WORKING BEE. Next Saturday 13th April there will be a working bee from 9.00am to midday to continue the redevelopment of the garden out the front of the Parish Office. Please consider assisting if you can. Contact Joe Brdar on 0404 172 266 for more information.

NEW WEBSITE. Our new website is coriolaracatholicparish.com.au. Thank you to Gerard Rowan for his support and generosity. The old website will no longer be updated.

'SPARK' U18 YOUTH GROUP. Open to high-school-aged youth. Next meeting 6.00pm - 8.30pm on Sunday 14th April 2024 in the Xavier Centre. Pizza dinner provided. Donations appreciated. Contact Gudrun for more information: gudrun.philipp@cam.org.au.

CHURCH CAFÉ. Every Sunday after the 11am Mass at St Francis Xavier. First and third Sundays of the month after the 9am Mass at St Anthony of Padua.

SATURDAY SUPPER. Third Saturday of the month after the 7pm Vigil Mass at St Francis Xavier. Next Supper on 20th April.

MONTHLY PARISH BBQ AT CORIO. Second Sunday of the month after the 11am Mass at St Francis Xavier. Next BBQ on 14th April.



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