

15551 N. Boggy Marsh Road, Clermont, FL 34714

April 16, 2023

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Jesus, I Trust in You

Mass Schedule / Horario de Misas Daily Mass Monday to Saturday at 8:00 AM Weekend Masses Saturday @ 4:00 PM, 5:45 PM Sunday @ 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM 5:00 PM en Espanol Wednesday Holy Hour 3:00-4:00 PM First Friday Adoration 8:30 AM-9:30 AM Confessions Saturday 3:00-3:45 PM or by appointment



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Pastor's Message / Mensaje del Pastor

Now, Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.(Jn. 20:30-31)

Together with St. Faustina, I greet you all with a blessed Divine Mercy Sunday! Congratulations to the couple and past recipients of our plaques of appreciation, on behalf of the parish, to celebrate their unconditional love and dedication to foster the devotion of the Divine Mercy through the ministries of St. Faustina parish! May your hearts continue to burn with zeal for the Risen Lord!

On this second Sunday of Easter, we consider the resurrected presence of Christ in the Eucharist. Though we do not yet see Jesus in his human form, we truly see and receive his sacramental body, blood, soul, and divinity in the Eucharist. Through the celebration of holy Communion, Jesus Christ gives his whole self to us in a way that unites us to the



experience of the first disciples. Once again, Jesus was not content to merely show his resurrected body to the first disciples and have us wait for his second coming. Jesus wants to give his resurrected body to every disciple in the Eucharist.

Let us rejoice, then, with the same joy of the first disciples! Jesus will come again today to give us his body. May the Holy Spirit deepen our faith in the word of God and the body of Christ as the presence of Jesus among us. We can come to every Mass expecting to encounter the risen Lord. As we receive Jesus in the Eucharist, we can proclaim with Thomas the Apostle: *My Lord and my God*!

Although you have not seen him you love him; even though you do not see him now yet believe in him, you rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, as you attain the goal of your faith, the salvation of your souls. (1Pet 1:9)

Ahora, Jesús hizo muchas otras señales en presencia de sus discípulos que no están escritas en este libro. Pero estos están escritos para que llegues a creer que Jesús es el Cristo, el Hijo de Dios, y que a través de esta creencia puedas tener vida en su nombre. (Jn. 20:30-31)

Junto con santa Faustina, os saludo a todos con un bendito Domingo de la Divina Misericordia. ¡Felicitaciones a la pareja y a los destinatarios anteriores de nuestras placas de agradecimiento, en nombre de la parroquia, para celebrar su amor incondicional y dedicación para fomentar la devoción de la Divina Misericordia a través de los ministerios de la parroquia de Santa Faustina! ¡Que vuestros corazones sigan ardiendo de celo por el Señor resucitado!

En este segundo domingo de Pascua, consideramos la presencia resucitada de Cristo en la Eucaristía. Aunque todavía no vemos a Jesús en su forma humana, realmente vemos y recibimos su cuerpo sacramental, sangre, alma y divinidad en la Eucaristía. A través de la celebración de la Sagrada Comunión, Jesucristo nos da todo su ser de una manera que nos une a la experiencia de los primeros discípulos. Una vez más, Jesús no se contentó con simplemente mostrar su cuerpo resucitado a los primeros discípulos y hacernos esperar su segunda venida. Jesús quiere dar su cuerpo resucitado a cada discípulo en la Eucaristía.

¡Regocijémonos, pues, con la misma alegría de los primeros discípulos! Jesús vendrá de nuevo hoy para darnos su cuerpo. Que el Espíritu Santo profundice nuestra fe en la palabra de Dios y en el cuerpo de Cristo como presencia de Jesús entre nosotros. Podemos venir a cada Misa esperando encontrar al Señor resucitado. Al recibir a Jesús en la Eucaristía, podemos proclamar con el apóstol Tomás: *¡Señor mío y Dios mío!*

Aunque no lo hayas visto, lo amas; Aunque no lo veáis ahora y creáis en Él, os regocijáis con un gozo indescriptible y glorioso, al alcanzar la meta de vuestra fe, la salvación de vuestras almas. (1Pedro 1:9)

Financial Stewardship

Weekly Collection Weekend of April 2, 2023

Offertory / Ofertorio: \$16,000.00 Mortgage Debt Reduction / Reducción de la deuda hipotecaria: \$4,677.00

Mass Attendance for the Weekend of April 2, 2023: 2,721

Mass Intentions

Saturday, A	pril 15, 2023
4:00 pm	Special Birthday-Dolores Beltrani
_	Requested by: Frank & Diane Maglione
5:45 pm	Healing For- Dr. Douglas Hock
_	Requested by: Harold & Donna Goodhue
Sunday, Ap	ril 16, 2023
7:30 am	+ Anne Suppa
	Requested by: Lina & Wil Green
9:30 am	+ Jesus Aguayo & + Amanda Negrete
	Requested by: Martina & Roberto Aguayo
11:30 am	+ Mary Ellen Doherty
	Requested by: Thomas Doherty
5:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Faustina
Monday, Ap	oril 17, 2023
8:00 am	Souls in the Purgatory
	Requested by: A Parishioner
Tuesday, Aj	pril 18, 2023
8:00 am	+ Arnaldo & + Doris Sousa
	Requested by: Oti Sousa
Wednesday	, April 19, 2023
8:00 am	SI Jimmy, Kitty, & Rafferty Family
	Requested by: Mary Ellen Burke
Thursday, A	April 20, 2023
8:00 am	+ Josephine Gutowski
	Requested by: Mike Smeraglia
Friday, Apr	il 21, 2023
8:00 am	+ Normand Campeau Jr.
	Requested by: Dad
Saturday, A	pril 22, 2023
8:00 am	+ Teresa Gonzalez
	Requested by: Anne Keating
4:00 pm	Parishioners of St. Faustina
5:45 pm	+ Susana Moreno
	Requested by: Adrey Goez
Sunday, Ap	
7:30 am	+ Elizabeth Smith
	Requested by: Cathy Kwech
9:30 am	+ Phillip DeFelice
	Requested by: Maureen Potter
11:30 am	+ Michael & + Eleanor Giordano
	Requested by: John Carmela Giamo
5:00 pm	+ Secundina Rosario & + Marta Pagan
	Requested: Angel Pagan

Prayer Requests

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

In order to properly update our parish "Prayer Request" section of the bulletin, we are asking you to **resubmit names** that you would like on our list by emailing: **office@stfaustina.org.**



David Venditti, Ed David, Julie SabonVanDyke, Lisa Flaherty, Maryn Poggi, James Niccum, Kristina Starr, David

Bartkus, Glen Mahnken, Mary Ann Cunningham, Jeannie Burns, Linda Patrick, Michael Patrick, Sue Puffs, David Valerian, Josefina Bacosa, Daniel Tomberg, Gloria Nestel, Russell Perine, Anita Boyd, Lisa Hurley, Julie Haley, Larry Brunke, Sr., Ron Henefer, Joe Arnello, Hadley Epps, Ray Conn, Frank Nardone, Dolores Bojda, Mary Lou Maiellano, Lee Patrick, Carol Walker, Allen Bishop, Matthew Thompson, Lilah Smith, Dakota Smith, Brown Stegall, Tommy White, Arturo Alejandro, Marie Flom, Marilyn Moseley, The Langan Family, Dick Schondel, Colby Feazell, Mueller. Sandra Manuel Bazon. Michele Middleton, Tina Audino, Jo Ellen Foti, Frank Montagnino, Joan Banahan, Kim Banks, Karen Clark, Judith Crogman, Daniel Cuttita, Patricia Dick, Linda Dugan, Don Logan, Brydon Neary, Lenise Shope, Amanda Solmonoff, Marge Tagler, Nicole Ūrbon, Theresa Wentling, Eric Whittingham, Mary Garl, Sue & Gene Plante, Donald & Trish Villeneuve, the people of the Ukraine and their people, and all those in need.



If you are a visitor to St. Faustina Catholic Church, we want you to know how welcome you are --- whether you have come from across the world, from another part of the country, or from another parish here in the state or city...WELCOME!

OUR MISSION — St. Faustina is a parish family inspired by the Holy Spirit and called to reflect God's Divine Mercy through a responsible stewardship of time, talent and treasure in the context of ministry.

NUESTRA MISION — Santa Faustina es una familia parroquial inspirada por el Espíritu Santo y llamada a reflejar la Divina Misericordia de Dios a través de una administración responsable del tiempo, el talento y el tesoro en el contexto de ministerio.

Parish Ministries & Upcoming Events



Divine Mercy Sunday

Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 1 pm Followed by the singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at Benediction at 3 pm

ST. FAUSTINA'S BAKE SALE NEEDS YOU! Now that we have arrived in our new church home, we are resuming our parish Bake Sale. Volunteers are needed for all Masses to help ensure successful Bake Sale events. Simply, help out at the Mass you attend! If you are willing to be a part of this ministry, please contact the office at: <u>office@stfaustina.org</u> Stay tuned for more information and our next Bake Sale date!





OUR HOSPITALITY MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!! People are needed to help set up tables and chairs before the 7:30 am Mass and to break down and put away those items following the 11:30 am Mass. Volunteers are also needed after every Mass to help in the warming kitchen to make coffee, put doughnuts on platters, transfer items to the outside tables, and help to clean up after each Mass.

If you are interested, please email: <u>office@stfaustina.org</u> and include what your availability is and what you would like to do to help.



DO YOU LIKE TO SEW, KNIT, CROCHET...or do NEEDLE POINT? If so, please join Diane Maglione on *Thursday, April 27, at 10 am* in the church classroom to discuss the possibility of a new ministry which will serve the needs of our parish family and community.



THE BELK FUNDRAISER IS BACK at St. Faustina -- After being absent for several years, the Belk Fundraiser has returned to our parish. *Starting NEXT weekend*, members of our Fundraising Committee will be at all Masses to sell Belk coupons for \$5.00. *On the weekend of May 5-6*, take your coupon to Belk and redeem it on any purchase. **Oh, by the way, the parish keeps the entire \$5.00 from EVERY ticket sold!** St. Faustina participated in this fundraiser back when we were located on 192, and it was a great success for both the parish and parishioners.





MOTHER'S DAY is coming on May 14th. If you would like to remember your mother, grandmother, or any other special mother-figure in your life, please fill out and return your envelope no later than May 7 so it can be counted and placed on the Altar. An envelope has been included this year in the packet, which you should have received at home. If not, you can take an envelope from the literature rack or you can use a plain envelope marked "Mother's Day". On Mother's Day weekend, all the envelopes will be placed on the Altar and we will pray for all the special mothers in our lives.

ST. FAUSTINA'S HEART LINKS IN FAITH GROUP offers a safe and confidential place for those who have lost a loved one, to share their experiences with others, learn about the process of grief and receive emotional and spiritual support. The group is open to all parish members as well as the general public. The group will meet on Saturday between 1:00 and 2:30PM starting on May 20th. For **more information, call Kelly Mucci at: 352-515-9297, ext. 102** if you plan to attend and/or have any questions.



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THE PINGALORES are the KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FAMILY of the MONTH—Our Knights of Columbus Council 14217, have chosen Mike, Tina, Ella and Grace Pingalore as their February Family of the Month.

Mike is co-chairman of the Fundraising Committee and was the emcee at our parish Christmas party the last two years. He is also an usher at the 11:30 Mass. Tina is the head sacristan, an usher at the 11:30 Mass, a member of the Fundraising Committee, and is also a Religious Education teacher. She has been teaching for three years and this year has the seventh-graders.

(PHOTO: In first row are Mike, Tina, daughters Ella & Grace, and Fr. Ramon. The back row consists of Knights, Bob, Ed, John & Michael).

For more information on the Family of the Month program, please see the Knights' web page on our secure parish website: Family of the Month - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont (stfaustina.org)

Do you have about five minutes a day to pray a "DECADE A DAY"? This is a program in which 20 people

each say one decade of the Rosary every day of the year, for one year. Each member signs up for one decade, and prays that decade every day. For example, if my decade/mystery was the Visitation, then that is the Decade I would say each day.

The ministry seeks to gather parishioners who would like to commit to praying one decade of the Rosary every day, anywhere you are, whether at home, at work, at recess, in a car,



on a trip, walking your dog...anywhere. It only takes three to five minutes of your time.

For more information, please go to the Decade A Day web page on our secure parish website at:

Decade A Day - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont (stfaustina.org)

The Parking Ministry is looking for your help — The Parking Ministry's goals are to assist St. Faustina parishioners, especially the disabled, in their efforts to park and navigate the parking lot as well as to greet parishioners on their way



into the church facility. Typical duties would include placing handicap cones and assisting disabled parishioners with wheelchairs/walkers and assuring a smooth flow of traffic before/after each mass as well as assisting visitors. If you enjoy the outdoors, helping others and meeting parishioners, the Parking Ministry may be for you! For more information, please go to our website at: Parking Ministry - St. Faustina Catholic Church -Clermont (stfaustina.org)

Or *email office(a)stfaustina.org* if you are interested.

It is with utmost respect that we share this friendly reminder with you. Our Church is a Holy place. While in the building, both before, during and after Mass, please be reverent and keep conversations soft and at a minimum, as others are in prayer.



Thank you for your consideration to others and our Lord.



For daily devotions, Saint of the Day, parish news and much more, go to our Facebook page at:

www.facebook.com/St.FaustinaCatholicChurch

News from St. Vincent de Paul Orlando: Season 2 of "Our Faith in Action: Today's Society of St. [†]St.Vincent de Paul Vincent de Paul," just premiered on EWTN. Catch up with episodes online! Visit https://ssvpusa.org/ about-us/our-faith-in-action/ to watch Vincentians as they help neighbors in need and share stories of 💈 Christ's love.



Weekly Reflection The Eighth Day Is Freedom by Kathryn Muldernik, Diocesan Publications Writer

Every year, I am in awe that we prepare for Easter with 40 days of penitence, and then celebrate Christ's Resurrection for 50 days! Every day of the Octave of Easter is one long Easter Sunday, liturgically speaking; a week-long day of rejoic-



ing, encompassing the "first day of the week" (Easter Sunday) and the "eighth day" of the week (Divine Mercy Sunday). This "eighth day" becomes the new "first day", the symbol of the new creation Christ has set in motion.

The eighth day as a sign of holiness and freedom is seen in Scripture, particularly in the Book of Leviticus. On this day, children were circumcised, becoming purified and receiving the seal of the covenant (Lev 12:2-3). Animals were ceremonially unclean before their eighth day, and could not be sacrificed before then (Lev 22:27). All people who were unclean for any reason remained so until the eighth day, when they were accounted clean (Lev 14:8-10; 15:13-14). Even the vessels for ministry and the priests went through seven days of purification, and were "clean" on the eighth day.

The Gospel tells us that Jesus rose on "the first day of the week," which is the same as the "eighth day." The Jewish people hold Saturday, the seventh day, as a day of rest and worship, because God rested on the seventh day of creation. But Christians acknowledge that Jesus' sacrifice on Calvary fulfilled every Levitical oblation and sacrifice, and the resurrection on the "eighth day" points to the NEW creation and the final fulfillment of all creation. In the early Church, the baptismal font was often octagonal, to symbolize that through this font that we become a new creation in Christ!

On Divine Mercy Sunday, we see Jesus putting Thomas' doubts to rest by revealing his wounds, through which he poured out mercy on the world. It is through these wounds that Jesus gave us the incredible gifts of cleansing and forgiveness and renewal, and here he gives his disciples the authority to

forgive in the sacrament of Penance. In Jesus' many words and actions and miracles, he proved that Love overcomes every sin and shortcoming. On this "eighth day" of Easter, we glimpse the whole point and hear anew the call to fulfillment of all creation: the final victory over every uncleanness and sinfulness, and our final, glorious rest at the Mar-



riage Feast of the Lamb, celebrating the definitive conquering of death on the mystical eighth day of creation in eternity.

In the Diary of St. Faustina Kowalska, Jesus reveals his desire that this day be "a refuge and shelter for all souls... 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." So, let us joyfully approach that Fount by going to Confession and receiving Him in Communion to welcome the Gift of His healing love!

WELCOME TO OUR ST. FAUSTINA PARISH FAMILY Whether you are a new parishioner, a constant visitor, or a Snowbird, we say, "welcome to our family."

As you may, or may not know, we were established on September 30, 2005, when our first Mass was said in a hotel room before 64 parishioners. Since then we have moved three times before settling at our permanent home here at 15551 N. Boggy Marsh Road with our first Mass being held on February 4.



You can read all about our journey and discover what opportunities are available to you by taking a few minutes to look over our *secure* website at: www.stfaustina.org.

We encourage everyone who wishes to become part of our family to register with the parish...and there are two ways you can do that.

Registration forms can be downloaded from our website at: <u>New Parishioner Registration - St.</u> <u>Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont (stfaustina.org)</u> or you can take a registration form from the rack in the back foyer (as you enter the church) and drop it off at the parish office *during regular*

business hours...Monday thru Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm and on Friday from 9 am to 1 pm.

St. Stephen Harding

By Marylu Mariniello

Stephen Harding was born in Sherborne Dorset in 1050 in the Kingdom of England. His family was nobility but had been ruined due to the Norman conquest of England.

There is little information about his childhood, but when he was older, Stephen was educated at the Sherborne Abbey and spent some time at the local monastery. He spoke English, Norman, French and Latin.

In 1085, Stephen went to Scotland and then to France where met an Englishman named Peter. They went on a pilgrimage to Rome and then on to Burgundy, France. As they were returning home, they began looking into the monastic traditions of the Camaldolese and Vallombrosians monasteries. They soon came upon Molesme Abbey, where the monks lived in great austerity. There they met Robert of Molesme and Alberic. Now Stephen and Peter embraced the monastic life. After a few years, they moved onto Citeaux, where they founded a new abbey, which was sponsored by Rainald, the Lord of Beaune and Odo, the Duke of Burgundy. The first two abbots were Robert and Alberic, who died in 1110. Stephen then became the third Abbot of Cîteaux. He instituted more austere measures to keep the spirit of the world out, but he alienated the support of many who had helped to establish the abbey.

Very few novices were joining the monastery and there was a shortage of food, causing a great deal of suffering for the monks. Stephen drew up the "Charter of Charity," the basis for Cistercian monasticism, but with fewer men joining, it was thought that the order would die out. He asked God for help. Then Bernard of Clairvaux entered the community in 1112. He brought thirty new men wishing to join, many from his own family, including cousins and uncles.

Soon additional houses were founded to accommodate the new recruits. Stephen, Bernard and Robert worked together to forge a new society call the Cistercians. The word Cistercians is derived from the Latin form of Citeaux, which is where the monastery was located. The next year Stephen founded his first colony at La Ferté. Between 1112 and 1119, a dozen new Cistercian houses were established to accommodate those



joining. Stephen had great organizational skills, instituting the system of general chapters and regular visitations. He received official approval for the *Carta Caritatis* in 1119 from Pope Callistus, which was the original charter of the abbey written by Stephen.

By the end of the twelfth century, the order had spread to Germany, England, Wales, Scotland, Ireland, Spain, Portugal, Italy, Scandinavia and Eastern Europe.

The monks were also known as White Monks because the robe worn over the habit is white. The Cistercians have nuns in the order too. They follow the Rule of St. Benedict and contributions from St. Bernard of Clairvaux.

Stephen served as the abbot of Cîteaux for twenty-five years. There was a collaboration in founding the Cistercian Order, but the shape of Cistercian thought and its rapid growth in the twelfth century were due largely to Stephen. He also insisted on simplicity in all aspects of monastic life, encouraging the severity of Cistercian architecture and the simple beauty of the Order's music and liturgy.

Stephen was a prolific writer. His most memorable writing was the Harding Bible, which was a manuscript written between 1109 and 1111. Stephen resigned in 1133 due to poor eyesight and died on March 28, 1134 at the Abbey. Years would pass before he was formally venerated. He was canonized in 1623. His feast day is April 17.

Before he died, Stephen had established thirteen monasteries. By the end of the twelfth century, there were five hundred. The Cistercians and Benedictines celebrate the joint feast day of Saints Robert Molesme, Alberic and Stephen Harding on January 26, called the Solemnity of the Founders of Citeaux.

