

SAINT FAUSTINA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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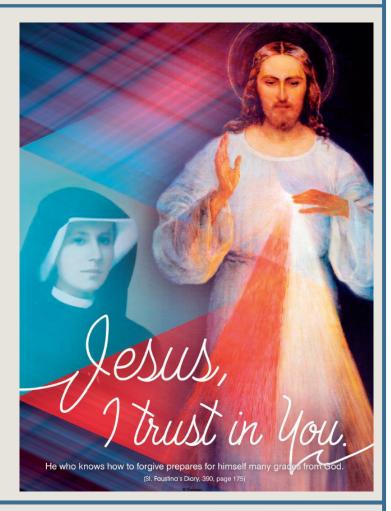
Divine Mercy Sunday

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 Sunday @ 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am 5:00 pm en Espanol Wednesday Holy Hour 3:00 to 4:00 pm First Friday Exposition 8:30 am to 8:00 pm **Confessions** Saturday 3:00 pm to 3:45 pm or by appointment The Church is Open for Personal Prayer Monday thru Thursday, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm Friday, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm





Parish Office Hours / Horario de Oficina Parroquial 9:00 am - 4:00 pm, Monday-Thursday / Lunes a Jueves — 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Friday / Viernes

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A MESSAGE FROM FATHER CARLOS - UN MENSAJE DE PADRE CARLOS

My Dear Family of St. Faustina,

On this Second Sunday of the Easter season, the Gospel brings us the figure of Thomas, the unbeliever. But the truth is that the group of apostles gradually came to believe that it was the risen Jesus who was present to them. Luke, in the

account of the disciples of Emmaus, tells us that those disciples returned home from Jerusalem, without faith and without any hope. It was Jesus who explained the Scriptures to them and aroused their faith until, sitting down at the table, they recognized Him in the breaking of bread.

Today's story has the same meaning. Thomas has heard what his companions have told him. But the testimony of others is not enough for Thomas; he wants to SEE Jesus, he wants to TOUCH Him, he wants to put his finger in the wound in his side, in a word, he wants evidence. More than believing in the Risen One, he wants proof. Thomas is a symbol of many people who want proof to believe. But what is believing? To believe is to push the boundaries of our human life. To believe is to affirm that there is another reality beyond what we can see, touch, or measure.

For those who do not believe, what actually exists is what we can see, touch, what our machines and computers can measure and verify. What escapes verification is defined as "myths" or empty words. For the believer, what we see, our world, has no explanation in itself. The origin, the destiny and the why of this world and of each one of us is outside of us. Our life and this world cannot be understood without God, without his love and without his mercy.

We come to Mass because we believe in Jesus, the Son of God, who died and rose again. We believe that the risen Jesus is present among us, animating our faith, granting us the strength of his Spirit to live as brothers and sisters. We believe that Jesus is offering us his body made food, hearing our prayer. But we can't see him, we can't touch him, we can't prove or prove his presence. That is why we sometimes doubt and find it difficult to believe and live as his disciples. <u>"Blessed are those who believe without seeing."</u> On this Sunday of Divine Mercy, may God grant Our community of St. Faustina the Gift of Faith. Animo!

St. Faustina... Pray for us.

Fatber Carlos

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Mi querida familia de Santa Faustina,

En este Segundo Domingo del tiempo Pascual, el Evangelio nos trae la figura de TOMÁS, el incrédulo. Pero la verdad es que el grupo de apóstoles llegó poco a poco, superando dudas y dificultades, a creer que era Jesús resucitado el que se les hacía presente. Lucas, en el relato de los discípulos de Emaús nos dice que aquellos discípulos volvían de Jerusalén a casa, sin fe y sin esperanza alguna. Fue Jesús el que les explicó las escrituras y les suscitó la fe hasta que, sentados a la mesa, le reconocieron en la fracción del pan.

El relato de hoy tiene el mismo significado. Tomás ha oído lo que le han dicho sus compañeros. Pero a Tomás no le basta el testimonio de los otros; quiere VER a Jesús, quiere TOCARLO, quiere introducir su dedo en la llaga del costado, en una palabra, quiere evidencias. Más que creer en el resucitado quiere la comprobación. Tomás es símbolo de mucha gente que quiere pruebas para creer. Pero ¿Qué es creer? Creer es ampliar los límites de nuestra vida humana. Creer es afirmar que hay otra realidad más allá de lo que podemos ver, tocar o medir.

Para el que no cree, lo que existe en realidad es lo que podemos ver, tocar, lo que nuestras máquinas y ordenadores pueden medir y comprobar. Lo que escapa a la comprobación se define como "mitos" o como palabras vacías. Para el creyente, lo que nosotros vemos, nuestro mundo, no tiene explicación en sí mismo. El origen, el destino y el porqué de este mundo y de cada uno de nosotros está fuera de nosotros. Nuestra vida y este mundo no se entienden sin Dios, sin su amor y sin su misericordia.

Nosotros venimos a misa porque creemos en Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, muerto y resucitado. Creemos que Jesús resucitado está presente entre nosotros animando nuestra fe, concediéndonos la fuerza de su Espíritu para vivir como hermanos. Creemos que Jesús está ofreciéndonos su cuerpo hecho alimento, escuchando nuestra plegaria. Pero no le vemos, no le podemos tocar, no podemos comprobar ni demostrar su presencia. Por eso, a veces dudamos y nos resulta difícil creer y vivir como discípulos suyos. <u>"Dichosos quienes crean</u> <u>sin haber visto."</u> Que, en este Domingo de la Divina Misericordia, Dios nos conceda a Nuestra comunidad de Santa Faustina el Don de la Fe. ¡Animo!

Santa Faustina... Ruega por nosotros.

Padre Carlos

Financial Stewardship

 Weekly Collection Weekend of March 24, 2024

 Offertory / Ofertorio: \$12, 624.00 Mortgage Debt Reduction / Reducción de la deuda hipotecaria: \$12,531.00

Mass Attendance: 2,912

To donate through our parish website, please go to: https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z517/home



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 6, 2024

4:00 pm + Robert Sarber

Requested by: K of C Msgr. Thomas J. Kilfoil

Sunday, April 7, 2024

7:30 am	+ Norman Johnson
	Requested by: Kathryn Johnson
9:30 am	+ Kevin Parrilla
	Requested by: Pam Blattner
11:30 am	St. Faustina Parishioners
3:00 pm	Special Service (Divine Mercy)
5:00 pm	En agradecimiento al Gran Poder de Dios
	Requested by: Lissy Pacheco

Monday, April 8, 2024

8:00 am + Elizabeth Venditti Requested by: David Venditti

Tuesday, April 9, 2024

8:00 am + Linda I. May

Requested by: Joe May

Wednesday, April 10, 2024

8:00 am + Lewis Vogler

Requested by: Mattingly Family

Thursday, April 11, 2024

8:00 am + Santiago & + Teresa Sarsadias Requested by: Sylvia Espulgar

Friday, April 12, 2024

8:00 am + Carol Schanen Requested by: Linda Schanen

Saturday, April 13, 2024

- 8:00 am Memorial Mass Association
- St. Faustina Parishioners 4:00 pm

Sunday, April 14, 2024

7:30 am	+ Orlando & + Lydia Pantaleon
	Requested by: Patrick & Elena Crisostomo
9:30 am	+ Francisca Iglesia
	Requested by: Claribel Iglesia
11:30 pm	+ Mary Ellen Doherty
	Requested by: Thomas Doherty
5:00 pm	+ Secundina Rosario & + Marta Pagan
	Requested by: 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.



Jessica Hiles, Lorgia & Pablo Pazmino, Gabriela Lantigua-Pazmino, Phillip Kilinski, Carol Gosart, Steven Syrkin, and Roger Jones, Frank T. Montiagnino, Kristey Nelson, David Egan, Robert Kolenc, Jan Nilsen, Brenda Brubaker, Roger Darnell, Sandy Darnell, Tina Cyr, Patrick J Cyr, Barb Nelson, Ed David, Jack Marchewka, David Venditti, Cecilia Fanelli, Arabella Zeglovskis, Felisa Parker-Gibson, Helen Capozzi, John Magnotti, Kay Bucci, Becky Oosterveen, Joseph Loughrey, Robert Kasper, Julie Sabon vanDyke, Michael Daniel Boglino, Mike McGee, Larry Wilson, Joseph Foster, Carmine Gallo, Elsa Gomez, Nancy Harrigan, Judith Crogman, Jean Conn, Carlos Corrales, Theresa Wentling, Paulette Sparlik, Lilian Hawkinson, Mark Thomas, David Bache, Zachary Birkholz, Jim Exnicios, Angela & Exevior Bojda, David Bartkus, Mary Ann Cunningham, Jeannie Burns, Linda Patrick, Michael Patrick, Anita Boyd, Julie Haley, Larry Brunke, Sr., Ron Henefer, Hadley Epps, Tina Audino, Daniel Cuttita, Patricia Dick, Lenise Shope, Marge Tagler, Mary Garl, Sue & Gene Plante, Donald & Trish Villeneuve

Stream our St. Faustina Masses Live by going to our secure parish web page at: https://stfaustina.org/ livestream-of-mass/





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.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Daily Mass Monday thru Saturday at 8:00 am followed by the Holy Rosary		
Saturday, April 6	First Saturday Rosary, following the 8:00 am Mass in church Hospitality Weekend following the 4:00 pm Mass	
Sunday, April 7	Divine Mercy Sunday, regular Mass Schedule Divine Mercy Service, 3:00 pm in church	
	Hospitality Weekend following all Masses	
Monday, April 8	Emmans, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in classroom	
Tuesday, April 9	Bible Study, 8:30 am to 10:00 am in classroom Adult Choir Practice 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in church Cantor Practice, 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm in church	
Wednesday, April 10	Caring Crafters, 10:00 am to 11:00 am in classroom Holy Hour, 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm in church Bell Ringers Practice, 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm in church Young Adults Ministry, 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm in classroom	
Thursday, April 11	Divine Will Study, 9:00 am to 10:15 am in classroom Oracion y Vida, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm in classroom Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 pm in classroom	
Friday, April 12	Spanish Rosary and Bible Study, 7:00 pm in church	
Saturday, April 13	Bake Sale Weekend following the 4:00 pm Mass	
Sunday, April 14	Bake Sale Weekend following all Masses	

PLAN AHEAD, SPACE IS LIMITED – Do you have a parish meeting or event coming up and need to reserve one of our rooms or the church? Simply click on the following link, fill out the form (in either English or Spanish) and hit the submit button. You will receive a confirmation email and then, after your request has been reviewed, an email from our own Kelly Mucci to either confirm or explain why she had to deny your request.

Reserve Your Space NOW!

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EVERYONE who would like to reserve space at our church, <u>MUST</u> complete the form at the following link: https://stfaustina.org/ministries/ministry-room-request-form/



The following Feast Days will be celebrated at this week's Masses: Monday, April 8—Annunciation of the Lord, Thursday, April 11—St. Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr, Saturday, April 13—St. Martin 1st, Pope and Martyr

Grief Support - is a 10 week program which allows 10-12 individuals to help support each other through the grieving process. We are currently

holding a session that is full at this time. If anyone feels they need to speak to someone please feel free to *contact Kelly Mucci 352-515-9297 ext, 102.* and someone will reach out to you.



BEREAVEMENT/CONSOLATION MINISTRY—The Bereavement/Consolation Ministry is in need of English and Bilingual ministers. The primary goal of this ministry is to comfort and support those left behind. If you feel that you are being called to serve those in need and have compassion, patience, empathy, understanding and are a good listener, please reach out to *kmucci@stfaustina.org or call her at: 352-525-9297 (ext. 102).*

Bereavement and Consolation - St. Faustina Catholic Church - Clermont (stfaustina.org)

For more information, please go to: <u>https://thekidsbulletin.com</u>



PARISH MINISTRIES & UPCOMING EVENTS

Weekend Mass Praise & Tribute

This week's Altar Flowers are graciously donated by Nanette Gillan celebrating Deacon Dennis' Birthday on April 8th





BAKE SALE IS NEXT WEEKEND, Saturday, April 13, after the 4:00 pm Mass and Sunday, April 14, following the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30 am morning Masses. If you are a baker and would like to participate, simply bring your tasty treat to Mass with you. And, of course, we need buyers as all proceeds benefit the parish. For more information on this ministry, please go to their secure web page on our parish website at: <u>https://stfaustina.org/ministries/bake-sale/</u>

CONGRATULATIONS!!! ST. FAUSTINA PARISHIONERS—Last week's Easter blood drive was an outstanding success as 26 donors entered the Big Red Bus and we once again met our One-Blood-assigned goal. Since the drive began in June of 2019, you have contributed 552 pints of blood while saving over 1,656 lives as each donation has the ability to help up to three patients in need. Our next drive is scheduled for Sunday, May 26, in which we will celebrate the five-year anniversary of this ministry. "THANK YOU!!" for your continued support.





St. Faustina Grandparents Ministry to Meet Wednesday, April 17th —The St. Faustina Chapter of the Catholic Grandparents Association will meet on Wednesday, April 17th, at 10:45 am in the classroom. If you are a grandparent and want to share your experiences, and pray for all grandchildren, please come and see what we have to offer you. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month with a variety of topics. We will discuss "Book Sharing" at the upcoming meeting. All are welcome.

For more information, please contact ministry leader, Jerilyn Polson at: nonnagerarda86@gmail.com

or go to their web page at: https://stfaustina.org/ministries/grandparents-ministry-2/

Our Knights of Columbus offer the opportunity to help strengthen the domestic church (our families) by providing exceptional religious education materials to all Catholics. Building the Domestic Church Kiosks contain engaging, faith-based literature from the Catholic Information Service aimed at helping Catholics to live out the Church's vision for our families. The kiosk, which has 15 different books, is located in the Narthex. Please take the books that interest you and keep them for your personal library.





Need a Bible? We Have you Covered! — At Bible Study and forgot your Bible? Need a Bible to read while you spend time in prayer and reflection? We are pleased to announce that we have a couple of copies of the New American Bible in the front office. If you need a Bible while at St. Faustina, come and sign one out at the front office. It is free to use; but we ask that you return it when you have finished using it for that day.

STREAM OUR ST. FAUSTINA MASSES...LIVE!!! If you are unable to attend Mass...weekday or weekend...our parish offers you the opportunity to Live Stream our St. Faustina Masses by going to our secure parish web page at: <u>https://stfaustina.org/livestream-of-mass/</u>



From there, select the Mass you wish to stream and you will have it on your computer or device.

F Like us on Another way to keep up with what is going on in the parish is to **join our Facebook page**. Daily **Facebook** Devotions, Saint of the Day, other inspirational and spiritual information as well as up-to-the-minute parish news are posted every day. To join, go to: <u>www.facebook.com/St.FaustinaCatholicChurch</u>

PEACE BE WITH YOU

By Alexis Dallara-Marsh, Diocesan Publications Writer

Chapter 20 of the Gospel of John emphasizes Peace and the Holy Spirit abiding within us. Christ's first word following His



death is "Peace". I do not find that I am naturally a peaceful person. I tend to get easily distracted and upset by life not being "fair", or agitated when things do not go exactly as I had planned. I am flawed. Yet so much greater than this is that I am also loved. Above all else, Christ has laid down his life for me. I owe it to Him to do my best to try to find an inner peace. It is often a battle. My mind races at night, dwelling on what might go wrong. It is by listening to the word of God that I calmed down and am reminded of who I really am. Through dedicating my time to Him in prayer and good deeds, He will rejuvenate me, like the Living Water He declares to the Samaritan woman.

Again and again we must acknowledge that the Holy Spirit resides in each of us, guiding us, and that in each passing moment we can become more like Christ. Pope Benedict XVI explained, "Every person carries within himself, a project of God, a personal vocation, a personal idea of God, on what he is required to do in history to build His Church, a living temple of His presence." I have a calling, a reason for why God has created me, I was chosen for this life to share God's glory with those around me. We may not always know where we belong or how each passing moment might unfold. While I may not be at peace on my own accord, with God's grace, He will remain in me as a source of peace through the Holy Spirit. He will help me find the way.

"Loving God, please grant me peace of mind and calm my troubled heart. My soul is like a turbulent sea. I can't seem to find my balance so I stumble and worry constantly. Give me the strength and clarity of mind to find my purpose and walk the path you've laid out for me". - Author Unknown

TRULY FAVORED

By Allison Gingras, Diocesan Publications Writer

Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God."

What an interesting choice of words from the Angel Gabriel - "favor with God." This has to be where Mary's fullness of grace

comes in because if I was told I had favor with God and then my life went on the roller-coaster ride that Mary's did, I'm not sure I would believe the Archangel Gabriel nor share the same definition and understanding of "favor."

Here in the Annunciation, we hear these profound words spoken to Mary, along with the astounding news that God has chosen her to bear His beloved Son. Although I try to place myself in that room, hearing those words, I simply cannot fathom the depth of Mary's emotions in that very moment, that unique experience that the Blessed Virgin Mary alone has been graced to experience.

This "favor" that was found to be with Mary becomes increasingly harder to imagine as the rest of the story of Mary's life with Jesus unfolds — in what we, who are not full of grace, might see as a complete unraveling of God's favor. As a woman, I know how I would perceive this journey if I were to put myself in Mary's situation.

Mary is the ultimate model of trust and faith because we have no evidence that she lost these gifts, as I would have if my expectations were seemingly twisted completely around.

These are a few of the events and situations I wouldn't expect if I had received the news I was expecting the Son of God:

- I would not have expected to travel to help out a slightly more pregnant cousin right after finding out I, too, was to have a baby, especially if that child was the Messiah!
- I would have expected to have the baby at home with my mom and maybe some women from Nazareth to help out, not in a barn all the way in Bethlehem with only my husband's assistance.
- After my son's unexpected birth in a manger, I would have expected to return back to Nazareth, again to the comfort of my home and my family and community to help me raise my new son. I would have never expected this urgent, I am sure, frightening escape from Bethlehem into Egypt.

In the end, it is irrefutable (to me, at least) that Mary has truly found favor with God. This grace may not align with our thoughts and understanding of 'favor,' but I continue, like her, to ponder all these things in my heart, praying that if the day ever arrives for me to be greeted by an angel with a great message from God, I too will answer, "May it be done to me according to your Word."



BEATIFIED AMERICANS By Marylu Mariniello

Maria Franziska Schervier (1819–1876) was the founder of the Poor Sisters of Saint Francis and the Franciscan Sisters of the Poor (North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany and Ohio). Maria was born into a wealthy German family but decided to dedicate herself to helping others. She formed a community in Germany who cared for the sick, operated a soup kitchen, assisted prostitutes and supervised the women prisoners at the Aachen prison, also helping them to adjust to the outside world. The Sisters also established communities in the US for German speaking immigrants. Sister Maria Schervier visited the US in 1863, helping to nurse soldiers wounded in the Civil War. A formal investigation into her life showed the miraculous cure of a man in Ohio, which led to Sister Maria's beatification on April 28, 1974 by Pope Paul VI.

Diego Luis de San Vitores (1627–1672) was a Professed Priest of the Jesuits in Burgos, Spain and Tumon, Guam (U.S. Territory). He founded the first Catholic church on the island of Guam and is responsible for establishing the Christian presence in the Mariana Islands. He was the son of a Nobleman, groomed to have a military career, but chose the Church instead. He was martyred and then beatified on October 6, 1985 by Pope John Paul II.

Francis Xavier Seelos (Francis Xavier) (1819–1867) was a Professed Priest of the Redemptorists (Bavaria, Germany and Louisiana). He was born in Germany and emigrated to the US to help German immigrants. One of his first parishes was St. Philomena in Pittsburgh, where he worked with John Neumann, who would later become a saint. He served in various parishes in Maryland and then became a missionary preaching in both English and German in Connecticut, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Wisconsin. He spent his last years in New Orleans helping victims of yellow fever, causing his death. He was beatified on April 9, 2000 by Pope John Paul II.

Josep Tristany Pujol (Father Lucas of Saint Joseph) (1872–1936) was a Professed Priest of the Discalced Carmelites in Lleida, Spain, Tucson, Arizona and Barcelona, Spain. He was the First Pastor of Holy Family Parish in Tucson, Arizona, remembered for his preaching, spiritual writings, his enormous great intellectual capacity and a warm, generous heart. He was beatified on October 28, 2007 by Cardinal José Saraiva Martins.

Ricardo Farré Masip (Eduardo of the Child Jesus) (1897–1936) was a Professed Priest of the Discalced Carmelites. He was a Parish priest of Santa Cruz Parish and Holy Family Parish in Tucson, Arizona. He also served in Durango Mexico, was the Prior of a monastery in Washington DC, then he returned to Spain and was elected to the General Chapter of the Provincial Chapter. He was beatified on October 28, 2007 by Pope Benedict.

Teresa Demjanovich (Miriam Teresa) (1901–1927) was an American Ruthenian Greek Catholic Sister of Charity and a teacher who was very devout and spiritual. She had severe health issues and died at a young age. Prayers were sent to her for a boy who became legally blind due to macular degeneration and his sight was restored. She was beatified on October 4, 2014 by Cardinal Angelo Amato, S.D.B.

Carlos Manuel Cecilio Rodríguez Santiago (1918–1963) was a layperson of the Diocese of Caguas, Puerto Rico. Known as "Blessed Charlie," Carlos was the first Puerto Rican and the first Caribbean born layperson to be beatified. He wanted to become a priest, but severe health issues prevented this. He worked as a clerk, writing and translating articles, while publishing the *Liturgy and Christian Culture*. He taught catechism, organized discussion groups, was a Knight of Columbus, championed a renewal of liturgy between clergy and laypeople, stressed the use of the vernacular and the proper observance of the Easter Vigil at night. He died at the age of forty four from cancer. In 1981, a friend of Carlos was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. She prayed to Carlos and recovered. This miracle led to his beatification by Pope John Paul II on April 29, 2001.

Stanley Francis Rother (1935–1981) was a priest of the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City and Sololá, Guatemala. He asked to be sent to Santiago Atitlán to serve the people. His name was on a hit list, so he went back to Oklahoma, but soon returned. He was murdered by military insurgents, which was never officially proven. Father was beatified on September 23, 2017 by Cardinal Angelo Amato, S.D.B.

Bernard Casey (Francis Solanus) (1870–1957) was a Professed Priest of the Franciscan Capuchins in Wisconsin and Michigan. He was known as a healer for his great faith, his abilities as a spiritual counselor and for his great attention to the sick, for whom he celebrated special Masses. He was one of the original founders of soup kitchens during the Depression. His confirmed miracle involved curing a woman from ichthyosis, a genetic skin disease. He was beatified on November 18, 2017 by Cardinal Angelo Amato, S.D.B. **James Alfred Miller** (1944–1982) was a De La Salle Brother from Wisconsin who taught in Minnesota and Huehuetenango, Guatemala. He was murdered by masked men at his school, one of many religious who were assassinated in Guatemala. He was beatified on December 7, 2019 by Cardinal José Luis Lacunza Maestrojuán.

Michael Joseph McGivney (1852–1890) was a priest of the Archdiocese of Hartford CT and the Founder of the Knights of Columbus there, along with a small group of St. Mary's parishioners to promote charity, unity and fraternity, assisting widows and orphans. The organization grew and expanded to other parishes in other parts of the country. Now there are more than two million members and 16,000 councils, including over three hundred on college campuses He was beatified on October 31, 2020 by Cardinal Joseph William Tobin.

