

# Encounter the Boundless Mercy of God

## What is Divine Mercy?

At the very heart of God lies love, and Divine Mercy is the radiant form this love takes when it reaches out to us, His creatures. God Himself is Mercy, ever eager to pour out His goodness upon every soul. As Jesus said to St. Faustina, “*My Heart rejoices in this title of Mercy.*” Do not let your soul be wounded by distrust—believe that He is Mercy itself.

Jesus revealed His profound desire for us to understand and receive His mercy, especially through **Divine Mercy Sunday, the Second Sunday of Easter**. On this sacred day, **the very depths of God’s tender mercy are open**, ready to embrace even the poorest of sinners. He pours out **an ocean of graces upon those souls who turn to Him with trust, approaching the Fount of His Mercy**. As Jesus told St. Faustina, “Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My mercy”.

## The Power of Confession and Holy Communion

Jesus promised an extraordinary grace on Divine Mercy Sunday: **complete forgiveness of sins and punishment** for the soul that worthily goes to **Confession** and receives **Holy Communion**.

He invites us with these words: “*Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet.*” The Lord highlights the infinite value of these sacraments as **miracles of mercy**.

By receiving them with trust on this day, we open ourselves to a **profound cleansing in His love**—a new beginning offered by Christ Himself.

## Pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Jesus Himself taught St. Faustina the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy**, a powerful prayer calling upon God’s mercy for ourselves and the whole world. The Chaplet is a heartfelt plea to the Eternal Father, offered through the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of His dearly beloved Son, in atonement for our sins and those of the entire world.

## Prepare with the Divine Mercy Novena!

Begin your spiritual journey toward Divine Mercy Sunday by praying the **Divine Mercy Novena**. This special novena begins on **Good Friday** and continues for nine days, concluding on the **Saturday before Divine Mercy Sunday**.

It traditionally includes the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy** each day, and the prayers can be found in many Catholic prayer books and online resources. It's a beautiful way to prepare your heart for the graces of the feast.

## Join us for our Divine Mercy Sunday Service

You are warmly invited to a special celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday** at:

**St. Osmund's Church**  
**Sunday, 27 April 2025**  
**at 3:00 pm**

The service will feature:

- Reflection on God's Mercy in the **Homily**
- Scripture **Readings**
- **Hymns** of praise and mercy
- The prayer of the **Chaplet of Divine Mercy**
- An opportunity for the Sacrament of **Confession**
- A final **Blessing**

An image of **Jesus, The Divine Mercy**, will be venerated during the service. As we gaze upon our Merciful Saviour in prayer, we are called to trust in Him—and to live out mercy in our own lives.

## At St. Gregory's:

A Divine Mercy image will be available for veneration throughout the day at both Masses. Cards with this information will also be available.

*Come and immerse yourself in the inexhaustible mercy of God.  
"Jesus, I trust in You!"*