

Sanctuary of Divine Mercy.

Located in Kraków and an immensely important place in the late Pope's life, the Sanctuary of Divine Mercy in the district of Łagiewniki is a new church standing on a larger site including a 19th-century convent Karol Wojtyła visited daily to pray during 2ndWW. The place is most famous for being a pilgrimage site for followers of an obscure mystic, **Faustyna Kowalska** (1905-1938), who saw a vision of Christ on the evening of February 22, 1931. In it, Jesus appeared with red and white shafts of life emanating from his heart, an image known as the Divine Mercy that is supposed to have miraculous healing properties. The small church inside the convent contains a fragment of bone from the body of Faustyna and is a major place of pilgrimage for Catholics all over the country. The new church, known as the 'Sanctuary of Divine Mercy' was consecrated by the Pope himself during his visit to Poland in 2002. Faustyna was beatified on April 18, 1993 and eventually canonised on April 30, 2000. Attached to the church is a tower offering superb views of the city, and next door is a building called the 'House of Św. Faustyna' displaying everyday objects from her life.



Cenacles and Spiritual Formation Divine Mercy Cenacle is a group of people who meet for song, prayer, and discussion on Scripture, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the writings of St. Maria Faustina, as a small Christian community. The revelations given to St. Maria Faustina are excellent for spiritual growth and also give a deeper understanding of our merciful Lord.



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12th April 2015 (B) Divine Mercy Sunday

1ST READING: Acts 4:32-35

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

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

2ND READING: 1 John 5:1-6

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

GOSPEL: St John 20:19-31

Internet resources:

"Zenit News"; "Catholic on Line";
"Liturgical Year Calendar", "Spirit Daily",
Children's web: Google, EWTNKIDS.
Deepen your faith-find answers on "Tim
Staples; Catholic Sacraments" videos;
www.vocationcentre.org.au

Your
mercy
endures
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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Sat. Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am, 9:30am & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Mon, Tues & Thurs: 7:30am

Wed: 6pm

Fri: 9:15am

Sat: 9:15am (Sthn Cross Hostel)

HOLY HOUR: Wed: 5pm

RECONCILIATION:

Wed: 5:15 – 5:45pm

Sat: 4:15 – 4:45pm

BAPTISMS:

Sundays 9:30am Mass

BAPTISMAL PROGRAMME &

WEDDINGS: By appointment

ANOINTING MASS:

Quarterly: 1st weekend

1ST SAT OF EACH MONTH:

11am Mass in honour of Our Lady.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME:

100% tax deductible. Please join by contacting parish office.

FAITH FORMATION:

Sundays 3:30pm (in presbytery)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Mon, Wed & Fri 9am to 2:30pm

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat 9:15am: Special Intention **Sun 9:30am:** †Yolanda & Giuseppe Pappalettera
Sat Vigil: Thomas John Munro (sick) **Sun 5pm:** Pro Populo
Sun 8am: †Bernard Marshall

OUR SICK: Marie and Edgar Busuttill, Pat Raby, Mollie Burgess, Patricia Flannery, Josephine Helback, Moira Butler, Alan Sargeant ...

Happy Birthdays to: Christian Goncalves (18th), Keziah Sarmiento (20th) and Dolby Sarmiento (22nd).

We welcome **Brandon Connor Tjioe** and his family to his Baptism this Sunday at the 9:30am Mass.

PROJECT COMPASSION donation boxes due for processing to Caritas Australia.

☛ **Centenary of Anzac Vigil Mass of Remembrance** will be held at St Mary's Cathedral on **Fri 24th April at 5:30pm**. The Mass will be offered for peace, and for the lives and service of members of the Australian Defence Force. *All are welcome.*

☛ **Vocation Discernment Retreat, 17-19 April:** for Catholic men exploring if God is calling them to the Priesthood. *Where:* Seminary of the Good Shepherd, Homebush. For more details/registration: vocations@sydneycatholic.org.au or ring 9307 8424.

☛ **Y-Factor** is a camp for all high school aged youth who want to explore their faith in a very fun and active environment. It is run by Catholic Youth Services. For more info, visit www.catholicyouthservices.org/yfactor or ring 9764 4357.

☛ **Casual Outdoor Educational Facilitator** required at Benedict XVI Retreat Centre, Grose Vale. For more details, contact Anthony Spata on 0402 210 055.

☛ **New Brochure from the Australian Bishops** – *Real care, love and compassion – the alternative to euthanasia* brochures, recently released, are available in the church foyer. Please take one home to read and share with the family and friends.

REMINDER: WYD 2016 LAUNCH + YOUNG ADULT WELCOME TO ARCHBISHOP ANTHOY – Tuesday 21st April. *All young adults are invited to meet our new Archbishop at the St Mary's Cathedral College Hall from 7:30pm.*

Foley Gardens Self-care Retirement Village – Upstairs 1-bedroom unit may be available soon. For further details please call **Joe de Andrade (Manager-Property) on 0438 696 396** or **Patricia Low (Manager-Admin) on 9349 1292**

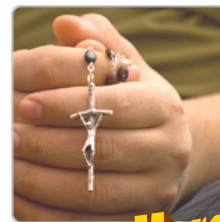
This weekend: Vigil: J Haggart (A) L Paquin, J Spora (R) S Kim, S Boen (C) Thomas W (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) A Burke, J Perera (R) Sr Betty, J Yong (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) H Evening, K Wong (R) J Lie, I Lie (C) T Chin (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) Volunteers (R), Volunteers (C) **Counter:** J De Andrade

Next weekend: Vigil: J Haggart (A) P Low, M Butler (R) F & G Hogan (C) Thomas W (M)
8:00am: G Diab (A) M Marshiela, T Long (R) M Alimario, K Jayasiri (C) P Low (M)
9:30am: A Varghese (A) I Lie, J Lie (R) M Tjokrowidjaja, I Tjahjadi (C) T Chin (M)
5:00pm: R Yang (A) Volunteers (R), Volunteers (C) **Counters:** G Hage, V Hage

-- Pope Francis visited Naples recently, and spoke about corruption and organized crime, economic justice, immigration, what it means for priests and religious to centre their lives on Jesus, care for the elderly, and the crisis in marriage and family life.-- Capital punishment is unacceptable however serious the condemned person's crime and for a constitutional state represents a failure because it obliges the state to kill in the name of justice and justice is never reached by killing a human being, Pope Francis writes the International Commission Against the Death Penalty.-- Hearing confessions should be awe-inspiring for a priest, an experience that makes him examine his own life and willingness to convert, Pope Francis tells seminarians and newly ordained priests attending a course in Rome on the sacrament of penance.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Adoration, confession, devotions and Benediction from 3.00 – 4.00pm.



Divine Mercy Chaplet

In her years in the convent, St. Faustina heard a call from God to make God's mercy known to the world so that the world may more fully receive God's healing grace. St. Faustina promoted the Chaplet of Divine Mercy which consists of the recitation of prayers to the Eternal Father with

the use of the rosary for the sake of Christ's sorrowful passion. The Chaplet is prayed as follows: 1. Begin with the Sign of the Cross, the Sign of the Cross, one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and the Apostles' Creed. 2. On the Our Father beads, recite the following: *"Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of your dearly beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world."* 3. On the ten Hail Mary beads, say the following: *"For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world."* 4. Repeat step two and three for all five decades. 5. Conclude by reciting three times: *"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."*

Nearly 500 British priests have signed a letter urging those attending this year's family synod to issue a "clear and firm proclamation" upholding Church teaching on marriage. An extraordinary synod last year provoked heated debate on the question of whether remarried Catholics should be permitted to receive Holy Communion, which was a proposal presented by retired German Cardinal Walter Kasper.

