

WELCOME TO DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH



"The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord."



4th Sunday of EASTER

April 29, 2012

- Entrance Antiphon Psalm 33:5

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Rummage Sale



When : Saturday, May 5th
Time : 10:00 am - 5:00 pm
Where : Church Parking Lot

The ministries of Divine Mercy are holding a Rummage Sale to benefit our different parish

organizations. Bring your family, neighbors and friends. We look forward to seeing you!

Eucharistic Adoration



There will be adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Friday, May 4th (every First Friday of the month) after the 8:30 am Mass.** Adorers are needed to fill the hours from **9:00 am to 5:45 pm.** We would like to have **at least two people commit to each hour.** If you would like to participate in this ministry of prayer in the Real Presence of Jesus, please call **Cora Belen at (916) 419-5662 or (408) 761-2493.**

Marriage and Family Life Ministry



Divine Mercy established a **Marriage and Family Life Ministry** a year and a half ago.

The **Marriage and Family Life Ministry** offers programs that provide a solid foundation for the vocation of married life. We are committed to the Sacrament of Matrimony, affirming the sanctity of marriage and the sacredness of life and family.

Committee activities include parish based marriage preparation or access to parish linked regional preparation programs. Enrichments for married life and family life are being developed. Classes on Theology of The Body, Natural Family Planning and Marriage Enrichment have been held and **the next class on Theology of the Body is scheduled for June 23, 2012 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm.**

Several parish members are assisting Fr. Soane in preparing couples for The Sacrament of Matrimony or for Convalidation (Matrimonial Sacrament Blessing). To date, approximately 20 couples have benefited from this ministry. If interested in volunteering your time and talent, contact **Jim and Michelle Stutz at (916) 285-0706.**



Sunday Bulletin Deadline: Submission of bulletin articles is due on **Mondays at 4:00 pm.** Please email your announcements/articles to bulletin@divinemercynatomas.com.

1st Friday & 1st Saturday
This Friday & Saturday
May 4 & 5



Virgin of Guadalupe Committee

The Virgin of Guadalupe Committee has elected the following slate of Officers for the remainder of 2012:

- President - Ray Hernandez
- Vice President - Daryl Pao
- Asst. to the President - Lauro Santamaria
- Secretary - Alicia Valdivia
- Treasurer - Oscar Misola
- Event Coordinator - Irene Oviedo
- Recorder - Luis Solorzano

The Committee meets **every First Saturday of every month at 11:00 am at the Narthex.** New members are needed to help plan the Virgin of Guadalupe celebration and other Church functions. Everyone is welcome.

Saints & Readings for the Week

- 4th Sunday of EASTER** • Acts 4:8-12 / 1 Jn 3:1-2 / Jn 10:11-18
- Monday** • **Pope St Pius V** • Acts 11:1-18 / Jn 10:1-10
- Tuesday** • **St Joseph the Worker** • Acts 11:19-26 / Mt 13:54-58
- Wednesday** • **St Athanasius (Ch Dr)** • Acts 12:24 – 13:5 / Jn 12:44-50
- Thurs** • **Sts Philip & James, Apostles** • 1 Cor 15:1-8 / Jn 14:6-14
- 1st Friday** • Acts 13:26-33 / Jn 14:1-6
- 1st Saturday** • **BVM** • Acts 13:44-52 / Jn 14:7-14
- 5th Sunday of EASTER** • Acts 9:26-31 / 1 Jn 3:18-24 / Jn 15:1-8

STEWARDSHIP and FUNDRAISING

True Stewardship: Recognizing that all you have come from God. Giving your time, talent and treasure to glorify God, His Church & People and your Parish. Remember that God will never be outdone in His generosity. Thank you for giving your special gifts to our Parish.

Schedule of Upcoming Events

- May 5** Parish Ministry Rummage Sale - Church Parking Lot (10:00 am - 5:00 pm)
- May 6** Burrito Sale - Guadalupe Committee
- May 12 - 13** Roses - Sold by Respect for Life Ministry to benefit the Sacramento Life Center
- May 20** Knights of Columbus Burrito Sale
- May 27** Stewardship Hospitality after the 9:30 am Sunday Mass
- June 2 - July 1** Firework's Script on Sale

Thanks for supporting your ministries by participating in their fundraising activities.

"All Nations - One God"

Save the Date

Divine Mercy's 3rd Annual Fall Festival Date & Theme announced

This festival will celebrate our cultural diversity but recognize our common Catholic beliefs. Share the fun, share the Joy! Save the dates and plan to attend.

This year's Co-Chairs: Frank Cuzzo and Veronica & Ray Walker.

- **Friday, October 5th** : Dinner, Music and Entertainment
- **Saturday, October 6th** : Festival - Food, Games, Bounce Houses, Face Painting, BINGO, Fun!

Please support them and make our Festival a big success!



THANK YOU to our altar servers for representing Divine Mercy at the **2012 Diocese's First Annual Altar Servers Olympics** held at Holy Family Parish in Citrus Heights last Saturday, April 21st.

We are very proud of you for doing an outstanding job!

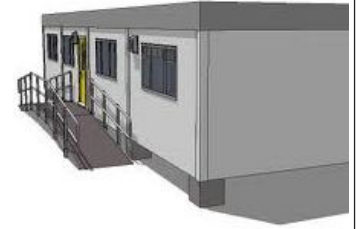
Jason Abuda
Justin Abuda
Austin Aninzo
Darius Datu
Dominique Datu

Elijah Diaz
William Guevara
Allison Morisey
Ashley Morisey
Martin Rubalcava

Portable Class and Meeting Rooms UPDATE

Accomplished to date:

- Positioning, leveling and support of units
- Pull test for moving units
- Framing
- Preliminary cement work
- Transformer placement
- Electrical conduits & wiring
- Flooring inside buildings
- Interior preparation and baseboard
- Interior Office Preparation - Walls, etc.
- Additional Cement work
- Decking
- Iron railings



Thanks to our many volunteers and leaders who are shepherding this project for us!



Our Capital Campaign did not include the costs to furnish our buildings. We need financial contributions for better quality chairs and tables, also window coverings for these buildings. If you can help in any way, or have contacts

who could help us with a discount price, please contact **Mayet Reina at the Parish office (916) 256-3134 or Susan Wright at (916) 419-4321.**

Week At A Glance

April 30 Monday

7:00pm School of the Faith (Narthex)

May 01 Tuesday

10:00am Bible Study (Narthex)

7:30pm K of C Council Membership Meeting (Narthex)

May 02 Wednesday

10:00am School of the Faith (Narthex)

6:30pm Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

7:30pm Meeting (Narthex)

May 03 Thursday

9:00am Altar Society - Flower Arrangement (Narthex)

7:00pm School of the Faith (Narthex)

7:00pm Rosary in Spanish (Church)

May 04 Friday

9:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

3:00pm Holy Hour (Church)

5:45pm Benediction

7:30pm Adult Choir Practice (Church)

May 05 Saturday

9:30am Fundraising Committee Meeting (Narthex)

10:00am Rummage Sale (Church Parking Lot)

11:00am Guadalupe Committee Meeting (Narthex)

3:45pm Confession

7:00pm Lord's Flock Catholic Charismatic Grp (Narthex)

May 06 Sunday

Guadalupe Committee Burrito Sale

10:45am RCIA for Adults (Rectory)

1:30pm CFF

3:00pm CFF

6:30pm Youth Ministry

Mass Intentions

April 28 Saturday

8:30am Paulina B. Amor †
 5:00pm Dolly Dioquino †(1st Year Death Anniversary),
 Aida Osea (Speedy Recovery)

April 29 Sunday

7:30am Divine Mercy Parishioners (Pro Populo)
 9:30am Vina Patalinghog †, Brenda Abayato †
 12noon Rosario Liboon †, Emily Dela Cruz †,
 Paulina B. Amor †
 5:00pm Juanito Dela Cruz †, Remedios Baguhin †

April 30 Monday

8:30am Paulina B. Amor †
 6:30pm Ruperta A. Valdez † (Death Anniversary)

May 01 Tuesday

8:30am Rosie Asistido & Cora Belen (Thanksgiving)

May 04 Friday

8:30am Gerald Murphy †

World Day of Prayer for Vocations



This Sunday • April 29th

The Office of Priestly and Religious Vocations invites community members to pray for our seminarians and new vocations on **April 29th - World Day of Prayer**. If you would like to know more about our seminarians, please visit considerpriesthood.com or if you wish to contact the **Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations**, you may call (916) 733-0258.



Divine Mercy Devotion Ministry



(After working diligently in menial activity, trusting that God would help her accomplish it). I took up the pot with ease and poured off the water perfectly. But when I took off the cover to let the potatoes steam off, I saw there in the

pot, in the place of the potatoes, whole bunches of red roses, beautiful beyond description. I had never seen such roses before. Greatly astonished and unable to understand the meaning of this, I heard a voice within me saying, ***I change such hard work of yours into bouquets of most beautiful flowers, and their perfume rises up to My throne.*** From then on I have tried to drain the potatoes myself, not only during my week when it was my turn to cook, I try to be the first to help in any other burdensome task, because I have experienced how much this pleases God. (65)

A great mystery took place during that adoration, a mystery between the Lord and myself. It seemed to me that I would die of love [at the sight of] His glance. I spoke much with the Lord, without uttering a single word. And the Lord said to me, ***You are the delight of My Heart; from today on, every one of your acts, even the very smallest, will be a delight to My eyes, whatever you do.*** (137)

O Jesus, I long for the salvation of immortal souls. It is in sacrifice that my heart will find free expression, in sacrifice which no one will suspect. The presence of God will help my sacrifice to be perfect and pure. (235)

(More next week)

Filipino Mass



Please join us as we celebrate **Filipino Mass on MAY 12th at 6:30 pm** (every 2nd Saturday of the Month)

Pray For The Sick



Cathy Abay
 Eduardo Abay
 Sera Adjemian
 Consolatrix Ageas
 Adam Agot
 Sanford K. Alesna
 Muriel Alex
 Oma Alice
 Cynthia Alvarez

Emerita Angeles
 Aristotle Arreola, Sr.
 Jose Bernardo
 Leony Bernardo
 Isabelo Bolongaita, Jr.
 Simone Brimberry
 Rogelio N. Cruz
 Lawrence Dacasin
 Walter Dennis
 Alice Doyle
 Carlo Dupaya
 Shirley Espiritu
 Evangelista Estaris
 Jackie Frazer
 Gambrell Family
 Annie Garcia
 Filomeno Garcia

Rosie Giblyn
 Mary Gomez
 Barbara Graicen
 Amelia Guibao
 Jocella Gutierrez
 Jose Gutierrez
 Isabel Hernandez
 Galicano Ibe
 Aldo Innocenti
 Mary Isham
 Kent Kim
 Joe King
 Pricilla Lazo
 Lucilla Liwanag
 Judith Lladoc
 Patricia MacMurray
 Liwayway Magсарili

Jun Malabunga
 Lourdes Malabunga
 Antonio Mamonong, Jr.
 Tony Manalo
 Florentino Mediran
 Susan Mejares
 John Mendoza
 Marc Mendoza
 Nati Mendoza
 Annalyn Merza
 Colette Mesa
 Ryumi Metcalf
 Sally Miller
 Linda Miles
 Tyrone Miles
 Regina Millagracia
 Thelma A. Miller

Ethel Mims
 Sylvia Morales
 Theresa Morales
 Leticia Mostajo
 Rico Mostajo
 Boy Neri
 Chason Neri
 Dr. James Nishio
 Arsenia Nudas
 Aida Osea
 Mario Pagaragan
 Stella Reyes
 Reynoso Family
 Walter L. Roberts
 Lourdes Rogers
 Sharon Ross
 Joanne Sanders

Felizarda Santamaria
 Juanita Santos
 Alberto Santos, Sr.
 Jeff Shafe
 Stacie Shaffer
 Jonathan Singh
 Alfredo Solorzano
 Tansio Soriano
 Matt Thode
 Carmina Trias
 Edwin Ugalde
 Marlyn Q. Uy
 Gervacio Valdepeñas
 Renato Velasquez
 Erin Wheeler
 Marvin Williams
 Gabriel Zsach

...and all in need of prayers including those who serve in the Military.



Today's **First Reading** comes from St. Peter's speech to the Sanhedrin regarding the healing of the cripple. He tells the Jewish leaders that they rejected the Source of salvation that Yahweh had sent them. The implied message is, if they do not change their ways and stop obstructing the preaching of God's Word, then they too will be rejected, much as they rejected Jesus by their own actions.

The **Responsorial to Psalm 118**, treats of the stone rejected by the builders. When Jesus was crucified, the cross was placed into the cleft of a particular stone left behind by the builders because it was flawed. The One the world rejected became the very Source of salvation. As Jesus did, we are encouraged to trust God above man, for in the end, Jesus was vindicated. Every human judgment declared His defeat, but His love on the cross conquered hate and sin. And finally, in this Psalm, we express true gratitude for all God has done for us.

The **Second Reading**, highlights the present honor we now share in being called God's children; reminding us that when we pass into the next world, we will share an even greater honor, when we share in God's glory.

In today's **Gospel**, Jesus equates Himself to the Good Shepherd, the fulfillment of that prophecy. Israel had other shepherds, kings and priests that misled God's people, but Israel was promised that God Himself would be her Shepherd. As such, Jesus speaks very affectionately of His care and concern for His flock. He knows them like no one else: knowing each by name, and He will give His life for their protection from all danger, especially the most lethal, namely, sin and alienation from God. He truly is our Good Shepherd. May we always recognize and follow His voice.

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Second Collection

April 28 - 22
CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS



This weekend's special collection is the **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**. It also supports Black and Native American Indian missions here in the United States. Of the 29 counties in the geographically sprawling Diocese of Salt Lake City, only 16 have a resident pastor. These mission dioceses need funding for ministerial training, seminaries, and religious education in order to nurture the faith and administer basic pastoral care in the rural areas of the state. Please give generously in today's **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**.

May 5 - 6
BUILDING FUND

Sharing Our Treasure

Offertory Collections	
Weekly Goal	\$ 8,000
01-Apr	\$ 8,343
Easter Sunday	\$ 12,627
15-Apr	\$ 7,212
22-Apr	\$ 7,037
Year-to-Date Collections	\$ 298,213
Year-to-Date Goal	\$ 336,000
Year-to-Date Shortage	\$ (37,787)

Building Fund Collections	
Annual Goal	\$ 372,000
01-Apr	\$ 17,271
08-Apr	\$ 2,922
15-Apr	\$ 10,219
22-Apr	\$ 2,191
Year-to-Date Collections	\$ 219,893

2 nd Capital Campaign Report As of April 22, 2012	
Goal	\$ 1,000,000
Pledges - 97%	\$ 966,483
Collections - 15%	\$ 146,932

Special Collection	
Catholic Faith Formation	\$ 977

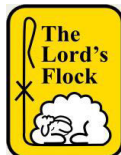
Thank you for your generous financial contributions to support parish operations and repayment of our loan obligation.



National Day of Prayer
Thursday • May 3rd



- **SPANISH MASS** - Every 2nd Sunday of the month at 7:00 pm.
- **ROSARY IN SPANISH** - Every Thursday at 7:00 pm.
- **NOVENA TO OUR MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP** - Every Wednesday during the 6:30 pm Mass.



Every Saturday at 7:00 pm
(except 2nd Saturdays) at the
Divine Mercy Narthex.