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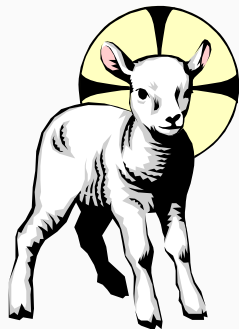
Embrace The Grace

Pope John Paul II Eucharistic Adoration Chapel
 Naperville, IL 60565



Journey to Easter

March



March focus is on Easter:

This month our adoration focus begins with preparation for Easter and ends with our thanksgiving for this ultimate gift of new life in Christ. All are asked to pray for renewed strength on their Lenten journey for both ourselves and for others.

Each time you visit with Jesus, why not thank Him again and again for the wondrous gift of salvation He has won for us, which we gloriously celebrate at the end of this month?

Prayer:

Lord Jesus, by your cross and resurrection,

You have set us free. You are the savior of the world. Help me to prepare myself in this month of anticipation by atonement for my sins and resolution to live a holy and faith-filled life. Our dark and sinful world has been brightened by the light of Your Resurrection. Help me to prepare to embrace this ultimate gift and live life anew in faith and love.

Year of the Eucharist

October 2004 - October 2005



"My heart is drawn there where my God is hidden, where He dwells with us day and night, clothed in the White Host . . .

He communes with souls" (St. Faustina).

Give thanks for our 3 years of perpetual adoration!! Praised be Jesus Christ, now and forever!! Our chapel celebrates its third anniversary of prayer on April 13!

Holy Week Schedule for Eucharistic Adoration

Following the directives of the Roman Missal concerning the reservation of the Blessed Sacrament

CHAPEL CLOSES:

7:00 pm Holy Thursday

CHAPEL OPENS:

midnight Easter morning after the Easter Vigil Mass

All Adorers make note (particularly Thursday night / Friday morning adorers):

Please participate in the all night vigil on Holy Thursday night—Good Friday morning. (9 PM—6 AM) The Blessed Sacrament will be reserved in the tabernacle in the church behind the altar. There will be a solemn procession to the tabernacle of reservation after the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening and the main tabernacle and the chapel tabernacle will be empty.

QUESTIONS ??

**Please call your shift coordinator listed below:
 IF YOUR HOUR IS SHIFT CO-ORDINATOR**

Midnight to 5:00 am
6:00 am to 11:00 am
Noon to 5:00 pm
6:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Lolita Rancho - 527-8142
 Celine Swieboda - 961-9735
 Virginia Shawron - 305-5501
 Theresa Gilbert - 983-0482

URGENT NEED OPEN HOURS

Wednesday 5 PM
 Friday 2 AM
 Saturday 2 AM
 Saturday 3 AM

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.sesnaperville.org/ador

Email

chapel@sesnaperville.org
 630-416-3325

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Children's Eucharistic Adoration

Ss. Peter and Paul church will host a special time of adoration for children at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, March 13, 2005 in their ministry chapel, 36 N. Ellsworth, Naperville.



Bring your children to praise the Lord through song and prayer led by Rev. Jerome Kish. For more information, call Dan Bernard at 305-3029.

BELIEVE

St. Elizabeth Seton music ministry invites you to an Easter musical based on "BELIEVE" by David Clydesdale – an evening of awe inspiring narrative with powerful and moving musical interludes featuring our combined music ministries. And it's all free!!

Friday March 18th at 7:30PM or Saturday March 19th at 7PM - Saturday will be preceded by a simple soup supper at 6PM.

This Easter musical dramatically portrays the story of Christ's death and resurrection. Look through the eyes of those affected by Jesus as their experiences are retold. Some selections by R. Sterling & D. Williamson

Upcoming events:

- Holy Week liturgies**—see bulletin for times and dates.
- Divine Mercy Sunday**—April 3—Benediction, confessions, chaplet of Divine Mercy.
- Life in the Spirit Seminar** Friday nights beginning April 8 — check bulletin for details.



A Conference To Remember

(continued from last month)

At the beginning of the Year of the Eucharist, the Real Presence held a day to celebrate the Eucharist in Oak Brook, IL. Last month, we summarized many of the talks by bishops and priests.

The keynote speaker, Archbishop Raymond Burke of St. Louis, MO Archdiocese and spiritual director for the Real Presence Association, gave an overview of the encyclical repeating the Pope's theme to "Rekindle Eucharistic Amazement." The Pope tells us that the Church draws her life from Christ in the Eucharist. The Church is fed and enlightened by the Eucharist. Remember, we are the Church; this is our nourishment. We are called to a "new evangelization" not to people who have never heard it before but to people who have half understood and accepted or rejected it. The Archbishop exhorts, "We must have faith in the Real Presence and have worthy reception of Holy Communion." Our instruction on the significance of the Mass and the mystery of the Eucharist can come from our pastors and bishops. The rekindling must take place. We can become participants in the process.

Every day, I witness a miracle.

You do the same, but perhaps you do not realize it. As often as you go to Mass, you witness a miracle – the miracle of the Eucharist, of simple bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood of our Lord.

Author: Archbishop Favalora, Archdiocese of Miami
Date: Friday, February 25, 2005

LOCAL LENTEN COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES

- St. Elizabeth Seton, Naperville**
Tuesday March 22, 7:30 PM
- Sts. Peter and Paul, Naperville**
Wednesday, March 23rd, at 7:00 PM in church
- St. Thomas, Naperville**
Wednesday March 23rd, at 7:30 PM in church
- St. Mary of Gostyn, Downers Grove**
Monday March 14 7:00 PM and Tuesday March 22 7:30—8:30 PM
- Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Darien**
Wednesday March 16 7 PM
- Christ the King, Lombard**
March 11 7:30

Visit the SES website to see links to all these and other local parishes. We include regular Mass and reconciliation times as well as phone # and directions. Click **Diocesan - Local Info**

Prayer for His Holiness John Paul II

Dear Lord, in dusk of your most worthy servant's day,
 Comfort him as he has comforted us in times of pain and tragedy,
 Guide Him as he has guided us through a most difficult era,
 Journey with him as he has journeyed with us all for so many years,
 Lead him as he has led Your Church so humbly and wisely,
 Inspire him as he has inspired us to live in the light of Your love,
 In his illness he has shown us Your healing love,
 In his broken-ness he has shown us Your perfection,
 In his suffering he has shown us Your grace and comfort,
 We, Your people of many faiths and nations join,
 All together above our differences to thank You,
 For every day that You will that he remains with us,
 Our Pope, our Holy Father, our "Papa"

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Help Me Walk the Way of the Cross

As He entered Jerusalem we cheered and spread palms in His path in honor and praise, thanking God in joy for His arrival.

- Do I spread the palms of peace in how I interact with others?
- Do I honor and praise Him through how I live?

Dear Jesus, I pray for Your help as I approach the week of Your Passion, Death, and Resurrection that I may recommit to living my life as an example to others...that I may honor You and spread real joy by being the palm of peace in their lives.



He showed and taught His disciples true love when he washed their feet; the king of all creation with towel in hand in service to all.

- How do I show love to my neighbor?
- Do I seek honor for myself or do I humble myself in service to others?

Dear Jesus, I pray that, with Your help, I can recognize my prideful ways and be in humble service, even in the simplest of ways, to those I love, to neighbors and to strangers.

He prayed that the cup of suffering and pain for our sins be taken from Him, but accepted whatever was His Father's will. He asked for His disciples to be with Him, to stay awake and pray with him for but one hour, but they were weak.

- Do I ask God to do my will, or do I ask for strength to do His?
- Do I set aside time to be with Him in prayer, to be in His presence in Eucharist?
- Will I remain steadfast in my faith, or run and hide when it gets difficult?

Dear Jesus, I pray for Your help. Give me strength to do Your will. I will set aside a special time to be with You every day, not just during this special Lenten time but every day of the year. Help me to stay alert for your call, to become closer to you every day.

Jesus the Christ; the Son of the Living God, willingly suffered the human cruelty of convicting and wrongful words, of humiliation and physical suffering and pain, and even death itself for our sins, that we might be redeemed.

- Am I willing to live a holy life wherever I am, even in the face of insult and criticism?
- Am I willing to sacrifice my ego and pride in Christian humility, and trust in God's will?

Dear Jesus, I pray for strength of faith, that when I am confronted with temptation I will turn to You; that with the help of Your grace I may resist and control my pride and selfishness.

As He promised his disciples, and that the scripture be fulfilled, He rose from the Dead after three days. His resurrection from the Dead fulfilled His promise to us and established the New Covenant. He fulfilled His promise of salvation, and promise to remain with us until the end of time.

- Do I make empty promises or am I going to strive to live in His light every day?
- Will I remain faithful, and change my life to live anew, and closer to Him?

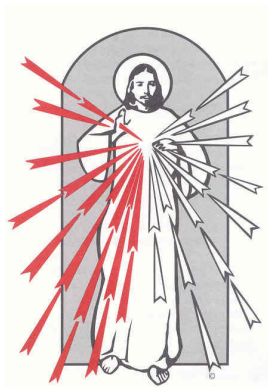
Dear Jesus, help me as I walk the way of Your cross. Help me bear the daily crosses of my life with the love You showed us, with the faith You gave to us. Help me live anew, in the light of Your resurrection, and embracing the never-ending fount of grace You provide.

Divine Mercy Sunday April 3 at SES

Confessions during the afternoon
Veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy
Recitation of the chaplet of Divine Mercy
at 3 PM

Novena to Divine Mercy begins each year on
Good Friday—see leaflets in the chapel or
online for special daily intentions.

www.divinemercysunday.com/

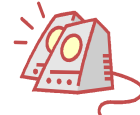


Jesus, I Trust In You!

Year of the Eucharist

Have you seen the online slide show/interactive prayer links on our website? You can link to **audio** of Divine Mercy and the Rosary prayers and lots more.

www.sesnaperville.org/eucharist/praystudy_files/frame.htm



How to Recite the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

The Chaplet of Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads of five decades.

Optional Opening Prayers

- You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.
- O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

Begin with the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Apostle's Creed:

Our Father

Hail Mary

The Apostle's Creed

Then, on the large bead before each decade:

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.

On the ten small beads of each decade, say:

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,
have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Conclude with (Say 3 Times):

Holy God,
Holy Mighty One,
Holy Immortal One,
have mercy on us
and on the whole world.

Jesus, I trust in you! (3 times)



Plenary Indulgence for Divine Mercy Sunday

In a decree dated August 3, 2002, the Apostolic Penitentiary announced that in order "to ensure that the faithful would observe this day (Divine Mercy Sunday) with intense devotion, the Supreme Pontiff himself established that **this Sunday be enriched by a plenary indulgence**...so that the faithful might receive in great abundance the gift of the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

In this way, they can foster a growing love for God and for their neighbor, and after they have obtained God's pardon, they in turn might be persuaded to show a prompt pardon to their brothers and sisters."

Pray, study, adore,
receive Jesus
with great love, and
get ready
to be transformed!