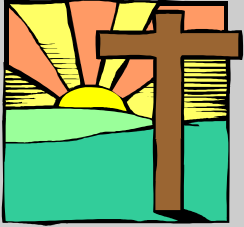


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# Embrace The Grace

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## Good News!

**April 13th** is the 2nd anniversary of our chapel opening! That is 731 days of 24 hour adoration of Our Lord at SES!

**April 18—Divine Mercy Sunday**, we'll celebrate God's infinite mercy at SES (see article this page).

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## April—He is risen, Allelulia! He is risen, indeed!

### Happy Easter! April 11, 2004

During this busy time of year, isn't it especially comforting to spend time in with the Lord in the chapel? It is hard to believe that our chapel has been open two years! How different is your life in these two years? During these two years, life has changed for lots of people. Some adorers have had to change hours, or some have moved away or taken a break and come back to regular adoration. Schedule changes are a fact of life for our busy chapel. Please pray with us as we do our semi-annual **Sign Up Sunday on May 1—2**. Pray that the Holy Spirit touch many hearts to come and answer the Lord's call to come and spent time with Him. Personal invitations are invaluable. Please consider inviting a friend to try it or to share an hour with you—to come and see... If you're on an hour that has many names, please look a the hours in the bulletin that show hours needing adorers—maybe you could swap times.

Thank you all for the tremendous outpouring of prayer for the intentions of our parishioners in our anniversary gift to the people of SES. We share our joy and our blessings with our parish family by presenting a spiritual bouquet of prayers offered for the intentions of our parishioners.

May the Lord continue to bless you and your families! Have a blessed Easter!



### Divine Mercy Sunday at SES April 18, 2004

[www.divinemercysunday.com](http://www.divinemercysunday.com)

2 PM—4 PM Confessions at SES

3 PM Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
veneration of first class  
relic of St. Faustina



Jesus told St. Faustina that this Feast of Mercy would be a special day when **"all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened"**. (Diary 699) Our Lord made a great promise to all those souls who would go to Confession and then receive Him in Holy Communion on the Feast of Mercy, now called Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus said, **"The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."** (699) **"The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment."** (1107)

Please take advantage of this incredible offer from both Jesus, and the Catholic Church itself, which has issued an additional Plenary Indulgence on this great Feast of Mercy "Divine Mercy Sunday". We want you to benefit fully from these promises, and we also want you to notify your family and friends about them too!

### Novena starts Good Friday—Mercy Sunday

#### OPEN HOURS

Monday 12 am, 10 am

Friday, 2 am Saturday, 10 pm

## Catholic Calendar

Our Catholic Calendar is rich with wonderful feasts. Please get to know the Catholic Calendar. When you're in the chapel, ask the saint whose feast day it is to pray with you.

### April

- 2 [St. Francis of Paola](#)
- 4 [St. Isidore of Seville](#)
- 7 [St. John Baptist de la Salle](#)
- 8 [St. Julie Billiart](#)
- 11 [St. Stanislaus](#)
- 13 [St. Martin I](#)
- 15 [Blessed Damien of Molokai](#)
- 20 [St. Agnes of Montepulciano](#)
- 21 [St. Anselm](#)
- 23 [St. George](#)
- 24 [St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen](#)
- 25 [St. Mark the Evangelist](#)
- 28 [St. Peter Chanel](#)
- 29 [St. Catherine of Siena](#)
- 30 [St. Pius V](#)

## Enflamed By the Grace

(by an adorer)

As I sat in Adoration recently I wondered exactly how I got there. What was it that made me yearn to know HIM better. I believe that desire started before time! Yes, Jesus loved us before time began and HE devised this wonderful plan which allows us to know HIM and love HIM. HE initiates this plan at Baptism. By the grace of this sacrament we get many wonderful gifts. I just love presents and think about the person who gifted me each time I use them. I pray that I think about my gifts from Jesus each time I use them like peace, joy and wisdom. HE gave these gifts freely at Baptism and they can be used all day long. As we become more aware of these gifts and as we receive the sacraments throughout our life we are enflamed by the power of the Holy Spirit. **This is how we "bridge the gap" between what we believe as Catholics and how we live our lives.** We are called to be disciples of Jesus and, just as the first disciples were enflamed by the Spirit, we too have the same grace to do exactly what they did! They proclaimed the Good News with enthusiasm and joy. This newsflash that Jesus lived and died and rose again is two thousand years old and yet still is the best news ever! Jesus reminds us of HIS ongoing love in the Eucharist. This is HIS gift to us —HIS very own Flesh and Blood— and this is the gift that just keeps giving and enflaming and engulfing us with HIS precious love.

Yes, I sit in adoration because I yearn to be with my Creator who thought of me before time began and has never stopped thinking of me since!

### You Can Be a Saint! By Mary Ann Budnick

Interested in growing in holiness? This book is a wonderful guide to lead you on the path. Sainthood isn't optional. Remember that only the saints inhabit heaven. To get to heaven we have to die in the state of grace after living a life of heroic virtue. Heroic virtue is not doing something nice every now and then. It means daily self-sacrifice. John Paul II told us in New Orleans in 1987: *The world needs...saints. Holiness is not the privilege of a few; it is a gift offered to all.*

But aren't saints special people? No!! Saints are people like you and like me. No one is born a saint. Saints become saints by the way they live their lives. With the grace of God, our determination and applying what experts consider the ABC's of becoming a saint, we can all grow in holiness.

*You Can Become A Saint!* is a treasure of spiritual and practical wisdom for the Catholic laity. Page after page is filled with down-to-earth directives on how to become holy in today's secularized world...This book makes fascinating reading.

But far more important, it tells the believing Christian how to be holy and happy here on earth, in anticipation of that blessed eternity for which we were made. **John Hardon, S.J.**



### SES Daily Mass Schedule

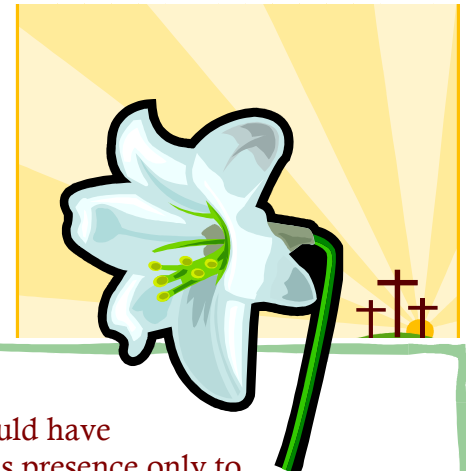
**Daily 6:00 AM** (Mon - Fri)

**Daily 8:15 AM** (Mon.-Sat.,  
except Tues.)

**7:00 PM** Tuesday

"Think that you are with Him, and act as you would with Someone you love; it's so simple, there is no need for beautiful thoughts, only an outpouring of your heart."

(Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity, *Letters*, p. 271)



"Jesus could have limited his presence only to the celebration of Mass, but no!

He wanted to make a permanent dwelling among us. Night and day he awaits us and offers himself to us at all times. Like a most tender mother, he opens his arms to us. He is there generously to give us his gifts. He is there to draw us to him and lead us to paradise with him.

Oh! Let us go visit Him often"

(St. John Bosco).