



## Divine Mercy Sunday

The novena honoring the **Divine Mercy of God** begins on Good Friday and extends to Divine Mercy Sunday, the Sunday after Easter. There will be a special Holy Hour with exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 3 – 4 p.m. on **Divine Mercy Sunday**, April 27. We will be honoring the divine mercy of God in thanksgiving along with the praying of the Divine Mercy chaplet and the Divine Mercy Litany of Praise.

Divine Mercy Sunday was named by Pope John Paul II at the canonization of St. Maria Faustina on April 30, 2000, and then officially decreed by the Vatican. According to her diary, the Lord asked St. Faustina to make a novena of prayer from Good Friday to the following Saturday. For each of the nine days Our Lord gave St. Faustina a different intention. There are both Spanish and English red brochures in the back of the church that you may keep containing both the novena and Divine Mercy chaplet prayers.

“My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or angel, will be able to fathom it throughout eternity. The soul that will go to Confession (beforehand) and receive Holy Communion (on that day) shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.” These words were expressed by Jesus in the diary of St. Faustina.