St. Justin the Martyr Roman Catholic Church

975 Fischer Boulevard, Toms River, NJ 08753
SUNDAY, APRIL 19, 2020
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)



When St. Faustina left this earth for her heavenly home in 1938, she left behind an incomprehensible gift to mankind - her diary. In this, we can read about God's gift of Mercy to an individual soul and to the whole world. St. Faustina's struggles were like our own and on the outside her life was ordinary. But, on the inside her soul was transformed daily through prayer and God's mercy. Through St. Faustina, Jesus commissioned a painting that would portray His mercy; it is now known as the Divine Mercy image. Jesus also taught her to *pray the chaplet* - for sinners, for the world

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

Using Rosary beads, begin with:

The Our Father The Hail Mary and The Apostles' Creed

On the large or 'Our Father' beads pray 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 small or 'Hail Mary' beads pray For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Continue through the 5 decades and then conclude by praying three times. Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Pastor: Reverend Mark A. Kreder
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Daniel Price
Deacons: James Campbell; James Gillespie
Frederick C. Ebenau, Sr.;
Pastoral Associate: Deacon James Gillespie
Religious Education: Ellen Noble
Trustees: Jean Glynn, William Anderson
Director of Sacred Music: Angela Petti
Sacristan: Carol Lewandowski

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday ~ Thursday 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon and 1:15 PM to 4:00 PM; Friday 9:00AM-12:00 Noon REGISTRATION: All are welcome! Sponsorship letters for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation or Matrimony will only be issued to registered parishioners. Please contact the Parish Office to register and please also notify the Parish Office of a change of address or if you plan to move from the parish so that we may keep our records updated

MASS Intentions

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, April 19 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER OR (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

Anne Fleming
Bobby Skrable
John E. DiStefano
Rev. John V. Bowden
Bernard Gries
Gino Gionnella
Margaret Lynn
Rosa & Tristine Trento

MONDAY, April 20
Easter Weekday
The Eramia Family
Mae Keseday

TUESDAY, April 21

Easter Weekday; St. Anselm Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Norman Vaz Braden DeMartin

WEDNESDAY, April 22 Easter Weekday Jean Abello Mary Ferragamo

THURSDAY, April 23
Easter Weekday;
St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr
Frank Varga, Jr.
Mary Tucker

FRIDAY, April 24
Easter Weekday;
St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr
James Rizzolo
Kevin Galbraith

SATURDAY, April 25 St. Mark, Evangelist People of the Parish First Holy Communicants & Confirmation Candidates

SUNDAY, April 26 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Robert Skrable Giovannina & Raffaele Padovano First Holy Communicants & Confirmation Candidates Nicholas Torre Joan Rocks People of the Parish

Dear Parishioners, please note that while there are no public Masses allowed, Father Mark and Father Dan will say their private Masses for the intentions listed on our Mass schedule.



The Altar Bread.

which will become the Body of Christ at the Masses celebrated during the week is offered In Loving Memory of

Cathy Farrant & Frank R. Farrant, Sr.

requested by family

The Sanctuary Candle

which burns near the Tabernacle in Church, the reminder of the Lord's Presence in the Most Holy Eucharist, is offered in Health Blessings for



Marlene & Frank Varga (living)

requested by daughter, Linda

MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION:

Every third weekend of the month.

PARISH OFFICE: 732-270-3980 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: 732-270-3797 (Offices are temporarily closed until further notice)

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stjustin.org

MASS SCHEDULE: Saturday Vigil: 5:00PM Sunday: 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00Noon Monday-Friday:8:30AM; Saturday: 9:30am Holy Days: Announced

BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Godparents/Sponsors are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. Please call the Parish Office as early as possible to make arrangements.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays: At 3:30PM

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

Adult R.C.I.A. program: Contact Parish Office Children R.C.I.A. program: Contact Religious Ed.

MARRIAGE: The Sacrament of Marriage requires a time of spiritual preparation. According to the Common Policy adopted by the Bishops of New Jersey, this preparation requires attendance at a marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana) as well as sessions with the parish deacon or priest. Therefore, couples should make arrangements at the Parish Office one year before the planned wedding date and before finalizing any social plans.

MISSION STATEMENT: The goal of Saint Justin the Martyr Parish is that each member grow in the Grace through Jesus Christ, and in so doing cooperate with the Holy Spirit in giving glory to God, in experiencing the salvation of their soul, and in building up the Body of Christ.

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From the Pastor 2nd Sunday of Easter - A April 19, 2020

"The More Things Change, The More They Remain The Same!" While the French writer Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr is credited with coining the adage above, it echoes the words of Ooheleth: "What has been done, that has been done, that

will be done. Nothing is new under the sun!" [Ecclesiastes 1:9] It well summarizes the challenges faced by the man we honor this Tuesday, Saint Anselm. And it certainly reflects what we ourselves still experience almost 1,000 years after his death in 1109, on Wednesday of Holy Week, on what is now his Feast Day: April 21. After praying the Collect for the holy Mass in his honor, we'll review the lessons we can learn from Saint Anselm's life.

Collect - St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

O God, who led the Bishop Saint Anselm to seek out and teach the depths of your wisdom, grant, we pray, that our faith in you may so aid our understanding, that what we believe by your command may give delight to our hearts.

Through our Lord Jesus ... for ever and ever. Amen.

"FATHERS, DO NOT PROVOKE YOUR CHILDREN, SO THEY MAY NOT BECOME DISCOURAGED." Born in Italy around 1033, into a noble family, young Anselm expressed his desire to become a monk, but his father - who did not heed the above quote from Colossians 3:21 - so vehemently opposed his son's religious vocation that the 15 year old upstart overreacted. He rejected religion and, as some prudently say, went off to live a 'carefree' lifestyle. 12 years later, in 1059, his mother died, and he 'had it out' with his father after which he fled to France and entered a monastery. While he recaptured his desire to serve the Lord in Religious Life, parents must be very careful NOT to so provoke their children over churchy matters that they leave!

<u>MAN PROPOSES</u>, <u>GOD DISPOSES</u>.' The future <u>Saint Anselm</u> hoped to live in monastic silence and prayer, but 3 years later, his confrères, noting his patient, gentle leadership skills, elected him 'Prior.' 15 years later, they elected him Abbot, and 15 years after that, having been 'noticed' by the Church's hierarchy, he was appointed - against his will - at the age of 60 - in 1093 - the *Archbishop of Canterbury,* England. *Saint Anselm* should be the patron saint of those whose plans don't pan out!

CHURCH & STATE ISSUES. In almost every age, the Church has had to defend her right to appoint Bishops, decide dogmas, promulgate rites, etc. Archbishop Anselm was so unwelcomed by England's King William Rufus that he went into exile until the king's death 13 years later. But the next king, Henry I, who invited the Archbishop back, also interfered in Church matters, so Saint Anselm exiled himself to Rome for 3 more years. [In 1534, Henry VIII totally broke with Rome when he usurped ALL Church matters.]

Pope Francis recently made a deal with China, allowing her to appoint Bishops - and China would let the Church function in peace. But as many [like me!] expected, China reneged. One Chinese Bishop, who refuses to heed China's demands, is being persecuted: his residence was declared uninhabitable [though no legal documents were offered to prove that allegation] and he is being harassed.

In our own country, the Church is not treated equally under the law; conservative Christian voices are singled out for censure; and some want to revoke our tax exempt status over our stance on marriage, abortion, etc. May our Pope and Bishops be graced with - and <u>use</u> - the courage and wisdom Saint Anselm used to face his foes.

FAITH & REASON. In Saint Anselm's time, the notion that we could use human reason to better understand divine revelation was quite novel! In fact, Saint Anselm is called the 'Father of Scholasticism' and is credited with creating the term 'theology' for the process of studying our Faith as we study other subjects. This led him to discern that, although the Bible never explicitly condemns it, slavery and the sale of human persons is immoral - an idea which even made its way into English Law - in the 1100's! That's why we need both Scripture and Tradition to understand our Catholic Faith. Saint Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, pray for us.

Let us also pray for an end to this pandemic.

In Christ,

Fatter mark

To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

Ecclesiastes 3:11

"...a time to be born..." "...a time to love..."

... "and a time to be born to fternal fife..."

Regina Polakowski, William Helbock, Nora Grogan, Ross Holcomb, Mary Donato, John Donato, Craig McMahon Andrew Albanese, Tom Krisak, Paul Barbara

Those who have died in the Service of our Country. "...and a time for peace in all the world..."

pray for our servicemen and women at home and abroad,

Cody Fisher, Jason Howie, Daniel Robert Costello, Mark Caruso, Rick DiSanti, A.J. Elbert, Ryan Buckley, Eric P. Fenske, Louis Graffeo, Michael Griffing, Alexandria Del'Romero Hughes, Audrey Hughes, Antoni Jedra, Charles Jones, Ian Krong, Walter Reed, Tyler Brandon Sansone, Trevor Smida, Christopher Sylvester, Nick Roma, Nick Panzara, Greg Hermack. John DiMicelli, John M. Budenas, Robert Tront, Joey Colosimo, Michael Anthony DeAnni, Kieran Murphy, Colin Berrios, Kevin Kreder, Christopher Wright, Jordan Thomas And for our President and elected Leaders of our Country.

Please pray for a full recovery for Father Jack Bogacz's brother Dan who was in a serious accident.

Readings for the Week of April 19, 2020

Monday: Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9; Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9; Jn 3:16-21 **Thursday**: Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-18, 19-20; Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15 **Saturday**: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20 **Sunday**: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

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PARISH. The Diocese of Trenton has set up an on-line giving option for each parish thru their website. If you wish to make your weekly donation to our parish thru this method, please visit our parish website:

www.stjustin.org, Under the News/Events tab, select the On-Line Giving tab.

When the Diocese page opens, scroll down to the "Pass the Basket" option,

select St. Justin the Martyr Parish.

You will receive a confirming email from the Diocese for your contribution.

 \square As you know, collections are vital to our existence as a Parish. Since you are not coming to Mass donations can also be mailed to the church: St. Justin the Martyr, 975 Fischer Blvd. Toms River, NJ 08753'

FORMED° PICK OF THE WEEK



Divine Mercy with Father Michael Gaitley

The vast panorama of God's work of mercy in the world unfolds as a story to be experienced interwoven through the transformative events of Saint Faustina, Mary at Fatima, Saint Maximilian Kolbe, and Pope Saint John Paul II.

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Suggestions for Divine Mercy Sunday: Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal Hear the Divine Mercy Chaplet in Song

The Face of Mercy (Narrated by Jim Caviezel) The Secret of Divine Mercy Faustina and the Spread of Divine Mercy World Youth Day Krakow: A Pilgrimage of Mercy The Second Greatest Story Ever Told (by Fr. Michael Gaitley)

St. John Paul the Great by Jason Evert Being All In: From NFL Playing Field to the Mission Field by Eric Mahl (former NFL player for the Cleveland Browns)

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