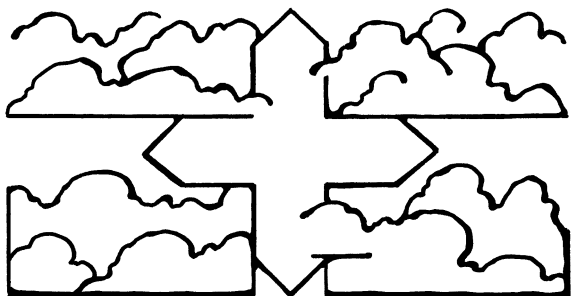


# Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) April 11, 2010



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*Once I was dead, but now I am alive forever  
and ever.  
— Revelation 1:18a*

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## **TODAY'S READING**

**First Reading** — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

**Psalm** — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

**Gospel** — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

## **CALLED TO BE WITNESSES**

Thomas probably would be a good man to have in your corner in a modern-day courtroom. Even though he was willing to follow Jesus to death (John 11:16), he's not going to go out into the world now and attempt to give witness to the risen Christ when all he has at his disposal is hearsay evidence from the other apostles. No, he wants immediate evidence, a hands-on experience of Christ risen and present. The risen Christ ultimately provides Thomas with the experience and evidence he needs.

Many of us, when we struggle with our faith or our belief, can identify with Thomas. But even when our faith is in relatively solid shape, we encounter people who are a bit like Thomas, who won't believe unless they are given credible experience of the risen Christ. We, then, are called to be witnesses. Like Christ, we cannot be ashamed to show the woundedness of the Body of Christ, the Church. We must even allow others to probe and examine the wounds. But we must also greet them with "Peace" and know that, in the glorious everlasting life of Christ risen from the dead, our wounds are not our final destiny. Our final joy is life transformed for eternity.

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## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Acts 4:23-31; Jn 3:1-8
Tuesday:	Acts 4:32-37; Jn 3:7b-15
Wednesday:	Acts 5:17-26; Jn 3:16-21
Thursday:	Acts 5:27-33; Jn 3:31-36
Friday:	Acts 5:34-42; Jn 6:1-15
Saturday:	Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21
Sunday:	Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Ps 30; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19 [1-14]

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**Parish Finance Council** – The Parish Finance Council will meet in Krug Hall at 7:00p.m. on Tuesday, April 27.

**The Hispanic Young Adult Group** meets every Sunday after the Spanish liturgy. They are currently discuss the possibility of starting a parish soccer team to compete against other parish teams, inviting soccer teams to play on the OLS field and selling refreshments as a fundraiser, assuming leadership roles in the celebration of Mass, and many other aspects of being a member of the Body of Christ and being responsible parishioners. Everyone 18 years or older is welcome to join us.

**Rosary Dedication April:**

For the newly baptized that they will take seriously the new life in which they have been clothed

**This Week at Our Lady of Sorrows**

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

Rosary, 7:35 am  
 Mass - 8 am  
 May Mania dinner tickets & BBQ butt order form on sale after all masses  
 K of C Breakfast after 8 am Mass  
 PRE 9 am  
 Mass – 10:30 am (Youth Group)  
 Hispanic Ministry Meeting, 4 pm  
 Spanish Mass- 5 pm  
 Bible Study Class 6:30 pm, KH

**Mon, April 12<sup>th</sup>**

Mass - 8:15 am

**Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mass– 8:15 am  
 Students Mass KN-4 grade  
 K of C Meeting, 7:30pm KH

**Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup>**

Legion of Mary, 4:30 pm LH  
 Mass, 6:30 pm  
 RCIA, 7 pm KH  
 Youth Group, 7 pm

**Thurs., April 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:15 am, Students 5-8<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Bible Study Class 9:30-11:30  
 Confirmation, 7pm cathedral

**Friday, April 16<sup>th</sup>**

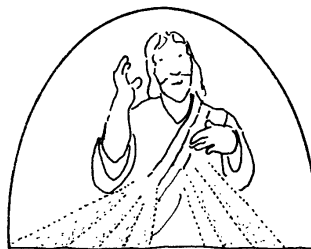
Communion Service, 8:15 am

**Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mass – 8:15  
 Day of reflection, 9 am – 3:00 pm KH  
 Confessions, 3:00 – 4:00  
 Mass – 4:00 pm

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>**

Rosary, 7:35 am  
 Mass - 8 am  
 PRE 9 am  
 Mass – 10:30 am (Youth Group)  
 Spanish Mass- 5 pm  
 Bible Study Class 6:30 pm. KH



**DIVINE MERCY  
SUNDAY**

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**SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES**

Sunday:	Second Sunday of Easter; Divine Mercy Sunday; Holocaust Remembrance Day
Tuesday:	St. Martin I
Thursday:	Income Tax Day

**Hispanic Young Adult Group** – The young adults of our Hispanic community have recently completed the Lenten Bible Study and have discerned members who will serve as their leadership team. Selected were: José Benitez (Diocesan Representative), Antonio Perez (Leader), María Marquez (Prayer), Diana Marquez (Treasurer), Maria Flores (Secretary), and Samuel Perez, Arturo Lopez and Jazmine Estrada (Public Affairs).

***Ministers & Altar Server  
Schedule for April 10 & 11***

	<b><u>4:00 PM</u></b>	<b><u>8:00 AM</u></b>	<b><u>10:30 AM</u></b>	<b><u>5:00 PM</u></b>
Communion	Deacon Henry Mary Kissell	Deacon Don Bill Hall	Deacon Don Kay Pope	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Eileen Monroe	Bonnie Williams	Lyons Pope	C & R Roque
Altar Servers:	Lacey Carter Antonio Lopez	Bradley Hudson Kacee Hudson	Shelby Gilbreath Manuel Najera Analisa Bowers	Juan Rivera Jose Roque Javier Roque

***Ministers & Altar Server  
Schedule for April 17 & 18***

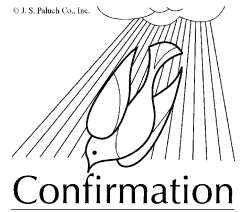
	<b><u>4:00 PM</u></b>	<b><u>8:00 AM</u></b>	<b><u>10:30 AM</u></b>	<b><u>5:00 PM</u></b>
Communion	Gina Pannell Gerry Taulman	Deacon Henry Larry Hall	Deacon Don Janet DeStefano	Estaban Roque Nick Vinturella
Reader:	Rick Pannell	Janie Hall	Mary Standridge	C & R Roque
Altar Servers:	Alisa Younger John Witcher	Heather Martini Angelica Martini	Christian Sawicki Katie Hissong	Sarahi Roque Abigail Roque

**Please remember the following people in your prayers:** Grace Aspinall, Theresa Baker, Ann Balcom, June Bennis, Rebecca Bethune, Deanna Bolgeo, Johnny Boletta, Carole Brunner, Keith Carpenter, Trudi Collier, Abrahan Delgado, Margaret Dries, Elena Everroad, Rena Frazier, Carolyn Fracchia, Alice Fricks, Theresa Greco, Eileen Haklitch, Amanda Hall, Shelby Henricks, Peggy Hooten, Mike & Donna Jackson, Margaret Jones, Brad Kitts, Butsy Lanigan, Anthony Lobianco, Ericka Lopez, Robert Lutts, Jerry Lynn, Sadie Claire Lynn, Louise Macdonald, Joseph Mangold, Alex Mosby, Bill Nutt, Tony Oliviera, Frances O’Toole, Jackie Perfetti, Waldyr Poilis, Nancy Pope, Dr. Cheryl Pearson, Bea Remmert, Jim Sawicki, James & Maureen Spain, Mona Stringfellow, Fr. Bryan Timby, Keith Trenham, Henry VanNess, Maria Isabelle Vega, Helene Weiss, Lewis Wilkinson, Angie Wright and Randi Yound.

**Names will be taken off after being on for 4 weeks. If you want to keep name on after 4 weeks, please call the office at 353-1530.**

**Stewardship of the Altar** – Flowers can be put on the Altar in memory of a loved one; a deceased couple of the departed of an entire family or in honor of someone’s special anniversary, birthdays or other happy occasions or just to honor someone you think is special. Please contact Frances Bursi at 357-5874 or 634-1168.





**Confirmation** – Six young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Steib on April 15 at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. Please keep our confirmandi in your prayers.

**First Communion Parents Meeting** – There will be a meeting on April 29, at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria for all parents of the 22 young people making their First Holy Communion this year.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Sat, April 10<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm**

Langston/Bray Families & Rachel  
Renee Hooten+

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am**

Theresa Raggio+

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am**

Georgene R. Fields+

**Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**

People of Parish

**Monday April 12<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Delia Owen+

**Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Kenneth Monroe+

**Wednesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> 6:30 pm**

Mary Schaller+

**Thurs. April 15<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Paul & Louise Belisomo+

**Friday April 16<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Communion Service

**Sat, April 17<sup>th</sup> 8:15 am**

Tama Numera+

**Sat, April 17<sup>th</sup> 4:00 pm**

People of Parish+

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 8:00 am**

Wm J. Owens+

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am**

Ollie Owens+

**Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm**

Tama Numera+

### **PARISHONERS IN NURSING HOME:**

**Carolyn Fracchia  
St. Peter Villa, 331-A  
141 North McLean  
Memphis, TN 38104**

**Jackie Perfetti  
St. Francis Nursing Home  
5959 Park Ave, room 328  
Memphis, TN 38119**

**Helene Weiss  
St. Francis Nursing Home  
5959 Park Ave, room 328  
Memphis, TN 38119**

**Ginger Shemwell  
Luther Tower  
274 S. Highland apt. 106  
Memphis, TN 38111**

**Dolores Bair  
Ava Maria Home  
St. Lukes  
2805 Charles Bryan Road, 38134**

**Henry Van Ness  
Trezevant Manor Assisted Living  
177 North Highland, room 124  
Memphis, TN 38111**

**Amanda Hall  
Highlands of Memphis  
3549 Norris wood Avenue, room 236-1  
Memphis, TN 38111**

**Moira Kavanagh  
Mid South Rehab Center  
2380 James Rd, room 102  
Memphis, TN 38127**

### **HELPING YOUR NEIGHBOR**

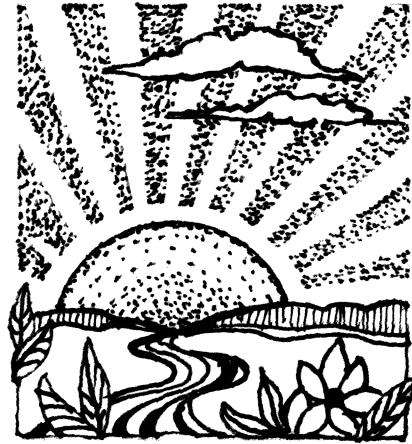
If you truly want to help the soul of your neighbor, you should approach God first with all your heart. Ask God simply to fill you with charity . . . with it you can accomplish what you desire.

—St. Vincent Ferrer

**Financial Report  
Weekend of 04/4/2010**

Envelopes	\$3,153.00
Loose Checks	1,105.00
Loose Currency/Coin	177.75
Debt	1,171.00
Improvement	51.00
Poor of Parish	321.00
Holy Land	252.00
Easter	1,293.50
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$7,523.75</b>
Church Budget for the week	- 4,387.00
Collection Diff for the week	\$ 3,136.75
Collections Revenues Y-T-D	<b>\$169,167.07</b>
Church Budget Y-T-D	<u>171,093.00</u>
Collections Deficit Y-T-D	\$ (1,925.93)

*This is the day*



*the Lord has made*

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**Fr. Gantert 5K Run** – It is that time of the year again, dust off your tennis shoes and sign up for the Gantert 4 mile walk/run to be held on April 18th. A new level of sponsorship has been added consider being an alumni or individual sponsor for \$25.00. All alumni / individual sponsor names will appear on the t-shirts. You can walk, run or be a virtual runner. Sign up or become a sponsor at [www.racesonline.com](http://www.racesonline.com) today! More details coming soon.

**SAINT BERNADETTE SOUBIROUS (1844-1879)**

**April 16**

With Immaculate Mary's "Ave Maria" for its refrain, Andy Williams' "Village of Saint Bernadette" peaked at #7 on *Billboard's Top 40* at Christmas 1959, airing on radio stations all over America. Imagine! In some dioceses, today marks the feast of Bernadette Soubirous, the teenager who, combing a refuse heap for firewood, saw a "beautiful lady" who identified herself in words Bernadette faithfully reported to the bishop, though she did not understand their meaning: "I am the Immaculate Conception." Relentlessly interrogated, she never wavered in her story or sweetness. Chronically ill all her life and dead at thirty-five, Bernadette left behind the shrine at Lourdes where healing waters still flow from the spring that her "beautiful lady" pointed out to her.

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**Attention All First Confession/First Communion Candidates** – all those wanting to make their First Confession and receive their First Holy Communion must be attending Mass on Sundays. This is a requirement of the Universal Church and is reinforced by the teaching of Bishop Steib. Therefore, all those who are candidates for First Confession and/or First Holy Communion must sign in on the sheet in the vestibule each week. If they attend another church on occasion they must bring a bulletin from that church with the pastor's signature and give it to their religion teacher/catechist. This requirement begins today. No letters will be written by Fr. Timby approving the celebration of the sacraments until the pastoral team reviews the weekly attendance sheets for Mass and participation in religion classes.

**Our Lady of Vladimir**

This ancient Marian icon can be traced back to the year 1125. For many, she is the most beloved image of the Eastern Church. In 1169, the icon was brought from Kiev to the new cathedral built for her in Vladimir, honoring her for her gracious assistance throughout the Ukraine.

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**St. John Alumni Mass and Reception** – Saturday, April 24th. Please join us for 4:30 mass followed by a reception and school tours. For more information contact Amy Strange, 854-0928

**Youth Fund-raising Dinner** – The youth of the parish are raising funds to go on a mission trip to help the poor this summer. They are having a dinner on Saturday, April 24, immediately following the 4:00p.m. Mass to raise funds for this trip. Please come and support the youth; they are the future of the Church!

**OLS School Registration** – Our Parish School is in the process of registering children for the 2010-2011 academic year. The registration fee is \$25.00 per student until 1 May. Beginning in May the Registration Fee is increased to \$50.00 per student. If you know of someone who might be interested in sending their children to our school, please have them call 358-7431 to make an appointment.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal** – Our Lady of Sorrows has a goal of **\$26,000** for this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish receives many benefits from this annual fund drive, e.g., the Tribunal, liturgical training seminars, youth gatherings, days of reflection, catechist certification, retreats and continuing education opportunities for our priests and deacons, and much support from the Catholic Schools Office. This year, OLS received a waiver from having to pay the high school assessment tax to ease the financial burden on our parish. When you receive Bishop's Steib's letter asking for your help, please respond generously in thanksgiving for what we have received.

**Spanish Confessions** – Fr. David Knight will be at OLS on Sunday, April 25, to hear confessions in Spanish from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30p.m

**Handyman Needed** – need minor repairs done, if interested please call Helen Phipps at 357-2266.



**May Mania** – Come out Saturday, **May 1<sup>st</sup>** and spend time with us. You can enjoy a Bar-B-Q dinner beginning at 5:30, a live auction starting at 6:30, bid on silent auction items and maybe win a door prize. You may place an order for a Bar-B-Q butt and/or purchase your advance dinner tickets after mass. Please come out and support us, we need your help. Together we can make this year's May Mania a success.

**Fundraising/Development Director** – DeNeuille Learning Center is seeking a talented and experienced person to design, implement and manage a comprehensive fundraising plan and take a leadership role in leading fundraising events and activities. The person would join our staff and volunteers on part time basis working from our mid-town location. To apply, please send a cover letter, resume, and a sample of writing to [Lnap5902@bellsouth.net](mailto:Lnap5902@bellsouth.net) by April 2, 2010.

**Easter Day of Reflection** -- Join us for a day of reflection on Saturday, April 17. Our spiritual director will be Deacon Jeff Dryzcimski, who will lead through a reflection on the meaning of Easter in our daily lives. The day will begin with Mass at 8:15 a.m. And conclude about 3:00 p.m. Call the parish office (353-1530) to make a reservation. The cost is \$10.00 per person and includes lunch.

**Monthly Bus trip** – Bus trip will be Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> after 10:30 am Mass. This month the bus will take us to **The Resorts**. If you are interested in going, please call Martha Hensley at 357-2459 or 268-2849.

**First Holy Communion / Confirmation** – St. Paul's Bookstore has readied the store like never before. With hundreds of gifts, books and sacramentals, come in to find something for the special people in your life as they deepen their commitment to the Catholic faith. Hurry in while we have a large selection of communion veils, ties, tie pins, Communion prayer books, etc. etc. We can ship items for a nominal fee (average \$5.00). St Paul Book & Gift Store, 4811 Poplar Avenue, Memphis, TN 38117, 901-761-2987 [www.stpaulmemphis.com](http://www.stpaulmemphis.com) *Cada miércoles se habla español en la tienda!!!!*

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**Mothers Day Remembrance** – Mothers Day is just a month away. Please use the envelopes available in the pews and the vestibule this week to have your mother remembered in the celebration of Mass at every Mass on Mother's Day weekend. Please indicate on the envelope whether your mother is living or dead. If you want a card sent to your living mother, the suggested donation is \$10.00 to cover the card and postage. A card will be sent to living mothers only if you give us your mother's name and full address before May 6, 2010. All mothers being remembered will be listed alphabetically in the bulletin the weekend of Mothers Day.

**Tamales! Tamales! Tamales!** – OLS Hispanic Committee will be taking orders during the weekend of May 8<sup>th</sup> and May 15<sup>th</sup>. The order forms will be available during next week parish bulletin. We need your help to prepare the tamales on Saturday May 22<sup>nd</sup>. All are invited to assist in this fundraiser project for our parish school. This is a great opportunity to build bridges among our parish family.

*Dear Fr. Timby*

*I would like to personally thank your congregation for their support of my condition.*

*I was only given a 30% chance of living with the shut-down of my liver and kidneys.*

*Your congregation (along with many others Catholics, Baptists, and Jewish) put me on their prayer lists.*

*I do believe in the power of prayer.*

*The liver I was given was hepatitis-C positive, and core hepatitis-B exposed. With the power of my faith and the power of prayer of all. I am now hepatitis-C cured with only a 1% chance of getting it again and never have been tested positive for Hepatitis-B.*

*Please thank your congregation for their faith and prayers for me. **Five years** and my visit on Friday has only positive results. The doctors say I am a miracle; I say it was the power of the prayers God heard on my behalf.*

*Thanks again, Lois Sanford*

**The Friars of the Renewal** will be visiting OLS for the Spanish liturgy on Sunday, April 25, to invite all Spanish-speaking people to a Parish Mission for the Hispanic community at St. Michael's Catholic Church, Monday, April 26th through Thursday, April 29th at 7:00 p.m. each evening. St. Michael's is located on 3867 Summer Ave, Memphis, TN. Please make an extra effort to welcome the Friars to OLS on April 25 and plan to participate in the mission by spending some time in prayer with the Friars!

**Training for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** is scheduled at St. Francis of Assisi on April 20 & 21, 6:00-9:15 p.m. This course, presented in English, offers an introduction to the origin and role of the extraordinary minister of Holy Communion. In addition to a basic theology of the Eucharist as sacrifice and covenant meal, the practicalities of administering Holy Communion are examined. Completion of this course entails certification by the diocese as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Participants must register in advance and have their pastor's written permission. If interested, see Fr. Timby. The deadline is today! The parish will pay registration fees, but individuals are responsible for purchasing their own course books.

**Lector Training** – This course bring, presented in English at Holy Spirit Church on three consecutive Tuesday evenings (May 4, 11, and 18) from 6:00 p.m. to 8:15 p.m., offers an introduction to the ministry of Lector, including discernment of the call to this ministry and skills necessary for effective ministry within the liturgical assembly. Participants must register in advance and have their pastor's written permission. If interested, see Fr. Timby. The registration deadline is April 20. The parish will pay registration fees, but individuals are responsible for purchasing their own course books.

## BELIEVING WITHOUT SEEING

In some ways “doubting Thomas” in today’s Gospel reading sounds very much like a man of our times. He says he won’t believe unless he can see and touch Jesus’ wounds. He is granted that desire and, in awe, acknowledges his risen Lord. Jesus says to Thomas, “Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed” (John 20:29). We may often be tempted to put our faith in what we can see, touch, feel, taste, smell, and hear. That is certainly the preoccupation of science, which tests, theorizes, and proves based on what is observable in the universe. Science has its place in our lives, but it cannot uncover for us what is beyond the physical senses. It cannot define or measure love, yet we know that without love, companionship, and compassion people do not thrive and may even die. Some of the saddest news stories today are of people who die alone for want of a single other human being to know they needed help. The price we pay for our modern privacy is high. We are meant to live with one another and to love one another in order to be fully human. The idea that we can rely on ourselves and our own efforts to live the good life is an old heresy that lives on in our times. It is true that living with and for others is a messy business. In the communities of our ancestors the neighbors knew you and your family as well as your sins and failings—and you knew theirs. Yet you had companionship and, in hard times, someone to help out. So, believe in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, not just as a check mark against some list of “Things I Believe In”. Let it change how you live. Copyright © 2009, World Library Publications. All rights reserved.



**Tamasauoa Numera**, the father of Lisa Hudson of OLS, died on Good Friday and was buried from OLS of Tuesday of this past week. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. May his souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen

**Divine Mercy Sunday** – In 2000, Pope John Paul II dedicated every Second Sunday of Easter to the Divine Mercy of God through our trust in Jesus, His Risen Son. Two years later, the supreme Pontiff attached a *plenary indulgence* to the formal celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday with three conditions: 1) meet all the usual requirements for receiving the grace of an indulgence (a. Sacramental Confession within fourteen days prior to the day itself and remaining in the state of grace; b. Eucharistic Communion on the day itself; and, c. prayers for the Holy Father and his intentions); 2) are in a spirit detached from any sin, even venial sin; and, 3) take part in prayers in honor of the Divine Mercy in any Catholic church or Chapel, or, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament say one Our Father, the Creed and offer a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus, e.g., “Merciful Jesus, I trust in you.” A *partial indulgence* is granted to those faithful who, at least with a contrite heart, pray to the merciful Lord Jesus a legitimately approved invocation.

### Welcome New Members:

Mr. Ruben Torres  
1146 Russwood Road  
Memphis, TN 38122  
438-9839

Mr. Christopher Bowlan  
323 Laxton Lane  
Munford, TN 38058  
289-9574

