

Order of the Mass #140

Divine Mercy Sunday

Entrance Antiphon: "Like newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia." 1 Pt 2: 2

Communion Antiphon: "Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia." Cf Jn 20: 27

Reflection for this Sunday: Divine Mercy Sunday celebrates the boundless mercy of God, inviting us to trust deeply in His love and forgiveness while living as witnesses of that mercy in our daily lives. In the Gospel, the disciples, fearful and uncertain after the crucifixion, are met by the risen Jesus who greets them with "Peace be with you," offering not just words but true consolation and reassurance; showing them His wounds, He reveals both the reality of His suffering and the depth of His forgiveness, extending mercy despite their abandonment. This same mercy is offered to us, reminding us that no sin or failure is greater than His love and calling us to forgive others as we have been forgiven. The story of Thomas further teaches that doubt can be part of faith's journey, as Jesus meets him with patience and compassion, leading him from uncertainty to a profound profession of faith, and blessing all who believe without seeing. Christ's risen body still bears the scars of His Passion, showing that suffering is not erased but transformed, and that our own wounds can become sources of grace and hope when entrusted to Him. Finally, the readings emphasize the importance of community, as the early Christians grew in faith through prayer, fellowship, and shared life, and as the disciples encountered the risen Lord together; so too are we called to live our faith in communion, supporting one another and building communities rooted in mercy, love, and hope. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, we are invited to embrace God's mercy, trust in His presence, bring Him our wounds, and share His peace with the world.

EASTER RETREAT: Adirondacks House of Prayer, Ellenburg Center. What: Prayer, Reflections "Hope Filled" by Father Douglas Schirmer, Quiet Prayer Time followed by refreshments. Date: Sunday, April 19 from 2- 4 p.m. Place: Our Lady of the Adirondacks House of Prayer, 7270 Starr Road Rt. 190, Ellenburg Center. Who: All are welcome. No cost. Register by April 15, as space is limited. Contact: 315-212-6592 or srbethssj@gmail.com Sponsored by Sisters of St. Joseph Lay Associates **Contact for More Information:** Sr Bethany Fitzgerald **Email:** srbethssj@gmail.com

Today's Readings #903

EASTER 2026

"Yes, Christ my hope is arisen; to Galilee he goes before you."

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

We can face most anything, if we know or believe it won't last forever, and that something better will happen. We will endure a painful operation if we believe it will make us well again. We can face the rigors of a long and miserable winter (like this one) because we know that spring will return. It's amazing what the human spirit can endure and overcome provided it is fed with the bread of hope for tomorrow.

Easter provides an enormous portion of hope for the human spirit. How voracious is our appetite for hope today. Yes, Jesus suffered much. He was cut down but rose again. The world didn't take much notice of the resurrection of Jesus. It was a humble, hidden event. The risen Jesus did not appear in triumph at the temple in Jerusalem, humiliating those who humiliated Him. To those who loved Him and followed Him, Jesus rose as a sign of hope that God's love is stronger than death. The resurrection of Jesus cannot be separated from the resurrection of humanity saved by Him.

At Easter, we still feel the pain of the world, the pain in our families and in our hearts. But a new reality has been introduced into our lives. It doesn't remove the pain, but it sure gives it a meaning. It lights up our lives with hope. All is different because Jesus is alive! Faith in Jesus' resurrection is the basis of our hope of eternal life, a hope which enables you and me to bear patiently the trials of our lives. We experience a quiet joy and confident hope because we know that a faithful life is stronger than death, love is stronger than fear and hope is stronger than despair and discouragement.

The Risen Christ is still active in our midst two millennia after that Easter morn. There is plenty of room for hope! Easter assures you and me that God's promise of presence is fulfilled. And for that, may God be praised. Forever may God be praised! A blessed Easter to you and your family!

**Faithfully yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Terry R. LaValley
Bishop of Ogdensburg**

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*****Religious Ed** will have a Bake Sale April 18 & 19
*****CDA#1548** will have an Audit and Election of Officers on April 13th at 5pm.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting." Psalm 118

Mass & Envelope Schedule

Saturday 4/18	Sunday 4/19
4:00pm (SB) (L) Pat Chase (EM) Karen Trombley	8:00am (SE) (L) Neil Burgoyne (EM) Mary Tomo (EM) Sharlene Stanley
6:00pm (SE) (L) Donna Curry (EM) Nancy Miller (EM) Andy Miller	10:30am (SB) (L) Diane Barber (EM) Diane Barber (EM) Joe Varin
Counters (Week 2)	Sandy Smith Linda Trombley
April 12	April 19
Regular Collection	Regular Collection Maint. Collection

Easter Thank You and Greetings

"Christ is Risen! He is truly Risen! Alleluia!"

Dear Parishioners of St. Bernard's & St. Edmund's, With hearts filled with Easter joy, I offer my sincere gratitude to all of you for your faith, prayer, and active participation throughout the sacred days of Lent and Holy Week. Together, we have journeyed with the Lord through His Passion and now rejoice in the victory of His Resurrection.

I extend a special word of thanks to all who gave so generously of their time and talents to make our churches and liturgies prayerful and beautiful: our musicians, voluntary cleaners and decorators, sacristans, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, Religious Education teachers, members of our Pastoral and Finance Councils, trustees, CDA, Knights of Columbus, Altar Rosary Society, facility managers, and our devoted staff.

Your dedication and love for the Church are a living reflection of the Risen Christ among us. Because of you, our parish continues to be a place of faith, hope, and charity.

May the joy and peace of the Risen Lord remain with you and your families throughout the Easter season and always.

**With gratitude and Easter blessings,
Fr. Tojo Chacko
Pastor**

Pray for the Sick: Shirley Guerin, Bill LePage, Fred Cayea Jr., Veronica Demers, Amy Wilson,, Jimmy Kowalowski, Mary Dentael Burleigh, Tom Lavery, Janet Collins, Caroline Varin, Bob Siskavich, Bill Chase



Schedule of Holy Mass & Devotions

Divine Mercy Sunday

Holy Saturday, April 11th, 2026

4:00pm(SB) Robert Pageau 1st Ann. By Mary & Family
6:00pm (SE) Lawrence & Irene Trombley by J.R. & Linda

Sunday, April 12th, 2026

8:00am (SE) Valerie Dominic by Ellenburg Red Hatters
10:30am(SB) Richard & Mag Chase by Mary Fortin

Monday, April 13th, 2026: Novena & Adoration

5:30pm (SE): Rhoda Nichols by Patty Darrah

Tuesday, April 14th, 2026:

9: 00am (SB): Patrick Cayea by Jim & Linda Kowalowski

Wednesday, April 15th, 2026:

No Mass

Thursday, April 16th, 2026:

9:00am (SE): Margorie DeCosse by Chris & Deryl Gregory

Friday, April 17th, 2026:

9:00am (SB): Richard Dashnaw by Joanne Benware

Third Sunday of Easter

Holy Saturday, April 18th, 2026

4:00pm(SB) Alan Davies by Jim & Linda Kowalowski
6:00pm (SE) Betty Gregory by Pat & Donna Curry

Sunday, April 19th, 2026

8:00am (SE) Kevin Trombley by Mom & Dad
10:30am (SB) Debbie Varin by Joey Varin & Family

In addition to mass dedications, sanctuary candles which remain lit on the altar for a full week can be dedicated for your prayer intentions.

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Schedule of Holy Mass

Saturday	Sunday
4:00pm (SB) 6:00pm (SE)	8:00am (SE) 10:30am (SB)

Office Hours:
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by appointment

The sacrament of penance and reconciliation is available 20 minutes prior to each Saturday Evening masses, or anytime by appointment.

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Divine Mercy Chaplet

Introduction:

Our Father, Hail Mary, &
The Apostles Creed.

On the 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 Hail Mary beads, pray:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion—have mercy on us and on the whole world. (x10)

Repeat decade cycle 5 times

Concluding Prayer:

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One—have mercy on us and on the whole world. (x3)