



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
 386 Rogers Street, Peterborough, ON K9H 1W7
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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

April 7, 2024.

MASSES FOR APRIL 9TH – APRIL 14TH

English Rosary: Saturday 4:10 p.m. / Sunday 9:10 a.m. / Polish Rosary: Sunday 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, April 9 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Ted Green, requested by Paul & Mardi Ayotte
Wednesday, April 10 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Ted Green, requested by Marie Morrissey
Thursday, April 11 th	8:30 a.m.	+	Benito & Lucia Zorzit, requested by Loretta DeLuca
Friday, April 12 th	8:30 a.m.	-	Peter D'Souza, for his health
Saturday, April 13 th	4:30 p.m.	+	Peter Gooley, requested by Margaret Mary Young
Sunday, April 14 th	9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	- +	<i>For the people of Immaculate Conception parish</i> Jan & Anna Szokalski, requested by the family

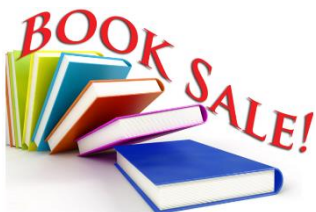
+ Mass for the Deceased / - Mass for the Living

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Neave Alderson, Maureen Archambault, Tim Ayotte, Fr. Bart Burke, M.J.B., Pam Caravaggio, John Dawson, Michael Dawson, Brian Eberle, Donna Ellis, Marie Green, Sawyer Growden, Julianna & Mary Hauer, Rachelle Kennedy, Cathy Lochner, Keith Mathieson, Peter McCarthy, Barb McKinnon, Al & Pat McPhail, Nixon Parsons, Charlene Purcell, Gail & John Terrion, Linda vanTol, Rose Marie Vitarelli, Sally Weglarz, Vanessa Worr and her unborn child, Clint Young and those who have no one to pray for them. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND KEEP YOU CLOSE TO HIS HEART.**



WELCOME, WELCOME: Congratulations to **Belle Autumn Fisher** and **Lexi Grace Moloney**, to be welcomed into the people of God this weekend through **baptism**.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU: The Knights of Columbus and The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul thank you, our parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church, for your generosity during the 40 Cans for 40 Days collection. **\$240 and 275 pounds** of food have been delivered to the SSVF Food Pantry on Murray Street.



READ A GOOD BOOK LATELY? Why not pass it on. Our next elevator fundraiser will be a book sale to be held on Saturday, **June 1st** in the parish hall from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Donate your books (paperbacks and hard cover) by bringing them to the church before any Mass or leave them in the vestibule leading to the office. (Please, no technical books or old musty ones, as they don't sell, and it costs money to dispose of them.)

PROJECT RACHEL: Project Rachel at the Refuge is offering a retreat **April 19-21**, for women who are suffering the effects of abortion. Project Rachel retreats have been offered for women whose pain has been silenced and denied by the world. E-mail in confidence: projectrachel@stmarysrefuge.org.



FUN QUIPS FROM FR. PETER: A hiring manager had just finished up an interview with an excellent candidate. She decided to extend him a job offer in person. "Great!" said the candidate. "Can you tell me about the pay?" "The starting wage is fifteen dollars an hour," said the hiring manager, "and in three months, it'll be raised to eighteen dollars an hour. So, when would you like to start?" The candidate thought about it for a moment, then replied, "How about in three months?"

MARCH FINANCIAL COMPARISON

We appreciate your continued support to cover basic parish expenses. You can see that our Offertory Income is not covering our monthly expenses. Be aware that for example, all utility bills (heat, hydro, water, etc.) are for **both** the church and rectory. **We appreciate your help to keep us afloat!**

	2024	2023	2022
Operating Expenses	\$ 22,983.44	<i>(includes \$5,362.37 insurance and \$2,235.72 gas bill)</i>	
Offertory Income	\$ 10,554.55 (5 Sundays)	\$ 9,951.40 (4 Sundays)	\$ 10,229.75 (4 Sundays)
Lent	\$ 742.00	\$ 689	\$ 969.25
Development & Peace	\$ 420.00	\$ 743.36	\$ 175.00
Good Friday (Holy Land)	\$ 1,069.75	\$ 1,230.00	\$ 1,135.00
Easter	\$ 2,786.00	\$ 2,955.00	\$ 3,137.00

FUNDRAISING CONCERT: To repair the portico at St. Alphonsus Liguori Church entrance (1066 Western Avenue), on Friday, **May 3rd**, at 7:00 p.m., featuring the *Misfits Vocal Band*, with special guests Kelly Robertson and Fr. Paul Massel. Freewill offering. See the poster on our bulletin board for more details.

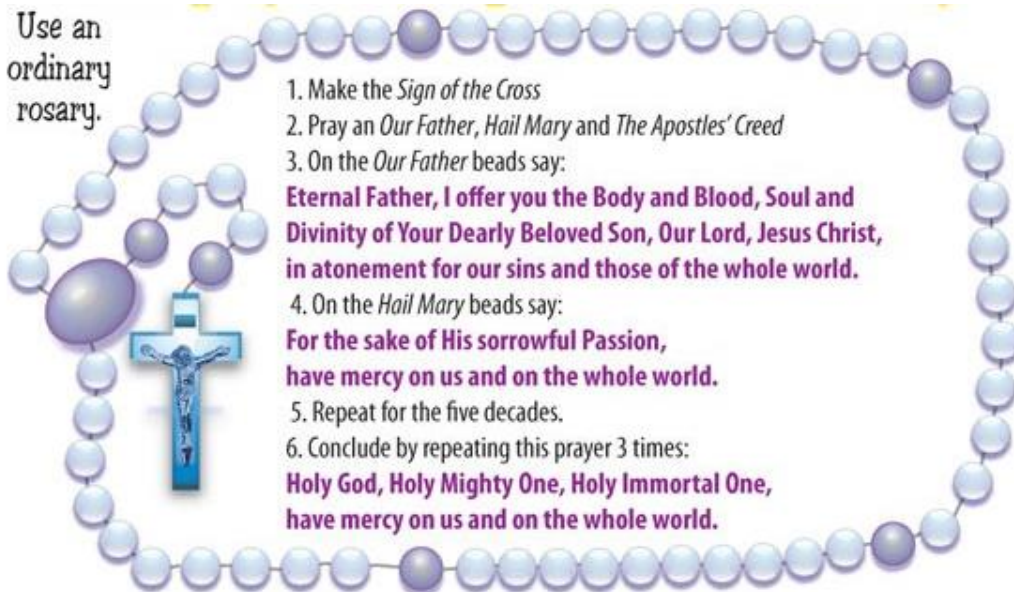
Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Jesus said to Saint Faustina: *“I am love and mercy itself; there is no human misery that could measure up to my mercy”* (Diary, 14 September 1937). At one time, the Saint, with satisfaction, told Jesus that she had offered him all her life and all that she had. But Jesus’ answer stunned her: *“You have not offered me the thing that is truly yours”*. What had that holy nun kept for herself? Jesus said to her with kindness: *“My daughter, give me your failings”*.

We too can ask ourselves: “Have I given my failings to the Lord? Have I let him see me fall so that he can raise me up?” Or is there something I keep inside me? A sin, a regret from the past, a wound that I have inside, a grudge against someone, an idea about a particular person...the Lord waits for us to offer him our failings, so that he can help us experience his mercy.

How to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Use an ordinary rosary.



1. Make the *Sign of the Cross*
2. Pray an *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *The Apostles’ Creed*
3. On the *Our Father* beads say:
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.
4. On the *Hail Mary* beads say:
For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.
5. Repeat for the five decades.
6. Conclude by repeating this prayer 3 times:
Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

Jesus “reaches out” to tell us that God’s mercy is for everyone. Let us not forget this: God’s mercy is for everyone, for each one of us. Each person can say, “God’s mercy is for me”. —Pope Francis