

Divine Mercy Sunday

Holy Hour



Saint Paul Parish
Princeton, New Jersey

EXPOSITION

HYMN

O Saving Victim



1. O sav - ing Vic - tim, o - p'ning wide The gate of
2. All praise and thanks to thee as - cend For - ev - er -

1. *O sa - lu - tá - ris hó - sti - a, Quae cae - li*
2. *U - ni tri - nó - que Dó - mi - no Sit sem - pi -*



1. heav'n to us be - low, Our foes press on from
2. more, blest One in Three; O grant us life that

1. *pan - dis ós - ti - um: Bel - la pre - munt ho -*
2. *tér - na gló - ri - a, Qui vi - tam si - ne*



1. ev - ery side; Thine aid sup - ply, thy strength be - stow.
2. shall not end In our true na - tive land with thee.

1. *stí - li - a, Da ro - bur, fer au - xí - li - um.*
2. *tér - mi - no No - bis do - net in pá - tri - a.*

PRAYER FOR SINNERS

O Jesus, eternal Truth, our Life, I call upon You and I beg Your mercy for poor sinners. O sweetest heart of my Lord, full of pity and unfathomable mercy, I plead with You for poor sinners. O Most Sacred Heart, Fountain of Mercy from which gush forth rays of inconceivable graces upon the entire human race, I beg of You light for poor sinners. O Jesus, be mindful of Your own bitter Passion and do not permit the loss of souls, redeemed at so dear a price of Your most precious Blood. O Jesus, when I consider the great price of Your Blood, I rejoice at its immensity, for one drop alone would have been enough for the salvation of all sinners. Although sin is an abyss of wickedness and ingratitude, the price paid for us can never be equaled. Therefore, let every soul trust in the Passion of the Lord, and place its hope in His mercy. God will not deny His mercy to anyone. Heaven and earth may change, but God's mercy will never be exhausted. Oh, what immense joy burns in my heart when I contemplate Your incomprehensible goodness, O Jesus! I desire to bring all sinners to Your feet that they may glorify Your mercy throughout endless ages. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER TO DIVINE MERCY

I fly to Your mercy, Compassionate God, Who alone are good. Although my misery is great and my offenses are many, I trust in Your mercy because You are the God of mercy and it has never been heard of in all ages, nor do heaven or

earth remember, that a soul trusting in Your mercy has been disappointed. O God of compassion, You alone can justify me and You will never reject me when I, contrite, approach Your Merciful Hearts, where no one has ever been refused, even if he were the greatest sinner. For Your Son assured me: “Sooner would heaven and earth turn into nothingness than My mercy fail to embrace a trusting soul.” Jesus, friend of a lonely heart, You are my haven. You are my peace. You are my salvation. You are my serenity in moments of struggle and amidst an ocean of doubts. You are the bright ray that lights up the path of my life. You are everything to a lonely soul. You understand the soul even though it remains silent. You know our weaknesses and, like a good physician, You comfort and heal, sparing us sufferings — expert that You are. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

PRAYER FOR THE GRACE TO BE MERCIFUL TO OTHERS

O most holy Trinity! As many times as I breathe, as many times as my heart beats, as many times as my blood throbs through my body, so many thousand times do I want to glorify Your mercy.

I want to be completely transformed into Your mercy and to be Your living reflection, O Lord, May the greatest of all divine attributes, that of Your unfathomable mercy pass through my heart and soul to my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearance, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbors' souls and come to their rescue. Help me, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbors' needs and not be indifferent to their pains and moaning. Help me, O Lord that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor, but have a word of comfort and forgiveness for all. Help me, O Lord that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbors and take upon myself the more difficult and toilsome tasks. Help me that my feet may be merciful so that I may hurry to assist my neighbor, overcoming my own fatigue and weariness. My true rest is in the service of my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my heart may be merciful so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor. I will refuse my heart to no one. I will be sincere even with those who, I know, will abuse my kindness. And I will lock myself up in the most merciful heart of Jesus. I will bear my own suffering in silence. May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me.

You Yourself command me to exercise the three degrees of mercy. The first: the act of mercy, of whatever kind.

The second: the word of mercy — if I cannot carry out a work of mercy, I will assist by my words.

The third: prayer — if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer. My prayer reaches out even there where I cannot reach out physically.

O my Jesus, transform me into Yourself, for You can do all things. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

THE CHAPLET OF THE DIVINE MERCY

Priest: Please bow your heads in prayer for the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Sister Faustina please pray for my loved ones and my friends and those we are praying for and the private intentions in our hearts each day before the throne of God.

All: **Amen.**

Together:

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

(three times)

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

Our Father, ...

Hail Mary, full of grace...

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified; died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He arose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, is seated at the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Then, on the large bead before each decade:

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 ten small beads of each decade, say:

Priest: For the sake of His sorrowful Passion,

All: **have mercy on us and on the whole world.**

Conclude with (Say 3 Times):

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

PRAYER

Eternal God, in whom mercy is endless and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible, look kindly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, that in difficult moments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit ourselves to Your holy will, which is Love and Mercy itself.

DIVINE MERCY LITANY

Response: **I trust in You.**

Divine Mercy, gushing forth from the bosom of the Father;

Divine Mercy, greatest attribute of God;
 Divine Mercy, incomprehensible mystery;
 Divine Mercy, fount gushing forth from the mystery of the Most Blessed Trinity;
 Divine Mercy, unfathomed by any intellect, human or angelic;
 Divine Mercy, from which wells forth all life and happiness;
 Divine Mercy, better than the heavens;
 Divine Mercy, source of miracles and wonders;
 Divine Mercy, encompassing the whole universe;
 Divine Mercy, descending to earth in the Person of the Incarnate Word;

BENEDICTION

5. Down in ad - o - ra - tion fall - ing, This great sac -
 6. To the ev - er - last - ing Fa - ther, And the Son

5. ra - ment we hail; O - ver an - cient forms of wor - ship
 6. who made us free, And the Spir - it, God pro - ceed - ing

5. New - er rites of grace pre - vail; Faith will tell us Christ
 6. From them Each e - ter - nal - ly, Be sal - va - tion, hon -

5. is pres - ent, When our hu - man sens - es fail.
 6. or, bless - ing, Might and end - less maj - es - ty. A - men.

Priest: You have given them bread from heaven. Alleluia

All: **Having within it all Sweetness. Alleluia**

Priest: Lord Jesus Christ, you gave us the Eucharist as the memorial of your suffering and death. May our worship of this sacrament of your body and blood help us to experience the salvation you won for us and the peace of the kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

THE DIVINE PRAISES

Blessed be God.

Blessed be his Holy Name.

Blessed be Jesus Christ, true God and true Man.

Blessed be the Name of Jesus.

Blessed be his most Sacred heart.

Blessed be his most Precious Blood.

Blessed be Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament of the Altar.

Blessed be the Holy Spirit the Paraclete
 Blessed be the great Mother of God, Mary most holy.
 Blessed be her holy and Immaculate Conception.
 Blessed be her glorious Assumption.
 Blessed be the name of Mary, Virgin and Mother.
 Blessed be St. Joseph, her most chaste spouse.
 Blessed be God in his angels and in his saints.

CONCLUDING SONG

Holy God



1. Ho - ly God, we praise thy name; Lord of all, we
 2. Hark! the loud ce - les - tial hymn An - gel choirs a -
 3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train Join, the sa - cred
 4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it,



1. bow be - fore thee! All on earth thy scep - tre claim,
 2. bove are rais - ing; Cher - u - bim and Ser - a - phim,
 3. Name to hal - low; Proph - ets swell the loud re - frain,
 4. Three we name thee; While in es - sence on - ly One,



1. All in heav'n a - bove a - dore thee; In - fi -
 2. In un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing; Fill the
 3. And the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low; And from
 4. Un - di - vid - ed God we claim thee; And a -



1. nite, thy vast do - main, Ev - er - last - ing
 2. heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 3. morn to set of sun, Through the Church the
 4. dor - ing, bend the knee, While we own the



1. is thy reign. In - fi - nite, thy vast do -
 2. ho - ly Lord!" Fill the heav'ns with sweet ac -
 3. song goes on. And from morn to set of
 4. mys - ter - y. And a - dor - ing, bend the



1. main, Ev - er - last - ing is thy reign.
 2. cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord!"
 3. sun, Through the Church the song goes on.
 4. knee, While we own the mys - ter - y.