



PRAY  
THE ROSARY  
AND  
THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY



Daily prayer fills the mind with truth  
and the heart with hope in our difficult age.

Lord, teach us to pray  
— Luke 11:1

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## WHY PRAY THE DAILY ROSARY?

First of all, the Blessed Virgin Mary gave the rosary, and how to say it, to the entire world, including you. It's a great personal prayer when we pray for ourselves and others. It's a great family prayer, with family members taking turns in leading a decade of prayers to God and to Mary. The family that prays together, stays together. The rosary is the weapon with which to defeat the devil and obtain all graces.

The rosary should be said, silently or aloud, while meditating on the great mysteries in the lives of Jesus Christ and the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is the hope of the world for peace, revered by Catholics, the Orthodox and Muslims everywhere. For more information on Our Lady warning the world of a coming chastisement, unless we repent and change now for the good, click here to read the article on her appearances in Japan, the only country in the world where the atom bomb was used to destroy two cities and almost 200,000 lives. Our Lady of Akita's words have been totally approved by the Catholic Church as worthy of belief. Read more on [page 8](#).

## WHY PRAY THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY EVERY DAY?

First of all, Jesus Christ asks us to pray the chaplet, which only takes five minutes, on the rosary beads! Second, Jesus Christ Himself gave the prayers to be said, and how it should be said. Third, He promises His mercy to those who pray the chaplet. He even promises Divine Mercy for a dying person if you intervene by praying the chaplet for Jesus' mercy for that person. We are living in the time of the Divine Mercy of Jesus Christ. Soon, it will become the time of His Justice and His Second Coming, as promised in the Bible. For more information, taken from the book "Divine Mercy in My Soul," turn to [page 11](#) for a longer, detailed article using the words of Jesus and Mary. These words have been totally approved by the Catholic Church as worthy of belief. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is prayed every day at 3 p.m. U.S.A. Eastern time on EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) whose website is [www.EWTN.com](http://www.EWTN.com).

# Our Lady of Fatima Asks You To Pray the Rosary Daily

(It only takes 15 minutes)

## Mysteries for Praying it Properly

### JOYFUL MYSTERIES

(Monday and Saturday)

Annunciation; Visitation; Nativity; Presentation; Finding in the Temple

### LUMINOUS MYSTERIES

(Thursday)

Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan; Manifestation of Jesus at the Wedding at Cana; Proclamation of the Kingdom of God; Transfiguration of Jesus; Institution of the Eucharist

### SORROWFUL MYSTERIES

(Tuesday and Friday)

Agony in the Garden; Scourging at the Pillar; Crowning with Thorns; Carrying of the Cross; Crucifixion

### GLORIOUS MYSTERIES

(Wednesday and Sunday)

Resurrection; Ascension; Descent of Holy Spirit; Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

[Click here for more details on the mysteries of the rosary](#)



## Praying the Rosary

1. Make the Sign of the Cross and say the "Apostles Creed."
2. Say the "Our Father."
3. Say three "Hail Mary's."
4. Say the "Glory."
5. Announce the First Mystery; then say the "Our Father."
6. Say ten "Hail Mary's" while meditating on the Mystery.
7. Say the "Glory," then say the Fatima Prayer."
8. Announce the Second Mystery; then say the "Our Father." Repeat 6 and 7 and continue with Third, Fourth and Fifth Mysteries in the same manner.
9. Say the "Hail Holy Queen."

the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, may both imitate what they contain and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

## The Rosary is for All Faiths

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

"Apostles Creed" 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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell; the third day He arose from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and 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 life everlasting. Amen.

"Our Father" Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen

"Hail Mary" Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee; blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb,

Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

"Glory" Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the Beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

"Fatima Prayer" O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell and lead all souls to heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy.

"Hail Holy Queen" Hail Holy Queen, Mother of mercy! our life, our sweetness and our hope! To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this valley of tears! Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy toward us; and after this, our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.

O clement, O Loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Pray for us, Holy Mother of God.  
R: That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray, O God whose only begotten Son, by His Life, Death and Resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life, grant, we beseech you, that we who meditate on these mysteries of



Our Lady of Fatima

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# A FURTHER EXPLANATION OF THE 20 MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY

## Joyful Mysteries:

- THE ANNUNCIATION** The Archangel Gabriel appears to the Virgin Mary and announces that she will become Mother of the Son of God. She accepts.
- THE VISITATION** Mary leaves home to visit her cousin, much older Elizabeth who is in her sixth month of pregnancy, carrying John the Baptist. Elizabeth calls Mary the Mother of our Lord.
- THE NATIVITY** Jesus is born in a cave shared with cattle. Shepherds come after hearing the voices of angels from on high.
- THE PRESENTATION** Jesus is presented in the temple for the ritual required by law.
- THE FINDING IN THE TEMPLE** Jesus, 12, is lost for three days and his Mother and foster father Joseph find Him in the temple, showing his wisdom and knowledge to the teachers.

## Sorrowful Mysteries:

- AGONY IN THE GARDEN** Jesus sweats blood in His agony in the garden. Jesus is arrested, after a kiss on the cheek from Judas, the betrayer.
- SCOURGING AT THE PILLAR** Jesus is scourged viciously by the Romans.
- CROWNING OF THORNS** Jesus, the King of all kings, man and God, receives a crown of thorns piercing His head without relief.
- CARRYING OF THE CROSS** Jesus carries the cross, falling three times on His way to His crucifixion.
- THE CRUCIFIXION** Jesus is crucified with nails piercing His hands and feet. After he dies, a sword pierces His heart, bringing forth blood and water.

## Luminous Mysteries:

**THE BAPTISM OF JESUS** Jesus is baptized in the river Jordan by St. John the Baptist.

**THE WEDDING FEAST AT CANA**

Jesus, at His Mother's request, works his first miracle, changing water into wine at the wedding party in Cana.

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE KINGDOM**

Jesus proclaims the Kingdom of God to the masses gathered before Him.

**THE TRANSFIGURATION** Jesus, in prayer, is transfigured with very bright light and is joined from Heaven by Elijah and Moses.

**INSTITUTION OF THE EUCHARIST**

Jesus offers His Body and Blood in the form of bread and wine to His Apostles at the Last Supper, the night before His crucifixion.

## Glorious Mysteries:

**THE RESURRECTION** On the third day, Jesus is raised from the dead, and appears to several of His followers.

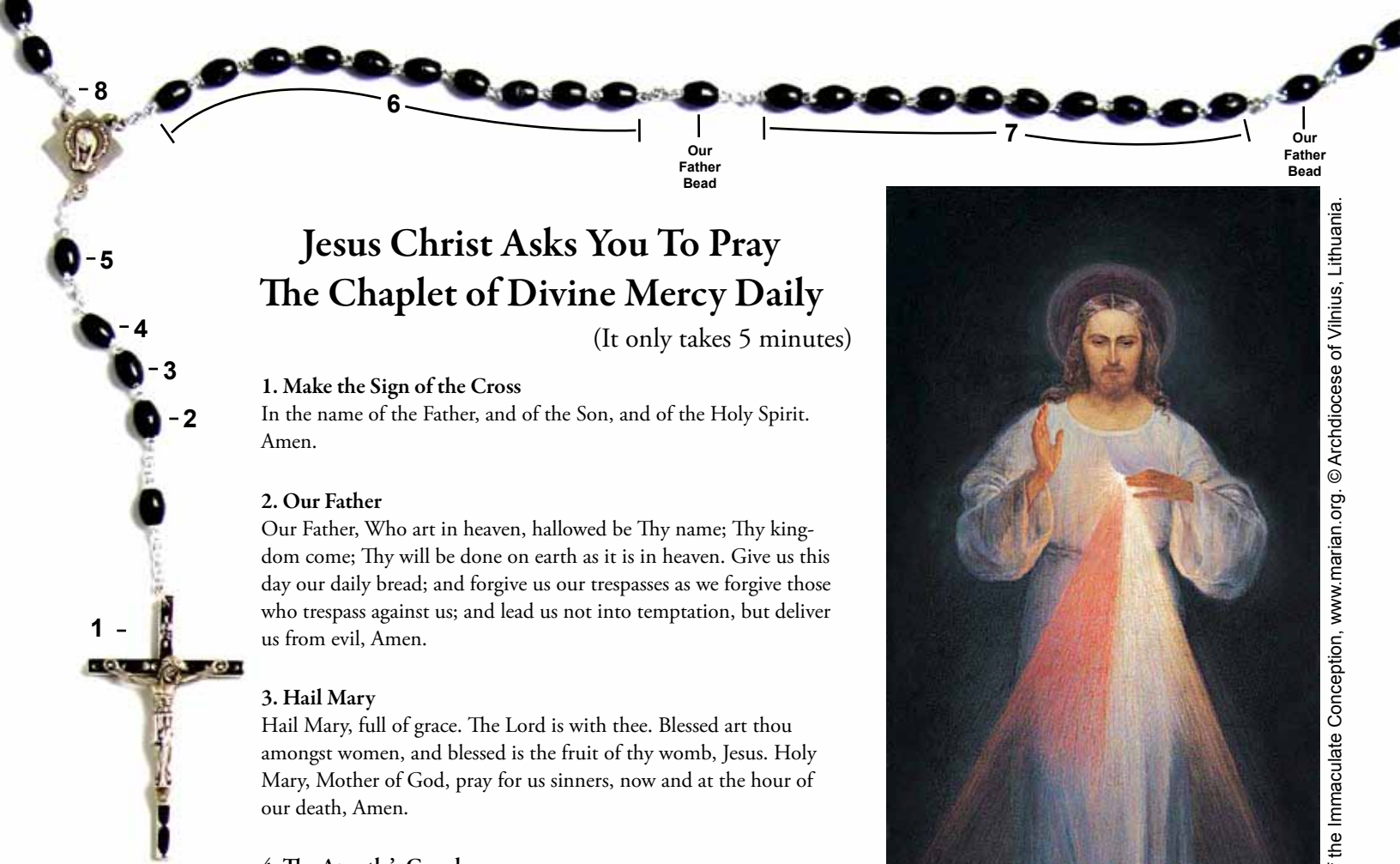
**THE ASCENSION** 40 days after His Resurrection, Jesus ascends from earth into Heaven with His Apostles, disciples and His Mother looking on.

**THE DESCENT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT**

The Holy Spirit descends upon and dwells with Jesus' Apostles and His Mother.

**THE ASSUMPTION** After dying, Jesus' Mother is assumed into Heaven, body and soul.

**THE CORONATION** The Blessed Virgin Mary is crowned in Heaven by God as Queen of Heaven and earth.



## Jesus Christ Asks You To Pray The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Daily

(It only takes 5 minutes)

### 1. Make the Sign of the Cross

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

### 2. Our Father

Our Father, Who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, Amen.

### 3. Hail Mary

Hail Mary, full of grace. The Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou amongst women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death, Amen.

### 4. The Apostle's Creed

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 Spirit, 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, sitteth 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 life everlasting. Amen.

### 5. On the Our Father Beads of 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.

### 6. On the Ten Hail Mary Beads of Each Decade

For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.

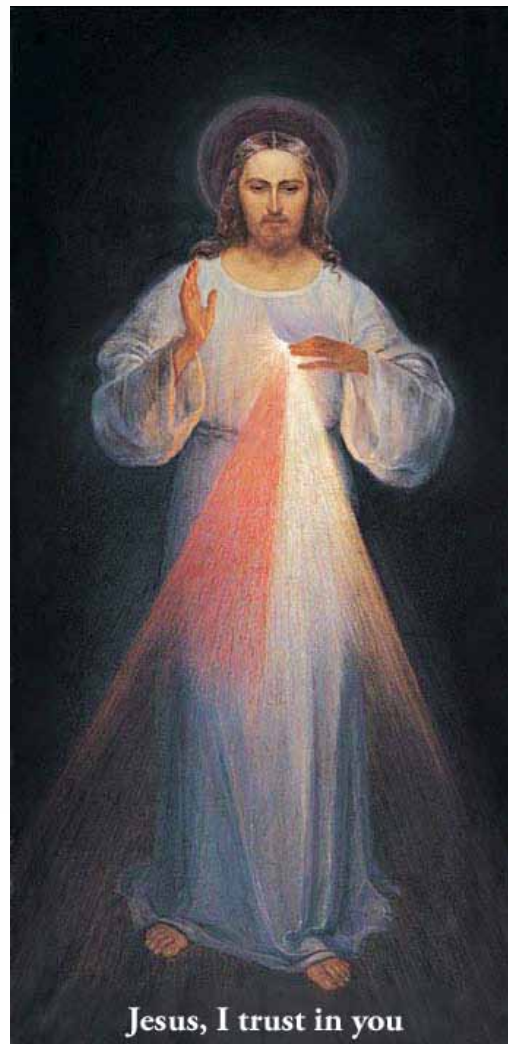
### 7. Repeat for the remaining decades

Saying the "Eternal Father" (5) prayer on the "Our Father" bead and then "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (6) prayer on the following "Hail Mary" beads.

### 8. Conclude with Holy God

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world. (Say three times)

(The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is from the Diary of Saint Maria Faustina, 476)



**"By means of this image I shall be granting many graces to souls; so let every soul have access to it."**  
(Diary 570)

"Through the chaplet you will obtain everything, if what you ask is compatible with My will"  
(Diary, 1731, see also 1541).

"By means of this image I shall be granting many graces to souls; so let every soul have access to it"  
(Diary, 570).

"Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy. I desire that the whole world know My infinite mercy. I desire to grant unimaginable graces to those souls who trust in My mercy"  
(Diary, 687).

All sin offends God! *For a good examination of conscience, click here.*  
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# Our Lady of Akita

Warns the World Of Coming Chastisement

By Daniel P. McGivern



One of the most important appearances of the Blessed Virgin Mary took place in 1973 to Sister Agnes Sasagawa in a convent in Akita, Japan.

Historically, dozens of Christians were martyred, burned at the stake like St. Joan of Arc, at Akita in a Christian persecution in 1624.

Sister Agnes, although she was totally deaf, received a letter in May, 1973 from the Handmaids of the Eucharist, asking her to join their order and live at the convent.

That year of 1973 was miraculous indeed! A month after joining, sister saw brilliant lights coming from the chapel's tabernacle. She prayed prostrate, lying on the floor, before the Lord in the tabernacle. Then she saw angels in the mysterious brilliant light.

Her guardian angel then appeared to her, the first of many visits, on June 29, Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. A day later, on the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Sister Agnes was supernaturally given two red scratches in the palm of her hand, in the form of a cross. The wound was very painful, particularly on Thursday nights and on Fridays. As we all know, Our Lord's agony began on Thursday night, and he was scourged and crucified on Friday.

On July 5, 1973, Sister Agnes' guardian angel appeared to her and beckoned her toward the chapel and then disappeared. After bowing toward the altar, she turned toward the statue of Mary, made from hard, dry wood. The wooden statue came to life and Mary spoke to her. Sister Agnes prostrated herself. The voice of Our Lady was a voice of indescribable beauty which struck Sister Agnes' totally deaf ears.

Our Lady's first words were: **"My daughter, my novice, you have obeyed me well in abandoning all to**

**follow me. Is the infirmity of your ears painful? Your deafness will be healed, for sure. Be patient. It is the last trial. Does the wound of your hand cause you to suffer? Pray in reparation for the sins of men. Each person in this community is my irreplaceable daughter. Do you say well the prayer of the Handmaids of the Eucharist? Then, let us pray it together."**

Then Our Lady instructed that the daily prayer of the Handmaids of the Eucharist be changed to add one word "truly". Then Sister Agnes, her guardian angel and the Blessed Virgin Mary prayed this new version of the prayer.

**"Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, truly present in Holy Eucharist, I consecrate my body and soul to be entirely one with Your Heart, being sacrificed at every instant on all the altars of the world and giving praise to the Father pleading for the coming of His Kingdom.**

**"Please receive this humble offering of myself. Use me as You will for the glory of the Father and the salvation of souls.**

**"Most Holy Mother of God, never let me be separated from your Divine Son. Please defend and protect me as your special child. Amen."**

On the same day, sister's guardian angel actually said to her what all of our guardian angels really do. "I am the one who is with you and who watches over you."

Bishop John Ito spoke to Sister Agnes on July 24 when she related all she saw and heard. He inspected the wound in her hand. Later, the same wound appeared in the hand of the statue and bled from it as well.

Her guardian angel told her on July 26, "Carefully engrave in the

depth of your heart the thought of the blood of Mary. The blood shed by Mary has a profound meaning. This precious blood was shed to ask your conversion, to ask for peace, in reparation for the ingratitude and the outrages towards the Lord. As with devotion to the Sacred Heart, apply yourself to devotion to the Most Precious Blood. Pray in reparation for all men. Say to your superior that the blood is shed today for the last time. Your pain also ends today. Tell them what happened today. He will understand all immediately. And you, observe his directions."

On the First Friday of August, 1973, August 3rd, the Virgin Mary made the second of her three appearances to Sister Agnes and said, **"Many men in this world afflict the Lord. I desire souls to console Him to soften the anger of the Heavenly Father. I wish, with my Son, for souls who will repair by their suffering and their poverty for the sinners and ingrates.**

**"In order that the world might know His anger, the Heavenly Father is preparing to inflict a great chastisement on all mankind. With my Son, I have intervened so many times to appease the wrath of the Father. I have prevented the coming of calamities by offering Him the sufferings of the Son on the Cross, His Precious Blood, and beloved souls who console Him forming a cohort of victim souls. Prayer, penance and courageous sacrifices can soften the Father's anger. I desire this also from your community...that it love poverty, that it sanctify itself and pray in reparation for the ingratitude and outrages of so many men."**

Later, Sister Agnes experienced physical attacks of the devil, seizing her by the shoulders as she tried to go into the chapel at the convent.

Then, the wooden statue in the chapel began to perspire. Five of the sisters, with great care and devotion, sponged the perspiration with cottons, which then had a most subtle, delightful fragrance. On the feast of the Guardian Angels, October 2, 1973, Sister Agnes



saw the guardian angels of all of her sisters and Bishop Ito in the convent chapel. All guardian angels knelt in prayer around the altar. They were all enveloped in a sort of white light. Bishop Ito was saying Mass for the nuns.

The third message, the final appearance of Our Lady, took place on October 13, 1973—the 56th anniversary of Our Lady’s last appearance in Fatima, Portugal, the anniversary of the great miracle of the sun witnessed by 70,000 at Fatima that day.

This message is of great importance to the world. Our Lady said, **“As I told you, if men do not repent and better themselves, the Father will inflict a terrible punishment on all humanity. It will be a punishment greater than the deluge, such as one will never have seen before. Fire will fall from the sky and will wipe out a great part of humanity, the good as well as the bad, sparing neither priests nor faithful. The survivors will find themselves so desolate that they will envy the dead. The only arms which will remain for you will be the Rosary and the Sign left by my Son. Each day recite the prayers of the Rosary. With the Rosary, pray for the Pope, the bishops and the priests.”**

**“The work of the devil will infiltrate even into the Church in such a way that one will see cardinals opposing cardinals, bishops against other bishops. The priests who venerate me will be scorned and opposed by their confreres...churches and altars sacked. The Church will be full of those who accept compromises and the demon will press many priests and consecrated souls to leave the service of the Lord.”**

**“The demon will be especially implacable against souls consecrated to God. The thought of the loss of so many souls is the cause of my sadness. If sins increase in number and gravity, there will be no longer pardon for them.”**

**“With courage, speak to your superior. He will know how to encourage each one of you to pray and to**

**accomplish works of reparation.”**

**“Pray very much the prayers of the Rosary. I alone am able still to save you from the calamities which approach. Those who place their confidence in me will be saved.”**

Exactly one year later, October 13, 1974, as told to her by her guardian angel, Sister Agnes’ deafness was cured—for a time, as was also told to her. This first healing lasted only five months and then sister was deaf again in both ears.

The next miracle was the weeping of the statue, so that everyone could see it weep. This lasted from January 4, 1975, until September 15 (Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows) 1981—a total of 101 occasions on which the statue wept during these years.

Tears were collected and scientifically examined, along with the blood collected earlier from the statue’s hand. The report—human tears, human blood. The sculptor of the statue was called in and he explained that the statue was made from dry, hard wood. The tears were a mystery to him. He also pointed out that the expression of the Blessed Mother’s face was different from the one he carved.

Regarding the weeping of the Blessed Virgin’s statue, Sister Agnes’ guardian angel said, “Do not be so surprised to see the Blessed Virgin weeping. She weeps because she wishes the conversion of the greatest number; she desires that souls be consecrated to Jesus and to the Father by her intercession.”

On May 1, 1976, the Feast of St. Joseph, sister’s guardian angel said, “You must not forget these words. The Blessed Virgin prays continually for the conversion of the greatest number and weeps, hoping to lead to Jesus and to the Father souls offered to Them by her intercession. For this intention, and to overcome exterior obstacles, achieve interior unity, form a single heart. Let believers lead a life more worthy of believers. Pray with a new heart.”

On the last day the statue wept,

the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows, September 15, 1981, Sister’s guardian angel spoke to her about the 101 weepings which came to an end on this date.

“There is a meaning to the figure one hundred and one. This signifies that sin came into the world by a woman and it is also by a woman that salvation came to the world. The zero between the two signifies the Eternal God Who is from all eternity until eternity. The first one represents Eve and the last the Virgin Mary.”

The angel also said, “People ask a miracle greater than the tears; there will be no more.”

Then, her guardian angel told her the moment of the permanent cure of her total deafness had arrived, as promised.

“Your ears will be definitely cured during this month consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. They will be cured as the last time by Him Who is really present in the Eucharist. Those who will believe in this sign will receive many graces. There will be those who oppose, but you will have nothing to fear.”

On Pentecost Sunday, May 30, 1982, her ears were healed permanently. May 30 was also the vigil of the Feast of the Visitation of Mary.

In his pastoral letter dated April 22, 1984, Bishop John Ito, the ordinary of the diocese, wrote: “I authorize throughout the entire diocese of which I am charged, the veneration of the Holy Mother of Akita,”

Four years later, in 1988, he met with Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger in Rome. Many have called Our Lady of Akita’s messages a continuation of Our Lady of Fatima, pointing out that she chose October 13 for her last message in both Akita, Japan and Fatima, Portugal.

**“How much *need* the world has  
to understand and accept  
Divine Mercy!”**

**— Pope John Paul II**

His last message for the world, written  
to be read, Sunday, April 3, 2005.  
He died the day before, on the eve of  
Divine Mercy Sunday.



# The Second Coming of Christ

It's Near Say Jesus and Mary

By Daniel P. McGivern



What did Mary and Jesus tell St. Faustina about the Second Coming of our Lord? What did they tell her about our Lord's Divine Mercy being followed by His justice?

St. M. Faustina Kowalska was a Polish nun who received hundreds of messages and visions, from our Divine Lord and our Blessed Mother in the 1930s. Her diary, *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, is now available throughout the world. For years after her death in 1938, the diary was not allowed to be promulgated.

Pope John Paul II, while he was still archbishop of Cracow, played the pivotal role in resurrecting the messages which finally were recognized by the Church. He had petitioned Rome to review the diary in its entirety. This eventually led to lifting the censures and reservations imposed earlier. The Catholic Church declared that all the nun reported she saw and heard was worthy of human belief.

Pope John Paul II believed wholeheartedly in our Lord's messages of Divine Mercy, given through this beautiful, humble nun who died at the age of 33 from tuberculosis. The Holy Father beatified Sister Faustina on Mercy Sunday, 1993. This was after one miracle was confirmed of a woman cured after praying at Sister Faustina's tomb for her intercession. A second confirmed miracle, the cure of a priest's heart, led to her canonization as a saint on April 30, 2000. Since 2001, Divine Mercy Sunday has been observed in the Catholic Church throughout the world, observed on the Sunday after Easter Sunday.

Millions pray daily the Chaplet of Divine Mercy requested by Jesus, as dictated to His secretary, St. Faustina.

What did Mary and Jesus tell Sis-

ter Faustina about His Divine Mercy in connection with His Second Coming? Yes, His return to earth, as promised in the Scriptures.

The direct quotes below are from *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, followed by the specific number of the passage in the diary. This will enable the reader to look them up and read surrounding passages as well.

In the evening when Sister Faustina was praying, the Mother of God told her: **"Your lives must be like mine: quiet and hidden, in unceasing union with God, pleading for humanity and preparing the world for the second coming of God."** (625)

During meditation on the morning of March 25, the feast of the Annunciation, God's presence enveloped her in a special way. She then saw the Mother of God who said to her: **"Oh how pleasing to God is the soul that follows faithfully the inspirations of His grace! I gave the Savior to the world; as for you, you have to speak to the world about His great mercy and prepare the world for the Second Coming of Him Who will come, not as a merciful Savior, but as a just Judge. Oh, how terrible is that day! Determined is the day of justice, the day of divine wrath. The angels tremble before it. Speak to souls about this great mercy while it is still the time for mercy."** (635)

Jesus said to Sister Faustina, **"Write this: Before I come as the just Judge, I am coming first as the King of Mercy. Before the day of justice arrives, there will be given to people a sign in the heavens of this sort: All light in the heavens will be extinguished, and there will be great darkness over the whole earth. Then the sign of the cross**

will be seen in the sky, and from the openings where the hands and the feet of the Savior were nailed will come forth great lights which will light up the earth for a period of time. This will take place shortly before the last day." (83)

**"Oh, what great graces I will grant to souls who say this chaplet; the very depths of My tender mercy are stirred for the sake of those who say the chaplet. Write down these words, My daughter. Speak to the world about My mercy; let all mankind recognize My unfathomable mercy. It is a sign for the end times; after it will come the day of justice. While there is still time, let them have recourse to the fount of My mercy; let them profit from the Blood and Water which gushed forth for them"** (848)

The chaplet is easy to say and takes about five minutes.

Jesus said, **"This prayer will serve to appease My wrath. You will recite it for nine days, on the beads of the rosary, in the following manner: First of all, you will say one Our Father and Hail Mary and the I Believe in God. Then on the Our Father beads you will say the following words: "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 you will say the following words: "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion have mercy on us and on the whole world." In conclusion, three times you will recite these words: "Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world."** (476)

Jesus looked at her and said, **"Souls perish in spite of My bitter Passion. I am giving them the last hope of salvation; that is, the Feast of My Mercy. If they will not adore My mercy, they will perish for all eternity. Secretary of My mercy, write, tell souls about this great mercy of Mine,**

because the awful day, the day of My justice, is near.” (965)

Jesus said, “(Let) the greatest sinners place their trust in My mercy. They have the right before others to trust in the abyss of My mercy. My daughter, write about My mercy towards tormented souls. Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion, but on the contrary, I justify him in My unfathomable and inscrutable mercy. Write: before I come as a just Judge, I first open wide the door of My mercy. He who refuses to pass through the door of My mercy must pass through the door of My justice.” (1146)

“I remind you, My daughter, that as often as you hear the clock strike the third hour (3 p.m.) immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it; invoke its omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners; for at that moment mercy was opened wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the whole world—mercy triumphed over justice.” (1572)

“In the Old Covenant, I sent prophets wielding thunderbolts to My people. Today I am sending you with My mercy to the people of the whole world. I do not want to punish aching mankind, but I desire to heal it, pressing it to My Merciful Heart. I use punishment when they themselves force Me to do so; My hand is reluctant to take hold of the sword of justice. Before the Day of Justice, I am sending the Day of Mercy.” (1588)

The Lord said to Sister Faustina, “Daughter, when you go to confession, to this fountain of My mercy, the Blood and Water which came forth from My Heart always flows down upon your soul and ennobles it. Every time you go to confession, immerse yourself entirely in My mer-

cy, with great trust, so that I may pour the bounty of My grace upon your soul. When you approach the confessional, know this, that I myself am waiting there for you. I am only hidden by the priest, but I myself act in your soul. Here the misery of the soul meets the God of mercy. Tell souls from this fount of mercy souls draw graces solely with the vessel of trust. If their trust is great, there is no limit to My generosity. The torrents of grace inundate humble souls. The proud remain always in poverty and misery, because My grace turns away from them to humble souls.” (1602)

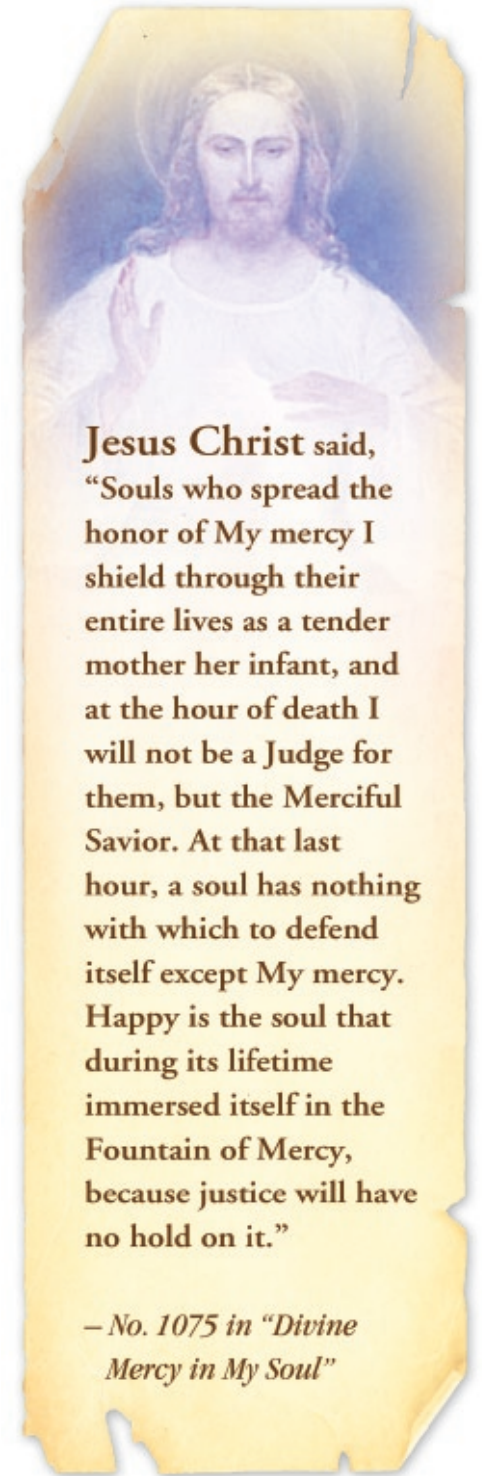
On the feast of the Ascension, May 26, 1938, a few months before her death (October 5), Sister Faustina was instructed by the Blessed Virgin Mary concerning her interior life. The Mother of God, because she is the Mother of Jesus, said, “The soul’s true greatness is in loving God and in humbling oneself in His presence, completely forgetting oneself and believing oneself to be nothing; because the Lord is great, but He is well-pleased only with the humble; He always opposes the proud.” (1711)

Jesus said, “These words are for you. Do all you possibly can for this work of My mercy. I desire that My mercy be worshipped, and I am giving mankind the last hope of salvation; that is, recourse to My mercy. My Heart rejoices in this feast.” (998)

Jesus asked that the Feast of Mercy be observed on the first Sunday after Easter. All who go to confession and receive Holy Communion on this day are promised total remission of all sin, including temporal punishment due to sin, which (otherwise) could lead to purgatory at death, except for this great grace. Some compare the promise to a “second baptism”. St. Faustina herself went to confession on the Saturday before the Feast of Mercy.

It is certain; we are now living in

the time of Jesus’ Divine Mercy, which will be followed, when He determines, by His Divine Justice. Now is the time for all to beseech Christ for His mercy, love and forgiveness. We will not then fear Jesus’ Second Coming. Instead, we will welcome it. We help to usher it in by spreading His words, and His Mother’s words, in this time of His Divine Mercy. And that time for Divine Mercy for the entire world is now!



**Jesus Christ said,**  
“Souls who spread the honor of My mercy I shield through their entire lives as a tender mother her infant, and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior. At that last hour, a soul has nothing with which to defend itself except My mercy. Happy is the soul that during its lifetime immersed itself in the Fountain of Mercy, because justice will have no hold on it.”

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