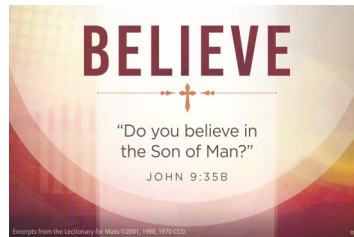


- Sat. April 18 **Divine Mercy Sunday**
✠ Isaiah
 (Magazzeni Family)
- Sun. April 19 **Divine Mercy Sunday**
 Missa Pro Populo
- Mon. April 20 ✠ Joseph Racz
 (Racz Family)
- Tues. April 21 Intentions of Vulcan & Arwen
 (Teresa Walters)
 Special Intention
 (Larocque Family)
- Wed. April 22 ✠ Ray Kardas
 (Stan & Krysia Fit)
- Thurs. April 23 ✠ Souls in Purgatory
 (Marguerite Fonseca)
- Fri. April 24 ✠ Adam Cherrie
 (Teresa Walters)
- Sat. April 25 ✠ Nicola Colangelo
 (Rosa Colangelo & Family)
- Sun. April 26 Missa Pro Populo



During the Jubilee of the Year 2000 the beloved Servant of God John Paul II established that throughout the Church the Sunday after Easter should be called Domenica in Albis and Divine Mercy Sunday. This occurred contemporaneously with the canonization of Faustina Kowalska, a humble Polish Sister who was born in 1905 and died in 1938, a zealous messenger of the Merciful Jesus. Indeed, mercy is the central nucleus of the Gospel message; it is the very name of God, the Face with which he revealed himself in the Old Covenant and fully in Jesus Christ, the incarnation of creative and redemptive Love. May this merciful love also shine on



the face of the Church and show itself through the sacraments, in particular that of Reconciliation, and in works of charity, both communitarian and individual. May all that the Church says and does manifest the mercy God

feels for man, and therefore for us. When the Church has to recall an unrecognized truth or a betrayed good, she always does so impelled by merciful love, so that men and women may have life and have it abundantly (cf. Jn 10:10). From divine mercy, which brings peace to hearts, genuine peace flows into the world, peace between different peoples, cultures and religions.

Like Sr Faustina, John Paul II in his turn made himself an apostle of Divine Mercy. In the evening of the unforgettable Saturday, 2 April 2005, when he closed his eyes on this world, it was precisely the eve of the Second Sunday of Easter and many people noted the rare coincidence that combined the Marian dimension—the first Saturday of the month—and the dimension of Divine Mercy. This was in fact the core of John Paul II's long and multi-faceted Pontificate. The whole of his mission at the service of the truth about God and man and of peace in the world is summed up in this declaration, as he himself said in Krakow-Łagiewniki in 2002 when he inaugurated the large Shrine of Divine Mercy: "Apart from the mercy of God there is no other source of hope for mankind". John Paul II's message, like St Faustina's, thus leads back to the Face of Christ, a supreme revelation of God's mercy. Constant contemplation of this Face is the legacy he bequeathed to us which we joyfully welcome and make our own.

—Pope Benedict XVI, Regina Caeli address, 30 March 2008