

Our Lady of Lourdes

Diocese of Covington's Latin Mass Parish

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"I do not promise you happiness in this life, only in the next"

"Jesus, I Trust in You"



ODAY IS THE GREAT FEAST OF MERCY, instituted by our beloved late Holy Father, Pope St. John Paul II. It was instituted at the request of our Lord Himself, who appeared to St. Faustina in the early 20th century in Poland. He told her that He wishes to shower humanity with His mercy. He is such a loving and wonderful God! There is a special grace with this feast... a plenary indulgence for those who, along with the normal 3 conditions listed below, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honor of Divine Mercy, or in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!"). With a plenary indulgence, *all* punishment due to sin is removed! That means no purgatory time! There are 3 normal conditions for receiving the plenary indulgence (within about 20 days, before or after the feast day):

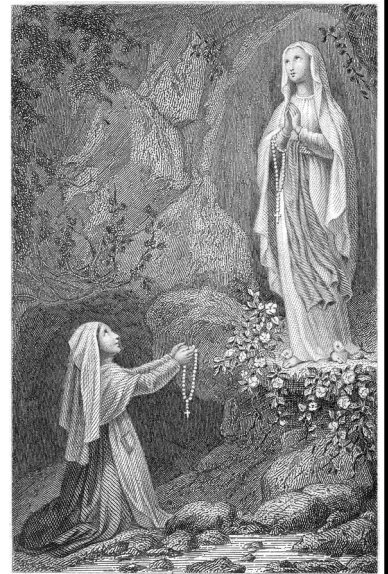
- Have sacramentally confessed their sins
- Receive the Holy Eucharist
- Pray for the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff

Now, what makes this day even more special is the fact that the 'detachment to sin' requirement is not necessary. Wow! Now, this does not mean you have a license to sin. Rather, it is an effort by our Lord to all the more get us to abandon our lives of sin and turn to Him! What a great act of mercy from our Lord! He is so good to us. He wants none of his children to be lost. He loves us so much.

The Lord is indeed merciful. Not only does He give us this wonderful feast to celebrate, but at every Holy Mass He gives us Himself in the Holy Eucharist. We have such a wonderful and loving God, humbling Himself for our sake. He is Mercy

Mass Calendar & Intentions

SUNDAY	April 27: Low Sunday
7:00 AM	In reparation for sins against 2nd Commandment
(Union) 7:00 AM	Jeffrey & Maria Byrne and family
9:30 AM	Floyd Trossman family
11:30 AM	Pro Populo
MONDAY	April 28: St Paul of the Cross, Confessor
12:10 PM	Michael Gallivan
TUESDAY	April 29: St. Peter, Martyr
12:10 PM	Father Dominic
WEDNESDAY	April 30: St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin
12:10 PM	Sr. Theresa Elizabeth
THURSDAY	May 1: St. Joseph the Workman
12:10 PM	Aaron Eppert
FRIDAY	May 2: St. Athanasius, Bishop & Doctor
12:10 PM	(+) Marie Therese Pierrel
SATURDAY	May 3: Immaculate Heart of Mary
9:00 AM	Brian & Iris Collies



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Baptism and Marriages

All Sacraments at Our Lady of Lourdes are performed according to the *usus antiquior* of the Roman Rite, with the 1962 liturgical books being normative. Contact the pastor for any sacramental needs.

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Low Sunday

April 27th, 2025

Personified! It is great to be with you here at Lourdes. Albeit, I wish it was under different circumstances, but still. I'm happy to help navigate the rough waters you have been through and help guide you in the ways of Christ and His Holy Catholic Church. Lucy the hound is happy too! (Thank the Lord)! God bless you all! May you bask in the mercy of Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God. Amen.

There is a Divine Mercy service today at Our Lady of Lourdes at 3:00 pm. Come and take advantage of this great Gift our dear Lord is giving us!

Weekly Financial Report Week of Sunday April 20, 2025

Sunday Collection:	
Checks	\$2960.00
Cash & Coin	\$1336.00
Online & Other Donations	\$80.00
Candles	\$78.00
TOTAL	\$4454.00
Weekly Budgetary Needs	\$4,208

† No catechism class this Monday. Class resumes May 5th.

† Fr Cushing will be away visiting his family this week. Thus, there is no 6:30am Mass from April 28th-May 2nd. We will still have 12:10pm Mass each day, as well as First Saturday Mass on May 3rd.

† There will be no Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament this Friday, May 2nd.

† *Dear children, the Tarcisians are honored to invite you to come and learn how to become an Apostle of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We will begin meeting every First Friday before the 12:10 pm Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes in the undercroft. Our First meeting is May 2nd. Those leading the Apostolate will have your invitations available for you after Mass. Those 18 years of age and younger are invited to join us. Thy Kingdom Come!*

MAJESTIC QUEEN OF HEAVEN AND MISTRESS OF THE ANGELS, thou didst receive from God the power and commission to crush the head of Satan; wherefore we humbly beseech thee, send forth the legions of Heaven, that, under thy command, they may seek out all evil spirits, engage them everywhere in battle, curb their insolence, and hurl them back into the pit of Hell. "Who is like unto God?" O good and tender Mother, thou shalt ever be our hope and the object of our love. O Mother of God, send forth the holy Angels to defend us and drive far from us the cruel foe. Holy Angels and Archangels, defend us and keep us. *Amen.*

To dress becomingly for God and neighbor, and in keeping with the reverence due to the Blessed Sacrament, kindly refrain from wearing shorts, tee-shirts, tank-tops, revealing blouses, sleeveless or backless dresses, or form-fitting clothing of any sort. Please wear dresses and skirts that fall below the knee when sitting even with leggings (around mid-calf). With due regard to time and circumstance, all are encouraged to wear decorous attire befitting sacred and divine worship.

The Wounds on the Body of the Risen Christ

By St. Thomas Aquinas

"Put in thy finger hither, and see My hands; and bring hither thy hand, and put it into My side; and be not faithless, but believing" (John 20:27).



IT WAS BECOMING FOR CHRIST'S SOUL at His Resurrection to resume the Body with its scars. In the first place, for Christ's own glory. For Bede says that Christ kept His scars not from inability to heal them but to wear them as an everlasting trophy of His victory. Hence Augustine says, "Perhaps in that Kingdom we shall see on the bodies of the Martyrs the traces of the wounds which they bore for Christ's Name; because it will not be a deformity, but a dignity in them; and a certain kind of beauty will shine in them, in the body, though not of the body." Secondly, Christ rose with the scars on His Body to confirm the hearts of His disciples as to the faith in His Resurrection. Thirdly, that when He pleads for us with the Father, He may always show the manner of death He endured for us. Fourthly, that He may convince those redeemed in His Blood how mercifully they have been helped, as He shows them the traces of the same death. Fifthly, Christ arose with the scars on His Body so that on Judgment Day He may condemn the wicked with their just condemnation. Hence Augustine says, "Christ knew why He kept the scars in His Body. For as He showed them to Thomas who would not believe except he handled and saw them, so will He show His wounds to His enemies; so that He Who is the Truth may convict them saying: Behold the Man Whom you crucified, see the wounds you inflicted; recognize the side you pierced, since it was opened by you and for you, yet you would not enter this haven of rest." Consequently, the scars that remained in Christ's Body belong neither to corruption nor defect, but to the greater increase of glory, inasmuch as they are the trophies of His power; and a special comeliness will appear in the places scarred by His wounds.

THOUGHTS OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA

"There is nothing we can desire or want that we do not find in God."

"To the servant of God, every place is the right place, and every time is the right time."

"Reflect on this: the soul can neither receive nor desire virtue if it does not want to bear persecutions and temptations with true, holy patience for love of Jesus crucified"

"Love for Me and love for the neighbor are the same thing" — *Dialogue, ch. 7.*

"Daughter, do you know who you are and Who I am? If you know these two things, you will be blessed. You are she who is not; I am He Who is..." — *His Majesty to St. Catherine of Siena.*

