## The Shrine of the Santo Niño de Cebu

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# Perpetual Nine-Day Novena - Sto. Niño

# **Perpetual Nine-Day Novena - Divine Mercy**

## **Every Friday Live Streaming on Facebook**



O Miraculous Santo Niño, we prostrate before Your sacred image we beseech You to cast a merciful look on our troubled hearts. Let Your tender love so inclined to pity, be softened at our prayers, and grant us that grace for which we ardently implore You. Take from us all unbearable affliction and despair. For Your sacred Infancy's sake hear our prayers and send us Your consolation and aid that we may praise You, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen

St. Anthony of Padua – Agassiz, B.C., Canada Rosary 8:30 a.m., Mass 9 a.m. Novenas 9:30 a.m



You may e-mail your wish to be included in the Masses and Perpetual Novenas at the Shrine. Contact Father Dennis Flores, Pastor with this request to...

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### Why not download the Novenas And engage in them at a convenient time for you/family!!! Up-to-date Novenas Begins Oct.20<sup>th</sup>, Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup> in perpetuity.

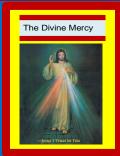
St. Faustina

We should be merciful to others in our Words, Deeds, and Prayers. Merciful Words: Forgiving and Comforting Merciful Deeds: Any of the Corporal Works of Mercy Merciful Prayers: Prayers for Mercy for the World

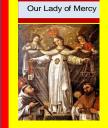
7 Corporal Works of Mercy: to feed the hungry; to give drink to the thirsty; to clothe the naked; To help the homeless; to visit the sick; to visit the imprisoned; to bury the dead.

7 Spiritual Works of Mercy: Admonish sinners; Instruct the uninformed; Counsel the doubtful; Comfort the sorrowful; Be patient with those in error; Forgive offense; Pray for the living/dead.

<ul> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Day Oct. 20<sup>th</sup></li> <li>2<sup>nd</sup> Day Oct. 27<sup>th</sup></li> <li>3<sup>rd</sup> Day Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup></li> <li>4<sup>th</sup> Day Nov. 10<sup>th</sup></li> <li>5<sup>th</sup> Day Nov. 17<sup>th</sup></li> <li>6<sup>th</sup> Day Nov. 24<sup>th</sup></li> <li>7<sup>th</sup> Day Dec. 1<sup>st</sup></li> <li>8<sup>th</sup> Day Dec. 15<sup>th</sup></li> <li>9<sup>th</sup> Day Dec. 15<sup>th</sup></li> <li>All mankind, especially sinners + your intentions.</li> <li>For the souls of priests and religious + your intentions.</li> <li>For the souls of priests and religious + your intentions.</li> <li>All devout and faithful souls + your intentions.</li> <li>All devout and faithful souls + your intentions.</li> <li>Those who do not believe in God &amp; those who do not know Me yet + your intentions.</li> <li>The souls of those who are separated from My church + your intentions.</li> <li>Meek and humble souls and the souls of little children + your intentions.</li> <li>Souls who especially venerate and glorify My mercy + your intentions.</li> <li>Souls detained in purgatory + your intentions.</li> <li>Souls who have become lukewarm + your intentions.</li> </ul>	
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Jesus says: "Souls who spread the honour of My mercy I shield through their entire life and at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Savior" (1075)



## Give the Divine Mercy Credit Card to Others. Why?

#### "The Lord Sends Forth His Watchman"

#### Be an Apostle!



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#### Be a Watchman!



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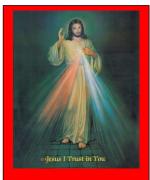
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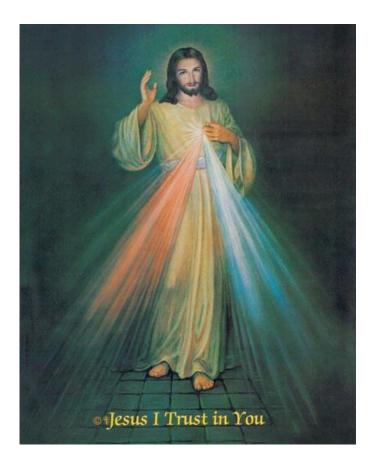


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# The Power of the Divine Mercy Image

Almighty and Eternal Father, in your goodness, bless and sanctify this Image of The Divine Mercy, Your dearly beloved Son, which has been fashioned to reveal to us the great love of our Crucified and Risen Savior, The Divine Mercy Personified. Help us recall to our minds the streams of Blood and Water that had gushed forth from His pierced Heart to be for us a continuous fount of mercy.

Grant to all who invoke Your Mercy with this Image before Help us recall to our minds the streams of Blood and Water that had gushed forth from His pierced Heart to be for us a continuous fount of mercy. Grant to all who invoke Your Mercy with this Image before their eyes, the grace of true repentance, pardon and peace. Shield them from every danger to soul and body in this life.

Jesus, our loving Savior, establish in this Image the Throne of Your Mercy. Pour out upon all of us, who approach it with faith and trust, the purifying, healing and sanctifying rays of grace ever emanating from it as a blazing star. Gaze upon us as you did from the Cross with your great love and mercy so that we may be filled with your grace.

Through this Image, may Your Divine Mercy triumph over all the powers of evil. May all who venerate this Image never perish. May it be their joy in life, their hope in death, and their glory in eternity forever and ever.

This we ask through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen!

## www.Pope Francis Pope of Mercy.com





#### Christ comes to us as the risen Jesus of Divine Mercy dispelling the world of darkness.

- ... "The rays represent the Blood and Water which gushed forth from the depths of my Mercy when My agonizing Heart was pierced on the cross."
- ... "The Pale rays symbolize the water, which cleanses and purifies the soul: the red rays represent the blood, which gives new life to the soul. These rays will shield the soul before the justice of My Father. Fortunate are those who live in this shelter, for the justice of God will not reach them there."
- ... Our Lord instructed Saint Faustina to paint His Image with the signature "Jesus I trust in You." There is considered opinion that Jesus means each of us to personally sign this Image "Jesus I Trust in You." (The Enthronement of the Miraculous Divine Mercy Image on the back of the card.)
- ... Jesus walking toward us with hand up in greeting as well as stepping toward us in an invitation to come to Him.
- ... Jesus also in points to His Heart and with His right hand conveys to us that His merciful heart is wide open to all of us. It is up us to accept His invitation as below the image: "Jesus, I Trust You".
- ... His all encompassing eyes follow us as we approach the image.
- ... Bare feet, reminds us of washing of the feet of the disciples.
- ... Replacement of the Old Testament (Blood of animals) with the New Testament (Water of Baptism) "gushing" from His heart out over us. **Blood** and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of mercy for us, I trust in You."
- ... In the Old Testament there is a special significance for the Jews in the slaughtering of animals. Repeatedly Blood was sprinkled over the altar and people (Moses). Christ was the slaughtered Lamb of God. The red rays symbolizing His blood which is received by us in the consecration of the wine.
- ... The blood of animals did **not redeem us or conquer Satan**, only the **Blood** of the Lamb conquered death and opened the gates of heaven for us.

e-mail your intentions to the Pastor, St. Anthony of Padua: <u>divinemercyintentionsagassiz@shaw.ca</u>



# Pope at Divine Mercy Mass: Be Apostles of mercy

"We are all called to become living writers of the Gospel, heralds of the Good News to all men and women today," the Pope told the crowds during his homily. "We do this by practicing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, which are *the hallmarks of the Christian life*. "By means of these simple yet powerful gestures, even when unseen, we can accompany the needy, bringing God's tenderness and consolation."

Pope Francis referred back to the day's Gospel taken from John, which recounts the episode in which the Apostle Thomas doubts the Resurrection until he puts his hand in Jesus' side.

These scenes denotes the contrast between the disciple's "fear" as they hid behind closed doors, and the "mission" on which Jesus sends them: "to proclaim the message of forgiveness," the Pope said.

"Being *apostles of mercy* means touching and soothing the wounds that today afflict the bodies and souls of many of our brothers and sisters."

"Curing these wounds, we profess Jesus, we make him present and alive; we allow others, who touch his mercy with their own hands, to recognize him as 'Lord and God.""

The official translation of Pope Francis' homily for Divine Mercy Sunday is below:

"Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book" (*Jn* 20:30). The Gospel is the book of God's mercy, to be read and reread, because everything that Jesus said and did is an expression of the Father's mercy. Not everything, however, was written down; the Gospel of mercy remains *an open book*, in which the signs of Christ's disciples, which are concrete acts of love and the best witness to mercy, continue to be written. We are all called to become living writers of the Gospel, heralds of the Good News to all men and women today. We do this by practicing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy, which are *the hallmarks of the Christian life*. By means of these simple yet powerful gestures, even when unseen, we can accompany the needy, bringing God's tenderness and consolation. Thus continues the work of Jesus on Easter day, when he poured into the hearts of his fearful disciples the Father's mercy, bringing them the Holy Spirit who forgives sins and brings joy.

At the same time, the story we have just heard presents an evident contrast: on the one hand, there is *the fear* of the disciples, who gathered behind closed doors; on the other hand, there is *the mission* of Jesus, who sends them into the world to proclaim the message of forgiveness. This contrast may also be present in us, experienced as an interior struggle between a closed heart and the call of love to open doors closed by sin.

It is a call that frees us to go out of ourselves. Christ, who for love entered through doors barred by sin, death and the powers of hell, wants to enter into each one of us to break open the locked doors of our hearts. Jesus, who by his resurrection has overcome the fear and dread which imprison us, wishes to throw open our closed doors and send us out. The path that the Risen Master shows us is a one way street, it goes in only one direction: this means that we must move beyond ourselves to witness to the healing power of love that has conquered us. We see before us a humanity that is often wounded and fearful, a humanity that bears the scars of pain and uncertainty. Before the anguished cry for mercy and peace, Jesus confidently exhorts us: "As the Father has sent me, even so I send you" (*Jn* 20:21).

In God's mercy, all of our infirmities find healing. His mercy, in fact, does not keep a distance: it seeks to encounter all forms of poverty and to free this world of so many types of slavery. Mercy desires to reach the wounds of all, to heal them. Being *apostles of mercy* means touching and soothing the wounds that today afflict the bodies and souls of many of our brothers and sisters. Curing these wounds, we profess Jesus, we make him present and alive; we allow others, who touch his mercy with their own hands, to recognize him as "Lord and God" (*Jn* 20:28), as did the Apostle Thomas. This is the mission that he entrusts to us. So many people ask to be *listened to and to be understood*. The Gospel of mercy, to be proclaimed and written in our daily lives, seeks people with patient and open hearts, "good Samaritans" who understand compassion and silence before the mystery of each brother and sister. The Gospel of mercy requires generous and joyful servants, people who love freely without expecting anything in return.

"Peace be with you!" (*Jn* 20:21) is the greeting of Jesus to his disciples; this same peace awaits men and women of our own day. It is not a negotiated peace; it is not the absence of conflict: it is *his* peace, the peace that comes from the heart of the Risen Lord, the peace that has defeated sin, fear and death. It is a peace that does not divide but unites; it is a peace that does not abandon us but makes us feel listened to and loved; it is a peace that persists even in pain and enables hope to blossom. This peace, as on the day of Easter, is born ever anew by the forgiveness of God which calms our anxious hearts. To be *bearers of his peace*: this is the mission entrusted to the Church on Easter day. In Christ, we are born to be instruments of reconciliation, to bring the Father's forgiveness to everyone, to reveal his loving face through concrete gestures of mercy.

In the responsorial Psalm we heard these words: "His love endures forever" (*Ps* 117/118:2). Truly, God's mercy is forever; it never ends, it never runs out, it never gives up when faced with closed doors, and it never tires. In this *forever* we find strength in moments of trial and weakness because we are sure that God does not abandon us. He remains with us *forever*. Let us give thanks for so great a love, which we find impossible to grasp. Let us ask for the grace to never grow tired of drawing from the well of the Father's mercy and bringing it to the world: let us ask that we too may be merciful, to spread the power of the Gospel everywhere.

Insignificant Men/Woman, Escape from Your Everyday Business for a Short While, Hide for a Moment from Your Restless Thoughts. Break Off from Your Cares and Troubles and Be Less Concerned About Your Tasks and Labors.

Make a Little Time For God and Rest a While in Him. st. Anselm

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High and abides in the shade of the Almighty says to the Lord: "My refuge, my stronghold, my God in whom I trust!" It is he who will free you from the snare of the fowler who seeks to destroy you; he will conceal you with his pinions and under his wings you will find refuge.

You will not fear the terror of night nor the arrow that flies by day, for the plague that prowls in the darkness nor the scourge that lays waste at noon. Upon you no evil shall fall, no plague approach where you dwell. For you has He commanded his angels, To keep you in all your ways. Palm91

# MORE THINGS ARE WROUGHT BY PRAYER THAN THIS WORLD

DREAMS OF! Alfred Tennyson

## Night holds no terrors for me sleeping under God's wings. Safe in God's sheltering care

"I have given you the power to tread upon serpents and scorpions"(Luke 10:19)

