

# Saints Cosmas and Damian

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Catholic Church  
Diocese of Cleveland

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## Parish Staff

### **Pastor:**

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### **Parish Liturgy Schedule:**

Weekdays: Daily at 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am & 11:00 am

**Confession:** Saturdays 3:00-3:30 pm

### **Parish Center Office Hours:**

Monday-Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

### **Perpetual Adoration –**

The Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is open 24/7 for private prayer and adoration. Listings and contacts are available in the Parish Center.

**Twinhaven Reception Center** 330-425-1616

**Emergency Assistance** 330-888-0134

For information regarding Baptisms, Marriages, Visitation of the Sick, Funerals or Registering as a Parishioner please call the Parish Center 330-425-8141

### **Mission Statement:**

*To be disciples of Christ,  
Teach the Catholic Faith,  
And serve those in need.*



***Mass Schedule & Intentions For The Week***  
**All Masses will be livestreamed on the**  
**parish's Facebook page.**

**Monday, April 12 – Weekday Mass**

8:30am John Blust

**Tuesday, April 13 – Weekday Mass**

8:30am Earl & Ardell Teeters

**Wednesday, April 14 – Weekday Mass**

8:30am Tom Radtke

**Thursday, April 15 – Weekday Mass**

8:30am Wilfred Ivory

**Friday, April 16 – Weekday Mass**

8:30am Rita Boehnlein

**Saturday, April 17 – Third Sunday of Easter (Vigil)**

4:30pm Rudolph & Stephanie Fajardo

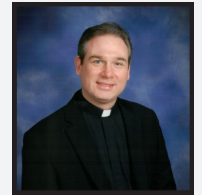
**Sunday, April 18 – Third Sunday of Easter**

9:00am Marie Kolo

11:00am Bill & Shirley Delegram

***Dear Parishioners,***

This is Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus appeared to St. Faustina from Poland in 1930's. The famous image of "Jesus, I trust in you," with the red and blue rays of light coming forth from the heart of Jesus is associated with this vision.



St. Faustina was a religious sister. Because of her intense prayer life and witnessing to the visions of Christ, her sanity was called into question. After a thorough evaluation of her mental health, she was recognized as being authentic in her testimony.

Following the instructions of Jesus with prudent discernment with her spiritual director, St. Faustina promoted the image of the Divine Mercy and the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy. Jesus promised that he would supply whatever she was lacking to accomplish this endeavor.

St. Faustina died just prior to World War II. The atrocities of the Holocaust and the casualties of the battle fields caused many to question the plan of God. The devotion to the Divine Mercy reminded many that the Lord will never abandon humanity to the consequences of our wickedness. Jesus has been and continues to intervene in history to snatch us away from the grasp of the Evil One.

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, may we renew our trust in Jesus. May we experience a personal encounter with the Risen Lord, especially during the trials that life presents to us fragile and vulnerable children. May we renew our commitment in the face of the challenges of our days to give witness to God's unconquerable love.

*St. Faustina, Pray For Us!*

In Christ,

*Father Michael J. Stalla*

***Scripture Readings April 12 – April 18***

**Monday Monday of the Second Week of Easter**

Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9, R. see v.11d; Jn 3:1-8

**Tuesday Saint Martin I, pope and martyr**

Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5, R. v.1a; Jn 3:7b-15

**Wednesday Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter**

Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, R. v.7a; Jn 3:16-21

**Thursday Thursday of the Second Week of Easter**

Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2 & 9, 17-18, 19-20, R. v.7a; Jn 3:31-36

**Friday Friday of the Second Week of Easter**

Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14, R. see v.4abc; Jn 6:1-15

**Saturday Saturday of the Second Week of Easter**

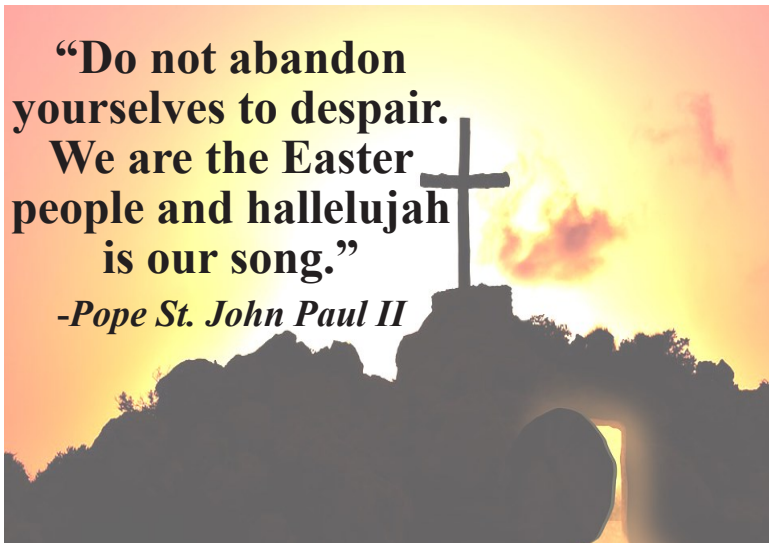
Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19, R. v.22; Jn 6:16-21

**Sunday Third Sunday of Easter**

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9, R. v.7a; 1 Jn 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48

**"Do not abandon  
yourselves to despair.  
We are the Easter  
people and hallelujah  
is our song."**

***-Pope St. John Paul II***



## Divine Mercy Sunday

### Offertory (includes EFT):

April 3 & 4 **Numbers not available at time of printing**

### Capital Campaign:

Capital Campaign Pledges: \$ 1,502,310.00

Capital Campaign Money Received: \$ 1,271,886.00

### Capital Projects:

Mortgage Balance \$ 444,732.00

The Loaves and Fishes Prayer Teams will not be praying with people after Mass at this time. If you would like to pray over the phone with someone please call Michele Poletti at (330)524-3931. You can also call or text a prayer request to her.

### Are you ready (again) to come back to Prayer Shawl?

**How does Monday, April 12 (10 am to Noon) and Tuesday, April 13 (for the evening group 5:30 to 7:30 pm) sound to everyone?**

We will be following social distancing with one person to a table, six feet apart, and wearing our masks of course, and disinfecting our space before exiting.

If you feel a bit apprehensive at this time, come when you feel comfortable. Hopefully we will be able to meet and continue to do so as time goes on.

The shawls that have been completed prior to and during the quarantine, have been put in individual clear zip lock bags and will be distributed in that manner to those who request them now and in the future, so that there is minimum handling of the shawls. Blankets and shawls are always available in the gathering area for those in need of comfort.



Anyone interested in helping with river rock at the Parish Center and mulch at the Grotto within the next couple of months please contact Karen Fullerman at 330-998-4713. No dates are set but would like to get an idea of interest.

Thank You!



### CRS Rice Bowl Collection

Thank you to all who participated in our Catholic Relief Service Rice Bowl Lenten collection this year! To return your collection, you can either drop off your Rice Bowl to the church office or make a check out for your total collection (made payable to Ss. Cosmas & Damian – we write one big check to CRS for the whole parish). Envelopes can be dropped in the offertory baskets when you are at Mass, but be sure to mark your donation for CRS Rice Bowl. If you didn't get a chance to set money aside during Lent, but would like to make a donation to the work of CRS Rice Bowl, you may also do so at this time. **Please return all donations no later than Monday, April 12.**

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**APRIL 15TH**

SPEAKER: FR. JACOB BEARER  
THE TOPIC: HEALING PRAYER

**AT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY ANGELS**

18205 CHILLICOTHE RD.  
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**7-9:30PM**

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## PICK OF THE WEEK

April 11, 2021

### WATCH

#### **DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET: FRANCISCAN FRIARS OF THE RENEWAL**

As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday this week, join the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal in praying the chaplet and asking God to shower his mercy upon us. This video features breathtaking footage that sheds light on the beauty and breadth of the Catholic Church.



#### **A BIBLE STUDY ON THE LUMINOUS MYSTERIES OF THE ROSARY**

In 2002, St. John Paul II introduced the Luminous Mysteries to the Rosary. In unique ways, each of these mysteries reveal that Christ is the "light of the world" (Jn 8:20). To more fruitfully ponder these mysteries, join us in this Bible study with the Augustine Institute faculty.

### LEARN

#### **A BIBLE STUDY ON: The Luminous Mysteries**

5-Part Series

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### LISTEN

#### **THE NECESSITY OF DIVINE MERCY BY FR. CHRIS ALAR**

Fr. Chris Alar, MIC, reveals the urgency to live and share the powerful message of Divine Mercy. He explains the basics of the Divine Mercy feast, image, novena, chaplet, and hour of mercy, and how to incorporate them into your spiritual life. Discover God's transformative message of Divine Mercy through this week.

#### **THE NECESSITY OF DIVINE MERCY**

FR. CHRIS ALAR, MIC



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#### **Women's Group Update**

Ladies, We are so excited to announce the continuation of our Women's Group. After the many challenges we faced during Covid we are **resuming our meetings on April 21 2021 At 6:30 pm in Twinhaven.** Please remember to practice social distancing and mask are required.

This meeting will entail the election of new officers. The two positions needing to be filled are President and Vice President. Offering herself as candidate for President is Jackie Ritter. Any one else wishing to offer themselves for President or Vice President please contact Cora Zingale by Email prior to April Meeting.

*"O love, O charity beyond all telling, to ransom a slave you gave away your Son! O truly necessary sin of Adam, destroyed completely by the Death of Christ! O happy fault that earned so great, so glorious a redeemer!"*  
-From The Exsultet

**Adoration is open 24/7 to those scheduled  
except from 9am to 8pm on Saturdays**

#### **ADORATION OPENINGS**

We are in need of a few more people to fill Adoration hours. Can you make the sacrifice and sign up for one of these hours weekly or twice a month?

**No long-term commitment is necessary.**

**Sign up to try an hour for just 30 days!**

**Mondays 3am**

**Tuesdays 1am**

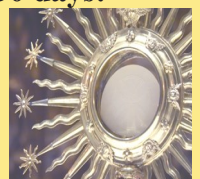
**Wednesdays 3am**

**Fridays 2am, 3am**

**Saturdays 10pm (alt weeks)**

**Sundays 1am**

**Please contact Carol Twigger at 330-425-7688**



Caron Soltis  
Linda Braun  
John Pfeifer Sr.  
Jonathan Sedor  
Maxine Barr  
Bill Rabatin  
Ralph Sickie  
Laura Ercolino  
Sally Rayment  
Jane Smejkal  
Jennifer Hunt  
Pearl Rubino  
Frank Drago  
Theodore Gerycz  
Mark Magda

Maureen DeCaro  
Jimmy Marn  
Michael Szugye  
Bill Soltis  
Pat Noga  
Chuck McGhee  
James Nargang  
Fran Carroll  
Paul Studer  
John Virzi  
Robert Yohman  
Jared Yohman  
Cathy Niewulis  
Sharron Burge

***We Pray to the Lord...***

## Divine Mercy Sunday

# feminine Genius

## Bible Study

Who is woman and who is she meant to be? Based upon Pope St. John Paul II's teachings on women, this study discusses woman's role in the Church, family and society, as well as the strengths God has given her to fully live out these roles.

7 Sessions on Mondays at 7:30pm

Beginning April 12 in Twinhaven

Bring a beverage of your choice as we chat and join in fellowship after the Study

**During this season of Resurrection and rebirth, Thea Bowman Center is especially grateful to the members of SS Cosmas and Damian Church for your support.**

If this last year has taught us anything, it's that the things we've always taken for granted can bring us to our knees in an instant. Because of your support, we have been able to provide food support for an average of 800 residents each month, including home delivery services to 100 seniors, and to secure computer devices and access to online learning for adults and children. The Center listens and learns from the people of Mount Pleasant in order to meet their needs. Right now, that need is to take the focus away from surviving and be able to aim it towards thriving. Thanks for being there for us and for them! For more information or to make a donation, please visit [www.theabowmancenter.org](http://www.theabowmancenter.org).

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church in Macedonia is having a **Divine Mercy Holy Hour on Sunday April, 11 at 3pm.**

There will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.



**Right to Life of Northeast Ohio** has an office assistant position available 35-40 hours per week at a rate of \$12/hour. We are looking for someone who is committed to the pro-life cause, has good organizational skills, people skills and some office experience. The candidate should be familiar with Microsoft Office and Quick Books. For more information, contact Denise Leipold, Executive Director at 330-762-2785.

Resumes may be submitted by email to [dleipold@rtlofneo.com](mailto:dleipold@rtlofneo.com).



## Ss. Cosmas & Damian—Divine Mercy Sunday; April 11, 2021

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great  
glory, Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### First Reading

Acts 4:32-35

The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they had everything in common. With great power the apostles bore witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great favor was accorded them all. There was no needy person among them, for those who owned property or houses would sell them, bring the proceeds of the sale, and put them at the feet of the apostles, and they were distributed to each according to need.

The Word of the Lord  
All Reply: Thanks be to God

### Responsorial Psalm

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,  
his love is everlasting.*

Let the house of Israel say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let the house of Aaron say,  
“His mercy endures forever.”

Let those who fear the Lord say,  
“His mercy endures forever.” - *Refrain*

I was hard pressed and was falling,  
but the Lord helped me.

My strength and my courage is the Lord,  
and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory  
in the tents of the just: - *Refrain*

The stone which the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done;  
it is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us be glad and rejoice in it. - *Refrain*

### Second Reading

1 John 5:1-6

Beloved: Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ is begotten by God, and everyone who loves the Father loves also the one begotten by him. In this way we know that we love the children of God when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith. Who indeed is the victor over the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came through water and blood, Jesus Christ, not by water alone, but by water and blood. The Spirit is the one that testifies, and the Spirit is truth.

The Word of the Lord  
All Reply: Thanks be to God

### Gospel

John 20:19-31

On the evening of the first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained.” Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.” Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Thomas answered and said to him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord  
All Reply: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

## The Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, *(At the words that follow, up to and including, 'and became man', all bow.)*

And by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

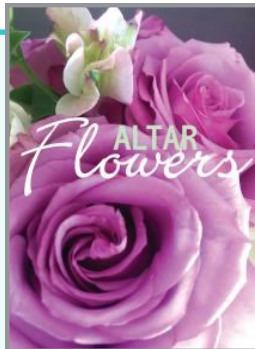
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen

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### *Altar Flowers*

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your request on the schedule, please call  
Elizabeth Innocenzi at 216-533-0515



### *Regina Caeli*

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!

Because the Son you were chosen to bear, alleluia!

Has risen, as he said, alleluia!

Pray for us to God, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O virgin Mary, alleluia!

Because the Lord is truly risen, alleluia!

O God, who by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, granted joy to the whole world, grant, we beseech you, that through the intercession of the Virgin

Mary, his Mother, we may enjoy the happiness of eternal life, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

## Parish Pre-Cana Day

**Sunday, April 25, 2021**

SS Cosmas & Damian's Pre-Cana Day is a special day designed for engaged couples to exclusively focus on one another. Through a series of talks presented by a team of married couples, you will be given an opportunity to privately dialogue about your prospective life together; strengths and weaknesses; desires and goals; attitudes about money, children, family life, and your role in the Church and society as a couple.

The day will begin at 8:00 a.m. in Twinhaven (located on our church grounds) and end at 6:00 p.m. The opportunity to celebrate mass will be provided during the day. We hope this will be an important, fulfilling day for both of you!

### **Registration is due by Friday, April 16, 2021**

A continental breakfast will be served from 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. Lunch and dinner will also be provided. Mass will be included as part of the Pre-Cana Day. The cost for the day is \$75.00 per couple. Refunds only if notification of absence is received prior to April 23, 2021

For more information and to register please visit our website [sscosmas-damian.org](http://sscosmas-damian.org).

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Mark your calendars! The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a pancake breakfast on  
**Sunday April, 18 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Macedonia.**

