

**6. A DAY WITH MARY  
PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA**  
(8 July to 15 July 2026)  
Closing date 28 April 2026  
**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY**  
(1 Sept. to 10 September 2026)  
Closing date 23 June 2026  
Further information is available  
at [https://  
www.adaywithmary.org/](https://www.adaywithmary.org/)

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Bishop Paul Hendricks warmly  
invites you to join him on this year's  
**SOUTHWARK DIOCESAN  
PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:  
21st to 28th August 2026**

A pilgrimage is a great opportunity to  
refresh and renew our relationship with  
the Lord Jesus, with the help of Our  
Lady's prayers.

I have also found it a blessing to be able  
to accompany and to be inspired by  
other pilgrims, some of whom are sick,  
elderly or disabled.

Last year, Deacon John Fogarty and I  
did a short presentation in parishes,  
which we would be happy to repeat in  
your parish, if it can be arranged.

Details for booking travel and accom-  
modation can be found at

[https://www.tangney-tours.com/  
diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/  
join2026](https://www.tangney-tours.com/diocese-pilgrimages/diocese-ca/join2026)

We also ask pilgrims to complete a form  
with details, including medical require-  
ments (if any) at [https://  
www.catholicassociation.co.uk/  
join2026](https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk/join2026)

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**A SHORTER BLESSING OF  
HOMES FOR EASTERTIDE:**

*The mother of the household  
may light a candle and says:  
May the light of Christ shine in our home  
and in our hearts*

Leader: In the Name of the Father, and of  
the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**ALL: AMEN.**

Leader: Blessed be the Name of the Lord.  
**ALL: NOW AND FOREVER.**

**READING OF THE WORD OF GOD:**

*Please read, out loud: Luke 24:28-32*

**ALL: PRAISE TO YOU,  
LORD JESUS CHRIST.**

**PRAYER OF BLESSING:**

Leader: Lord, we rejoice in the victory of  
Your Son over death: by rising from the  
tomb to new life He gives us new hope and  
promise.

Bless all the members of this household and  
surround them with Your protection, that  
they may find comfort and peace in Jesus  
Christ, the Paschal Lamb, Who lives and  
reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, God,  
forever and ever.

**ALL: AMEN.**

*The home and all present in it may be  
sprinkled with Holy Water from the Baptis-  
mal Font on the left of the Sanctuary in  
St Mary of the Crays' Church.*

*During the sprinkling the minister / leader  
may say:*

Leader: **Let this water call to mind our  
baptism into Christ, Who by His death  
and resurrection has redeemed us.**

**CONCLUSION:**

Leader: May Christ live with us,  
keep us free from all harm,  
and make us one in mind and heart,  
now and forever.

**ALL: AMEN.**

**A Prayer at Night-time  
for protection and Blessing:**

Visit this house, we pray You Lord:  
Drive far away from it all the snares of the enemy.  
May Your holy angels stay here and guard us in  
peace, and let Your blessing be always upon us.  
Through Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

**3. + J. M. J. + JESUS, + MARY, and + JOSEPH +  
Newsletter Supplement: 12th April Anno Domini 2026  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, LOW SUNDAY (A)  
Pages 255-258 in the Parish Mass Book  
(Music in Parish Mass Book begins page 320,  
Preface Dialogue page 15, Holy, holy /Sanctus page 16,  
Mystery of Faith: "WE PROCLAIM ..." page 29,  
Lamb of God/Agnus Dei page 57 & 78)**

**PRAYER FOR AFTER HOLY COMMUNION  
- IF YOU HAVE FULFILLED THE REQUIRE-  
MENTS FOR THE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
GRACE AND BLESSING:**

**Lord Jesus,  
Son of the living God,  
You promised to St Faustina  
that the soul that has been  
to confession  
(I have)  
and the soul that receives  
Holy Communion on  
Divine Mercy Sunday  
(I just did)  
will receive a complete  
forgiveness  
not only of all sins  
but punishment also.**

**Lord  
Jesus,  
please  
give me  
this grace.  
Jesus  
I trust  
in You.  
Amen.**



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
12th April 2026  
at St Anselm's, West Hill, Dartford:**

**2:30pm Exposition ,  
Adoration of the  
Blessed Sacrament,  
and Confessions;  
3:00pm The 3 o'clock Prayer,  
and Divine Mercy Chaplet;**

**4:00pm Holy Mass with  
The Solemn Blessing  
of the Divine Mercy  
Image/ Picture;  
Priests available for  
Confessions  
throughout the time.**

**At Our Lady of the Angels, Erith:  
Devotions starting at 3:00pm  
and finishing with  
Benediction at 4:00pm.**

**"I WANT THE IMAGE SOLEMNLY  
BLESSED ON THE FIRST SUNDAY AF-  
TER EASTER, AND I WANT IT TO BE  
VENERATED PUBLICLY SO THAT EVE-  
RY SOUL MAY KNOW ABOUT IT."  
(Jesus's words, Diary 341)**

**I WANT GRANT TO COMPLETE  
PARDON TO THE SOULS THAT WILL  
1)GO TO CONFESSION AND  
2)RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION  
ON THE FEAST OF MY MERCY."  
(Diary 1109)**

**4. DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER  
12TH APRIL 2026**

In three places in her *Diary*, St. Faustina Kowalska (15.08.1905- 05.10.1938), records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces:

**I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy** (Diary 1109).

**Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment** (Diary 300).

**THE SOUL THAT WILL GO TO CONFES- SION AND RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WILL OBTAIN COMPLETE FORGIVENESS OF SINS AND PUNISHMENT** (Diary 699).

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good **confession beforehand** and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy.

By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, pours Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

**Opening Prayer: (3 o'clock prayer)**

You expired, Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelop the whole world and empty yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, **I TRUST IN YOU. (x3)**

**THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**

*The Chaplet can be conveniently said using rosary beads as follows:*

**1. Opening Prayers:**

Our Father ...

Hail Mary ...

Apostles' Creed ...

**2. and the using the 5 decade beads, say:**

*On, "Our Father beads" -*

**"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, "Hail Mary beads" -*

**"For the sake of His sorrowful Pas- sion, have mercy on us and on the whole world".**

**3. Concluding Prayer:**

*Say three times:*

**"Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Im- mortal One, have mercy on us and the whole world".**

**... JESUS, I TRUST IN YOU ...**

**OPTIONAL CLOSING PRAYER:**

**Eternal God, in Whom mercy is endless and the treasury of com- passion inexhaustible, look kind- ly upon us and increase Your mercy in us, hat in difficult mo- ments we might not despair nor become despondent, but with great confidence submit our- selves to Your Holy Will, which is love and Mercy itself. (Diary 950)**

**5- On Good Friday, 3rd April 2026 we began THE NOVENA OF THE DIVINE MERCY: F.I.N.C.H.**

**F: Feast of Divine Mercy**

is on Low Sunday, 12th April, the second Sunday of Easter -

**I: Image/Icon of Jesus, the Divine Mercy, with words "Jesus, I trust in You!";**

**N: Novena -**

**Nine days of Prayer**

with particular intentions for each day, began on Good Friday ending on Divine Mercy Sunday

**C: Chaplet / Rosary of**

**Divine Mercy** takes only 7 to 10 minutes to pray (*and is a very "priestly" prayer*);

**H: Hour of Mercy**

= **3 o'clock**, daily pray the **Three o'clock Prayer**, especially on Fridays.

**For more information, The Divine Mercy Image, The Chaplet and the Prayers , please see: Divine Mercy App, or, [thedinemercy.org/shrine](http://thedinemercy.org/shrine) \*\*\*\*\***

**Regina caeli, Laetare, Alleluia!  
Quia Quem meruisti portare, Alleluia!  
Resurrexit, sicut dixit! Alleluia!  
Ora pro nobis Deum. Alleluia!**



**Jesus, I trust in You!**

**REGINA CAELI**

*said at 6am, 12noon & 6pm instead of THE ANGELUS during Eastertide:*

Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!

**For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!**

Has risen as he said, alleluia!  
**Pray for us to God, alleluia!**

Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, alleluia!

**For the Lord has risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Let us pray:

O God Who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant that we obtain through His Virgin Mother, the joys of everlasting life. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.