



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

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SHELTER AT HOME WITH DIVINE MERCY

Stay connected to Divine Mercy and all the resources we have to offer during this time!

WEDNESDAY LIVESTREAM PRAYER SERVICE AT NOON

"The old order has passed away." That's a quote from the Book of Revelation, chapter 21 verse 4. How telling for the situation in which we find ourselves today. Much of the world finds itself sheltering at home and/or in quarantine. In recognition of this reality, Pope Francis has called for all Christians throughout the world to join in praying the Our Father on **Wednesday, March 25, 2020, at NOON** (the feast of the Annunciation).

We invite you to join other Divine Mercy parishioners and Christians around the world to unite in this prayer. **We will livestream our Noon Prayer Service on Wednesday.** Please visit our website www.divinemerlynorthshore.org and click on the livestream link to join others in prayer.

FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE AT NOON

In addition, the Pope announced that on **Friday, March 27th at 6:00 p.m. Rome time (Noon CST)**, he will preside at a prayer service from the front of St. Peter's Basilica, before the empty square. He has invited everyone to participate spiritually from afar. This prayer service will consist of readings from Scripture, prayers of petition and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The prayer service will conclude with the *Urbi et orbi Blessing* (the Blessing to the city of Rome and the world), which only is typically offered on solemn occasions such as Christmas and Easter. The prayer service will be broadcast live from the Vatican.

FACEBOOK & INSTAGRAM

We've launched our new Instagram and Facebook pages! COME VISIT US and get engaged with other Divine Mercy parishioners! Spread the word! Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/divinemerlynorthshore/> or Instagram [@divinemerlynorthshore](https://www.instagram.com/divinemerlynorthshore)

LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR PROGRAM

If you are interested in being part of a new ministry that coordinates outreach to seniors and other parishioners who might be alone during this crisis and need some help, please contact Maureen Valvassori at mvalvassori@divinemerlynorthshore.org. And if you're someone who could use some help, please email Maureen!

LIVESTREAM MASSES

Our **Sunday livestream Mass** from Divine Mercy has been moved to Saturday, March 28th at 5:00 p.m. Tune into our website to join us for Mass. Visit www.divinemerlynorthshore.org.

Here are several options for Daily Mass:

- 1) Daily Mass at 10:00 a.m. from St. James Chapel from the Archdiocesan offices in Chicago
VISIT: <https://radiotv.archchicago.org/television/broadcast-masses> OR <https://youtu.be/jBR1LjX2fo>
- 2) Daily Mass from Loyola Academy at 8:00 a.m.
VISIT: <https://www.goramblers.org/daily-mass>, and scroll down to Daily Mass.
- 3) Daily Mass with Bishop Barron videos are posted on the Word on Fire website each day at 8:15 a.m. EST.
VISIT: <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>

ONLINE PRAYER RESOURCES

Be sure to visit our website, www.divinemerlynorthshore.org, where you can find all kinds of online prayer resources for you at this time. Click on Parish Life, then Catholic Resources.

BE THE CHURCH

Finally, let's remember to **be the Church** for one another. We are living in extraordinary times. These days it's easy to feel anxious and discouraged — but we believe Jesus is still Lord and is among us. It is a time for us to return to the roots of our Church; a Church of small communities and gatherings. We are Church when we draw close to the Lord. We are Church when we help our neighbors in need. We are Church when we gather together to pray. Let's pray for each other, especially those impacted by the Coronavirus/COVID-19, the healthcare workers, the first responders and our government officials. May God bless them and keep them safe.

The Priests and Staff of Divine Mercy Parish