

Divine Mercy Novena



Friday, April 6th, 7PM

Fr. Jack Mattimore

Reflection: The Seven Last Words
and Five Wounds of Jesus
For all mankind, especially sinners

Saturday, April 7th, 7PM

Fr. Jack Mattimore

For the souls of Priests and Religious
Followed by the Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 8th, 7PM

Fr. Jack Mattimore

For all devout and faithful souls
Mass

Monday, April 9th, 7PM

Fr. Peter Calabrese

For those who do not believe in Jesus
& *for those who do not yet know Him*
Mass, Adoration and Confession

Tuesday, April 10th, 7PM

Fr. Peter Calabrese

For the souls of separated brethren
Mass, Prayers for healing

Wednesday, April 11th, 7PM

Fr. Peter Calabrese

For the meek and humble souls, and
the souls of children
Mass, Prayers for inner healing

Thursday, April 12th, 7PM

Fr. Peter Calabrese

For the souls who especially venerate
and glorify Jesus' mercy
Mass, Adoration and Confession

Friday, April 13th, 7PM

Fr. Peter Calabrese

For the souls who are detained in
Purgatory
Mass, Prayers for healing

Saturday, April 14th, 7PM

Fr. Jack Mattimore

For the souls who have become
lukewarm
Mass, Adoration and Confession



THE VOICES OF MERCY

BY DENNIS GILHOOLEY

One Season Following Another...

It seems like we just finished with Advent and Christmas and now we are getting ready to head right into Lent, the Triduum and Easter. The liturgical seasons of the church year give us a wonderful opportunity to explore different types of liturgical music and to experience how music can enhance the liturgical celebrations of the Church.

Lent is a season of soul-searching, repentance and preparation. Just as Jesus went off into the desert for 40 days for prayer and fasting, so do we as Catholics, go through a 40 day period of prayer and fasting to draw us closer to God and to prepare ourselves to celebrate the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus, to renew our Baptismal Promises and to deepen our commitment to Christ. Our music at Mass also reflects this period of repentance and reflection. There is no Alleluia sung during Lent (it stops on Ash Wednesday but joyously returns at the Easter Vigil). There is no Gloria except for Feasts (like the Annunciation). The songs used at Mass will also reflect this call to repentance. Our theme for this Lent will be "Return To God" so you will hear this song at every Sunday Mass. Other music at Mass will be slower and more reflective than the music we usually play during Ordinary Time. This is to help foster the reflection and repentance that the Church, as a whole, is called to during this season.

And from Lent, we enter into the mystery of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday) and then into the joy and victory of Easter. But we'll save that for another article.

While the Voices of Mercy are preparing for the seasons of Lent, the Triduum and Easter, we are also busy preparing for our 10th Anniversary in May of 2007. We have two major recording projects in progress. The first is our new, all original CD entitled "Releasing the Spirit". Most of the songs have been recorded and we are working on the final mix. We are also getting ready to record a set of 24 of our favorite Praise Songs. We are hopeful that both of these projects will be completed in time for our Anniversary in May. We are also preparing for an anniversary concert at St. Amelia's, which was the location of the Voices of Mercy's first public ministry.

We are also scheduled to travel to Marco Island, Florida in February for our annual Healing Ministry trip with Fr. McAlear. As you can see, there are a lot of exciting things happening, and we ask for your prayers as God leads and guides us through them all.

"The highest music, therefore, is the one that arises from our hearts. It is precisely this harmony that God wants to hear in our liturgies." Pope John Paul II – Reflection on Psalm 150

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



CONFESSIONS:

1 PM – 3 PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

3 PM

MASS TO BEGIN AFTER

CHAPLET

CELEBRANT:

FR. JACK MATTIMORE, SJ