



II Sunday of Easter—Sunday of Divine Mercy April 27, 2025

**St. Mary Immaculate Parish, Lakeport
& St. Peter Mission , Kelseyville**

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Monday—Thursday / Lunes —Jueves:
12:00 pm—4:00 pm
Website: www.stmaryslakeport.com

Mass Schedules:

St. Mary Immaculate Church, Lakeport

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm (English)
Sunday 10:30 am (English) & 12:00 pm (Spanish)
Wed, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am (English)

St. Peter Mission , Kelseyville

4085 Main St. Kelseyville, 95451

(Mail and telephone to St Mary's office)

Mass Schedule: Sunday & Tuesday at 9:00 am (English)

Reconciliation / Confesiones:

Saturday/Sabado 4:15 pm & by appointment/con cita

Parish Registration: If you are new to the parish or have not yet registered, please fill out the form below and return it during the offertory collection or mail it to the parish office.

First Name _____ Last Name _____

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The Heart of Jesus Is Open for All

"His mercy endures forever." — Psalm 118:1

On the Second Sunday of Easter, we celebrate something immeasurable: the **Divine Mercy of Jesus**. Instituted by St. John Paul II in the year 2000 at the canonization of St.

Faustina Kowalska, Divine Mercy Sunday is not just a feast; it's an invitation to plunge into the ocean of God's love—a love that forgives, restores, and embraces all. St. Faustina, a humble Polish nun, received visions of Jesus in the 1930s. Jesus asked her to spread the message of His mercy to the whole world. He revealed to her His desire for a feast day dedicated to His Divine Mercy, to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. In her diary, Jesus said:

"On that day, the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy." (Diary, 699)

Through her obedience and the Church's recognition, that day has become **Divine Mercy Sunday**, a time of grace, trust, and healing. In the Gospel of John (20:19–31), we find the Risen Jesus appearing to His fearful disciples. His first words are, **"Peace be with you"**, and He shows them His wounds. Then He breathes on them and gives them the authority to forgive sins—a clear sign of Divine Mercy in action. This moment is echoed in the words of the prophet Isaiah: *"Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow"* (Isaiah 1:18).

Even Thomas, the doubter, receives mercy—not judgment. Jesus invites him: **"Put your finger here."** What a gentle invitation to believe, to trust.

One of the most tender quotes from St. Faustina is: *"The greater the sinner, the greater the right he has to My mercy."* (Diary, 723)

That may sound shocking, but it's the heart of the Gospel. Jesus didn't come for the perfect, but for the broken. His mercy is not a reward—it's a gift.

the story of Emma, a catholic who once felt distant from God due to a painful past. Struggling with guilt over choices she had made, Emma believed she was unworthy of forgiveness. One Divine Mercy Sunday, she attended a parish service where the Divine Mercy Chaplet was prayed, and the image of Jesus was venerated. As she listened to the words, "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world," something shifted in her heart. She felt an overwhelming sense of peace, as if Jesus was speaking directly to her, saying, "You are loved. You are forgiven."

Encouraged by this experience, Emma went to Confession for the first time in years, pouring out her heart to the priest. She later shared, "It was like a weight lifted off my shoulders. I felt God's love in a way I never had before." Inspired by this encounter, Emma began volunteering at the parish, helping others who felt lost or broken to discover the mercy she had received. Her story is a testament to the transformative power of Divine Mercy, which can renew even the most wounded heart.

Trust in Jesus' mercy (as shown in the image: "Jesus, I trust in You"). **Go to Confession** and receive His healing grace. **Be merciful to others**, forgiving and loving as we have been loved.

As Pope Francis says: *"God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking His mercy."*

Mass for the Repose of the Soul of Pope Francis:

His Holiness Pope Francis passed away on Monday, April 21, 2025. The funeral Mass was celebrated at the Vatican on Saturday. On Friday May 2nd, at 9.00 am, we will celebrate a special Mass for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis. 7.00 am Mass in Spanish.

Please join us to offer our heartfelt prayers for the repose of his soul, in thanksgiving for his humble and faithful leadership of the Church. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

As the Conclave gathers to elect a new pope, we invite all the faithful to join in prayer, asking the Holy Spirit to guide the cardinals in choosing a shepherd after God's own heart.

May 2: Day of Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration will begin with the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the 9:00 AM Mass. The day will continue with the adoration, Confessions at 6:00 pm and Spanish Mass at 7:00 PM.

Sign-up sheets are available on the tables at the entrance. We encourage everyone to sign up and commit to spending a special hour with Jesus.

Tom Dingwall Funeral

A funeral mass to celebrate the life of our dear Tom will be held on Thursday May 1st. Staring praying the rosary at 9:30am followed by Mass, at St. Mary's. All are invited and welcome to attend.

May: The Month of Mary – Pray the Rosary!

Pope Saint John Paul II reminded us that *"May is the month which the faithful have especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady."* During this special month, we are invited to draw nearer to Mary, especially through the Rosary—her gift to us as a pathway to Jesus. Let us make the Rosary part of our daily lives this May, praying for peace, for our families, and for our Church.

"Pray the Rosary every day, in order to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war." —Our Lady of Fatima

This month of May, the Holy Rosary will be prayed every day at 7 pm at St. Peter's, Kelseyville in Spanish.

May 13 is the feast of Our Lady of Fatima, and we will celebrate the Holy Mass at St. Peter's 7:00 pm (Spanish). Everyone is invited.

Mass Intentions

Sunday 27 12:00 pm +**Celia Ruiz**

Weekly Collections:

April 19 & 20 2025

First Collection	\$ 3,456
Second Collection	\$1,356

Annual Ministry Appeal: 2025.

So far, we have raised \$5,706—just \$5,894 away from reaching our goal! We are thankful for the generosity of those who have already contributed to the Annual Ministry Appeal (AMA). If you haven't donated yet, please consider it. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



Food distribution

April Monday 28th 2025 at St. Peter's Globe Hall, from 4:00 pm until run out of food.

Second Colletion

This weekend May 26-27 the second collection is for Catholic Home Missions, Thank you for your generosity!

Pre-Baptismal Class

Pre-baptismal instruction class will be held on Thursday, May 1st, at 6:00 PM in St. Mary's Parish Hall. For more information, contact the office (707) 263-4401.

Attention!!!!

Do you know of a homebound parishioner who would like to receive communion? Please contact Carol Dvorak @ 707) 489-9425

First Holy Communion

The parish of St. Mary's invites everyone to attend Our Children's First Communion Mass on Saturday, May 3rd at 11 a.m.

St Peter's News: Mother's Day Breakfast!!! Sunday May 11th at 10:00 am \$25.00 each

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