

Readings For Sunday, May 4, 2025

First Reading: *Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41*
Psalm: 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13
 Second Reading: *Revelations 5:11-14*
 Gospel: *John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14*

Mass Schedule & Offerings

Monday, April 28
 9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following
 †Jim Achatz (Rebecca Achatz)

Tuesday, April 29
 9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration following
 †Stasia Hubert (Joe & Tammy Simpson & Ed Betoski)

Wednesday, April 30
 5:00 p.m. Mass ~ All Day Adoration from 9-5
 †Cecile Kortier (Family)

Thursday, May 1
 9:00 a.m. Mass ~ Adoration 8-9 a.m.
 †Yvonne Klein (Bob & Rose Kenyon)

Third Sunday of Easter

Saturday, May 3
 3:30 p.m. Rosary ~ 4:00 p.m. Mass – Hillman
 Marriage Blessings for Josh & Brenda Trombley (Corky)

Sunday, May 4
 8:30 a.m. Rosary ~ 9:00 a.m. Mass – Hillman
 The People

Stewardship
Weekend of April 12th & 13th

St. Augustine	
Envelopes (51) Online (7)	\$1,780.00
Loose	\$ 568.00
Building & Maintenance (2) Online (2)	\$ 155.00
Deficit Reduction	\$ 100.00
Mass Stipend	\$ 30.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 60.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 50.00
Total	\$2,743.00
Cemetery	\$ 60.00
Jesus the Good Shepherd	
Envelopes (17)	\$ 695.00
Loose	\$ 107.00
Total	\$ 802.00

Standing In Need of Prayer

Claudette Colombo, Kevin Struzik, Myles Richardson, Chris Mutz, Dominic Tillman, Eric Tillman, Bonnie Benac, Sam Vicari, Margaret Barton, Brenda Sabol, Jack Stevens, Mary Ann Ferasin, Diane Marchlewski, Raelynn Burger, D.J. Normile, Justin Dahal, Patricia Plohocky, Caster Family, JanMarie, Jo Dusseau, Sandy Dubie, Emerick Dubie, Kendra Sherman, Jennifer Dubie, Christoffer Simpson, Jasmine Mouseau, Peggy Lange, Dennis Pietrykowski, Grace Franzoni, Dawn & Jagger Franzoni, Ben & Sandy Cassisi, Tammy (Nimf) Rygwelski, John Platevoet, Tina Montgomery, Pat Cronk, Geno Franzoni, John Schultz, Hailie Tondreau, Tammy Kelly, Scott VanPamel, Virginia Nash, Sophia Nash, Tyler Lockhart, Michele Klotz, Don Faulhaver, Judy Edmunds, Elsie Sauer, David Lautner, John Minaudo, Janet Demeulenaere, Kay Lumsden, Brittany Campbell, Ruth Rabeau

Prayer Chain
 Our prayer chain can be reached by calling or texting **Judy Elkie ~ 989-590-8411.**

Prayers For Clergy & Religious

Sun: Rev. Liby Joy
Mon: Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life
Tues: Rev. John Ladd
Wed: Rev. Scott Lawler
Thurs: Rev. Basil Lek
Fri: Rev. Donald Libby
Sat: Seminarians

Stewardship
Weekend of April 19th & 20th

St. Augustine	
Envelopes (49) Online (6)	\$1,990.00
Loose	\$1,506.00
Building & Maintenance Online (2)	\$ 45.00
Rice Bowl	\$ 387.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 10.00
Total	\$3,938.00
Cemetery	\$ 0.00
Jesus the Good Shepherd	
Envelopes (10)	\$ 600.00
Total	\$ 600.00

Faith Matters

Divine Mercy: The Easter Gift
"Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one; I died, and behold I am alive for evermore" (Rev 1:17-18).

To each person, the Risen One repeats: Fear not, I am... "The first," that is, the source of every being and the first-fruits of the new creation; "the last," the definitive end of history; "the living one," the inexhaustible source of life that triumphed over death forever. In the Lamb sacrificed on Golgotha, who implores forgiveness for His torturers and opens the gates of heaven to repentant sinners; we glimpse the face of the immortal King who now has "the keys of Death and Hades" (Rev 1:18).

Let us make our own the Psalmist's exclamation which we sang in the Responsorial Psalm: "The Lord's mercy endures forever. The Cross, even after the Resurrection of the Son of God, "speaks and never ceases to speak of God the Father, who is absolutely faithful to His eternal love for man. ... Believing in this love means believing in mercy."

Divine Mercy! This is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity at the dawn of the third millennium. Jesus said to Sr. Faustina one day: "Mankind will not have peace until it turns with trust to My mercy" (Diary, 300).

The Evangelist John makes us share in the emotion felt by the Apostles in their meeting with Christ after His Resurrection. He shows them His hands and His side, which bear the marks of the Passion, and tells them: "As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you" (Jn 20:21). Immediately afterwards, "He breathed on them, and said to them, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained' " (Jn 20:22-23).

His "Sacred Heart" has given men everything: redemption, salvation, sanctification. Saint Faustina Kowalska saw coming from this Heart that was overflowing with generous love, two rays of light which illuminated the world. The two rays, [according to what Jesus Himself told her], denote blood and water (Diary, 299). The blood recalls the sacrifice of Golgotha and the mystery of the Eucharist; the water, according to the rich symbolism of the Evangelist John, makes us think of Baptism and the Gift of the Holy Spirit (See Jn 3:5; 4:14).

Mary, Mother of Mercy, help us always to have this trust in your Son, our Redeemer. Help us too, St. Faustina, whom we remember today with special affection. Fixing our weak gaze on the divine Savior's face, we would like to repeat with you: "Jesus, I trust in You!" Now and forever. Amen. Pope John Paul II

Help honor and surround Mary Mother of Jesus with red roses on Mother's Day!

Purchase a rose in memory or in honor of a loved one!

They are \$5 per rose.

There are envelopes in the back of the church. Return it filled out and with your money in the collection's basket **by May 4!**

Make checks payable to **St. Augustine CCW.** Thank you!!



~ Faith Formation / Adult Classes:
 Wednesday, April 30th at 6PM!

BAT FOR VOCATIONS

You are invited to a community and fundraising event benefitting the Office of Vocations! Come and watch our diocesan Clergy & Religious take on students from high schools throughout the Diocese in a friendly game of softball.

Date: Sunday, May 4, 2025
Time: 3:00 PM
Where: Turtle Creek Stadium (333 Stadium Drive, Traverse City, MI 49685)
 Cost: Free (Cash and Check donations are accepted)
 RSVP not required, but preferred:
dioceseofgaylord.org/gotobat

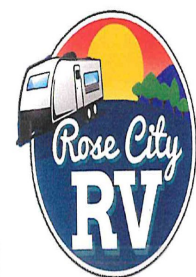
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OUTDOOR WAY OF THE CROSS AND MARIAN MEDITATION

- Entrance: Prepare Daily She walks in His Footsteps.
- 4th Station: Reflect Jesus and His Mother meet.
- 7th Station: Reflect She watches Him Fall again.
- 12th Station: Reflect Her son, Jesus dies on the cross.
- Meditation Place: Consider the Mother of God, now our Mother and Mother of the Church— Our gift to her—to love her Son and walk this Path with Her.



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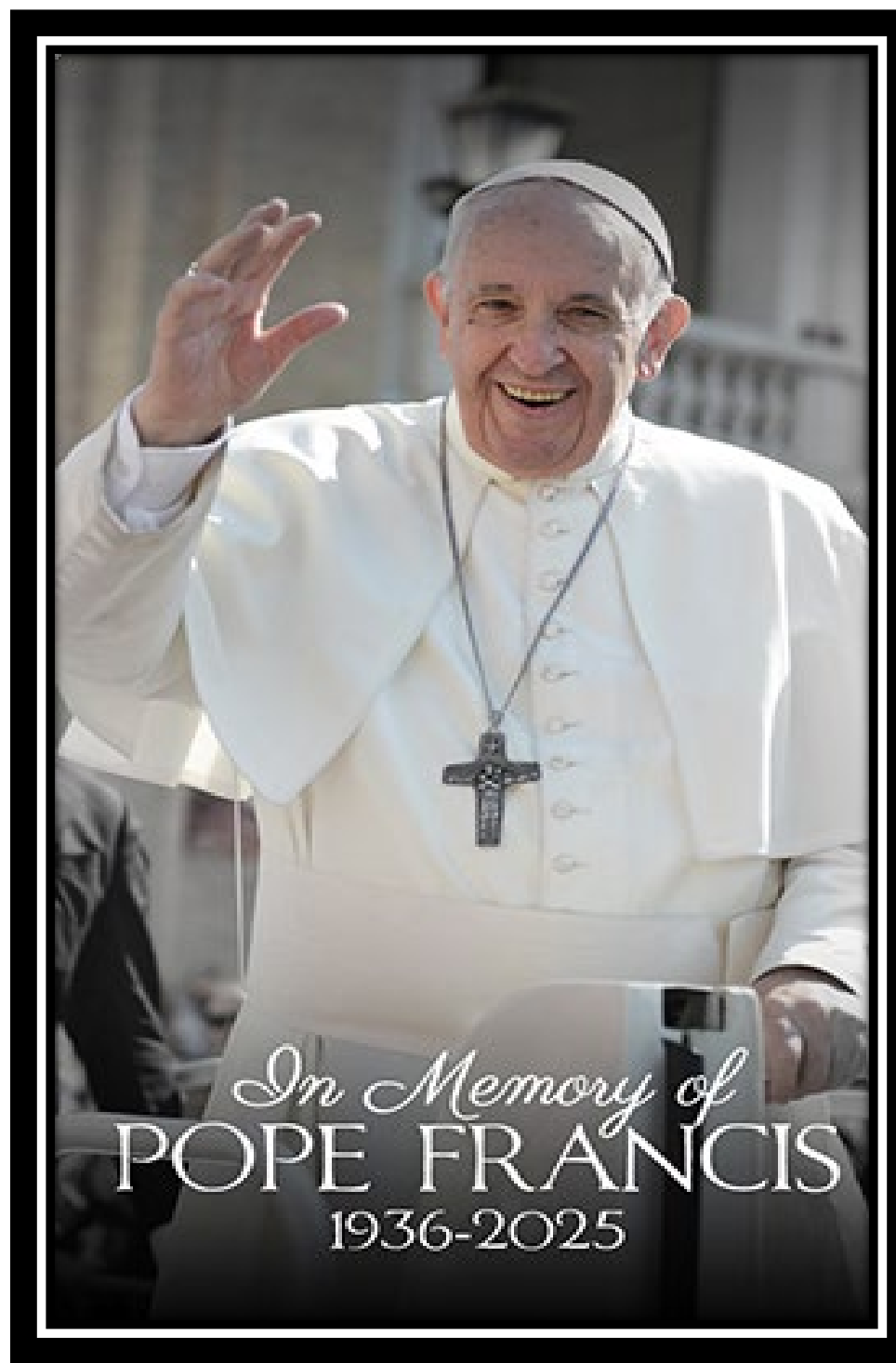


Meetings
2nd Tuesday of the Month
6:00 p.m. Fraternal
7:00p.m. Business

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April 27, 2025
Sunday of
Divine Mercy