# OUR COVER STORY

The message and devotion to Jesus as The Divine Mercy is based on the writings of Saint Faustina Kowalska, an uneducated Polish nun who wrote a diary of about 600 pages recording the revelations she received about God's mercy. Even before her death in 1938, the devotion to The Divine Mercy had begun to spread. The message of mercy is that God loves us - all of us - no matter how great our sins. He wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Devotion to The Divine Mercy involves a total commitment to God as Mercy. It is a decision to trust completely in Him, to accept His mercy with thanksgiving, and to be merciful as He is merciful. The Polish Inscription on the bottom of the painting is "Jesus, I Trust in

You."

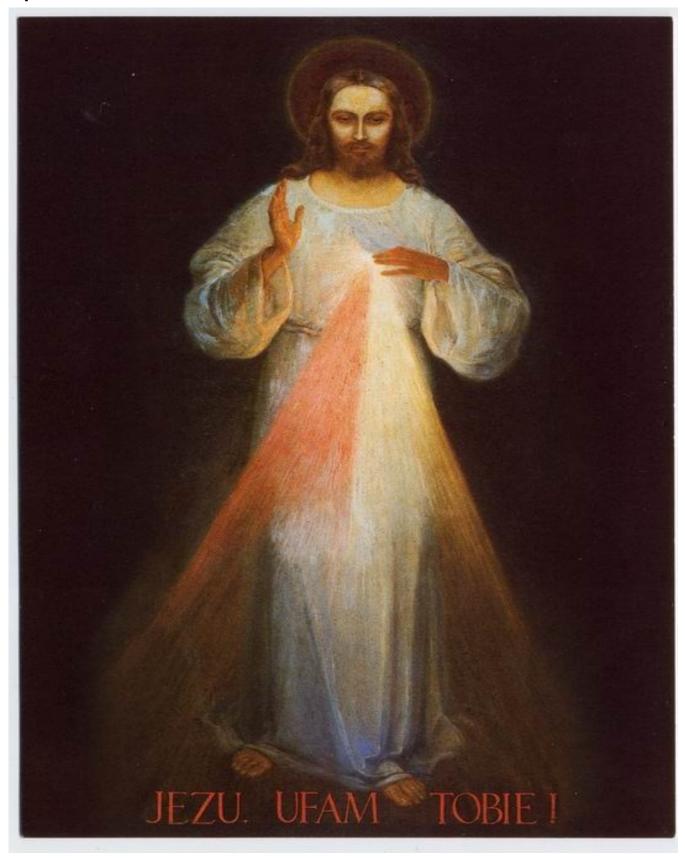
On February 22, 1931, while staying in Plock, Sister Faustina received Jesus' order to paint a picture according to the vision shown to her (cf. Diary 47). She tried to fulfill the command, but not knowing painting techniques, she was unable to do it by herself. Still, she did not give up the idea. A few years later, her superiors sent her to Vilnius (Wilno), where her confessor, Rev. Prof. Michael Sopocko, interested to see what the picture would look like, asked the painter Eugene Kazimierowski to paint the picture according to Sister Faustina's directions. This is the only image that was painted under her direction. Kazimirowski painted the original image between January and June of 1934.

During this time, St. Faustina had the artist change the face at least 10 times, but was still not pleased with it. By permission of Archbishop Romuald Jalbrzykowski, on April 4, 1937, the image was blessed and placed in the St. Michael's Church in Vilnius. In 1944, a committee of experts was formed, at the order of Archbishop Jalbrzykowski, to evaluate the image. The experts' opinion was the the image of The Divine Mercy, painted by E. Kazimierowski was artistically executed and an important contribution to contemporary religious art.

The devotion to Divine Mercy was actively promoted by Pope John Paul II who, On April 30, 2000, canonized Faustina Kowalska, and officially designated the Sunday after Easter as the Sunday of the Divine Mercy. Jesus said to Sr. Faustina one day: "Humanity will never find peace until it turns with trust to Divine Mercy". Divine Mercy is the Easter gift that the Church receives from the risen Christ and offers to humanity.

### Villa De San Antonio, a Northstar Senior Living Community

### April 2024





### **Our Chapel Events**

Anointing of the Sick: Anytime by Appointment. Please Call Sr. O'Sullivan, Fr. Juleen will conduct every first Tuesday of each month.

**Confession:** Father Joseph Wagner will hear confession by appointment going forward, please speak with Sr. Patricia O'Sullivan for details.

Rosary is held at 3:00PM each afternoon

Please leave your mass intention donations with Sr. Patricia or Rick Mora

Stations of the Cross will now be prayed EVERY FRIDAY at 4:00 PM

Spiritual Book Club–1st Meeting is Friday, March 8, at 10AM 2nd Floor AL Multi-Purpose Room

Communion can be brought to residents in need. Please call Sr. Josepha Feeney at 650-430-0565 or Sr. Maura Fitzsimons-830-359-2500

**Thursday Bible Group** Thursday's Bible Study Group will be meeting at 10 AM, in the Chapel The group will discuss the weekly scriptures.

### **Tuesday Bible Study**

This Bible Study meets every Tuesday at 9:30 AM in the Multi-Purpose Room. The discussion will be Jesus' Sermon on the Mount

## Villa de San Antonio Chapel Services

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10:00 AM	4:00 PM	<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>11:00 AM</b>	4:00 PM	<b>11:00 AM</b>	4:00 PM
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	Fr. Emmett	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph
	Carolan	Juleen	Juleen	Wagner	Juleen	Wagner
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Fr. Stuart	Fr. Emmett			Fr. Joseph		Fr. Joseph
Juleen	Carolan			Wagner		Wagner
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Fr. Stuart	Fr. Emmett	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph
Juleen	Carolan	Juleen	Juleen	Wagner	Juleen	Wagner
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Fr. Stuart	Fr. Emmett	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph	Fr. Stuart	Fr. Joseph
Juleen	Carolan	Juleen	Juleen	Wagner	Juleen	Wagner
28.	29.	30.				
Fr. Stuart	Fr. Emmett	Fr. Stuart				
Juleen	Carolan	Juleen				

### Interdenominational Svc. 1PM

Sunday, April 7 Mike Schulz

Sunday, April 14 Jason Wilson

Sunday, April 21 **Jason Wilson** 

Sunday, April 28 Mike Schulz

## **April 2024**

**Important Dates to Know** 

### Sunday, April 7-**Feast of Divine Mercy**

Monday, April 8-The Annunciation of the Lord

Thursday, April 11 at 11:00 AM Memorial Service for Paul Woodward in the Chapel