

St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Church

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Big Pine Key, FL 33043



305-872-2537

Office: 9:30am-3:30pm Mon.-Fri.

www.stpeterbpk.org

MAY 7, 2023

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor:

Rev. Fr. Jesus "Jets" Medina

Property Manager/Bookkeeper:

Nancy McCrosson
nancy@stpeterbpk.org

Administrative Assistants:

Connie Hauk
connie@stpeterbpk.org

Debbie Krieger
Deborah@stpeterbpk.org

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Chris Cassidy

MASSES:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5:30pm
Sunday Masses 8:30 and 11:00am

Daily Masses: 9am Mon-Fri.

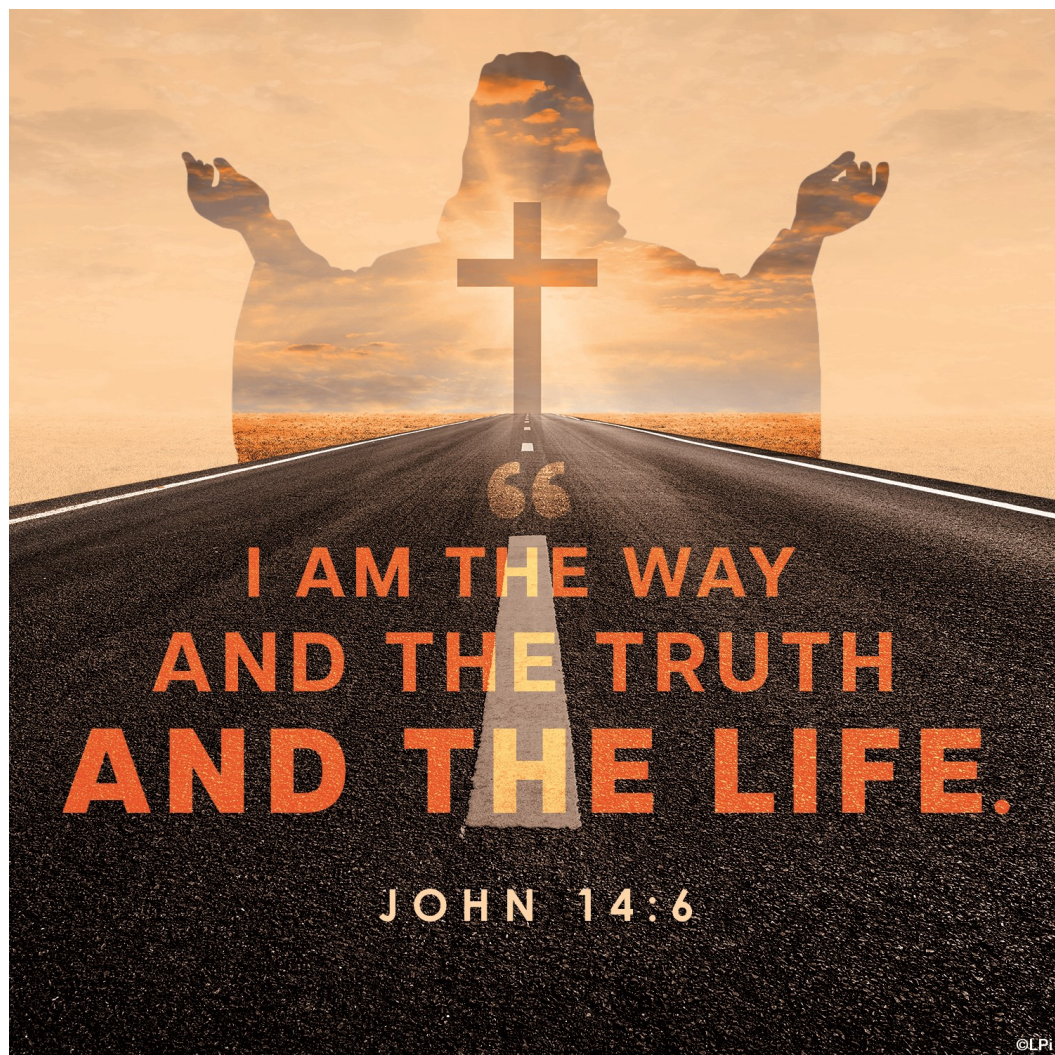
HOLY DAYS: Vigil Mass 6 pm
Holy Day Mass 9 am

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday: 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm
in the Church (or by appointment)

BAPTISMS, FUNERALS and WEDDINGS Please call the office for an appointment with Fr. Jets.

Office Hours: M-F 9:30am-3:30pm



All Are Welcome

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,
No matter what your current family or marital situation,
No matter what your past or present religious situation,
No matter your personal history, age, background, race etc.,
No matter what your own self-image or self esteem is,
YOU are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved and
Respected here at St. Peter Catholic Church.*



Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 6, 2023

5:30 pm: +Ferris Laraway by Richard & Barbara Shenk

Sunday, May 7, 2023

8:30am: S.I. Fr. Ryszard Stradomski by Margaret Burns

11:00am: +Tom Skalbeck by Susan Skalbeck Berenz

Monday, May 8, 2023

9:00am: +Anne Mesacal & deceased family members
by Margaret Burns

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

9:00am: +Jack Selzer by Connie Hauk

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

9:00am: +Ramon Mijares by Rowena Garcia

Thursday, May 11, 2023

9:00am : +Gary Ebel by Connie Hauk

Friday, May 12, 2023

9:00am : Communion Service

Saturday, May 13, 2023

5:30pm: +Robert DePicciotto by Tessie Urbanovitch
Mothers enrolled in Mother's Day Novena

Sunday, May 14, 2023

8:30am: +Marcus Alex Arce
by Nancy & Chuck McCrosson
Mothers enrolled in Mother's Day Novena

11:00am: S.I. Burns and Mescal Families
by Margaret Burns
Mothers enrolled in Mother's Day Novena

This week in our parish:

Monday, May 8, 2023

9:00am Mass

Tuesday, May 9, 2023

9:00am Mass

9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
until 10:30am

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

9:00am Mass

Food Bank open 9:30-11:30am

Thursday, 11, 2023

9:00am Mass

Friday, May 12, 2023

9am Communion Service

Centering Prayer 4:00pm in the Church

Saturday, May 13, 2023

5:30 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday May 14, 2023 **Mother's Day**

8:30am Mass

9:45am CCD classes

11am mass

Pope Francis' Monthly Intention

for May 2023:

For a Church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may
rediscover their mission of evangelization each day,
placing their own charisms at the service of
needs in the world.

Visit our Christian Book Exchange!!



TAKE A BOOK Browse the
books on the cart in the back of church.
Take a book and keep it as long as you
need. Return the book to the table.

GIVE A BOOK Donate a Christian book to
the exchange by putting it into the basket
under the table. We would like to review it
before putting it on the cart.
Thank you for your generosity.



Thank You

FOR SHARING YOUR TIME,
TALENT AND TREASURE

Collections:

Donations received: April 29-30, 2023

1st Collection: \$ 2,638.00

2nd Collection \$ 775.00 (Summer Blues)

Direct Debit \$ 665.00 (weekly)

**Mother's Day Novena donations \$190.00
(this week)**

**Catholic Relief Service (CRS) Rice Bowls
\$759.18**

Thank you to those of you who regularly mail your donations to us, and **Thank you** to those of you who elected to increase or change to Direct Debit!

Thank you for your generosity!

Understanding the "Summer Blues Fund" as a 2nd Collection taken at Masses

Off season and summer time in the Keys is typically associated with the season of warmest weather, longer days and many empty pews in church every week as our seasonal parishioners are back up north.

However, in the parish finance world, the summer months are also associated with low or loss of financial support to adequately cover parish overhead costs, also known as the "Summer time Blues." So, to assure coverage of our property expenses during these summer financially lean months, the 2nd Collection named "Summer Blues Fund" will help with our property overhead financial needs.

Thank you for your continued generosity. For detailed information, see Nancy in the Parish Office.

Pray For Those Who Are Sick:

We ask your prayers for Parishioners and friends: Guenther Glatt, Rachel Miles, Bill Carver, John Mescal, John Snyder, Javier Herrera, Ann Fisher, Pat and Connie Medina, Belle Medina-Ricasio, Beth Rodman, Flo Boyle, Mary and William Scheidell, Mike Graham, Tiffany Howard, Jim Oettle, Kate Menser Hughey, Marilyn Nichols, Mark Stump, Lance Hill, Randy Reinhart, Patrick Mescal, Fr. Peter Scott, Maria Wirshing, Ruth Fidler, Kaylee Mescal, Nita Bigelow, Olga Nunez, Br. Bud Luks, Dolores Gibson, Sarah Peteck, John Spencer, Cornelia Meyers, Colleen Burns, Ted Kruzel, Larry Dorry, Katie Rocha, Bonita Boski, Jim Thompson, Carmella Russo, Nathaniel Burgess, Penny Holum, Scott Bush, Sean Piniero, Larry Johnson, Elaine & Stewart Caplin, Deacon Bill Rich, Roxanne Brown, Terri Roman, Brenda Haskins' mother, Greg Oarsley, the Paans family, the Pontecrovo family, Mindy & Tom Carlson, Lani Duggers, Ann Daus, Tim Age, Fr. Darin Robert, Maria Sims, Nancy Lopez, Rosemary Farrell.

Please let us know in the office if you or someone else is homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist at home. Call the office at 305-872-2537.



There is a **Financial Transparency binder** in the bookkeeper's office with detailed statements, financial reports and parish budget history. This information is available to registered parishioners who wish to view it. Call and make an appointment with Nancy in the office at 305-872-2537.

St. Peter Catholic Church Website

St. Peter Church website at
<http://www.stpeterbpk.org>



Click on the Photos tab, or follow us on Facebook to look at the photos taken at recent events at St. Peter's!

You can also donate to our Rebuilding Fund on the website now!



**We have 5
parishioners
going to
World Youth
Day
in Lisbon,
Portugal in July.**

**The painting displayed in the
Narthex, by John Threadgill,
when sold, will help
with their expenses.**



Calling for More Ushers!

***We are looking for
more ushers to serve
at Mass. Training will be
provided. Please consider serving
the Lord and our parish in this
wonderful and essential ministry to
keep a safe and
sacred worship space.
Men, women and couples are
welcome to serve together.
Please call the office at
305-872-2537 to volunteer.***

Grief Support

**If you are dealing with the loss of a
loved one, grief support is available.
Contact Mary Quirk at 305-849-1879,
or through the church office at
305-872-2537.**



St. Peter Community Food Bank Wednesdays from 9:30am—11:30am

***"It is necessary for knowledge to become
practice through listening to and receiving the least,
the frail and those regarded as rejects by society."
Pope Francis***

Brad is a chef. 6 months ago he was in ICU after having his small bowel removed for advanced cancer. Right now both his budget and his diet are very restricted.

Ann cares for her husband who has advanced Alzheimers. He is up all night roaming around the house. They receive \$16 a month in food stamps. Ann visits the food bank when her husband finally falls asleep. She appreciates the food, but thrives on being able to socialize.

Judy is bipolar. She is receiving counseling. She has a very hard time making decisions. We try to coordinate foods that she can use together to make a healthy meal.

Abraham is caring for his dying wife. She eats very little and is bed bound. His needs include nutritional supplements, laundry detergents and sanitary wipes so he can bathe her ever day

Doris is raising her five children, a nephew and her sister and her adult disabled son. Doris works full time in the cleaning staff at a large hotel.

Each of our people has a story. Every day I realize that one mistake, one bad choice, or simple bad break and that could be me—embarrassed to be asking for free food.

I wonder as Jesus slept outside, walking from city to city, not bathing, depending on strangers for food might be just like one of our people. I wonder if Jesus were with us in person today, would we be turning him away, judging him, and dismissing him as worthless?

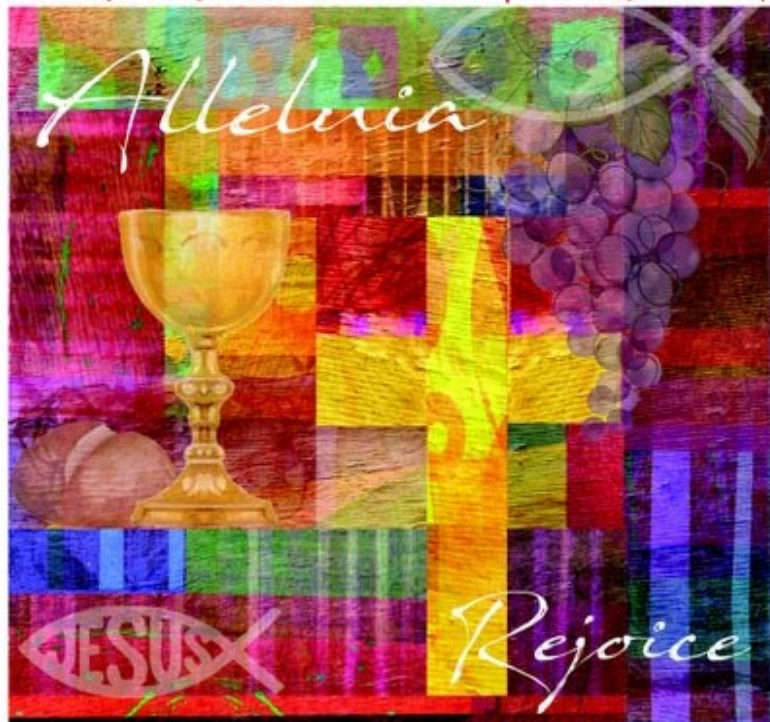
**Fight hunger this May! Visit your local @WinnDixie and purchase the \$12.99 Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet with the red circle sticker. For every Bloomin' 4 Good Bouquet sold we will receive a \$1 donation.
\$1 Donation = 10+ Meals Donated.**

St. Peter Catholic Church is a 501(c)(3) corporation.

**Your parish contact person for all things
related to the Food Bank is Director,**

Mary Quirk: azquirk@gmail.com 305-849-1879

On Your Anniversary of Ordination To The Priesthood



Congratulations, Fr. Jets, on the 13th Anniversary of your Ordination!

Fr. Jets was ordained May 8, 2010 by then
Miami Archbishop Favalora.

He was the first Filipino to be ordained in the
Archdiocese of Miami. In addition to his duties as
pastor here, he is the Director of the Office of
Ministry to Cultural Groups of the Archdiocese.

Fr. Jets was assigned to
St. Peter's in August of 2017—seven weeks before
the arrival of Hurricane Irma. He has been an
incredible blessing to this parish during what could
have been a disastrous period and instead has
been a time of growth, renewal, and bonding that
has resulted in a beautiful new church and
an energized parish. This is his first weekend back
from his 4 month Sabbatical in Rome.

Welcome home Fr. Jets!!

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(1-800-962-2873)

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1-866-802-2873

Victim Assistance Coordinator

Peter Routsis-Arroyo
1-866-802-2873



Thank you on behalf of the **Missions**
for saving cancelled stamps,
eyeglasses, tabs from pop top cans,
and rosaries—broken or whole.
Donna Dye, a parishioner, Sacristan
and Eucharistic Minister, will always
see that they get where they are
most needed. We are temporarily
suspending collection of pill
bottles—we will ask for them again
in the future.
Thank You!



Mother's Day Novena of Masses

(May 13-May 21)

We remember:

Mimi Myers

Denise Myers

Allison Myers

Henrietta Mengel

Alice Myers

Madeline Elizabeth Deane

Marion McCrosson

Unita Eggert

Jeanne Basham

Jennie Harrell

Tamara Peteck Snider

Theresa Walters

Grace Scribner

Caitlin Snider Bean

Betty Bennett

LouAnne Smith

Lucille Meade

LouAnn Francis

Jillian Francis

Sarah Worcester

Joan Height

Delores Rabis

Carole Laramie

Tina Janicek

Anna Ebel

Annette Miller

Canice Kobus

Linda Ebel

Verona Ebel

Helen Hauk

Kaitlin Snider

Tamara's grandmothers

Georgianna Peteck

Dee Peteck

Jeanette Baker

Sandy Boggs

Sandy Ballard

Laurie Bhardja

Flo Peteck

Christine Hernandez

Sara Peteck

Heather Smothers

In the Catholic Church the month of May is Mary's month. It's the month we honor Blessed Mary as the Mother of Jesus and our Heavenly Mother. If you attended Catholic school, you probably remember taking part in the "May crowning" in the beginning of May—where a wreath of flowers was placed on the head of the statue of Mary as prayers were said. As an older student you understood that this ritual



was a way to show our love for Mary. When you were in pre-school or kindergarten, you probably only remember it as a day you got to be outside! As an adult, have you ever stopped and wondered why May is Mary's month? Why not April or June? **Why May?** Historians aren't exactly sure why May was chosen to honor Mary, but many believe that May being the month when spring is in full bloom has a lot to do with it. May is the height of spring—gardens everywhere are alive with blooming flowers and trees are filling their branches with leaves. This new beginning and new birth in nature reminds us of the life Mary gave to Jesus. Without Mary giving birth to Jesus, all the events that followed: Jesus' life, death, and resurrection wouldn't have happened. So, it's believed that May (when nature is showing signs of life) is the ideal month to honor the woman who gave life to our Savior. **Another belief as to why May was chosen to honor Mary dates back to the ancient Greeks and Romans.** In the ancient Greek world, May was dedicated to Artemis, the goddess of fertility and life. Roman culture linked the month of May to Flora, the goddess of bloom and blossoms. The Romans celebrated ludi florales (floral games) as a preparation for entering into the month of May and to celebrate the beginning of spring. (The month of May was the official beginning of spring in the Roman culture). Over time, the ancient tradition of celebrating life and fertility in the May led Christians to adopt May as the month to honor the Mother of Jesus. **When Did the Tradition of Honoring Mary in May Begin?** The custom of dedicating the month of May to Mary dates back to the 13th century. But it might come as a surprise to know that it wasn't until the 18th century when this practice became popular. The practice became common among the members of the Jesuit Order in Rome. Because of the far reach of the order's schools, the devotion took hold, and by the 1700's it began to spread worldwide. **May Crowning:** "It's a Catholic tradition to honor Mary during the month of May by crowning her statue with flowers. The reason why we crown Mary is best summed up by Pope Paul VI who wrote in 1965 that May is an occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pay to the Queen of Heaven." The crown symbol is attributed to Mary because she is the Mother of the Son of God, who is our Heavenly King.

Wednesday morning Mass—
welcome home Fr. Jets!
Thank You Fr. Paul, —see you
next year!



Holy water blessing for
Fr. Paul and Mike



Names of Archbishop's Charities and Development Drive (ABCD) donors:

(If you do not see your name here, be aware that it takes the Archdiocese about 3 weeks to get the names back to us.)

Our goal this year is \$46, 728.00

We have now met our goal!! Thank you for your generosity!



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Religious Education

Religious Education classes take place on Sundays at 9:45 in the Ministry Center.

The Religious Education program would like to thank Fr. Paul for his time with our students. We enjoyed a wonderful Children's Mass last Sunday, and a fun time of fellowship in the hall with Fr. Paul and his brother Mike after the Mass! Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for preparing the lunch!



We will end the Religious Education year on Sunday, May 21 with a Children's Mass and lunch.

For more information
Rosalinda@stpeterbpk.org
 305-942-9975

Hospitality with
Fr. Paul last weekend.

Thanks Fr. Paul, for
filling in for Fr. Jets
these past 4 months!!



More
photos
from the
Childrens
Mass
Sunday.....



May Dates to Remember:

Sunday, May 14: 11am

Aiden Stettner's First Communion

May Crowning

Sunday, May 21: 11am

Children's Mass/last day of CCD

Sunday, May 28: 11am

Baccalaureate Mass



Hiring Now:
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Big Pine Key, FL 33043
305-872-2537

Email interest to:
Nancy McCrosson,
Property Manager/Bookkeeper

Do you play keyboard? We are looking for another volunteer parishioner to play keyboard at Mass when one of our volunteers—
Marcia Seymour, returns to her home up north for the summer. She will be glad to help you and get you acclimated before she leaves in May. Talk to Marcia after 8:30 Mass or call the office at 305-872-2537.

We have \$25.00 Gift Certificates for:



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A percentage of the \$25.00 goes to our Religious Education Fund and helps finance our Religious Ed. and Scholarship Programs.

***Gift Certificates can be purchased through the office during office hours, M-F 9:30am-3pm, or call the office at 305-872-2537 to make other arrangements.
(cash or check only)***

Credit card purchases can be made in the Parish Office during working hours only.

Virtus:
(Protecting God's Children and Vulnerable Adults)

If seasonal parishioners who are Virtus certified with their "back home" parish are volunteering at St. Peters, they can have their Virtus accounts mirrored with both Dioceses/Churches.

This also works in reverse if our full time parishioners want to volunteer in another location.

If this pertains to you, email helpdesk@virtus.org or call Virtus National at 1-888-847-8879 and have your account mirrored with the Archdiocese of Miami, St. Peter Church, Big Pine Key.

Your parish contact for all things related to the Virtus (Protecting God's Children and Vulnerable Adults) program is

Ellen Age:

Ellen@stpeterbpk.org



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It is time to renew our existing Bulletin advertisers and sign-up new ones.

Dear Parishioners,

Are you interested in advertising your business and promoting your company with a trusted resource that Parish families use every day?

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- **97% of Catholic Church bulletins taken home every single week**
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If you would like to participate, now is a wonderful time to do so!
Contact Nancy McCrosson in the Parish Office M-F 9:30am-3:30pm at 305-872-2537 or email nancy@stpeterbpk.org

Thank you!



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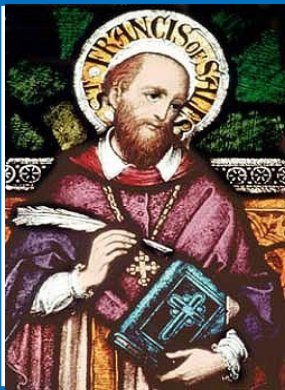


Answer the call!

The Knights need
a few good men.

Become a Knight!

Ask a Knight or call Dan Ford for
information: 931-206-9487



Have no fear for what tomorrow may
bring. The same loving God who
cares for you today will take care of
you tomorrow and every day.
He will either shield you from suffering
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it. Be at peace, then, and put aside
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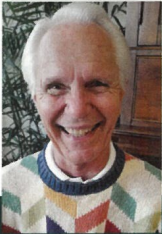
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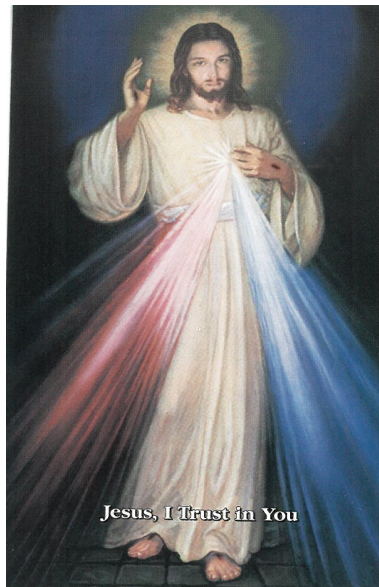
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