



Servants of Divine Mercy News

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Divine Mercy Community Clinic Opens!

These are exciting days in Houma as we step out in faith to open Divine Mercy Community Clinic! Many of you know that Allan has been trained as a chiropractor and currently teaches massage therapy and medical assistant students at Blue Cliff College, a vocational college. Prior to moving to Louisiana, Allan obtained his license to practice chiropractic in this state and is looking forward to giving the fruits of his education and thirteen years experience in healthcare to the poor.

If you've talked with Allan since he moved here, he would've told you about the good people of South Louisiana who have suffered much in recent years from

hurricanes named Katrina, Rita, and Ike. You may recall that one of last years' storms, Gustav, directly hit Houma.

God still works signs and wonders among His people today! The opening of this place to serve the poor is one of those

miraculous events. Please pray about joining with us to provide needed chiropractic and medical care and spiritual help to the poor. A large Image of the Divine Mercy will greet everyone passing by the clinic. If you'd like to help us buy it, mark your check with the notation: "Divine Mercy Image." Thanks!

A Bit of St. Faustina's Diary

"Where there is genuine virtue, there must be sacrifice as well; one's whole life must be a sacrifice. It is only by means of sacrifice that souls can become useful. It is my self-sacrifice which in my relationship with my neighbor, can give glory to God, but God's love must flow through this sacrifice, because everything is concentrated in this love and takes its value from it."

From *Divine Mercy in My Soul*, Notebook V

Jesus, I trust in You!

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy

One of the most precious gifts Our Lord gave to St. Faustina was the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. For instructions on how to pray the chaplet, check out our website:

www.servantofdivinemeracy.org

The Chaplet is powerful means of intercession, calling our Merciful Father to have mercy on us and on the whole world. Pray it during the Hour of Mercy, 3:00 PM. Pray it with the dying, with great confidence that Our Lord will show His Mercy to those who are leaving this world. Pray the Chaplet for your loved ones who have left the Church. Trust in the Mercy of the Lord to melt their hearts and draw them to Himself and His Bride, the Body of Christ.

If you've had prayers answered by intercession with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, let us know and we'll give God all the glory with you!

Please Help Us Send This Newsletter to a Friend!

We do not share our mailing list with anyone, so don't worry that we'll fill your (or your friend's) mailbox with unwanted junk mail. Please complete the form below and mail to: Servants of Divine Mercy, 209 S. Moss Dr., Houma, LA 70360

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Clinic Wish-List

The following items are needed to operate our little clinic To drop-off a donation, call Allan @ 985-217-6726:

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| ◆ Copier | + Water Cooler for 5 gallon-size bottle |
| ◆ Fax machine | + Toilet paper, Facial tissue |
| ◆ File cabinets | + Paper towels |
| ◆ Furniture for the reception area | + Snacks |
| ◆ Two good, used sofas | + Coloring books, crayons, and toys |
| ◆ Coat rack | + Small refrigerator |
| ◆ Office Supplies | + Folding chairs and tables |
| ◆ Cleaning Supplies | |

Volunteers are always welcome!

Houma Hospitality

Guests to our home often remark on the friendliness of people here in Houma. I have to agree. The only thing that surpasses the genuine warm welcome folks give you here is the delectable food these Cajuns cook up. But I surely have a lot to learn in the kitchen before I would serve my gumbo to a native; yes, I've made a pot of chicken gumbo that turned out fairly well. Moreover, sampling all the different dishes here has led me to be more serious about my diet. Visitors have asked me why I don't weigh 500 lbs yet, surrounded by all this good food. July was a busy month for celebrating, for guests and *for eating*. Dan from Georgia and Tom from Florida came to experience life in community. It was a blessing to talk with them, pray together, and of course, to eat with them!

Is there a single man you know who is searching for the Lord's Will for His life? Give him this newsletter, direct him to our website: www.servantsofdivinemeracy.org, or ask him to call Dr Allan Weilert: 985/217-6726.

Discover the Power in Praise and Worship!

Another great thing about living in the diocese of Houma-Thibodaux is the many opportunities for spiritual growth. Integral to almost every retreat, meeting, or event I've attended here has been the inclusion of *praise and worship*. I realize that this is not a common experience of most Catholics who are subjected to less than harmonious attempts by church musicians to lead singing at Sunday Mass. These folks mean well and are doing their best to offer their talents to the Body of Christ, but often do not quite hit the mark.

What is needed is clear teaching on the role of praise and worship in the Sunday assembly. As we gather to enter God's house and come into His presence, we bring all we are along with us. Granted, we may have had a tough week and may have many problems in our lives, but Our Lord invites us to put all that aside for awhile to come before Him with joyous hearts. Being with your loved ones, your brothers and sisters, is cause for rejoicing! Praise is like knocking on your friend's door until he comes to let you in. It's acknowledging that God is mighty, glorious, good, loving, merciful, and holy. We praise God not because He needs it, but because *we do*. Praising God re-focuses us on Who really matters.

Praising God enthusiastically prepares us to enter into a place of intimacy with Him. Worship is that place. Through worship, we can listen intently on God's Word to us in the holy Scriptures and as our priest or deacon preaches the homily. We are ready to join the heavenly hosts in their song of praise and worship as they incessantly cry out "Holy, Holy Holy!" Worship focuses us on Who it is we receive in holy Communion. Praise knocks, worship enters into union with our Beloved Lord, help us grow in praising and worshiping You Who are Love and Mercy Itself! O Blood and Water, flowing from Jesus' Heart, we trust in You!