

# Servants of Divine

## 2009, A Year of Blessings

A look back on all the awesome ways the Lord has worked in 2009 stirs our hearts to grateful praise. He has done great things for us and we rejoice in Him! From our very humble beginnings with Divine Mercy Community Clinic to the men who are continuing to discern God's Plan regarding joining the Servants of Divine Mercy, it is clear that Our Merciful Father has abundantly poured out His Graces and Blessings on us.

Recently, a man came to our clinic complaining of severe low back pain. Previously, he was told he had to wait until February to see a specialist and was discharged from the emergency department without any pain medication. Needless to say, this gentleman was unhappy to be forced to cope with significant back pain.

After only two adjustments, he was pain-free and delighted! He was so appreciative of his care at our free clinic that he returned to do some landscaping work for us. In his gratitude, he saw a need and filled it.

Are we like that patient or are we more like the 9 lepers who found they were healed on the way to the priests, but didn't bother to return to thank the Lord for healing them? Do we allow gratitude to lead our steps or instead do we tend to take our many blessings for granted?

Gratitude is an attitude that gives credit where credit is due. Pause a moment right now and thank our Heavenly Father for all He has done for you this year. Indeed, 2009 has been filled to overflowing with more blessings than we could ever count and we still have a month to go before we're finished!

**Let us give thanks!**

**Yes, I will help support Divine Mercy Community Clinic! Please apply my donation to the**

\_\_\_ **General operating fund**

\_\_\_ **Divine Mercy Image for Clinic Window**

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### **A Bit of St. Faustina's Diary**

"I spent the whole day in thanksgiving, and gratitude kept flooding my soul. O my God, how good You are, how great is Your mercy! You visit me with so many graces, me who am a most wretched speck of dust. Prostrating myself at your feet, O Lord, I confess with a sincere heart that I have done nothing to deserve even the least of Your graces. It is in Your infinite goodness that You give yourself to me so generously. Therefore, the greater the graces which my heart receives, the deeper it plunges itself in humility."

*Divine Mercy in My Soul, Vol VI*

**Jesus, I Trust In You!**

# Updated Clinic Wish List

- +6-7 “Companion Chairs” with arms—These are at Sam’s for around \$50.00 each.
- +3-4 Pole Lamps, 1 table lamp
- +20-30 Folding Chairs
- +7’x3’ Divine Mercy Image for Clinic Window—\$250.00
- +White Adhesive Lettering for Sign in Clinic Window—\$250.00
- +Lighted Exterior Clinic Sign
- +Non-perishable Snacks for Patients like Granola Bars, Potato Chips, Cookies, etc...
- +Paper Products: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Plates, Napkins, Trash Bags
- +Cleaning Supplies
- +Monthly Bottled Water Service for our Water Cooler
- +Volunteers to welcome patients, nurses especially, are always welcome!

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THANK YOU! We pray everyday for our generous benefactors.**

## The Lord is Our Provider

It truly is wonderful to see each month how the Lord provides for all our needs both in the Servants of Divine Mercy and in the Community Clinic. No doubt, you too, have known the abundant blessings of Our Father as He so generously gives us “our daily bread.” Not only does the Lord never fail to care for His children, but He is never late. God is always on time!

Have you ever thought of how awesome our God is in supplying everything we need for our lives? He feeds us, clothes us, keeps us in good health, and gives us the inestimable gift of our Faith. All our relationships are a gift from Him; the loving support of family and friends, every human interaction we have is His gift. The beauty of Nature which surrounds us is from Him. Everything we have and are comes to us from His Hands.

Everything except our sin, that is... Our sin alone belongs to us. In her diary, St. Faustina often wrote of her “misery,” which was her sinfulness. Yet as often as she reflected on her brokenness, so much more was she overwhelmed by the Father’s invitation to throw herself into the abyss of His Mercy. How merciful the Lord is to us when He continues to shower us with His grace even in the midst of our ingratitude and selfishness! How much longer will He endure our blatant disregard for our fellow creatures and our audacious refusal to render Him constant thanks and praise for all He does for us? Lord, have mercy on us!

Dear brothers and sisters, let us not presume Our Lord will always be patient with us. Yes, His Mercy is everlasting, but it is very wrong of us to take advantage of His gift of Mercy. Instead, let us fall before Him and thank Him with all our hearts for all His gifts. Thanksgiving Day is quickly approaching. Let it not be another excuse for over-indulgence in food and drink, but truly a time we set apart to freely give God thanks and praise.

Even in these difficult economic times, God provides everything we need to serve Him. How good, loving, faithful, and true He is! How great is our God! Let us thank Him for all He has done for us!

Thank you, for your kind assistance as we build our community and clinic. May God reward you a thousand-fold for your generosity and loving care for us. We thank God for you!