

DMES Celebrates 25 Years in 2016

In 2016, DMES marks 25 years of promoting the Divine Mercy message since DMES enthroned the first image of the Divine Mercy in 1991 at the then St. Joseph Church in San Francisco, CA. Since that time, DMES received many fruits and blessings. It is providential that the DMES 25-year celebration will fall on Pope Francis proclamation of 2016 as the Global Jubilee, the Holy Year of Mercy. For those of you who have been a part of DMES since 1991, please visit us at our new home at Mount of Divine Mercy (MoDM) in Sunol, CA. Preparations are underway for this great milestone. If you wish to be a part of this momentous event or

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take part in its preparations, please give us a call or email us.

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See below to receive DMES's calendar of activities, programs, scheduled prayers and event talks. Please complete this form (print clearly) and enclose it in the attached self-addressed envelope. Now is the time for you to take part and help spread the commission of mercy!

SIGNIFICANT TIMELINE DATES	
1991	First Enthronement of the Image of Divine Mercy at then St. Joseph Church, San Francisco, CA
1994	First Annual Divine Mercy West Coast Conference
1998	DMES Received Official Status Approval as 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Org.
1999	Opened First Perpetual 24/7 Adoration Chapel in Oakland Diocese at St. John the Baptist Church, El Cerrito, CA
2001-2	Opened Second Adoration Chapel and Mary's House of Mercy for Homeless Expectant Mothers in San Pablo, CA
2006	Purchased Mount of Divine Mercy Land in Sunol, CA
2008	Pioneer Member of the World Apostolic Congress on Mercy and US Rep. to Vatican in Rome, Italy.
2014	Held its 20th Divine Mercy West Coast Conference

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YES, I want DMES to keep me informed of ALL ongoing Divine Mercy activities and events.

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

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IN NEED OF PRAYERS?

If you wish DMES to pray for you or know of someone or family who needs prayers, our DMES Saturday prayer warrior volunteers at Mount of Divine Mercy will be happy to offer your petitions. Donation of \$3 is suggested to light a candle for you and your special intentions. Please complete the form included in the mailing with this newsletter.

YES, I want to be a prayer warrior.

YES, I want to be a DMES volunteer. My talent(s) include (check all that apply):

Designing: Graphics / Web / Other Financing Gardening Managing Organizing Writing

Other _____



Reflections on “Laudato Si”

Fr. Joseph “Joe” Thannickal, SDB, from Kolkata, India, came to MoDM on Saturday, August 8. He spoke on Pope Francis’ recent encyclical, “Laudato Si,” which he addressed to all humans on earth, not just Catholics. Fr. Joe relayed that Pope Francis’ encyclical took two years to prepare and he had access to numerous, credible sources.

Laudato Si translated in Latin means, “Praise Be.” The phrase entreats us all to give thanks, to honor God and keep His commandments, as well as care for one another and our planet, our home. He reminded us that taking care of our environment is human and part of our faith as Christians. Fr. Joe championed the book for its ability to engage conversation, especially with the thought that science AND religion can definitely enter into dialogue. He highly recommends the now published book to be read by all.



At the conclusion of his talk, Fr. Joe gave thanks for the generous donations to his mission in India. The funds will go to disadvantaged youths, families, and other social outreach programs.

2015 UPCOMING EVENTS

Prayer lead by Fr. Marvin Deutsch Regular Prayers	1st Saturdays 2nd-5th Saturdays	10 am 11 am
North Bay & San Francisco Mission Pilgrimage, \$140 per person Call 510.676.2258	Saturday, August 29	7 am - 7 pm
Youth Safety Program Lead by Modesto Tomeldan	Saturday, September 12	10 am
DMES Picnic at Mount of Divine Mercy	Saturday, September 26	1 pm
Medical & Spiritual Health Fair	Saturday, October 10	10 am
America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally	Saturday, October 10	10 am
Outdoor Family Movie Night & Overnight Camping (BYO Lamp)	Saturday, October 17	8 pm
Crab Feed - Location TBA	Saturday, October - TBD	6 pm
November to Remember	Saturday, November 7	10 am
Dinner & Dance Centerville Community Center, Fremont	Friday, November 20	6 pm - 12 am
Carolling	Early December	TBD
Christmas Party	Saturday, December 19	11 am

2016 UPCOMING EVENTS

DMES 25th Anniversary Conference	Saturday, March 19	9 am
Heavenly Voices Production Concert	Saturday, April 9	11 am

Unless otherwise indicated, event location is at the Mary, and Joseph Contemplative Prayer House at MoDM. Events, dates, and times are subject to change.

The Divine Mercy Commission at Mount of Divine Mercy

Welcome to DMES’ first newsletter issue called, “Divinus Misericordia Mandatum” or “Mandatum” for short. The headline is Latin for “The Divine Mercy Commission.” We are all commissioned to spread the word on our Lord’s Divine Mercy message, once we know it. In reality, the commission to spread the message around the world has a great deal to do with the mercy we give our brothers and sisters in Christ through spiritual and corporal works of mercy. In other words, in our Lord’s command, “Love one another.”

This “Mandatum” will inform you quarterly on DMES’ works of mercy at Mount of Divine Mercy (MoDM) at Sunol, California. It can be a source of inspiration to join our efforts or for your own mandatum.

Lead by Thelma Orias, the seven members of the DMES Board will continue this inspired commission to make Mount of Divine Mercy a place of sanctuary and pilgrimage site. Through prayer and programs, DMES is committed to spreading the Divine Mercy message of our Lord’s love. Since

purchasing the land in 2006, the main focus has been to honor the monthly note on the 100-acre land. To this day, DMES still strives to create programs to invite members to return and activities to inspire newcomers to the beauty of MoDM. Once here, as many well know, our Lord captures our hearts with the panoramic views and the spiritual upliftment He gives through MoDM. So, if you have not been back in a while, come visit us once again and get the inspiration for doing works of mercy, like prayer and other deeds of love.