

Registration Form

Please print and complete in full:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

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Registration Cost:

Tick your selection(s):

- \$150.00** 'Stay at the Monastery' Package Deal (must reserve first)
- \$50.00** per person for speakers only (1 or 2 days)
- \$100.00** per family
- No charge for students!**

Total Amount: \$ _____

Two methods to pay:

1. **By Cheque or Bank Draft** – payable to **Divine Mercy Conference** with this registration form and mail to:
Divine Mercy Conference
PO Box 20006, 303 Main St,
Antigonish, NS B2G 0E2
2. **Electronic Payment Transfer** – send funds to 4isabelgillis@gmail.com or 902-870-3831 or cathy.macdonald@creditunion.ca or 902-968-1574.

Accommodations:

'Stay at the Monastery' package deal - stay at the Monastery and get a Conference package deal which includes registration, 1 single bed, 5 meals (Saturday & Sunday) and all the talks for \$150 per person. A limited number of beds are available on a first come, first served basis. All rooms have 2 beds and are on the upper level. There is no elevator. To reserve, contact a member of the Registration Committee.

Registration Committee

Isabel Gillis 902-870-3831
Paula Macquarrie 902-318-3998
Cathy MacDonald (after 5pm) 902-968-1574
Helen Gray 902-304-4101
Mary Porter 902-870-3243

Blocks of rooms are reserved at the following Inns **until August 16:** (state you are with the 'Monastery Divine Mercy Conference' to get the group rate):

Claymore Inn, Antigonish \$155 + \$7 food voucher for 1-2 guests. \$10 per extra guest. Rooms have 2 Double beds, coffee maker. Some rooms have bar fridge and /microwave. Must book room before **July 30**. 902-863-1050

Maritime Inn, Antigonish \$149-\$177 1 Queen or King bed, fridge, coffee maker, public microwave 902-863-4001

Hearthstone Inn, Port Hastings \$100 2 Queen beds, bar fridge, coffee maker & microwave, 1-902-625-2480

Maritime Inn, Port Hawkesbury \$147 1-2 Queen beds, fridge, coffee maker, public microwave 902-625-0320

Victorian Inn, Antigonish \$139.50 1 Queen bed. & 1 room with 1 Queen bed & 1 Twin bed. 902-863-1103

Meals - Other than the 'Stay at the Monastery' package deal, meals are on your own. Light meals will be available for purchase on the Shrine grounds. Local restaurants are within a short drive. Free tea/coffee will be provided at breaks.

For conference information online refer to:

Our Lady of Grace Monastery website:
www.ourladyofgracemonastery.ca

Parish Bulletins & your Church bulletin board
Diocese of Antigonish Website, Events Calendar

Conference Duration:

Friday, August 30th 7:00 pm to Sunday,
September 1st 2:00 pm

Registration:

Monastery Registration Desk
Friday, August 30th 1:00pm to 6:30pm
Saturday, August 31st 8:00am to 8:45am

Location:

Our Lady of Grace Monastery
940 Monastery Rd, Monastery, NS B0H 1W0

Program:

The Divine Mercy Conference will include the celebration of Holy Mass, Rosary, Eucharistic Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Sacrament of Reconciliation, veneration of St Faustina's first-class relic and music.

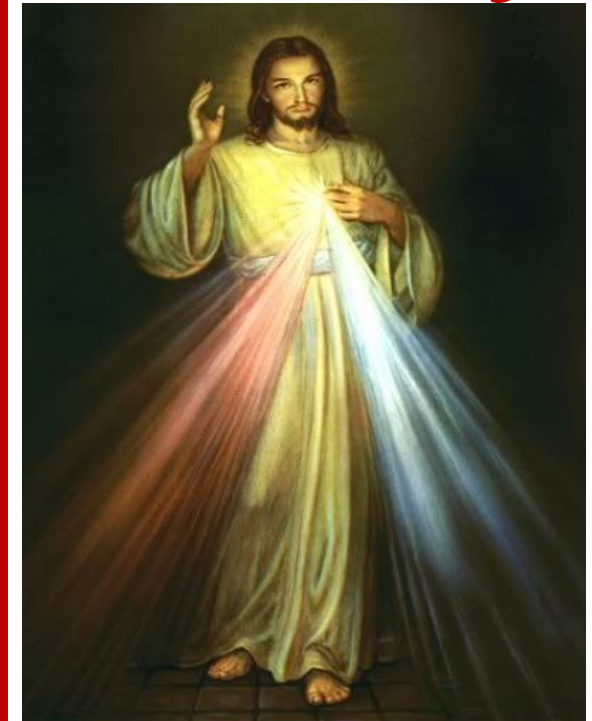
Most Reverend Bishop Brian Dunn will be the main celebrant for the opening Mass.

Program details will be made available on Our Lady of Grace Monastery website at www.ourladyofgracemonastery.ca

It is our fervent prayer that all attendees of this conference come to know and ask for God's mercy. Jesus's words to St Faustina: "**The flames of mercy are burning Me – clamoring to be spent; I want to keep pouring them out upon souls.**" (177)

Mother Gloria and the Augustinian Sisters of Our Lady of Grace Monastery look forward to seeing you!

Divine Mercy Conference Celebrating God's Mercy



"Jesus, I Trust In You"

August 30-Sept 1, 2019

featuring

Al Barbarino, EMCEE
Father Tom Sullivan, CPM
Father Wade Menezes, CPM
Father Seraphim Michalenko, MIC

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WHAT IS DIVINE MERCY?

Trust in Jesus is the essence of the message of mercy. When we go to a public fountain, we can draw water from it as long as we have a vessel or container of some kind to put the water in. If our vessel is small, we can only bring back a little water; if it's large, we can bring back a lot. And anyone with a vessel can draw water from the fountain. The water is there for us, and no one is excluded. All we need is a vessel.

So it is with God's mercy. In repeated revelations to St. Faustina, Our Divine Savior makes it clear that the fountain is His Heart, the water is His mercy, and the vessel is trust.

"I have opened My Heart as a living fountain of mercy. Let all souls draw life from it. Let them approach this sea of mercy with great trust" (Diary, 1520). "On the cross, the fountain of My mercy was opened wide by the lance for all souls — no one have I excluded!" (1182). "I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: 'Jesus, I trust in You' " (327). "The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is — trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive" (1578).

In the Diary of St. Faustina, we hear Our Lord reminding us that we can depend upon His love ... that He alone is worthy of our trust: **"I never reject a contrite heart" (1485). "Sooner would heaven and earth turn into nothingness than would My mercy not embrace a trusting soul" (1777).**

But there is more to trust than just believing that God is trustworthy. We have to act upon that belief. Trust involves a turning back to God,

a real conversion of our whole lives to God, repenting of our sins and forgiving others.

Trust means that we agree to let God be God, instead of trying to be God ourselves. (Trust is the antidote to the first sin of Adam!) It means that we agree that God can write the script of our lives, instead of insisting on our own script. It means that we agree with the great pledge we make in the Our Father: "Your will [not mine] be done on earth as it is in heaven." It means that even in our moments of agony we agree with the cry of Jesus in the Garden, "Not my will, but Yours be done" (Lk 22:42).

God is Mercy itself, and we are called to practice the ABC's of mercy; **A**sk for His Mercy, **B**e merciful to others, **C**ompletely trust in Jesus. As we do, our trust in Jesus is the vital ingredient. We don't simply ask for mercy, nor do we simply try to be good to other people. We ask with complete trust, and Our Lord fills us with grace so that we can be merciful as our Heavenly Father is merciful.

"I am Love and Mercy itself. When a soul approaches Me with trust, I fill it with such an abundance of graces that it cannot contain them within itself but radiates them to other souls." (1074).

God 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.

Conference funds will assist the Augustinian sisters of Our Lady of Grace Monastery with operational costs. An official tax receipt will be issued for monetary donations.

Conference Presenters



Al Barbarino, Fr Tom Sullivan, CPM; Fr Seraphim Michalenko, MIC; Fr Wade L. J. Menezes, CPM

Al Barbarino, our Master of Ceremonies and minister of music, is a professional religious singer who has recorded many albums of spiritual & inspirational songs for over 20 years. He is a Lay Franciscan of the St. Padre Pio Shelter with the Friars of the Renewal in the Bronx, an active member of the Knights of Columbus and works part time as counselor in a high-security youth prison in New York city. The late Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, said of Al, "He is a tireless witness for Jesus [who has] inspired countless people to practice their faith. Our Church needs more people like him."

Fr. Thomas Sullivan, CPM is a native of Havertown, Pennsylvania. In 1998, he became a member of the Congregation of the Fathers of Mercy. He is a 2004 graduate of Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut and was ordained to the priesthood in May 2004. Prior to his joining the Fathers of Mercy, he worked extensively with the Missionaries of Charity throughout the world and with the Padre Pio Center in Barto, Pennsylvania. He is the well-known author of such works as *Fathers of Mercy Retreats* entitled: 'Meditations on the Rosary with Our Lord, Our Lady and Padre Pio'; 'Our Lady and the Rosary'; 'St. Michael The Archangel, Defend Us In Battle!'; 'Padre Pio: Prayer, Penance, and Perseverance' and; *Fathers of Mercy Parish Mission*, 'In The Heart of Christ'.

A native of Adams, Mass., **Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC**, is over 50 years a priest. He is a member of the St. Stanislaus Kostka Province of the Congregation of Marians of The Immaculate Conception of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary. He holds licentiate degrees from the Pontifical University of St. Thomas (The Angelicum) and the Pontifical Institute of Eastern Church Studies (The Orientale) in Rome. Fr. Seraphim appears on EWTN programs dealing with The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion. He has been involved in spreading this message for over 50 years. He wrote series of articles for the *Marian Helpers* magazine, and supervised the production of various books, pamphlets, and audio-visual materials dealing with The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion and Sister Faustina's writings. In Fr. Michalenko's words, "Mercy is my Life".

Fr. Wade L. J. Menezes, CPM is a member of the Fathers of Mercy, a missionary preaching Religious Congregation based in Auburn, Kentucky. He was ordained a priest during the Great Jubilee Year 2000. He received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Catholic Thought from the Oratory of St. Philip Neri in Toronto, Canada and his dual Master of Arts and Master of Divinity Degrees in Theology from Holy Apostles Seminary in Cromwell, Connecticut. His many theological and doctrinal presentations have been featured on EWTN Radio, Ave Maria Radio, Guadalupe Radio Network, Covenant Network Radio, Catholic Broadcasting Northwest, and Voice of Virtue International. He is the author of 'The Four Last Things: A Catechetical Guide to Death, Judgment, Heaven, and Hell'. He is host of EWTN Global Catholic Radio's "Open Line Tuesday" as well as EWTN segment series "The Crux of the Matter" and "The Wonders of His Mercy"