

The Magnificat Prayer Community of Hope and Mercy invites and welcomes everybody to *Regina Mundi*, a unique place of prayer, providentially located in the middle of our Archdiocese, a block away from the highway, to experience the *blessings of the Divine Mercy Devotion*, proclaimed by the Church and spreading throughout the world.



Regina Mundi is a Retreat Centre for many years with several buildings in a beautiful rural setting. An *Oratory of Jesus, King of Mercy* was built in 2003 on the hill after the outdoors *Way of the Cross*. Already it is an *oasis of prayer*. We hope that, as God wills it, it becomes a Shrine, visited by many from near and far.



Brief History

Before 1960, the *Good Shepherd Sisters* bought the horse farm as a summer vacation place for the girls in their boarding school. After 1972, it became a centre for lectures, retreats and most notably, the place of the Peace Weekends for the handicapped and their supporting families. Magnificat had their Marriage Enrichments here. They were the ones who purchased it from the Sisters (1994) who preferred them because of their intention to keep its religious destination. The remarkable story of the Magnificat Community and its faithfulness to the apostolate of the Divine mercy has to be told another time.

The Recent, Past and Present

Our conviction that Our Lord, with Our Lady, has their plans for this place and that we are called to be instruments, has made us persevere through many crises, hardships and sacrifices. We prayed a 54 day Rosary Novena in thanksgiving for the smooth transfer of ownership from the Regina Mundi Corporation and for guidance in our penniless situation. Father Lordon agreed to help out. Two contractors were introduced, friends of the Divine Mercy, who have enormously helped in cleaning up, safeguarding buildings and eventually starting the new Peace Cottage for the residence of priests and totally renovating the auditorium. Now, we have the essential facilities to work with. *God is good!* The community made good efforts of getting ready for the new challenge. Precious members left in the past and recently. Precious members have come back. We cannot forget in our thanksgiving the many who, in their time according to God's will, have sacrificed and given of themselves for the advancement of Regina Mundi and its apostolate. May God bless them and may they know that they will always be welcomed as their past family.

Summer Pilgrimages

A great source of joy and encouragement in the last three years has been the participation of people in the summer pilgrimages. Number four will start soon on **June 30th** and every Sunday till August 25th. We pray and hope that you can come one of these Sundays and bring your family and friends for what some participants have called "*overwhelming*" and "*delightful*". You don't have to travel to Massachusetts - it is right here in your own Archdiocese.

The Future

However, to celebrate, proclaim and spread the Divine Mercy Devotion all year round, we are petitioning the Archbishop to establish our renovated auditorium as a public *Chapel of the Divine Mercy* in the Archdiocese. We could have daily Mass, Hours of Adoration, the 3:00 o'clock Prayer, confessions and times of teaching or recollection.

Members

The members of the Magnificat Prayer Community have an exciting, key role to play in all this and they also look forward to welcome many new members that could join and find a new spiritual family.

So, we are extending an invitation right here to all and anybody who feel called to be part of this work of Our Lord and join:

- As active member of our prayer community
- An affiliate member; a prayer partner of the community; a welcome visitor, and as a participant at any time
- As a volunteer helping with work of all kinds
- As participants in a special project or hobby



What Regina Mundi would mean to us is said in the *Vision Statement* of the Magnificat - a community of catholic families called by one faith to make together, as one family, the pilgrimage of hope to the fullness of a life shared with the Triune God, open and obedient to the Holy Spirit, in union with the Church, guided by the Catholic Hierarchy, the Holy Family as our model and the love for one another in Christ.

A home - a second family to us all.



MAY WE SEE YOU SOON!

**Come with family and friends
to participate in a**

PILGRIMAGE on one of these Sundays:

**JUNE 30, JULY 7, 14, 21, 28,
AUGUST 4, 11, 18 and 25**

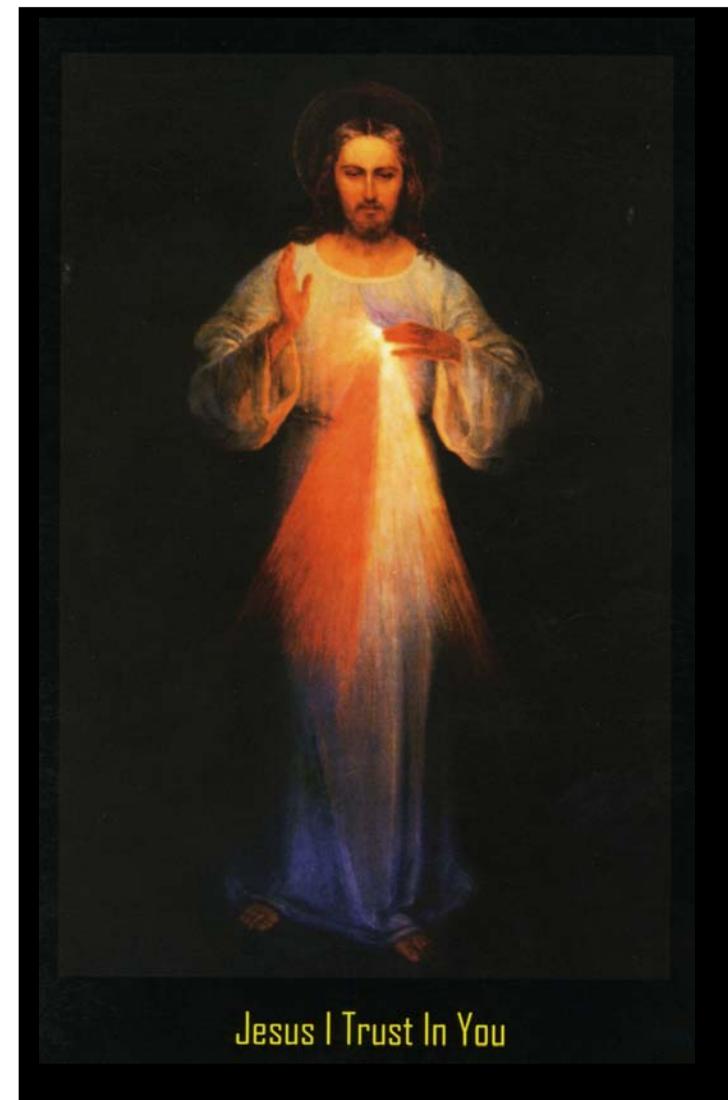
(program from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)



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OF HOPE AND MERCY**

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THE DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

at Regina Mundi - Apostolate of Magnificat Community

Jesus gives us, through *St. Faustina*, a renewed knowledge of *His unfathomable, infinite Mercy* especially for these "end times"

An infallible source of HOPE is offered to our hearts filled with bewilderment and apprehension. *Jesus said, " Let the greatest sinners place their trust in My Mercy. They have a right before others to trust in the abyss of My Mercy!*