

ST. HELEN'S DIVORCED FAITH AND FELLOWSHIP CLUB



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MAY 2025

St. Helen, patron saint of divorced people, pray for us.

Our journey to St. Patrick Parish in April was a happy accident! When we planned the event, none of us realized that it was also Divine Mercy Sunday (okay, so maybe we should have known). But the timing was perfect because that parish is run by priests from the Marianists of the Immaculate Conception, the order that also runs the National Shrine of The Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. Only after Mass did we understand how special the message of Divine Mercy is to that order and why Fr. Jim was so joyful to proclaim it.

And doesn't May promise other possibilities to be pleasantly surprised? Isn't it fitting that the feast of St. Joseph the Worker begins the month dedicated to honoring Mary? Isn't it fitting that May is when flowers really start to flourish? May is a month of hope. How might we live out our calling to be Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee year declared by our beloved, departed Pope Francis?

- Tuesday, May 13th, 7:00-8:30PM. Divorce Support Group at St. Elizabeth Seaton discussing *Surviving Divorce*.
- Sunday, May 18th 9:30AM – 1:00PM. Mass at Sts. Cyril and Methodius in Lemont, followed by a walking Rosary at the Slovenian Catholic Mission retreat grounds, followed by lunch.
- Tuesday, May 20th, 6:30 – 7:30PM. Virtual Planning Meeting.
- Monday, May 26th, 6:30 – 7:30PM. Virtual Book Club discussing *New York Times* #1 Bestseller novel, *The Shack* by William Paul Young.



Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Patrick Parish in Yorkville with Fr. Jim McCormack, MIC.

Dinner afterwards at Craft'd restaurant, featuring three brave souls who ordered Peanut Butter Burgers! Can you guess who?

*Going through divorce? Recently divorced?
Still healing from divorce? Join us:*
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