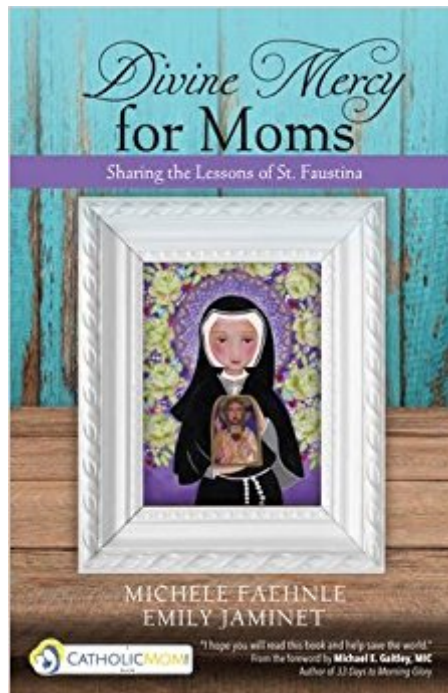




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Divine Mercy For Moms: Sharing The Lessons Of St. Faustina



Synopsis

Originating in the early twentieth century, the Divine Mercy devotion of St. Faustina Kowalska is one of the most celebrated of all Catholic devotions. In this, their first book, Catholic bloggers and speakers Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet break open the history, practices, and prayers associated with the devotion, guiding busy moms to receive God's message of Divine Mercy and pass it on to others through their words, deeds, and prayers. In her famous *Diary: Divine Mercy in My Soul*, St. Faustina Kowalska recorded a series of visions of Jesus where he revealed the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and promised that anything can be obtained with the prayer if it is compatible with his will. St. John Paul II formally established the Divine Mercy devotion and canonized Faustina in 2000. The Marians of the Immaculate Conception are dedicated to spreading the Divine Mercy devotion; the foreword for this book was written by Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC, author of *Divine Mercy Explained* and *33 Days to Morning Glory*. In *Divine Mercy for Moms*, Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet, chairwomen of the Columbus Catholic Women's Conference--one of the largest annual Catholic women's conferences in the country--draw upon their own experiences to introduce you to St. Faustina and her five essential elements of the Divine Mercy message: The image of the Merciful Jesus The Feast of Divine Mercy The Chaplet of Divine Mercy The House of Mercy Spreading the honor of Divine Mercy. With heartwarming stories and practical advice, this book reveals that mercy is not just a gift to be received in the confessional but a spiritual resource that strengthens those who extend themselves in word, deed, and prayer. Designed for personal or group study, *Divine Mercy for Moms* celebrates the infinite mercy of God and the role of Mary, the Mother of Mercy, in the lives of all believers. The book also includes group study questions, prayers of mercy, and thirty reflections from the authors' website, DivineMercyforMoms.com. *Divine Mercy for Moms* was the winner of a 2017 Catholic Press Association Book Award: Family Life (Third Place).

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"I hope you will read this book and help save the world. We need you, Catholic moms! From your often overlooked love, God will grant us extraordinary gifts of grace in the present time of mercy."

--Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC, Author of *33 Days to Morning Glory*"Divine Mercy for Moms invites us into a profound consideration of the life and spirituality of St. Faustina Kowalska from the vantage point of motherhood. Let Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet introduce you to the beauty of St.

Faustina's Divine Mercy devotion and help you bring this amazing spiritual gift to life in your home."

--Lisa M. Hendey, Founder of CatholicMom.com and author of *The Grace of Yes*"Through engaging stories and practical applications (good for any busy mom), Michele Faehnle and Emily Jaminet show how the simple, ordinary tasks of motherhood can have extraordinary results when done with a heart that knows the power of God's divine mercy. This book is a must read for any mom who has ever uttered the words, 'Lord, have mercy.'" --Kelly Wahlquist, Founder of WINE: Women in the

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Radio host and author of *Why Be Catholic?* "I encourage mothers, no matter the ages of your children, to gather and take advantage of the faith study section of this book. It will not only transform your lives, but those of your family and society. It is a great aid in inspiring women to respond to our unique call to the New Evangelization and usher in what Pope Saint John Paul II called a civilization of love." --Nan Balfour, San Antonio Catholic Women's Conference

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It's a good book, but not the perfect book that would be Divine Mercy for Moms and all that it entails. The authors forget to explain the PLENARY INDULGENCE attached to Divine Mercy Sunday. They talk about the 33 Days to Morning Glory, but fail to distinguish it from the full complete version of St. Louis De Monfort. I found it lacking in the spiritual works of mercy wanting more out of this chapter. I loved the links and it was a great easy read.

This was a really easy bible study, but also very affirming. It allowed me to see that I DO practice mercy more than I think. There wasn't a lot of bible reading per se, like traditional studies, but it is perfect for busy moms who aren't looking for something intense. We did this during the Year of Mercy.

God's Mercy is an untapped resource by so many. 'Divine Mercy for Moms' simplifies daily acts and

reinforces that we are all a lot closer to God's Love and Mercy than we may think. He truly does thirst for each and every one of us! I had the privilege of reading this book in a small group setting and the sharing that went on based on St. Faustina's messages was so inspiring. The group's sharing based on the Study Guide questions was a gift for me and I highly encourage you to do the same with other women in your parish community!

We picked this wonderful book for our book club meeting. The practical way in which the authors present living Divine Mercy was inspiring. The chapters were filled with information that worked well for group discussion. In this the year of Mercy we felt inspired to learn more about the message of Mercy and this was the perfect book to foster a devotion to it.

What a beautiful book! Emily and Michele do such an amazing job of explaining how we, in our busy lives, can perform works of mercy every day. I love that it is a simple format and I could immediately learn the devotion and apply it to my life. I continue to share my love of this book with family and friends. Thank you!

Great read

I absolutely loved this book! It was engaging, thought-provoking, and inspiring. It has reminded me to be more merciful in my daily interactions with my family and others, as well as teaching me ways to integrate prayer into my everyday activities.

I recommend this book for Women's Groups, daughters and daughters-in-law!!! An incredible practical compass for modern women to know God's merciful love, particularly in this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

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