

## Answers to Requirements

1. The Lord appeared to St. Faustina Kowalska in 1931.
2. She saw Jesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the Heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale.
3. Our Lord asked for prayers at 3:00 (AM and/or PM) to remember His death on the cross.
4. St. Faustina began praying the Chaplet of Divine Mercy using her rosary.
5. The intentions for each of the nine days are:
  1. all mankind, especially sinners
  2. the souls of priests and religious
  3. all devout and faithful souls
  4. those who do not believe in God and those who do not yet know Jesus
  5. the souls who have separated themselves from the Church
  6. the meek and humble souls and the souls of little children
  7. the souls who especially venerate and glorify His mercy
  8. the souls detained in purgatory
  9. souls who have become lukewarm.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **May only Catholics or Scouts earn this? Who may earn this activity patch?**

Any youth or adult may earn any of the activity patches. The requirements are grade-specific.

### **Is this activity considered a Religious Emblem and may a Scout receive a religious knot after completing this activity?**

No. This activity is considered a Religious Activity, not a Religious Emblem program. Scouts may not receive a religious knot for earning this activity patch.

### **Will there be more Faith Activity Patches?**

Yes. There may be additional Faith patches released from time to time.

### **Who may serve as an adult mentor for this activity?**

Any parent or adult who meets the standard BSA and diocesan safe environment requirements.

### **Is there any time requirement?**

Only that the grade-specific requirements need to be completed while in the respective grade level.

### **Do the answers need to be submitted?**

No. The answers should be reviewed by an adult. The Order Form and patch fee are the only things that need to be submitted.

### **Whom do I check with once I complete the requirements for my grade level?**

Any knowledgeable parent, Scout leader, group leader, priest, religious or catechist.

## Faith Series



### **Divine Mercy Activity Patch**



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## Faith Series – Divine Mercy

From the diary of a young Polish religious sister, a special devotion began spreading throughout the world in the 1930s. The message is nothing new, but is a reminder of what the Church has always taught through scripture and tradition: that God is merciful and forgiving and that we, too, must show mercy and forgiveness. But in the Divine Mercy Devotion, the message takes on a powerful new focus, calling people to a deeper understanding that God's love is unlimited and available to everyone — especially the greatest sinners.

### Requirements for Divine Mercy Activity Patch

**All** – Read about the Divine Mercy devotion. You may find the answers to these questions on <http://thedivinemercury.org/message/devotions/image.php>. Feel free to use other resources.

**1<sup>st</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grades** - Complete 3 requirements and 2 activities OR visit a Divine Mercy Shrine with your family/group.

**6<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> Grades** – Complete 4 requirements and 3 activities OR visit a Divine Mercy Shrine with your family/group.

#### Requirements:

1. Who did the Lord appear to in 1931?
2. Describe the vision this person saw.
3. Our Lord asked for special prayers and devotion at a specific time of the day. What is that time, and what makes it 'special'?
4. In 1935 a vision was given that prompted St. Faustina to pray for God's mercy. What is the name of the prayer she said on her rosary.
5. The Divine Mercy Novena of Chaplets asks for prayers for different intentions on each of nine days. The Novena begins on Good Friday and ends on Divine Mercy Sunday (the first Sunday after Easter). What are those intentions?

#### Activities:

1. Learn the prayers for the Divine Mercy Chaplet.
2. Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet with your family or Unit.
3. Spend an hour in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and keep in mind the three Divine Mercy messages: A – Ask for His Mercy; B – Be Merciful; C – Completely trust in Jesus.
4. Draw a picture of the apparition of the Divine Mercy. Display it in your home.
5. Attend Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions. Held the Sunday after Easter, a plenary indulgence is received if you go to Confession, receive the Holy Eucharist and pray for the intentions of the Holy Father. Learn more about a plenary indulgence.  
<https://www.usccb.org/sites/default/files/lipbooks/catechism/372/>

#### Requirements for Adults

1. Assist youth with this Faith Series Activity.
2. Share your understanding of Divine Mercy.
3. Review the responses to the requirements of each youth participant to ensure accuracy and understanding.
4. Fill out the order form for this Faith Series Activity and send it with payment to NCCS.

**For more information about this Faith Activity, check out the websites below.**

- <http://www.thedinemercury.org/message/>
- <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/divine-mercy-chaplet>