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John G. Kruse is the founder of [Divine Mercy Network](#), Inc., a Catholic marketing and communications company dedicated to “Proclaiming God’s Mercy” through deed, word and prayer. John continues to evangelize through the media, including television, radio and the Internet and has created a number of websites for Divine Mercy Network including [MercyRadio.com](#), [MercyBook.com](#), [MercyList.com](#) and [MercyMatch.com](#). His work includes offering marketing and communications consulting, broadcast quality video and audio productions and websites for Divine Mercy Network and other companies, both secular and religious.

During the *DeVos for Governor Campaign* in 2006 John worked as the Catholic Coalition Director for the Michigan Republican Party, one of many experiences that contributed to his decision in 2008 to start *CatholicVote.TV* an organization founded to educate and mobilize Catholic and other Christian voters.

In 1998 John was instrumental in founding Michigan Catholic Radio WCAR 1090AM (Detroit) and WOAP 1080AM (Lansing). He obtained a Special Apostolic Blessing from the now Blessed Pope John Paul II, which officially dedicated Michigan’s first Catholic radio network to the mission of “Proclaiming God’s Mercy”.

From 1998 to 2006 John served as development director and executive director of Michigan Catholic Radio. During this time he produced and hosted two daily programs including “Detroit’s Only Catholic Morning Show ... *Live from the Shrine*” (2001-2004) and *The John Kruse Show* (2004-2006). John designed and installed remote production studios inside the National Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak, historic Ste. Anne de Detroit Church and St. Mary’s College in Orchard Lake.

John’s work in Catholic radio included regular event creation and management, coordination of annual international pilgrimages and the production of many remote broadcasts from around Michigan and the world, including the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, St. John’s Center, St. Patrick’s Parade, the North American International Auto Show, The Vatican, Poland, France, Portugal and Mexico.

From 1995 to 1998 John worked in the Golf Industry as Vice President of Sales for Yardmark, Inc., a company providing cart based automated yardage displays using the Global Positioning System satellite technology.

From 1991 – 1995 John worked for The Congregation of Marians of the Immaculate Conception at the National Shrine of Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts.

Working with EWTN favorites Fr. George Kosicki, CSB and Fr. Seraphim Michalenko, MIC, John helped found and coordinate *Divine Mercy International*, an apostolate of the Marians responsible for promulgating the message and devotion of The Divine Mercy as revealed to St. Faustina in the 1930s.

John served as project coordinator for *Divine Mercy International* in the production of *Time for Mercy*, an award winning one-hour video documentary on the life of Sr. Faustina, Pope John Paul II and our troubled times. The film project included on-location work in Poland, Lithuania and Italy, culminating in the beatification of Sr. Faustina in Rome on Mercy Sunday, April 1993.

Representing the Marians and the National Shrine of Divine Mercy, John gave presentations on St. Faustina and The Divine Mercy message and devotion across the United States including churches, prisons and schools. He worked on the formation of the Apostolate Alliance of the Two Hearts, Cape Cod, MA, and represented the Marians at World Youth Day 1993 in Denver, Colorado. John also coordinated Divine Mercy Congresses at Holy Spirit Church, Annandale, VA and The National Shrine of North American Martyrs, Auriesville, NY.

Prior to his work with the Marians at the National Shrine of Divine Mercy, John received his Catholic education at the University Of Detroit Jesuit High School and the University of Detroit. John was also honored to serve his country in the United States Marine Corps and he is happily married to his best friend Marie who is expecting their seventh child. John was born in 1967 in Michigan, the seventh of eight children of John and Mary Kruse.