

✠ Divine Mercy Parish ✠

(Founded 2010)

Saints Peter & Paul Church
Est. 1903

St. Anne Church
Est. 1882

St. Adalbert Church
Est. 1910

Three Rivers, Massachusetts

Rev. Stefan J. Niemczyk, Pastor

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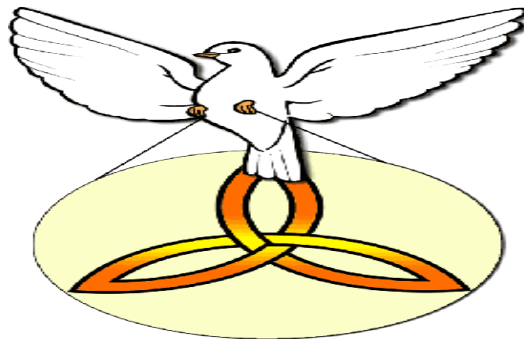
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The Most Holy Trinity



Vigil of Sunday – 4:00 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. - **Sunday** – 8:00 a.m.(Polish) and 9:30 a.m.

Daily Masses – 7:00 a.m. (except Tuesday) - Tuesday – Novena & Mass 5:30 p.m.

Holy Day Masses – Refer to Mass Schedule

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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** – Saturday 3:00 p.m. First Friday at 6:30 p.m.

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & HOLY MATRIMONY** – Contact Rectory to make arrangements

**SACRAMENT OF THE SICK (ANOINTING)** – Contact Rectory when the need arises

**SICK CALLS** – Anytime

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Welcome to Divine Mercy Parish ~ We are pleased to have you present today and extend to you the warmest of welcomes. It is fitting that we should celebrate the Holy Mass together at our Parish, the center of our spiritual life. We ask everyone gathered here to remember this is a holy place. It is a place where the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lord present among us, is kept in the tabernacle. It is also a sacred place for prayer. Therefore, please maintain a respectful silence in the Church out of consideration for the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and those who are praying. Thank you for your understanding.



WEEKLY CALENDAR



SATURDAY, June 18th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, June 19th

- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the church

MONDAY, June 20th

TUESDAY, June 21st

- Choir Rehearsal – check with Mark Narreau, Director

- **Parish Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Kolbe Room**

WEDNESDAY, June 22nd

- Alcoholic Anonymous – 7:00 p.m. – St. Maximilian Kolbe Room

THURSDAY, June 23rd

FRIDAY, June 24th

SATURDAY, June 25th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, June 26th

- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the church



Mass Intentions



Saturday – June 18th ~ *Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:00 a.m. – NOVENA FOR LIVING AND DECEASED FATHERS

4:00 p.m. - +Joseph Slozak – His Wife and Children

+Deceased members of the Les & Olearczyk Families – The Family

5:15 p.m. - +Margaret & Thomas Brigham – Their Daughter Jean

+M/M Louis McLaughlin – Their Family

+M/M Raymond Church – Their Family



Sunday – June 19th ~ *The Most Holy Trinity* -

8:00 a.m. – +Dominick Machnik – M/M Fred Orszulak

9:30 a.m. - +Joseph & Stella Topor – Their Son's Joseph & Chester

+Bertha Toton – Her Daughter Josephine Fitzgerald

Monday – June 20th

7:00 a.m. – Divine Mercy Parishioners

Tuesday – June 21st ~ *St. Aloysius Gonzaga, religious*

5:30 p.m. – +Richard Wawro – John & Sylvia Pyzocha

Wednesday – June 22nd ~ *St. Paulinus of Nola, bishop; St. John Fisher, bishop & martyr, and St. Thomas More, martyr*

7:00 a.m. – +Julia Marchelewicz – Her Family

11:00 a.m. – Wedding: George Townsend MacDonald & Kathleen Ann Masotti

Thursday – June 23rd

7:00 a.m. - +Andrew Milewski – Alice Piechota

Friday – June 24th ~ *The Nativity of St. John the Baptist*

7:00 a.m. – +Bertha Godek – Her Family

Saturday – June 25th ~ *Blessed Virgin Mary*

7:00 a.m. – +Jozef Sucharski – His Wife Teresa and Family

4:00 p.m. - +Charles Reagan – The Martins

+John Mastalerz~6th Anniv – His Wife Sallie and Family

5:15 p.m. - +All Deceased Members of the Castonguay Family – The Family

+Michael & Theresa Szwed – Their Family

Sunday – June 26th ~ *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

8:00 a.m. – +Frank Augustine – William Hunter

9:30 a.m. - +Andrew Milewski – His Wife Lorraine

+Augusto, Maria and Joseph Bracci – Daughter Pauline & Family

2:00 p.m. – Corpus Christi Procession

~~ **DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS** ~~

Classes have ended for the summer. Please remember to attend Mass as a Family. This is our Lords request as stated in the 3rd Commandment... *"and it will please Him so much!"* Parents are the first teachers of their children. Teach your child their prayers; then pray with them. Your own example in living our faith is the best way to do that!



~~ **ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT** ~~

Wednesday – 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thursday – 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Friday – 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Saturday – 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If you can give one hour, or substitute, please call Diana Roth @ 283-8709

Forgiveness

“No one heals himself by wounding another.”

St. John Chrysostom

For Reflection:

“We ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean.
But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop.”

MOTHER THERESA OF CALCUTTA



Pro-Life Reflection

From today's 2nd Reading, 2nd Corinthians 13: "Mend your ways, encourage one another."

Keep adolescents from risky behaviors with involvement, support and encouragement.

~~ **DIVINE MERCY NEWS** ~~

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 24th – Divine Mercy Annual Picnic
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**“NEW” STAR PROGRAM 2011 - 2012** starts this month. The new coupon books have been mailed. If you are interested in participating in the STAR program and did not receive coupons please call the Rectory. Drawing dates will take place in December of 2011 and June of 2012. Your **June** contributions to the STAR Program may be deposited in the weekly collection basket or may be mailed to the Rectory. Please make your check payable to Divine Mercy Parish and include the applicable coupon so you will be properly credited and entered in the drawings.

**WEB-SITE UPDATE** – Please visit our church web-site [www.churchofdivinemeracy.org](http://www.churchofdivinemeracy.org). Paul Brozek is the person that updates the web-site; if you have any comments or would maybe like to see something added, please contact the Rectory. Weekly bulletin can be viewed there.

**FOOD SHARE** – Please continue to assist with your donations to the Food Share program. All non-perishable items are accepted, including crackers, Jell-O, condiments, coffee, tea, jams, jellies, cake mixes, etc. Drop off donations in the box at church. *Thank you for your help!*



**MOTHER OF MERCY PRAYER FORCE**

Anyone who would like their intentions prayed for may EMAIL to Diana @ stjoseph1955@msn.com we have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for your intentions etc.



The STAR Program drawing for the \$1000 and \$500 prizes took place last weekend at the Hamburger & Hotdog Cookout. Congratulations to Janet Jalbert, she was the winner of the \$1000 and Ann Frydryk who won the \$500. We wish to thank all who participated in the STAR program and hope that many of you will continue or join in the 2011/2012 Program that starts this month. The next drawing for \$500 will be held sometime in December 2011.



**DIVINE MERCY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – The Parish Council will be holding their next meeting on **Tuesday, June 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 p.m.** in the Kolbe Room. All members are urged to attend. As usual parishioners are invited to observe their Parish Council.



**ANNUAL PICNIC NEWS** – The date for the picnic will be July 24<sup>th</sup>.

Anyone wishing to donate to the “Special Raffle” please call Fred Orszulak at 283-7400, the Rectory at 283-6030 or Lydia McKee at 283-6865. ~ We are looking for someone to volunteer to run the “Kiddy Land” booth this year. If you are interested please call the Rectory. ~ The picnic is a success every year because of the great help we get from our parishioners. We are asking again for your help and we especially are reaching out to our younger people. This Parish is your future and you will fill the footprints of the generation before you, so please consider giving a couple hours of your time for your parish. We have a great time planning and preparing for this annual event with lots of laughs and fun along the way and everyone is treated like a family member. So make a commitment give us a call and experience what it feels like to be an active member of your parish.



**IT'S TIME TO MAKE THE PIEROGI...again!** ~ If you are interested in helping to make the pierogi for the annual picnic please come join us. We welcome anyone with experience or wishing to learn. **Friday June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. for Filling Preparation, Monday Evening June 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. for Filling & Pinching and Tuesday Morning June 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. for Filling & Pinching**



We are trying a new booth at the parish picnic!

**It' the Jewelry boutique.** Spring is here and its time to clean out your unwanted accessories. We are looking for gently used jewelry, hats, scarves, purses and any other accessories. Please donate your items and we will resell them. We can happily take your donations in the Sacristy, rectory or they can be given to Cheryl Kozlik after Sunday 9:30 masses. Thank you.



**ST. CECILIA CHOIR MUSIC –**

Our parish senior choir, named in honor of St. Cecilia, the patroness of music is offering Volume 2 of their hymns for sale, available now in both cassette and CD format. Vol. 2 contains English, Polish, and Latin hymns including selections from the Stern's Vespers which was sung at Forty Hours Devotions for several years at Sts. Peter & Paul Parish. Both formats are only \$5.00. Please contact treasurer Lillian Olearczyk at 323-5912, or any choir member. PLEASE NOTE that there are currently limited quantities of the CD version.



It's picnic time and the Arts & Craft booth is looking for hand-crafted items. We need your talent and help. Please call Carol Lavigne at 283-7222 with your generous reply.



**THE DIVINE MERCY PARISH SCHOLARSHIPS** given by the Sts Peter and Paul Men's Guild in memory of Rev. Robert Ceckowski (Father Bob) have been awarded. Congratulations to our recipients: **Zachary Bombard and Julia Kozlik**. May God Bless all of our graduates and continue to guide them as they begin their new journeys.



**Notice**

**CEMETERY GROUNDS**

We are asking for your cooperation in regards to both Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Anne Cemeteries. Due to the ability to mow and maintain the grass around the memorial stones, there should be only one or two pots placed in each family plot. Planting in the ground or excessive flags and decorations is not allowed. Any items that do not conform to the rules will be removed and stored in the cemetery sheds. You can contact Fred Guzik or Bill Jalbert, our cemetery maintenance men if you would like them returned. Thank you for your cooperation.

**~~ DONATIONS ~~**

**GENERAL FUND** - In memory of Frances Fogarty ~ \$10 from Gloria Nowak  
In memory of Anna Kaczar ~ \$20 from Stela Koziol, \$20 from Chris & Alice Bukowski, \$10 from Pauline Bousquet, \$50 from Marion Handzel

**BURSE FUND** - In memory of Joseph Gesklock ~ \$15 from Josephine & June Slozak

**CASH DONATIONS TO OFFSET MONEY RAFFLE** - \$50 from Todd Smola, \$50 from John Toton, \$25 from Ted Wachta

***SINCERE THANKS***

***For your generosity & support of our parish  
God Bless All***

~~ **AROUND THE AREA** ~~

**CONFESSIONS** – Every Tuesday from noon to 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Sacred Heart on Boston Road in Springfield. English–Polish–Spanish. This is Fr. Tomasz Parzynski’s Parish.

**ST. JOSEPH BASILICA PARISH IN WEBSTER, MA** is holding their 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Polish Festival on **Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>–19<sup>th</sup>** on the parish grounds on Whitcomb St. Polish and American food, games, raffles, baskets, kiddie land and rides, chicken BBQ at noon on Sunday. Music by Dennis Polisky and The Maestro’s Men on Friday and Saturday evening. The children of St. Joseph School and the Piast Polish Folk Group will perform on Saturday. Local band “Sudden Urge” will perform on Sunday from 1-4 p.m. The festival benefits St. Joseph School. Everyone is invited to come and celebrate the arrival of summer with us.

**AMVETS POST 74 LADIES AUXILIARY** will be holding a Father’s Day Breakfast Buffet on **Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>** from 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Adults - \$7.00, Veterans - \$5.00 and Children under 5 free. To be held at Amvets Post 74, Main Street, Three Rivers.

**30 HOURS OF ADORATION** – The parish communities of St. Patrick and St. Christopher will celebrate the Solemnity of the Body & Blood of Christ with 30 continuous hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick’s Church in Monson. We will **begin Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.** with, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and **close Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** with Holy Mass celebrated by Msgr. Daniel Liston, Chancellor of the Diocese. All are welcome to attend all or any of the services or just to stop in for a prayer at any time. The church is handicap accessible.

**Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup>** 1:00 p.m. ~ Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 4:00 p.m. ~ Vespers, with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, 9:00 p.m. ~ Night Prayer and Litany of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus.

**Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup>** 8:00 a.m. ~ Angelus & Morning Prayer, 1:00 p.m. ~ Rosary for Peace, 6:30 p.m. ~ Benediction & Reposition, 7:00 p.m. ~ Holy Mass (Votive Mass of the Precious Blood)  
*“Could you not spend one hour with Me?”*

**WING HOSPICE MEMORIAL SERVICE** will be holding it’s 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Service at Pulaski Park Pavilion on Belchertown Road in Three Rivers on **Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup>** at 11:00 a.m. Refreshments will be served and please bring your own lawn chair.

**CHRIST THE KING CHURCH IN LUDLOW ~ 26<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PICNIC** on **June 26<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 noon – 9:00 p.m.** Polish Kitchen with pierogi, golumbki, kapusta and kielbasa; and an American Kitchen with hot dogs, hamburgers, fried dough, fries and grinders. Also raffles, games of chance, ice cream booth and a pastry and bake sale. Music by “John Stevens Doubleshot” from 12:00 noon – 4:00 p.m. and “Lenny Gomulka & Chicago Push” from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. Open to the public with free admission and free parking.



**ALL NIGHT VIGIL** in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be held at Mary, Mother of Hope Church on 840 Page Blvd. in Springfield. The vigil opens with Mass at **9:00 p.m. on Friday, July 1<sup>st</sup>** and concludes on Saturday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> with a Mass at 7:00 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place throughout the night along with recitation of the rosary, litanies, hymns and other devotions. Refreshments will be available and the public is invited to attend.

**2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL MICHAEL H. DESLAURIERS SCHOLARSHIP SUMMER BLAST "Fun for All"**

To be held on **Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup>** from 4 to 10 p.m. (rain or shine). Adults \$5 and children 12

and under are free. K of C Pavilion West Main St. (Rte.9) Ware, MA. Music by Dennis Polisky's "The Maestro's Men" from 6 to 10 p.m. Also a special appearance by Jerome Riley a former lead singer of the Platters. Food and Beverage available. Please no BYOB or BYOF.

**FOR RISING 9<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PRO-LIFE STUDENTS** Mass. Citizens for Life Summer Academy. Free tuition. Become a Pro-Life Ambassador at six evening sessions in Charlestown or Worcester. Call 617-242-4199 or visit [www.masscitizensforlife.org](http://www.masscitizensforlife.org).

## Happy Father's Day

Father's Day is celebrated popularly on the 3rd Sunday in June in many parts of the world. The idea for creating a day for children to honor their fathers began in Spokane, Washington. A woman by the name of Sonora Smart Dodd thought of the idea for Father's Day while listening to a Mother's Day sermon in 1909. Having been raised by her father, Henry Jackson Smart, after her mother died, Sonora wanted her father to know how special he was to her. It was her father that made all the parental sacrifices and was, in the eyes of his daughter, a courageous, selfless, and loving man. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose to hold the first Father's Day celebration in Spokane, Washington on the 19th of June, 1910.

In 1924 President Calvin Coolidge proclaimed the third Sunday in June as Father's Day. President Nixon, in 1972, established a permanent national observance of Father's Day to be held on the third Sunday of June. So Father's Day was born as a token of love and gratitude that a daughter cherishes for her beloved father. Roses are the Father's Day flowers: red to be worn for a living father and white if the father has died.

## VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS

1.+Edna Burns – daughter Patty. 1. Zsp. Joseph & Frances Swist – daughter. 1.+Earl McKee – wife Lydia. 1.+Frank & Mary Falk – daughter & son-in-law. 1.+Felix & Catherine Misiaszek – son Peter & daughter-in-law. 1.+Phyllis Misiaszek – brother Peter & sister-in-law. 1.+Sister Josephine – Niece. 1.+St. Anne special blessings on grandchildren. 1. St. Anthony for a special favor. 1. +Joseph Misiaszek Peter & sister-in-law. 1. Zsp. Deceased members of Salamon & Marcinkiewicz families. 1. +Deceased members of Gut & Yurkunas family. 1.+Helen & Francis Ford – Pat. 1. Zsp. Jana Wasiuk – od zony z rodzina. 1. Thank you God, for prayers answered & continued blessings & good health – B.R. 1. God's blessing & continuing recovery for Eleanor – Charlie. 1.+Michael A. & Mary Wojnilowicz – son Michael. 1. Pray for world peace – Holy Rosary Sodality. 1. For a friend's health. 1.+Edward Ziobrowski – family. 1. For all members of the military – Rosary Sodality. 1. For an end to abortion – Rosary Sodality. 1. Health for our sick parishioners – Rosary Sodality. 1. For Priestly and Religious vocations – Rosary Sodality. 1. +Darryl Tyburski – love Mom, Dad, sister Betty & brothers Tom & Ray. 1.+Edward Godek – wife Pat. 1. Health & God's blessings for Irene Orluk – Sophie. 1.+Kowalczyk family – family. . 1. Healing for Susan B – LJF. 1. Rest in peace Michael – LJF. 1. Zsp. Franciszke I Wojciecha Frydryk – Syn. 1. Zsp. Stella I Leo Pulaski – J.F.. 1. Zsp. Anne I Michala Zbylot – J.F.. 1. Zsp. Edna I Frank Pytka – J.F.. 1. Zsp. John I Michael Boronski – J.F.. 1. Zsp. Patricia Kohler – J.F.. 1. +Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 1. Health & God's blessing for daughter & family. 1. +Chester Majka – Al/Maureen Minns. 1. God's blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1. +Rusty Nowak – wife & son. 1. +Nancy Szostek – Gloria Nowak. 1. God's help for our grandson. 1. +Edward Godek and +Dominick Machnik – Lisa & Tom. 1. God's blessings & good health for all our families. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Anna. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Joseph Geslock – Barbara Miskiewicz. 1. +Edna Miskiewicz (1<sup>st</sup> anniv. ) – Barbara. 1. +John E. Mastalerz – daughter Ruth & family. 1. +Frank Jamrog – daughter-in-law Ruth & family. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. Blessings & good health for daughter & son & their families. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. God's blessings & good fulltime job. 1. God's blessings & safe trip to Washington for B & return. 1. Belated God's blessings & Happy Birthday for Diana Roth – E. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Agnes Szado – 46<sup>th</sup> anniv. – family. 1. “Jesus I Trust In You” family blessings of health & strength. 1. God's blessings for Alice Smola on her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday – son Rich. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. God's help & guidance for my son – D. 1. God's blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. +Walter Smola – wife Alice. 1. Health & happiness of K.T.E.N. – M.P. 1. God's blessings & health for J.J.P.B.J. – M.P.. 1. +Victor Bukowski – R.C.. 1. Health & God's blessing for my grandson – Babci. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. +William Gilbert. 1. +Helen Starzyk. 1. +Eleanor Starzyk. 1. +Betty Bielaska. 1. God's blessing & good health for KDJ. 1. “Jesus I Trust In You”. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena –

children. 1. To St. Polycarp for special intentions. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. Return to sacrament of Penance for family member. 1. Gene Maestrone – S.. 1. Frank & Terry Kulina – S.. 1. +Stella Maestrone – S.. 1. Susan L.K. – S.. 1. Gale Benoit – S.. 1. +Julia A. Machnik – S.. 1. +Jennie Vaz – S.. 1. Lori Vaz – S.. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. +Felix Misiaszek – grandchildren Mark, Bill & Connie. 1. +Frank Falk – Grandchildren. 1. +Joseph Geslock – Gloria Nowak. 1. A.J. & Joanne – S.. 1. The Lemanski family – S.. 1. God’s blessings – students & teachers. 1. +Anthony Zieminski – wife & family. 1. +Mary Lemanski – family. 1. +Fred & Helen Krawczyk – daughter & son-in-law. 1. +Walter Bukowski – daughter-in-law. 1. +John Szlachetka – daughter. 1. +Victor Bukowski – wife Frances & family. 1. +Chester Bogacz, Sr. – son Chester, Jr. & family. 1. God bless Mom, our love, Jack, Reg & family. 1. +Thaddeus & Stephanie Misiaszek – family. 1. +husband & son – love A. Pietrewicz. 1. +Edward Janulewicz – sister Nancy. 1. +Stanley Izyk – daughter & family. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. +Joseph Godek – Chet & Helen. 1. +Mitchell & Barbara Godek – Chet & Helen. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. +Frank Kargol – daughter. 1. +Stanley “Sam” Jamrog – Marybeth & Michael. 1. +Tyler McNeill. 1. God’s blessings – Mickalina. 1. Christening blessings – Auden Vigneaux. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. +Michael Jusko – family. 1. +Louis Zglobicki – wife & family. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – Pat Godek. 1. +Stephen Koziol – Pat Godek. 1. For good health, peace & protection for Father Stefan – L.R.. 1. For the intentions of the prayer line & Mercy of God prayer force – L.R.. 1. For healing & return to good health for Ryan Bettes. – L.R.. 1. For Lauren Spreras, missing for over a week. – L.R.. 1. For complete healing & recovery & relief of pain for Matt – L.R.. 1. For souls in purgatory – L.R.. 1. For the souls of those persons who have committed suicide – L.R.. 1. For correct diagnosis & healing for Del M. – L.R.. 1. Zsp. Kazimierza Wasiuk – od corki Leokadi. 1. Zsp. Antoniego Wasiuk – od synowej Leokadi. 1. For Mom & Dad’s health – TKNE. 1. Holy Mother thank you for blessings received. 1. healing , strength & protection. 1. Family health & God’s blessing. 1. In remembrance on Fathers Day +Richard Wawro – love, Deb & Pete. 1. Thank you & God’s blessing to Father Stefan for giving Alphonse Roszko two beautiful services – wife & family. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. – wife & family. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony – E.. 1. St. Lucy – E.. 1. +Alphonse Roszko – Edna Sabourin. 1. God’s blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God’s blessings for our family. 1. God’s blessings & full recovery for Ed Nietupski. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Edward Rudnick – family. 1. +Frank & Sophie Swiatlowski – family. 1. Miracle of strength for Little Ben – Pat & Linda. 1. For healing, strength & courage to my friend Robyn. 1. +William Kulis – daughter Edna. 1. +Ernest Sabourin – daughter-in-law. 1. +Henry Jacek – son Fred & daughter-in-law Joyce.



## And, God Created Weeds.

**God said:** "Frank, you know all about gardens and nature. What in the world is going on down there on the planet? What happened to the dandelions, violets, milkweeds and stuff I started eons ago? I had a perfect no-maintenance garden plan. Those plants grow in any type of soil, withstand drought and multiply with abandon. The nectar from the long-lasting blossoms attracts butterflies, honeybees and flocks of songbirds. I expected to see a vast garden of colors by now. But, all I see are these green rectangles."

**St. FRANCIS:** It's the tribes that settled there, Lord. The Suburbanites. They started calling your flowers "weeds" and went to great lengths to kill them and replace them with grass.

**GOD:** Grass? But, it's so boring. It's not colorful. It doesn't attract butterflies, birds and bees; only grubs and sod worms. Do these Suburbanites really want all that grass growing there?

**ST. FRANCIS:** Apparently so, Lord. They go to great pains to grow it and keep it green. They begin each spring by fertilizing grass and poisoning any other plant that crops up in the lawn.

**GOD:** The spring rains and warm weather probably make grass grow really fast. That must make the Suburbanites happy.

**ST. FRANCIS:** Apparently not, Lord. As soon as it grows a little, they cut it-sometimes twice a week.

**GOD:** They cut it? Do they then bale it like hay?

**ST. FRANCIS:** Not exactly, Lord. Most of them rake it up and put it in bags.

**GOD:** They bag it? Why? Is it a cash crop? Do they sell it?

**ST. FRANCIS:** No, Sir, just the opposite. They pay to throw it away.

**GOD:** Now, let me get this straight. They fertilize grass so it will grow. And, when it does grow, they cut it off and pay to throw it away?

**ST. FRANCIS:** Yes, Sir.

**GOD:** These Suburbanites must be relieved in the summer when we cut back on the rain and turn up the heat. That surely slows the growth and saves them a lot of work.

**ST. FRANCIS:** You aren't going to believe this, Lord. When the grass stops growing so fast, they drag out hoses and pay more money to water it, so they can continue to mow it and pay to get rid of it.

**GOD:** What nonsense. At least they kept some of the trees. That was a sheer stroke of genius, if I do say so myself. The trees grow leaves in the spring to provide beauty and shade in the summer. In the autumn, they fall to the ground and form a natural blanket to keep moisture in the soil and protect the trees and bushes. It's a natural cycle of life.

**ST. FRANCIS:** You better sit down, Lord. The Suburbanites have drawn a new circle. As soon as the leaves fall, they rake them into great piles and pay to have them hauled away.

**GOD:** No!?! How do they protect the shrub & tree roots in the winter to keep the soil moist and loose?

**ST. FRANCIS:** After throwing away the leaves, they go out and buy something which they call mulch. They haul it home and spread it around in place of the leaves.

**GOD:** And where do they get this mulch?

**ST. FRANCIS:** They cut down trees and grind them up to make the mulch.

**GOD:** Enough! I don't want to think about this anymore. St. Catherine, you're in charge of the arts. What movie have you scheduled for us tonight?

**ST. CATHERINE:** 'Dumb and Dumber', Lord. It's a story about....

**GOD:** Never mind, I think I just heard the whole story from St. Francis.