

✠ Divine Mercy Parish ✠

(Founded 2010)

Saints Peter & Paul Church
Est. 1903

St. Anne Church
Est. 1882

St. Adalbert Church
Est. 1910

Three Rivers, Massachusetts

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November 20, 2011



“Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me”

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

Items for the bulletin should be submitted no later than Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Editorial discretion on all items. Email: [stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com](mailto:stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com).

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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, November 19<sup>th</sup>**

- CCD Classes for Grades K-5 ~ 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, November 20<sup>th</sup>**

- CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 ~ 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the Church
- CCD Classes for Grade 11 ~ 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

#### **MONDAY, November 21<sup>st</sup>**

#### **TUESDAY, November 22<sup>nd</sup>**

- Choir Rehearsal – check with Mark Narreau, Director

#### **WEDNESDAY, November 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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

#### **THURSDAY, November 24<sup>th</sup>**

~ THANKSGIVING ~



#### **FRIDAY, November 25<sup>th</sup>**

#### **SATURDAY, November 26<sup>th</sup>**

- **NO CCD Classes for Grades K-5**
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

#### **SUNDAY, November 27<sup>th</sup>**

- **NO CCD Classes for Grades 6-10**
- **NO CCD Classes for Grade 11**
- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the Church

## Mass Intentions

### **Saturday – November 19<sup>th</sup> ~ *Blessed Virgin Mary***

7:00 a.m. +Joseph Jambora – His Niece Barbara and Nephew Paul

4:00 p.m. +Alexander & Bertha Niemiec – Their Daughter Irene and Carl

+George & Irene Rebello – Their Daughter Charlene and Family

5:15 p.m. +Stephen and Florida Bigos – The Bigos Family

+Jackie Kosnicki~24<sup>th</sup> Anniv – Mom, Dad, Sara & Jonathan Kosnicki

### **Sunday – November 20<sup>th</sup> ~ *Our Lord Jesus Christ the King***

8:00 a.m. +Michael A. & Mary Wojnilowicz – Their Son Michael and Family

Living and Deceased Members of St. Cecelia's Choir – The Choir

9:30 a.m. +Edward Strempek – His Wife Julie and Family

+Aline & Cecile Dumas – The Kosnicki Family

### **Monday – November 21<sup>st</sup> ~ *The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary***

7:00 a.m. +All Souls

### **Tuesday – November 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ *St. Cecilia, virgin and martyr***

5:30 p.m. +Raymond Besko – His Wife Mary

### **Wednesday – November 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ *St. Clement I, pope and martyr; St. Columban, abbot; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro, priest and martyr***

7:00 a.m. +Fran Gola – The Rudnick Family

+All Souls

### **Thursday – November 24<sup>th</sup> ~ *THANKSGIVING DAY***



*St. Andrew Dung-Lac, priest and martyr, and his companions, martyrs*

9:00 a.m. Roland and Eileen Benoit ~ 62<sup>nd</sup> Wedding Anniversary

### **Friday – November 25<sup>th</sup> ~ *St. Catherine of Alexandria, virgin and martyr***

7:00 a.m. +Josephine and Constantine Cioch – Daughter and Grandchildren

+Poor Souls in Purgatory – Lynn Riendeau

### **Saturday – November 26<sup>th</sup> ~ *Blessed Virgin Mary***

7:00 a.m. +William Watson – His Wife and Children

4:00 p.m. +Stanley & Mary Jasak – Their Family

+Edwin Olearczyk ~ 36<sup>th</sup> Anniv. – His Wife, Children and Granddaughter

5:15 p.m. +Al Barber – Estelle

+Fr. Robert Ceckowski and Fr. Sylvio Levesque – The Prayer Line

### **Sunday – November 27<sup>th</sup> ~ *1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent***

8:00 a.m. +Stanley & Mary Milewski – Their Daughter Julie & Family

+Harry & Ann Lombardi and William & Ann Snyder – Robert and Terry Snyder

9:30 a.m. +Ruth Wescott ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniv. – Ernie & Pearl Charland

+Janet Lyzik – Her Husband and Children

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



**NO CCD – NOVEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> & 27<sup>TH</sup> ~ THANKSGIVING BREAK**

CCD Classes for Grades K-5 ~ Saturday's from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 ~ Sunday's from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

CCD Classes for Grade 11 ~ Sunday's 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center.

Any questions or concerns call Jean Brigham, CCD Coordinator at 283-4232



~~ **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*

**“Attitude** ~ We cannot control the wind, but we can adjust our sails.”

**For Reflection:**

“ When people question about weather a Priest should marry?

A better question to meditate on “ Was Jesus married???”



**Pro-Life Reflection**

From today's Gospel, Matthew 25: "...what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me."

Legal protection and service for the incapacitated, the dying, the immigrant, the homeless, the unborn recognizes the image of God in these least ones.

~~ **DIVINE MERCY NEWS** ~~

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup> ~ Men's Guild ~ Prime Rib Dinner 6:00 p.m.



**MOTHER OF MERCY PRAYER FORCE**

Anyone who would like their intentions prayed for please EMAIL them to [stjoseph1955@msn.com](mailto:stjoseph1955@msn.com). We have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for your intentions etc.



**STAR PROGRAM 2011 - 2012** Your **November** 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.

**The first drawing for \$500 will take place on November 26<sup>th</sup> at the Men's Guild ~ Prime Rib Dinner.**



**PARISH 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!*



Substituted teachers are needed for CCD, especially for Sunday morning. If interested please call Jean Brigham at 283-4232 or call the Rectory during office hours and leave your name and telephone number.



**MEN'S GUILD ~ PRIME RIB DINNER** The Men's Guild will be hosting a Prime Rib Dinner at the Parish Center on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. Social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. with dinner following at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children 12 and under. **You must purchase your tickets in advance** and you have until November 22<sup>nd</sup> to do so.



~~ **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.

**BUCK A BAG SALE** ~ **November 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>** from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. To be held at St. Patrick's Church Hall on 19 Green Street in Monson.

**POLISH CULTURAL SOCIETY TO PRESENT LOCAL MUSICIAN** – Mr. Ritchie Mitnick of Feeding Hills, MA, a local musician, who will play a variety of songs on his keyboard at the **Monday, November 21<sup>st</sup>** meeting. This will take place at the Chicopee Lodge of Elks on 431 Granby Rd. in Chicopee at 7:00 p.m. Also tickets for the upcoming Wigilia supper to be held on **Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** will be available at this meeting at a cost of \$20. This will be a full Polish dinner served in the downstairs dining room of the Chicopee Lodge of Elks. Also on the program is a Polish Christmas carol sing-along with accordionist Fred Kapinos and vocalist Alex Zielinski as well as a lottery tree raffle. Tickets must be purchased in advance by **November 29<sup>th</sup>**, as none will be sold at the door. The public is welcome to attend and can obtain tickets by calling Evelyn Bryant at 413-594-6968.

**ST. THOMAS CHURCH – ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR**. St. Thomas Church on 1076 Thorndike Street in Palmer, MA will be holding their Annual Craft Fair in the Parish Center on **November 26, 2011 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** There will be 42 Vendors, raffles, a bake sale and refreshments/lunch. Free admission/Handicap accessible. Come join us for lunch and start your holiday shopping. You will find a variety of quality hand crafted items to purchase for your gift giving.

**WQOM 1060 AM** is excited to announce a one-day Advent conference that will take place on **Saturday, December 10, 2011** to celebrate the first anniversary of Catholic radio being on the air in the greater New England area. The conference is entitled "Prepare the Way," and will be held at Lowell Memorial Auditorium. It will feature notable Catholic speakers such as the founder and president of Ignatius Productions and host of "EWTN Live" Fr. Mitch Pacwa, SJ; Brian Patrick, radio host of the popular "Son Rise Morning Show" and EWTN's "Crossing the Goal;" parenting expert and clinical psychologist Dr. Ray Guarendi, host of "The Doctor Is In;" and Sr. Olga Yaqob, of the Daughters of Mary of Nazareth. Cardinal Seán O'Malley will be the Mass celebrant. Scot Landry, Host of "The Good Catholic Life" will emcee and there will be a performance by the Boys of St. Paul's Church Harvard Square, Cambridge. Special discounted tickets are available through the month of October for \$30, or \$40 with lunch. During the month of November, ticket prices are \$39, or \$49 with lunch. No lunch tickets will be sold after December 1st. Admission at the door will be \$39. Call for group rates. For more details go to [www.wqom.org](http://www.wqom.org) or call 877-888-6279.

**ELMS COLLEGE** – You are cordially invited to attend "*Christmas with an Irish Touch*" on **Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Dan Kane and Young Singers in Veritas Auditorium, Berchmans Hall at 2:00 p.m. Mass in Our Lady's Chapel at 4:00 p.m. Handicap accessible. This event is free, but we'll have a raffle and accept donations. 413-265-2537 – [www.irish-cairde.org](http://www.irish-cairde.org).

**ST. STANISLAUS CHURCH CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** to be held **Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** on 2270 Main Street in West Warren, MA - Polish Food (take out available), Bake Sale – Crafts – Raffles. Come join us for a day of fun!!

**Happy Thanksgiving**



**~ God Bless Us All ~**

~~ **DONATIONS** ~~

**GENERAL FUND** – In memory of Mildred Robak ~ \$100 from Christine & Ralph Robak, \$100 from Josephine and June Slozak.

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



## Thanksgiving Word Search



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## 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. +Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 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. Health & God's blessing for daughter & family. 1. +Fred & Helen Krawczyk – daughter & son-in-law. 1. God's blessings & recovery for my sister Dee – Gloria Nowak. 1. God's blessing & good health for Camden Lee – Gloria Nowak. 1. Zsp. Franciszka 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. God's blessings for our family. 1. +Edward Wytas – wife & family. 1. +M/M Slavinsky – Josephine Yurkunas. 1. +Deceased members of Swiatlowski & Walega families. 1. Miracle of strength for Little Ben – Pat & Linda. 1. +Frank & Sophie Swiatlowski – family. 1. God's blessings & healing for Jake. 1. God's blessings for our family. 1. +Dominick Machnik – sister Fredi. 1. +Edward Machnik – sister Fredi. 1. +Alphonse Rodzko – wife & family. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. +Louis Zglobicki – wife & family. 1. Blessings & good health for daughter & son & their families. 1. God's blessing, good health belated Happy Birthday to Sally – Kazik & Eleanor. 1. +Anthony Zieminski – wife & family. 1. God's blessings, good health & Happy Thanksgiving Mom – love Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Anna. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. God's blessings & good health for Eddie Koss – Stanley & Mary. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. +Arlene Olejarz – Jane. 1. +Edward Strempek – Julie. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. God's blessings for full time job. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. God's blessings & good health for Mary Smola – Emily Izyk. 1. St. Lucy – E.. 1. +Jay Fitzgerald – E. Sabourin. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony – E.. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. – wife & family. 1. Please help me overcome depreciation. 1. Good health & God's blessings for my grandson – Babci. 1. God's blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie. 1. +Walter Smola – wife Alice. 1. God's blessings for Alice Smola – son Rich. 1. Zsp. Fred Piechota – od Leokadia Wasiuk z rodzina. 1. God's blessings & good recovery for Allison Rebello – Dotty Sikorski. 1. +Joanne Rae – 2<sup>nd</sup> anniv. – Michael W.. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Edward Rudnick – family. 1. +William Gilbert. 1. +Helen Starzyk. 1. +Eleanor Starzyk. 1. +Betty Bielaska. 1. God's blessing & good health for KDJ. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. God's blessings – Mr. Kubacki. 1. Gale Benoit, Susan L.K. – S.. 1. +Julia A. Machnik – S.. 1. Lori Vaz – S.. 1. +Jennie Vaz – S.. 1. A.J. & Joanne – S.. 1. The Lemanski family – S.. 1. healing, strength, protection. 1. For Mom & Dad's health – TKNE. 1. Family health & God's blessing. 1. +Joseph Dominik – wife & son. 1. +Milton & Eleanor Kaczowka – family. 1. To St. Martin de Porres for

special intentions. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena – children. 1. God’s blessings for Irene & Ted Guzik on their 57<sup>th</sup> wedding anniv. – The Wostena family. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. For thanksgiving blessings, peace, joy & good health for Father Stefan – L.R.. 1. Congratulations to Seminarian Daniel as he becomes a deacon in another step towards becoming oen of God’s Holy Priests – L.R.. 1. For holy ouls in purgatory – L.R.. 1. For intentions of the prayer line & Moher of Mercy prayer force – L.R.. 1. For all who helped make our annual Craft Fair a success again – L.R.. 1. +Alexandra Lemanski – Lori. 1. “Jesus I Trust In You” family blessings of health & strength. 1. Successful surgery for my husband. 1. +Milton Swiatlowski – Gloria Nowak. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. +husband & son – love – A. Pietrewicz. 1. +Victor Bukowski – wife Frances & family. 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.



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### What did the chicken do?



So there's this man with a parrot. And his parrot swears like a sailor, I mean he's a pistol. He can swear for five minutes straight without repeating himself. The trouble is that the guy who owns the parrot is a quiet, conservative type, and this bird's foul mouth is driving him crazy.

One day, it gets to be too much, so the guy grabs the bird by the throat, shakes him really hard, and yells, "QUIT IT!" But this just makes the bird mad and he swears more than ever. Then the guy gets mad and says, "That's it. I'll get you." and locks the bird in a kitchen cabinet. This really aggravates the bird and he claws and scratches, and when the guy finally lets him out, the bird cuts loose with a stream of invective that would make a veteran sailor blush.

At that point, the guy is so mad that he throws the bird into the freezer. For the first few seconds, there is a terrible din. The bird kicks and claws and thrashes. Then it suddenly goes very quiet. At first the guy just waits, but then he starts to think that the bird may be hurt.

After a couple of minutes of silence, he's so worried that he opens up the freezer door. The bird calmly climbs onto the man's outstretched arm and says, "Awfully sorry about the trouble I gave you. I'll do my best to improve my vocabulary from now on." The man is astounded. He can't understand the transformation that has come over the parrot.

**Then the parrot says, "By the way, what did the chicken do?"**