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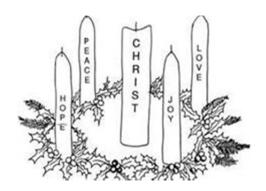
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December 2, 2012

First Sunday of Advent



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: <a href="mailto:stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com">stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com</a>.

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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, December 1st

- CCD Classes for Grades K-5 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- Rosary Sodality meeting after morning Mass. Please come and enjoy the breakfast.
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, December 2nd

- CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
- Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations 4:00 p.m. in the church

#### MONDAY, December 3rd

#### TUESDAY, December 4th

- Choir Rehearsal - check with Mark Narreau, Director

#### WEDNESDAY, December 5th

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

#### THURSDAY, December 6th

#### FRIDAY, December 7th

#### SATURDAY, December 8th

- CCD Classes for Grades K-5 from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.
- Men's Guild Prime Rib Dinner- Parish Center 6:00 PM

#### SUNDAY, December 9th

- CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.
- Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations 4:00 p.m. in the church

# **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday - December 1st ~ Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. - Living & Deceased Members of the Holy Rosary Sodality Group of Debbie O'Connor

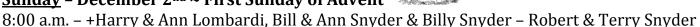
4:00 p.m. – +Gail Young – Pat & Paul Narreau

+John & Sophie Mastalerz - Their Daughter Ruth and Family

5:15 p.m. – +Thomas McLaughlin – Peter Warakomski

+Mario & Maria Sorgy - Lydia Tanne

## Sunday - December 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ First Sunday of Advent



9:30 a.m. - +Richard (Bonhomme) Dulude - His Wife and Children

+Francis Bukowski - Frederika Roszko & Family

#### **Monday** - December 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ St. Francis Xavier, Priest

7:00 a.m. – All Parishioners of Divine Mercy

#### Tuesday - December 4th ~ St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church

**5:30 p.m**. – +Beverly Flynn Zemba – Her Sister & Family

+Juanita Gralinski - The Family

#### Wednesday - December 5th

7:00 a.m. – +Helen Starczyk – Her Family

# Thursday - December 6th ~ St. Nicholas, Bishop

7:00 a.m. – +Anna Topor – Ann Czupryna

# Friday - December 7th ~ St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m. - +Kathleen Marie Uhoda - The Lacey Family

6:00 p.m. +Wanda Raczka – The Family

# <u>Saturday</u> - December $8^{th}$ ~ The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. - +Frances Bigda – Cecelia Misiaszek

9:00 a.m. - +Stefania & Wojciech Niemczyk - Their Family

4:00 p.m. – +Mary Edgerly – Her Friends & Neighbors

+Stanley & Mary Jasak – The Family

5:15 p.m. – +Tom McLaughlin – Pat Cole

+Edward Zerdecki – His Wife & Family

# Sunday - December 9th ~ Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. – +Stanley & Mary Milewski - Julie

9:30 a.m. – +Jaqueline Janosz  $\sim 2^{nd}$  Anniv. – Her Sister Sophie Cuzzone

+Julia Pikul – Normand & Janet Charette

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



CCD Classes for Grades K-5  $\sim$  Saturday's from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. CCD Classes for Grades 6-10  $\sim$  Sunday's from 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Any questions please call Jean Brigham 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

"Looking for a good GPS? God Provides Salvation, He gives the right direction."

#### For Reflection:

"We better get used to each others faults, because we never know who our neighbor will be in heaven.



#### PRO-LIFE REFLECTION

From today's 2nd Reading, 1 Thessalonians 3: "May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all."

Expand respect and love beyond race and culture to circumstances and life stages.

# ~~ DIVINE MERCY NEWS ~~

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, December  $8^{th} \sim \text{Men's Guild Prime Rib Dinner- Parish Center 6:00 PM,}$ 

MOTHER OF MERCY PRAYER FORCE Anyone who would like their intentions prayed for please EMAIL them to jmjdrsr2007@yahoo.com. We have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for your intentions etc.

<u>BLESSINGS AT COMMUNION TIME</u> If anyone cannot or does not wish to partake of the Eucharist, **you may come forward in Father Stefan's line** with your arms crossed on your chest to receive a blessing.

PARISH WEB-SITE – www.churchofdivinemercy.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!* 

STS. PETER & PAUL PRAYER LINE ~ Prayer Intentions, call Cindy Leveillee at 283-7836.

HAVE YOU EVER GIVEN THOUGHT TO BECOMING A LECTOR (reader at Mass)? The rewards of serving God are far more than words can say. There is no special training for this and anyone who has the desire; even high school age students are eligible. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Diane Baldyga at 283-8608.

(Divine Mercy News...continued)

STAR 2012-2013- Your **December** 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 next drawing.



Always remember... Show respect to the Lord. Genuflect as you are able, But, do it with your heart!



# ~~ AROUND THE AREA ~~

**DINNER/DANCE** Jimmy Sturr & His Orchestra Christmas Dinner/Dance **Sunday**, **December 2**<sup>nd</sup> **from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m.** Hot Buffet Polish/American Food served at 2:30 p.m. St. Bernard Pearl Street in Enfield, CT, sponsored by the Country Diner to benefit Felician Adult Day Center. The cost is \$25 per person or complete tables of 10 for \$250. For tickets 1333 Enfield St., Enfield, CT or call sister Patricia at 860-745-2542.

THE SOCIETY OF POLISH AMERICAN CULTURE will host a Christmas Party and Koledy sing-along on Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the downstairs dining room of the Chicopee Lodge of Elks on 431 Granby Road in Chicopee. The Elks kitchen staff will serve a full Polish style dinner. The Rovatti Family of Feeding Hills will provide the holiday music. Member, Alex Zielinski will lead the audience in singing Polish Christmas carols. President Eugene Kirejczyk has donated a \$100 lottery tree and members and their guests are asked to bring in a new unwrapped gift worth between \$5 and \$10 for a raffle. Tickets must be purchased in advance by calling Terri Wawchol-Pete at 413-593-3661. They are will \$20 and the deadline to purchase is November 28<sup>th</sup>. The party is open to the public, but no tickets will be sold at the door. Come and enjoy this wonderful Polish experience!

**CANDLELIGHT FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS** The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Lessons and Carols, a celebration of light, will be presented by The Cathedral Choir of Boys & Adults on **Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, at 7:30 p.m.** at the Cathedral of St. Michael the Archangel, Springfield, MA. Lessons and Carols is a service of alternating Scripture and song that dates back to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century. This popular holiday tradition begins in candlelight and will include the cathedral strings, percussion, hand bells and organ. Musical selections will vary from choral music by Vivaldi and Mendelssohn to beloved seasonal carols. For many people, Lessons and Carols at St. Michael's Cathedral has become an annual tradition. As the official musicians of the Dioceses of Springfield, the choir preserves and promotes the highest artistic standards of cathedral choral traditions from around the world. The choir cultivates excellence in the boys of the choir through education in music theory and is the only boy and adult choir in the region. Admission is free and open to all. For more information, please contact Office of Divine Worship at (413)452-0839 or worship@diospringfield.org.



**IOIN THOUSANDS OF YOUR PRO-LIFE FRIENDS** in Washington DC on **Friday**, **January 25**th to PRAY, LOBBY, and MARCH to peacefully protest the Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal through ALL NINE MONTHS OF PREGNANCY! PRAY: For the conversion of our legislators at the Youth Rally or Basilica Mass **LOBBY**: Our Senators John Kerry and Elizabeth Warren and Congressmen Richard Neal and Jim McGovern MARCH: 400,000+ strong from all across the country to say "Every Human Life Is Precious and Deserves To Be protected including the Unborn!" Buses leave the Chicopee area on Thursday, January 24th at 11:00 pm, and return at approximately 2:00 am Saturday, January 26th. It's a challenging trip that will change your life! Please contact the P.V. Mass. Citizens for Life office at (413)583-5034, Susie Lopes at (413)592-6015 or Walter James at (413)733-4580. Make your reservations early. Call with questions. Tickets: \$48.00 per person / \$25.00 for students. Payment is due at time of reservation. Donations toward the crusade are greatly appreciated, especially for the numerous young people in attendance. Pioneer Valley Massachusetts Citizens for Life P.O. Box 96, 109 Center Street, Ludlow, Ma. 01056 (413) 583-5034 Fax (413) 547-6279 Email: info@pvmcfl.org Web: www.pvmcfl.org



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#### ~~ DONATIONS ~~

**GENERAL FUND** ~ In memory of **Anthony & Stephanie Putz** – \$40 from their Daughter Christine

**SEMINARIAN EDUCATIONAL** ~ In memory of **Richard Saletnik** \$30 from Josie & June Slozak

 $\label{eq:SINCERETHANKS} SINCERE THANKS$  For your generosity and support of our parish  $\sim$  God Bless All

#### **BIBLE WORD SEARCH** ~ Women & Marriage

All the words listed below are in the puzzle - left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and highlight it. After you have found all the words, use the leftover letters in the correct order to form the *mystery answer*. You can find the answer on the back page...but no peeking!

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SEARCH WORDS ~ Adornments, Adulterous, Beautiful, Bride attired, Bridegroom, Commitment, Consummation, Contentious, David, Evil, Excellent, Fornication, Gifts, Glory of man, God's union, Happiness, Honorable, Household, Kneading meal, Leading army, Love, Making cloth, Parents, Queen, Satisfaction, Tenderness, Wise

#### **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 & sisterin-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. 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. Mike L. healing – LJF.1. Healing for Dennis M. – LJF. 1. God's blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1. +Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 1... +Anna Zieminski – Larry Zieminski & Terry & Stephanie Cole. 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. Z sp. John I Michael Boronski – J.R.. 1. Zsp. Patricia Kohler – J.F.. 1. Health & God's blessing for daughter & family. 1. +Rusty Nowak – wife & son. 1. +Nancy Szostek – Gloria Nowak. 1. +Dee Bigos – Gloria Nowak. 1. God's blessing & good health for Camden Lee – Gloria Nowak. 1. God's blessings for my son to get his interview for the job he applied for - G.N... 1. God's intervention for Kevin. 1. Guidance for our grandson. 1. Blessings, return to good health for our son & daughter-in-law. – Pauline & Eddie. 1. Thank you Jesus, for prayers answered & blessings received – Pauline & Eddie. 1. God's blessings for our 8 grandchildren – Pauline & Eddie. 1. St. Lucy – E.. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. - Edna & family. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony - E.. 1. +Lewis Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Deceased members of the Wilga family - M. Wilga. 1. +Deceased Mary Edgerly - M. Wilga. 1. To St. Anthony for prayers answered - ABM. 1. God's blessings & health for John P. - love, Aunt Ruith. 1.+Mary Anna Walulak – Gloria Nowak. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. +Mary & Stanley P. Jasak – anniv. – Connie, Chick & family. 1. +John A. Frydryk – Paulee & Eddie. 1. +Joe Misiaszek - Cis & family. 1. +John Frydryk - St. Cecelia's Choir. 1. Zsp. John Frydryk - Barbara Marcinkiewicz. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. God's blessings & good health for fulltime work - M. 1. Inner healing for our family - C.L.. 1. God's blessings & good health for all our families. 1. +John Frydryk - Helen & Walter Swiatlowski. 1. Health & happiness of K.T.E.N. – M.P.. 1. God's blessings & health for J.J.P.B.J. – M.P.. 1. In

loving memory of Victor & Frances Bukowski – Cathie & Ron. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. Thanksgiving. 1. +Helen Izyk – Birthday rememberance – love, daughter. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. Michael Lemanski family & Joanne & Gene Maestrone - S. 1. Konkel family, Lori Vaz & Gale Benoit - S. 1. The Lemanski family – S. 1. healing, strength, protection. 1. Thank you God for all the blessings you have given Richard. May you continue to bless him with progress as he strives for a complete recovery - love, Mom & June. 1. May God bless & watch over Michael returning him to good health. Love, Aunt Josie & June. 1. Zsp. John Frydryk (Wilbraham) – John & Irene Dyl. 1. +Louis Zglobicki – wife & family. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie 1. God's blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. +Walter Smola – wife Alice. 1. God's blessings for Alice Smola – son Rich. 1. Health & blessings for my grandson – Babci. 1. +Louis Mercier – love, Trudy, Pam & Lisa. 1. +Fred & Helen Krawczyk – daughter & son-in-law. 1. God's continued guidance for my son. 1. God's blessings for Todd & Madeline. 1. Birthday remembrance +Dominick Machnik - Lisa & Tom. 1. +Stephen Koziol, Jr. - Pat Godek. 1. Family health & God's blessing. 1. +Joseph Dominik – wife & son. 1. For a holy, blessed, healthy advent for Father Stefan – L.R.. 1. Thank you Jesus – L.R.. 1. For the three new Deacons ordained yesterday Nov. 24. – L.R.. 1. thank you souls in purgatory – L.R.. 1. For the souls who made extreme demands of others, but were very lenient with themselves – L.R., 1. +John Frydryk – S. Walulak, 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. +John Frydryk – Lydia McKee. 1. +Mary Anna Walulak – may she rest in peace – Genevieve Bates. 1. +John Frydryk – may he rest in peace - Genie Bates. 1. +John Frydryk - Veronica Kokoszka. 1. For Mom & Dad's health -TKNE. 1. Jesus I Trust In You" family blessings protection, health & strength. 1. To St. Joseph for special intentions. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena - children. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. - wife & children. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Henry Stefanowich - Anna. 1. Blessings for Joanne Stolar with appreciation -Barbara. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1 +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Edward Rudnick – family. 1. For forgotten souls. 1. +Cathy Bolow - Josephine Yurkunas. 1. God's blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God's blessings for our family. 1. +Frank & Sophie Swiatlowski – family. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. +Stanley & Mary Jasak – daughter Sally & family. 1. +Walter P. Lech, Jr. - Kathryn. 1. Thanksgiving for safe trip for Sonny, Scott & Kaila Roth - Sonny & Diana. 1. God's blessings on all who donated for Hurricane Sandy victims - Sonny & Diana. 1. +Alphonse Roszka – wife & family.



#### ~ BACK PAGE HUMOR & MORE ~~

I would like to share an experience with you all about drinking and driving.

As you well know some of us have been known to have had rare brushes with the authorities on our way home from the odd social session over the years.

A couple of nights ago I was out for a few drinks with some friends and had a few too many beers and some shots.

Knowing full well I may have been slightly over the limit I did something I've never done before.

I took a bus home.

Sure enough, I passed a DUI checkpoint, but as it was a bus they waved it through.

I arrived home safely without incident, which was a real surprise,

as I have never driven a bus before and am not sure where I got it!



Mystery Answer is Blessed Of God