

# ✠ 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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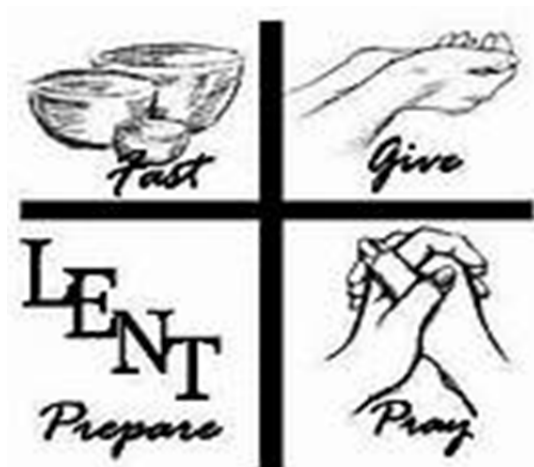
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February 17, 2013

## *The Season of Lent*



**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, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

- **NO CCD CLASSES FOR GRADES K-5 – School Vacation**
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.
- **Men's Guild – Roast Pork Loin Dinner - 6:00 p.m. in the Parish Center**

### **SUNDAY, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

- **NO CCD CLASSES FOR GRADES 6-10 – School Vacation**
- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the church

### **MONDAY, February 18<sup>th</sup>**

### **TUESDAY, February 19<sup>th</sup>**

- Choir Rehearsal – check with Mark Narreau, Director

### **WEDNESDAY, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

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

### **THURSDAY, February 21<sup>st</sup>**

### **FRIDAY, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

### **SATURDAY, February 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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

### **SUNDAY, February 24<sup>th</sup>**

- 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 – February 16<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. - +Alice Rudnick – Frydyreka Jaworek

4:00 p.m. – +Frances Bukowski – Daughter & Son-in-law and Family  
+Edward Marhelewicz – His Family

5:15 p.m. – +Peter Bokum – Helen Packard  
+Robert, Donald, Roger, Richard and Ronald Bigos – The Bigos Family

### **Sunday – February 17<sup>th</sup> ~ First Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m. -+Irena i Jan Pryga – Son Waclaw and wife

9:30 a.m. -+Chester Pikul – M/M Stanley Skaza  
+Stephen Lebida ~ 20<sup>th</sup> Anniv. – His Wife and Family

**2:00 p.m. Gorzkie Zale**

### **Monday – February 18<sup>th</sup> ~**

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

### **Tuesday – February 19<sup>th</sup>**

5:30 p.m. – +Julia Pikul – M/M Chester Bogacz  
+Nancy Michaud ~ 5<sup>th</sup> Anniv. – Her Family

### **Wednesday – February 20<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 a.m. – +Murielle Moon – Her Niece

### **Thursday – February 21<sup>st</sup> ~ St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**

7:00 a.m. – +Joseph Halgas – Edward Dudek

### **Friday – February 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle**

7:00 a.m. - +Alexandra Bigda – Sonny & Diana Roth

6:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross and Mass - **+Nellie & Milton Kokoszka – Their Family**

### **Saturday – February 23<sup>rd</sup> ~ St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr**

7:00 a.m.- +John Geslock – John & Barbara Yurkunas

4:00 p.m. – +Stella Wolochowicz – Sts. Peter & Paul Prayer Line  
+Stanley Orluk – Agnes Mondry

5:15 p.m. – +Juanita Gralinski – Jayne Conrad  
+Deceased Members of the Monat Family – Their Family

### **Sunday – February 24<sup>th</sup> ~ Second Sunday of Lent**

8:00 a.m. +Victoria & Michael Glabicky & Deceased Members of their Family – The Family

9:30 a.m. +Sophie Bastek – Her Daughter Nanci

**2:00 p.m. Gorzkie Zale**

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

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

**NO CCD – FEBRUARY 16<sup>TH</sup> & 17<sup>TH</sup> – SCHOOL VACATION**

**March 9th** at 9:00 am Grade 2 students will make their **First Reconciliation**  
**March 24th** at the 9:30 Mass students in Grades 6 & 7 will be doing the **Passion**  
**First Communion** will be Sunday, **May 5th** at the 9:30 am Mass.

Any questions please call Jean Brigham at 283-4232.

**\*\*\* BAD WEATHER CANCELATIONS \*\*\***

Please check Channel 22 or [www.wvlp.com](http://www.wvlp.com) for cancelations for CCD in the event of snow.

**PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN**

The Diocese of Springfield's Office of Counseling, Prevention and Victim Services was established to fulfill the U.S. conference of Catholic Bishops commitment to victims, survivors and family members of those who have suffered from sexual abuse by clergy or anyone working in the Catholic Church. Our promise and pledge to protect and to heal includes measures to insure accountability, promote healing and reconciliation, and prevent future acts of abuse. To report abuse or more information, call the diocesan office at 413-452-0624 or the confidential hotline at 800-842-9055. State law also requires abuse and or neglect of a minor must be reported to Mass Dept. of Social Services at 800-792-5200 or through your local police. Divine Mercy's Advocated is Jean Brigham and she can be reached at 283-4232. Anti-Bullying internet resources for children and caring adults are [www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov/kids/](http://www.stopbullyingnow.hrsa.gov/kids/) ~ [www.thatsnotcool.com](http://www.thatsnotcool.com) ~ [www.childluresprevention.com](http://www.childluresprevention.com) ~ [www.bullies2bullies.com](http://www.bullies2bullies.com).

~~ **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.

# ~~ DIVINE MERCY NEWS ~~

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> ~ Men's Guild - Roast Pork Loin Dinner

Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> ~ First Communion



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



**BLESSINGS AT COMMUNION TIME** 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.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!*



**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.



**STAR 2012-2013**- Your **February** 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.

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**WHILE VISITING** our cemeteries, we ask that you be careful when walking about. There are areas where the ground is not level due to being dug up and filled back in and the dirt is frozen and leaving clumps. So please use caution.



**THE STS. PETER AND PAUL MEN'S GUILD** will be hosting the next dinner in their 2012-13 series on **Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**. This month we will feature a **Roast Pork Loin** dinner with accompanying side dishes. The dinner begins with a social time with hors d'oeuvres at 6:00, with the meal being served at 6:30 PM. Tickets are available for \$10 for adults, \$5 for children 12 and under, and may be purchased by contacting Fred Orszulak at [\(413\) 283-5620](tel:4132835620) or [\(413\) 427-9266](tel:4134279266). If you haven't been to a Men's Guild dinner before, here's what you will get at this one: cheese & crackers as well as a variety of chips for hors d'oeuvres, salad (served family-style), a large (possibly enough for lunch the next day!) portion of roast pork with gravy, potatoes, vegetables, bread and then dessert...all for only \$10 per person!! That's less than half of what you would pay for a similar meal at a restaurant. With our professional and dedicated dining room attendants, you will feel like royalty. These dinners are perfect for all: individuals, small families, large families -- in short, everybody. Attendees from all around are raving about our dinners -- and so will you. Get your tickets today!

## LENT SCHEDULE

**Mass & Stations of the Cross ~ Every Friday at 6:00 p.m.**

**Palm Sunday – March 24<sup>th</sup> ~ Regular Mass Schedule**

CCD Students in Grades 6 & 7 will be presenting the Passion Play at the 9:30 a.m. Mass

**Holy Thursday – March 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Mass at 6:00 p.m.**

**Good Friday – March 29<sup>th</sup> ~ No Morning Mass**

**3:00 p.m.** Stations of the Cross & **6:00 p.m.** Liturgy of the Lord's Passion & Death

**Holy Saturday – March 30<sup>th</sup> ~ No Morning Mass**

**8:00 p.m.** – Great Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday – March 31<sup>st</sup>**

**7:30 a.m.** Resurrection Procession & Mass

**9:30 a.m.** Mass

### GUIDELINES FOR LENT

**Ash Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, and Good Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup> are days of abstinence from meat as well as days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed.**

- ~ On days of fast two other meatless meals may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal.
- ~The other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat.
- ~The obligation to abstain from meat begins at fourteen (14) years of age.
- ~The obligation to fast begins at eighteen(18) years of age and ends at fifty-nine(59) years of age.
- ~Although the faithful may excuse themselves for a just cause from these laws of fast and abstinence, there is an obligation to substitute another penance and no Catholic should lightly excuse himself/herself from this obligation in the Lenten season.

### ~~ AROUND THE AREA ~~

**POLISH CULTURAL SOCIETY** to host Big Band Video presented by members Edward and Teresa Cynarski. It is entitled "Polish Big Bands Around the World" and features party songs from Polish bands starting with American music, European and then Russian groups. The video is approximately one hour long and will be presented at the **Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup>** monthly meeting held at 7:00 p.m. at the Chicopee Lodge of Elks, 431 Granby Road in Chicopee. The public is welcome to attend this event and light refreshments will be served following the program.

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH** at 25 Parker St. in Indian Orchard will be holding their 2013 Fish Dinners. The dinners will be on Ash Wednesday 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. and every Friday until March 22<sup>nd</sup> 4:30 – 7:00 p.m. Fried and Baked Fish with French Fries or Mashed Potatoes. Adults/\$10 and Children (10 & under) \$5.00.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINES OF CANADA** reservations now being taken. This is a five day pilgrimage beginning on **Monday, July 8<sup>th</sup>** and ending on Friday, July 12<sup>th</sup>. We will visit the Shrines of St. Anne de Beaupre, Our Lady of the Cape, and St. Joachim Church. We will also visit a number of other sites of interest including Quebec City. The cost for the five days will be \$550 per person double occupancy and \$650/person single. This will include air conditioned motor coach, hotels, admission fees and ten meals. Passports will be required so please plan accordingly. For reservations or for more information, please call Our Lady of Czestochowa Church in Turners Falls, MA at 413-863-4748.

(Around the Area...continued)

**ST. MARY'S ACADEMY OF LONGMEADOW, MA** will be hosting its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual A.C.E. (Advocates for Catholic Education) Celebration with live and silent auctions on **March 23, 2013** at Chez Josef in Agawam, MA. Tickets for the evening's event are \$65/person through March 1st and \$70/person after March 1st and include dinner, open bar, dancing by the Frank Manzi Band and the opportunity to bid on unique items. If you are interested in attending this fun filled event or have any questions, please contact A.C.E. Event Coordinators, Sheila Hoffman at [smarthoff@gmail.com](mailto:smarthoff@gmail.com) or Laura Ramos at [coachramos@comcast.net](mailto:coachramos@comcast.net). or St. Mary's Academy at (413) 567-0907. If you are unable to attend and would still like to provide your support to Catholic education through a contribution of an auction item or monetary donation, please contact the A.C.E. Event Coordinators or mail to St. Mary's Academy, 56 Hopkins Place, Longmeadow, MA 01106.

**BEGINNING EXPERIENCE RETREAT** For all who are divorced, widowed, or separated - there is a special heartache in finding oneself alone again. **DIVORCED, SEPARATED AND WIDOWED MEN AND WOMEN** of all ages are encouraged to attend a **Beginning Experience** weekend designed for those who wish to resolve the pain and grief of losing the marriage relationship and create a more peace-filled future. The **Beginning Experience** weekend will be held **April 5 - 7** at **Our Lady of Calvary** in **Farmington, CT**. The weekend begins Friday evening, April 5 and continues through Sunday afternoon, April 7, concluding with Mass. The weekend fee is \$225/person, which includes the program and materials, all meals on Saturday and Sunday and two nights' stay. For more information and an application for yourself or for a friend, please call Ray at 860-741-3050. Or contact us via our web page at [www.beginningexperience.org/connecticut](http://www.beginningexperience.org/connecticut) Beginning Experience is endorsed by the Archdiocesan Family Life Office.





~~ DONATIONS ~~

**GENERAL FUND** ~ In memory of Alice Rudnick ~ \$50 from Barbara & Ken Lukis

In memory of Louise Fontaine ~ \$25 from M/M Thomas Arventos

In memory of Walter Swiatlowski ~ \$25 from M/M Thomas Arventos

**SEMINARIAN EDUCATIONAL FUND** In memory of Walter (Perky) Janulewicz for his  
10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary ~ \$25 from His Wife, Son and Grandson

SINCERE THANKS

For your generosity and support of our parish ~ God Bless All

## VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS

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. 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.+Edward Godek – wife Pat. 1. Health & God’s blessings for Irene Orluk – Sophie. 1.+Kowalczyk family – family. 1. God’s blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1.. +Anna Zieminski – Larry Zieminski & Terry & Stephanie Cole. 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 blessing & good health for my son – Mom. 1. JG. 1. Deceased members of Rudek & Piechota family. 1. To St. Anthony of Padua for special intentions. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena – children. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. +Walter P. Lech, Jr. – Kathryn. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Alice & Edward Rudnick – family. 1. May God be with Kara as she takes another journey to good health – love, Aunt Josie & June. 1. Happy Birthday for Jane Kubacki – Barbara & Anna. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Anna. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Anna. 1. +Stephen Lebida – Feb. 14 anniv. – Genie Bates. 1. +Frank & Sophie Swiatlowski – family. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1. +Pauline Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Lewis Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. As Mom & Richard take each day at a time, may God be there to support them – love, June. 1. +Mom & Dad Rebello – Steve & Charlene. 1. +Mom & Dad Kosmider – Steve & Charlene. 1. Diane – The Kosmiders. 1. Roger – The Kosmider’s. 1. +Lorraine & Don – Steve & Charlene. 1. +John Geslock – Jack & Reg Janosz. 1. +Ginny Hill – Regie. 1. In loving memory of Jane & Ed Swiderski – Donna & Ken Martin & family. 1. God’s blessings for Reg on her 75<sup>th</sup> birthday – Jack & family. 1. +Louis Zglobiicki – wife & family. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings and good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. God’s blessings & prayers for Josephine & Richard Slozak – Connie & Chick. 1. God’s blessings & good health for all our families. 1. God’s blessings & good health for “M” & full time job. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. God’s blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. God’s help & guidance for my son. 1.

God's blessings for Todd & Madeline. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. +Walter Smola – wife Alice. 1. God's blessings for Alice Smola – son Rich. 1. +Dad Richard Wawro – Deb & Pete. 1. +Natalie Pyzocha – Art & Vicki Miner. 1. +Alphonse Roszko – wife & family. 1. +Tom Acquafredda – Mrs. Roszko & family. 1. +Catherine Provencal – Mrs. Roszko & family. 1. Derek B. college acceptance – C.S.&T.S.. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. Cole B. special intentions – C.S.&T.S.. 1. “Jesus I Trust In You” family blessings of protection, health & strength. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. Cheryll S. health – T.S.. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. God's blessing & healing for nephew Joe B.. 1. For Mom & Dad's health – TKNE. 1. Healing, strength, protection. 1. Health & happiness of K.T.E.N. – M.P.. 1. God's blessings & health for J.J.P.B.J. – M.P.. 1. Blessings for Em on her **18<sup>th</sup>** birthday – love, Mimi & Pop. 1. In loving memory of Fran & Vic Bukowski – Cathie & Ron.

**IN LOVING MEMORY** – Please remember in your prayers the soul of Laura M. (Dostie) Lachance. May she rest in peace.

