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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January 12, 2014

The Baptism of Our Lord



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. Holv Day Masses - Refer to Mass Schedule

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.

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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, January 11th

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

SUNDAY, January 12th

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

MONDAY, January 13th

TUESDAY, January 14th

- Choir Rehearsal - check with Mark Narreau, Director

WEDNESDAY, January 15th

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

THURSDAY, January 16th

FRIDAY, January 17th

SATURDAY, January 18th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.
- CCD Classes for Grades K-5 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- FREE Family Movie Night in the Parish Hall after the 5:15 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, January 19th

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

Mass Intentions

Saturday - January 11th

7:00 a.m. +Stanley Wostena - His Family

4:00 p.m. +Walter Swiatlowski - His Wife and Family

+Emily & Frank Prouty, Jr. - Their Family

5:15 p.m. +George & Nellie Motyka - Their Granddaughter Janice

+Edward Godek ~ 5th Anniv – His Wife Pat, Son Tom & Lisa



Sunday - January 12th ~ The Baptism of the Lord

8:00 a.m. +Mary Skowronek - Her Grandson Michael and Family

9:30 a.m. +Rudy Krol - A Friend

+Katarzyna Salamon - Daughter

Monday - January 13th ~ St. Hilary, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m. Divine Mercy Parishioners

Tuesday - January 14th

5:30 p.m. +Frances Bukowski – Julie & Louie Pusseault

Wednesday - January 15th

7:00 a.m. +Pearl Coyer - Diane & Aime Baldyga

Thursday – January 16th

7:00 a.m. +Claire Ramadon - Steve & Diane

Friday – January 17th ~ St. Anthony, Abbot

7:00 a.m. +Edna Pytka - Her Family

Saturday – January 18th ~ Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. +Bertha Walukiewicz - Her Family

4:00 p.m. +Josephine Slozak ~ 6th Month Anniv. - Her Family

+Paul & Julia Borowiec - Their Family

5:15 p.m. +Beatrice & Adrienne Pacquette - Their Family

+Stanley & Celia Swiatlowski – David & Natalie Taylor

Sunday – January 19th ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Jan i Irena Pryga od Wacław i Janina

9:30 a.m. +Edward Rudnick - His Family

~~ DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS ~~

WINTER WEATHER ~ Check Channel 22 News or WWLP.com for CCD Cancellations

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.

We are so blessed to have the Blessed Sacrament exposed for 18 yrs. now. The Blessed Sacrament can't be exposed unless a person is willing to sacrifice 1 hour. Will you be that person??? If you can substitute or commit to a specific hour, for information please contact Diana Roth @ 283-8709. We need your help!

God will not be outdone in generosity!

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

For Reflection:

"We better get used to each other's faults, Because, we never know who our neighbor will be in heaven.



PRO LIFE REFLECTION

From today's 1st Reading, Isaiah 42: "I, the Lord, have called you for the victory of justice..."

We are called to reveal injustices in our culture not by shouting but by works honoring the dignity of life.

~~ DIVINE MERCY NEWS ~~

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 18th – FREE Family Movie Night - Parish Hall after the 5:15 p.m. Mass Saturday, February 1st – Men's Guild Meatloaf Dinner – Parish Hall 6:00 p.m.

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.

THE APOSTLES OF PRAYER ~ If you would like prayers for anyone or would like to join the prayer line, please call Cindy Leveillee at 283-7836.

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!*

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.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.

FUNDRAISER CALENDARS – If you need more Lottery Calendars you can pick them up in the front and back of the church or you can always call or stop by the Rectory during office hours. The sale of these calendars is open to the public.

DEATHS IN 2013

IANUARY

Iessie Hine Henry Zajac Louise Fountaine Walter Swiatlowski Alexandra Bigda

Paul Borowiec Lvnn Kowal John Geslock Alice Rudnick

FEBRUARY

Mary Rose Crane

MARCH

Sophie Butler Maria Krystofik

APRIL

Nelson Bonsant Louise Geiger Mary Smola

MAY

Alice Smola Harvey Henrichon Joseph Turek Rachel Whitten

JUNE

Stanley Kusek Sophie Cuzzone Anna Socha David Harnois Doris Kivior

IULY

Lillian Midura Josephine Les Josephine Slozak **Christine Stockmal** Lucy Desmarais

AUGUST

Annabelle Price Walerian Wielgus Francis Kozacki

SEPTEMBER

Iohn Lizak Irene Christianson Barbara Gumbs

OCTOBER

Richard Charwick Sophie Noga

NOVEMBER

Josephine Marchelewicz William McLaughlin **Jeannette Santos** Pearl Coyer

DECEMBER

Kazimierz Kusek David E. Proutv Margaret Van Doren Carol Lavigne

BAPTISMS IN 2013

IANUARY

Lana Danuta Goncalves **Liam Edmund Goncalves** Isabella Fusco

FEBRUARY

Jaxon Kenneth McLean

MARCH

Preston Bryan DeSousa Luke James Halev Lainey Loretta Haley

APRIL

Nolan Raymond Martinez Tristan Robert Soto **Emily Grace Provost**

IUNE

Erik Casev Fox **Emerson Iane Shea** Steven Adolfo Bruno Madeline Rita Blanset

IULY

Justina Anna Wojtowicz

AUGUST

Wyatt John Swiatlowski Grace Elizabeth Niedziela

SEPTEMBER

William Aedan McMillan

NOVEMBER

Evelyn Rose Potvin Lukas Michael Voloshinov

DECEMBER

Veronica Arya Metzger

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT The Men's Guild is sponsoring a FREE Parish Movie Night on January 18, 2014, after the 5:15 p.m. Mass. The original Disney movie "101 Dalmatians" will be shown on the big screen in the parish hall. FREE hot dogs, popcorn, soda and coffee will be served. Kids can bring a blanket and watch from the floor and chairs are set up for adults. Come out and enjoy a fun, free, relaxing night. As always, everyone is welcome and it's all for FREE.

MEN'S GUILD MEATLOAF DINNER - The Sts. Peter and Paul Men's Guild will be hosting a Meatloaf Dinner on Saturday, February 1ST in the Parish Center. The dinner will begin with social time accompanied by hors d'oeuvres beginning at 6:00 P.M., with the dinner being served starting at 6:30 P.M. Tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children 12 and under, and may be purchased by contacting Fred Orszulak (283-5620) or Tom Losaw (283-4688) or by seeing any Men's Guild member. These dinners are wonderful opportunities to spend time with family and friends, and enjoy a great meal at minimal cost. If you haven't been to one before, give it a try...you will not be disappointed!!

~~ AROUND THE AREA ~~

ST. MARY'S CHURCH 60 South Street, Ware, MA will be holding a Dinner/Dance on **Saturday**, **January 18**th **from 6:15 to 10:30 p.m.** Please come join us for an evening of dinner and dancing to the "Maestro Men". The cost is \$17 per person and you can get your tickets by calling St. Mary's Rectory at 413-967-5913.

MEDJUGORJE IN THE SPRING! A Pilgrimage to Medjugorje, a holy village in Bosnia-Herzegovina, will take place May 27th to June 4th 2014. It is claimed that for 32 years the Blessed Mother has been appearing to six people and giving them messages for the world, some of which are made public. She calls us all to the Eucharist, reconciliation, scripture reading, fasting, and prayer (especially for non-believers and for priests). Deacon John Leary from Blessed Sacrament Parish in Greenfield, MA will be the Spiritual Director. The cost will be \$2699 which includes air fare from Boston, two meals per day, a local tour guide, lodging, and a day trip to Dubrovnik, an ancient walled city on the Adriatic Sea. Info 413-773-8890 or HelenSheaMurphy@virizon.net or www.pilgrimages.com/helensheamurphy

<u>THE CATHOLIC TOUR PRESENTS</u> ~ The Holy Land ~ 2014 Departure Dates: - March 12 to 20 - \$2,899 May 7 to 15 - \$3,099 - September 10 to 18 - \$3,099 - November 5 to 13 - \$2,899 - November 12 to 20 - \$2,899 - December 3 to 11 - \$2,899. Prices/ per person, double occupancy and include Airfare Taxes and Fees - Depart New York JFK Airport INFORMATION CALL THE CATHOLIC TOUR TOLL FREE AT 1-877-MARIAN TOUR (1-877-627-4268) or email: jimadair@thecatholictour.com.

DEVOTED PRO-LIFERS WILL ONCE AGAIN JOURNEY TO WASHINGTON, D.C. to join thousands of people raising their voices to spread the word that abortion is the taking of a human life! Please join the 40th annual March for Life on **January 22, 2014. THERE ARE STILL A FEW SPOTS LEFT ON THE BUSES** that leave at 10:30 p.m. from St. Stanislaus Basilica in Chicopee on Tues, Jan. 21 and return about 2:00 a.m. on Thurs., Jan. 23. The cost of the trip is \$48.00 per person or \$25.00 per student. Please call the Pioneer Valley Massachusetts Citizens for Life (PV-MCFL) office at 413-583-5034 with questions. Donations toward the March for Life are greatly appreciated, especially to defray the cost for the numerous young people in attendance. Send payments or donations to PV-MCFL, P.O. Box 96, Ludlow, MA. 01056-0096. **Payment is due to hold reservations.** Students who are interested in attending and need sponsorship should contact the Ludlow office as donated funds for this are available on a first come, first serve basis.

IRISH CULTURAL CENTER'S WEST COAST OF IRELAND TOUR The Irish Cultural Center at Elms College is sponsoring a tour to the West Coast of Ireland (September 7-17, 2014) visiting Westport, Galway, Dingle, Killarney and Ennis and more. Tour includes roundtrip airfare, roundtrip bus from Elms College to Logan Airport in Boston, 16 meals including a Medieval Castle Banquet, first-class hotels & attractions. Cost is \$2,695/sharing. An Information Session is planned for Sunday, January 12, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in the Dooley Campus Center at Elms College, 291 Springfield Street, Chicopee, MA. For more information call Kathy Gallivan at 413-536-9709 or kgallivan04@gmail.com or www.ElmsIrishCenter.org. Tour is limited to 45 and will be filled on a first come first serve basis.

2014 WESTERN MASS ELDER CARE CONFERENCE May 29, 2014, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Holyoke Community College Kittredge Center. The premiere educational event for elder care workers, advocates and professionals will be here before you know it, so mark your calendars now! There will be a variety of workshops presented and CEUs will be available. Brochure will be on GSSSI's website in April 2014.

LOOKING FOR MORE ADVENTURE IN 2014? Join Vacations That Give, a ministry of the Srs of St. Anne, in April for Antofagasta, Chile. We will be working with the Sisters in their ministry to immigrants from Peru and Bolivia. We will most likely be providing home repair and building for camps settled on the city dump. Mid-week we will take a break and head out to the town of San Pedro and a sunrise excursion to the largest high altitude geyser field in the world. Antofagasta is located approximately 700 miles north of Santiago in the desert on the Pacific coast. We will be staying in a retreat center offering clean, simple rooms. For more information (508) 736-5523 or www.vacationsthatgive.org.

~~ DONATIONS ~~

GENERAL FUND – In Memory of Stasia Sieczkowski \sim \$100 from Louise & Anne Marie Tippett

SINCERE THANKS

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

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## **BIBLE WORD SEARCH** ~ Baptism of Jesus

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.

H E L B A H C N E U Q N U M J I G N I S S E F N O C G I O C W R A T H T O C O M E H H A T I U H E A V E N S N D N M G S L P S G S F A T E E T E A R O D Y U T I D S R R H L L H E H E L S R R U A E E S I R A P G R H E O C T F B H L E E R E Y N G J O I F A A E O U T B N L E U L O U P I E V O D A A T O S O N S T R A I G H T W A Y H S R E I D E S A E L P L L E W E H S P I R I T O F G O D N R S T H G I A R T S S H T A P S L O I N S E C N A T N E P E R

**SEARCH WORDS** ~ Abraham, Camel's hair, Confessing, Dove, Fire, Galilee, Generation, Heavens, He suffered him, Holy Ghost, Jesus, John the Baptist, Jordan, Locusts, Loins, Paths straight, Repentance, Repent ye, Spirit of God, Straightway, Throughly purge, Unquenchable, Water, Well pleased, Wilderness, Wrath to come

#### **VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS**

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.+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. +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. N. 1. God's blessing & good health for my son – Mom. 1. Zsp.Franciszke I Wojciecha Frydryk – Syn. 1. Z sp. 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. In memory of Anna Socha – daughter Dorothy. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1. God's blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. Thank you Jesus for so many prayers answered & blessings received – Pauline & Eddie. 1. Thanksgiving to St. Andrew for blessings received. 1. For Mom & Dad's health – TKNE. 1. Zsp.rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. +Fred & Helen Krawczyk – daughter Susie & soni-in-law Leslie. 1. +Joe Misiaszek- Cis & family. 1. Healing, strength, protection. 1. "Jesus I Trust In You" family health, strength, protection. 1. Intentions for Barbara before Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament. 1. Holy Mother thank you for blessings received in 2013. 1. Family health & God's blessing. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. +A.J. Lemanski & +Jennie Vaz – S.. 1. Michael Lemanski & Joanne - S., 1. Konkel family & Lori Vaz - S., 1. +Stella Maestrone & +Gene Maestrone - S.. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health for Blanche Wostena children. 1. To St. Lucy for special intentions. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. + Stacia Sieczkowski - Pat Godek. 1. +Winston Churchill - Pat Godek. 1. +Edward "Tom" Godek – 5th anniv. – love, Tom, Lisa, Emily & Stevie. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. To St. Luicy for a special favor. 1. An abundance of God's blessings in the New Year for Emily Iizyk – Barbara & Anna. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Anna. 1. +Carol Lavigne – Stanley & Mary Trela. 1. +Lillian Shooner rest in peace – Edna. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. – Edna & family. 1. St. Lucy - E., 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony - E., 1. +Carol Lavigne - Julie & Carol Mastalerz. 1. +Lewis Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha - Barbara. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Walter Swiatlowski – lst anniv. – family. 1. +Richard Piechota – Art & Vicki

Miner. 1. For a peace filled vacation & safe return home for Father Stefan – L.R., 1. For successful surgery for Jack Sugrue – L.R., 1. +Father Eric Freed – L.R., 1. For God's blessing for Carol Lavigne - Rich Lavigne 1. God's blessings & good health for Jaxck - Mark & Sue. 1. Living & deceased members of the Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. Paul S. family – C.S.&T.S.. 1. Michele C. family C.S.&T.S.. 1. Cheryll S. – T.S.. 1. The Lemanski family & +Julia A. Machnik - S.. 1. God's blessings & good health for all our families. 1. God's blessings & good healtyh & M full time job. 1. +Louis Zglobicki – wife & family. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. God's blessings, strength & financial assistance for my husband. 1. +Stanley Lysid – 37<sup>th</sup> anniv. – his family. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Edward & Alice Rudnick – family. 1. God's blessings for Ron & Cathie "Thank You"- love, Barbara. 1. Special blessings for family in 2014. 1. Jeannie Roy – Aunt & Uncle. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. +Alice & Walter Smola – your loving children Rich, Kathy & Chris. 1. God's blessings & good health & Continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. God's blessings for Todd, Madeline & their family. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie. 1. God's blessings & guidance for my son & his family. 1. God's blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God's blessings for our family. 1. +Dad Richard Wawro - Deb & Pete. 1. +Walter P. Lech, Jr. - Kathryn. 1. +Frank & Sophie Swiatlowski - family. 1. In loving memory of Fran & Vic Bukowski - Cathie & Ron. 1. Health & Happiness of K.T.E.N.- M,.P.. 1 God's blessings & health for J.J.P.B.J. – M.P.

<u>IN LOVING MEMORY</u> – Please remember in your prayers the souls of Elizabeth Lejman, Mary Wyngowski and Stephanie Clark. May they rest in peace.

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

JOKES PRINTED ON THIS PAGE ARE ONLY MEANT AS A FORM OF HUMOR AND ARE NEVER INTENDED TO OFFEND ANYONE.

#### CHILD'S INNOCENCE!

A four-year-old child, whose next door neighbor was an elderly gentleman, who had recently lost his wife. Upon seeing the man cry, the little boy went into the old Gentleman's' yard, climbed onto his lap, and just sat there. When his mother asked him what he had said to the neighbor, the little boy just said, 'Nothing, I just helped him cry.'



A teacher's first graders were discussing a picture of a family. One little boy in the picture had a different hair color than the other members. One of her students suggested that he was adopted. A little girl said, 'I know all about Adoption, I was adopted.' 'What does it mean to be adopted?' asked another child. 'It means', said the girl, 'that you grew in your mommy's heart instead of her tummy!'



Jamie was trying out for a part in the school play. His mother told me that he'd set his heart on being in it, though she feared he would not be chosen. On the day the parts were awarded, I went with her to collect him after school. Jamie rushed up to her, eyes shining with pride and excitement. 'Guess what, Mom,' he shouted, and then said those words that will remain a lesson to me....'I've been chosen to clap and cheer.'



Mystery Answer is Righteousness