

✠ 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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Jesus said to Satan, "Get away, Satan!

It is written: The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve."

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, March 8th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.
- **Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 2 at 9:00 a.m.**
- CCD Classes for Grades K-5 - 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.
- **Men's Guild Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner - Parish Hall 6:00 p.m**

SUNDAY, March 9th

- 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, March 10th

TUESDAY, March 11th

- Choir Rehearsal - check with Mark Narreau, Director

WEDNESDAY, March 12th

- Alcoholic Anonymus - 7:00 p.m. - St. Maximilian Kolbe Room
- **Men's Guild Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall**

THURSDAY, March 13th

FRIDAY, March 14th

SATURDAY, March 15th

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

SUNDAY, March 16th

- 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 – March 8th ~ St. John of God, Religious

7:00 a.m. +Nora Rondeau – Her Family

4:00 p.m. +Pearl Coyer – The Apostles of Prayer

+Chester Majka – Chris & Alice Bukowski and Family

5:15 p.m. +William & Mary Lemanski – Their Son and Family

+Carol Lavigne – Irene Bergeron

Sunday – March 9th ~ First Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. +Andrew, Lorraine and Louis Milewski – Their Sister

9:30 a.m. +John Srodulski – His Wife Genevieve and Family

+Nathan Bastek – Daughter Nanci

2:00 p.m. Gorzkie Zale

Monday – March 10th

7:00 a.m. +Healing for Maria Waterman

Tuesday – March 11th

5:30 p.m. +Alexandra Pietrewicz – The Apostles of Prayer

+Doris Lynn – Connie Chouinard

Wednesday – March 12th

7:00 a.m. +Francis Swist – John & Irene Dyl

Thursday – March 13th

7:00 a.m. +Stanley Giza – His Family

+Mary Rusiecki – Daughter Alyssa

Friday – March 14th

7:00 a.m. +Nora Rondeau – Her Family

6:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND MASS

+John Mastalerz – His Wife and Family

Saturday – March 15th

7:00 a.m. +Anna Ziemienski – Her Family

4:00 p.m. +Deceased Members of the Slozak Families – June

+Tadeus Nowak – His Wife and Family

5:15 p.m. +St. Joseph Society

Sunday – March 16th ~ Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. +Kazimierz Kusek – Mary Koss & Stella Eurkus

+Mary Edgerly ~ 2nd Anniversary – The Brndiar Family

9:30 a.m. +Sophie Wojtowicz – Her Sons Paul & Stanley

+Camillo Jacobs, Sr. – His Daughter Frances and Son-in-law Bill

2:00 p.m. Gorzkie Zale

~~ **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 2nd Reading: Romans 5. ***"...but the gift, after many transgressions, brought acquittal."***

Forgiveness, even for the transgressions against our most precious gift of life, are forgiven when sought after with an open and sincere heart.

~~ **DIVINE MERCY NEWS** ~~

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, March 8th - Sacrament of Reconciliation for Grade 2 at 9:00 a.m.
Saturday, March 8th – Men’s Guild Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner – Parish Hall 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, May 4th – First Communion at the 9:30 a.m. Mass
Friday, May 23rd - Confirmation



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.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.



SIGN OF PEACE – The “Sign of Peace” is an option at Mass. It’s not obligatory to shake hands. To protect yourself from any flu strain or other illness, use common sense! A friendly nod of the head or offering a sincere verbal, “Peace to you”, is perfectly acceptable.



MEN'S GUILD CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER - The Sts. Peter and Paul Men's Guild will be hosting a Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner this **Saturday, March 8th** 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.



CCD NEWS Grade 2 students will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Saturday, March 8th at 9:00 am**. First Communion will be on Sunday, May 4th at the 9:30 am Mass.



"TO SERVE GOD" Girl Scout Week will be celebrated **March 9th** starting with Girl Scout Sunday, then Girl Scout Birthday on March 12th and ending with Girl Scout Sabbath on March 15th. We are looking for Girl Scouts and leaders to help celebrate Girl Scout Sunday by participating at the **9:30 Mass on March 9th**. Please meet in the Sacristy at 9:10. If you would like some more information on the religious emblems program as well as various patch programs or any questions on the above, please contact Pam Kosnicki at (413) 283-3242 or pamdkos@verizon.net.



THE STS. PETER AND PAUL MEN'S GUILD will hold its March meeting on **Wednesday, March 12, at 6:30 PM** in the Parish Hall. All current members are urged to attend, and any prospective members are invited to come as well. Membership in the Men's Guild is open to all men of the Parish, including young men as well. Come be a part of this vibrant and uplifting Parish organization!"



SPRING TAG SALE – Once again, the Rosary Sodality will begin to accept donations for the spring Tag Sale. The dates for drop off will be announced soon. We wish to thank everyone for their past donations. Last year's Tag Sale was very successful.

GUIDELINES FOR LENT

Ash Wednesday, March 5th, and Good Friday, April 18th are days of fast and abstinence.
Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence.

On days of fast, when only one full meal is allowed, 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 ~~

ENROLL NOW AS WE GO HOME TO SURREY ROAD! NOW IS THE TIME! Join Cathedral High School and be part of this exciting moment in the school's history! The announcement of the \$39 million FEMA settlement. The commitment from Bishop McDonnell to rebuild the school on Surrey Road. The official authorization that Cathedral has become an International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme School. Cathedral can proudly offer a state-of-the-art educational facility to be matched with our excellent Catholic college preparatory academic program. Join members of the school community for information sessions regarding the impact of these decisions on the future of Cathedral. **Monday, March 10, 7:45 a.m.**, Holy Name Church, 323 Dickinson St. Springfield (crying room, please enter side door of church)

Monday, March 10, 6:00 p.m., Holy Cross Parish Social Center, Gold Room, 221 Plumtree Road, Springfield, **Wednesday, March 12, 6:00 p.m.**, Holy Name Parish Social Center, 323 Dickinson Street, Springfield. Call Mrs. Pellan-Shea in the Admissions Office for more information **413-782-5285 ext. 4113**

FR. WARREN SAVAGE LENTEN SERIES - Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament Parish in Westfield will be hosting a Wednesday Evening Lenten Series with Fr. Warren Savage, entitled, *"On Love of God and Neighbor"*. **Wednesdays March 12, 19, 26 & April 2 at 7:00PM**, Fr. Savage will celebrate Mass and offer a reflection on the topics of "Listening to the Wisdom of God", "Learning to Love God and Neighbor", "Living the Righteous Life", and "Healing Broken Relationships". All are welcome. For more information contact the Parish Office at 562-3450.

DUELLING KEYBOARDS, an evening of Padre Soler's music that is filled with sensual excitement and dance rhythms of the old Spain under King Carlos III. The exuberance of Padre Soler's keyboard music gave rise to his nickname "the naughty priest." John Nisbet and Ladislav Pfeifer will perform four of Padre Soler's concertos for two keyboards on **March 15th at 7:30 pm** in the Marshall Center Chapel at St. Michael's Cathedral, Springfield. For more information call 413-452-0839 or e-mail ljep@diospringfield.org.

CHICKEN PIE DINNER IS COMING!! (Proceeds go towards our technology fund)

Please join us for the 6th annual Chicken Pie Dinner and Dessert Auction on **Saturday, March 22, 2014 after the 4:00 p.m. mass (5 p.m.-7p.m.)**. The cost is \$6.00 for adults; \$4.00 for children under 10 and free for children 0 - 4 years of age. To be held at the St. John the Baptist Pastoral Center in Ludlow. Tickets will be sold at the door or you can call the school 583-8550. Call for more details about the dessert auction if you would like to participate.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE™ WEEKEND 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 next ***Beginning Experience*** weekend will be held **April 25 - 27** at the Montfort House in Litchfield, CT. The weekend begins Friday evening, April 25 and continues through Sunday afternoon, April 27, concluding with Mass. The weekend fee 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 Marie at 203-879-3407. Visit our web page at www.beginningexperience.org/connecticut The *Beginning Experience* program is endorsed by the Archdiocesan Family Life Office.

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/ ~ www.thatsnotcool.com ~ www.childabuseprevention.com ~ www.bullies2bullies.com. 8 -

~~ DONATIONS ~~

GENERAL FUND – In Memory of Sabina Bigda Lachowski ~ \$25 from Bonny Rathbone and Bernard Fontaine

SINCERE THANKS

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

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**BIBLE WORD SEARCH ~ Disciples 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.

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

**SEARCH WORDS** ~ Ambassador, Baptized, Bartholomew, Chosen of God, Commission, Communion, Disciples, Dispensation, Elders, Galilee, Holy Ghost, Hope Of Glory, James, Luke, Matthias, Obedient, One Accord, Paul, Peter, Philip, Prayer, Preaching, Simon, Supplication, Taught by Jesus, The Promise, Thomas, Tribulation, Watchman, Witness

## 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. 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. +Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1. God's blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. +Stanley & Anna Socha – daughter Dottie. 1. Zsp. Marian Wasiuk – od siosry Leokadii z rodzine. 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. Zsp. Mary ( Frydryk) Boronski – J.F.. 1. +Julia A. Machnik & +Gale L. Benoit – S.. 1. The Lemanski family – S.. 1. +A.J. Lemanski & +Jennie Vaz – S.. 1. Kionkel family & Lori Vaz – S.. 1. Michael Lemanski family & Joanne – S.. 1. +Helen Izyk (anniv.) – love, daughter & family. 1. Healing – Wally D. & Grandma Jo. 1. Bella Sienkiewicz – Michael Wojnilowicz. 1. +Mary Bolow – Pat Godek. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. Living & deceased members of the Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. For full time employment Jesus I Trust In You. 1. Healing, strength, protection. 1. +Richard Wawro – love, wife Barbara. 1. Zsp Edna Pytka – od Leokadii Wasiuk. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. +Walter & Alice Smola – your loving children Rich, Kathy & Chris. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie. 1. God's blessing, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. God's blessings & guidance for my son & his family. 1. God's blessings for Todd, Madeline & their family. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Lewis Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. You're with the angels now Mom. Rest in peace I'll love you forever – love, your son, Randy. 1. +Aunt Mary – May you be Randy's guardian angel. Rest in peace – love, June. 1. May God bless & protect Randy, giving him strength during this difficult time. Love, June. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & grand daughters. 1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. +Mary Bolow – Connie & Chick Wlodyka. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. +Mary Bolow – Sally Mastalerz. 1. +Mary Zglobicki – the family. 1. +Louis Zglobicki – wife & family. 1. Health for Barbara Koprek – Marcia & Phil. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. – Edna & family. 1. 2<sup>nd</sup> Happy Birthday blessings for

Braydon – Great Gramma. 1. St. Lucy – E.. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony – E. 1. +Bronislaw Kulis – 19<sup>th</sup> anniv. – sister Edna. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. God’s blessings for J & C and B.M. – for good results. 1. Good health & God’s blessing for “M” & a fulltime job. 1. God’s blessings & good health for L. & M J S for good results. 1. For strength & peace for Father Stefan – L.R.. 1. For healing & peace for Maria W. & her family – L.R.. 1. +Judy Allard – L.R.. 1. Belated birthday blessings & healing for John Yurkunas – love, The Apostles of Prayer. 1. +Mary Bolow – Charlie & Eleanor Jasak. 1. In loving memory of Bernice & Leo St. Amand – family. 1. +Walter Swiatlowski – family. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. +Brian Donovan – Fred & Betty Brozek. 1. “Jesus I Trust In You” – family blessings, health, strength, protection. 1. +John Janosz, Sr. – Jack, Reg & family. 1. God’s blessing & good health for Adele McClosky – Alice Bukowski & Jean Cinkaj. 1. For God blessings Carol Lavigne – Rich Lavigne. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena – children. 1. To St. Philomena for special intentions. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. Family health & God’s blessing. 1. +Thomas Skura – may he rest in peace – Genie & Charlie Bates. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. Paul S. family – C.S.&T.S.. 1. Cheryll S. – T.S.. 1. Michele C. family – T.S. C.S.. 1. Fast recovery for Alice Piechota – sister Barbara. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Anna. 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.. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan – S.. 1. +Edward & Alice Rudnick – family. 1. God’s blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God’s blessings for our family. 1. God’s Blessings for a special intention. 1. God’s Blessings for all members of my family – Debbie Ingalls.

**IN LOVING MEMORY** – Please remember in your prayers the souls of all who have recently passed including Mary Bolow. 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.

**Who Should Make the Coffee?**

A man and his wife were having an argument about who should brew the coffee each morning.

The wife said, "You should do it, because you get up first, and then we don't have to wait as long to get our coffee."

The husband said, "You are in charge of the cooking around here so you should do it, because that is your job, and I can just wait for my coffee."

"Wife replies, "No, you should do it, and besides it says in the Bible that the man should do the coffee."

Husband replies, "I can't believe that! Show me."

So she fetched the Bible, and opened the New Testament and showed him at the top of several pages, that it indeed says, "HEBREWS."



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**Mystery Answer is Christ Like**