

# + Divine Mercy Parish Bulletin+

*Jesus, I Trust in You!*

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**Three Rivers, Mass.**

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**Confessions:** Sat, 3:00 p.m. (also before daily Mass)

**Baptisms & Marriages:** Please contact the rectory to make arrangements

**Schedule of Holy Masses:**

**The Lord's Day ---**

Vigil on Sat., 4:00, 5:15 p.m.

Sun., 8:00 a.m. (Polish), 9:30 a.m.

Daily (except Tues.), 7:00 a.m.

Tues., 5:30 p.m. with B.V.M. Novena

**Holydays:** as announced

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Wed., 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Thurs. & Fri., 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Sat., 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Sick calls:** anytime

*New, But Rich in Tradition:*

*A Brief Overview of Divine Mercy Parish*

**Sts. Peter & Paul Parish** was founded in 1905 to serve the needs of Polish immigrants. **St. Adalbert Parish**, Bondsville, began as a mission of Sts. Peter & Paul in 1910, was erected a parish in its own right in 1917, and closed in 2004. **St. Anne Parish** was founded in 1882 to serve the needs of French Canadian immigrants. By a decree of the Bishop of Springfield issued on Nov. 23, 2009, Sts. Peter & Paul and St. Anne were merged to form **Divine Mercy Parish**. With its combination of a typical New England exterior and a beautiful Baroque interior, Sts. Peter & Paul Church is the designated worship place for Divine Mercy.

**October 26, 2014**

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time* (Roman Rite, ordinary form)

*Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost* (Roman Rite, extraordinary form)

## Divine Mercy Parish Bulletin ~ Vol. 1 No. 8 / Oct. 26, 2014

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Items for bulletin must be submitted by Tues. morning for publication in the next Sunday's issue.  
*Thank you!* All submitted items are subject to editorial discretion and may or may not be used.

**N.B.:** The *Parish Bulletin* is currently in transition. Some issues, or a part of them, may not be available online until further notice. *Thank you for your patience and understanding.*

### The Most Blessed Sacrament ~ ~ ~

The Most Blessed Sacrament is reserved in our church, located in the tabernacle on the High Altar, beneath the statues of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. We ask that you maintain a respectful silence when you are in the church. This is especially important before and after the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Your reverent attitude is not only an example for all, but is respectful of those who are praying. *Thank you!*

### Parish Events This Week in September

#### Sun., Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>

Religious Education classes, grades 6-11, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., parish hall

Rosary Devotions at Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery, 2:00 p.m. (in church, if rain)

Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations, 4:00 p.m., church

#### Mon., Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>

Rosary for World Peace, 4:00 p.m., church

#### Wed., Oct. 29<sup>nd</sup>

Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Maximilian Kolbe Room.

#### Sat., Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> ~ ALL SAINTS DAY

Religious Education classes, grades K-5, 9:00 a.m., parish hall

Confessions, 3:00 p.m., church

### Mother of Mary Prayer Force

If anyone would like their intentions prayed for by a dedicated group of parishioners, please email them to [jmjdrsr2007@yahoo.com](mailto:jmjdrsr2007@yahoo.com). We have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for you.

### Apostles of Prayer

If you are requesting prayers for anyone or would like to join the Prayer Line, please call Cindy Leveillee @ 283-7836.

### Palmer Food Share

Please continue to assist with your donations to the Food Share program. You may drop off donations in the baskets located in the church. *Thank you for your generosity!*

### NEW PARISHIONERS

If you have questions, or are considering joining our parish, *you are most welcome!* Please see Father after Mass or contact the rectory during regular office hours.

## Masses & Devotions This Week

*Praised be Jesus Christ! Niech będzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus!  
Laudetur Iesus Christus!*

### ***Vigil of Sunday***

- 4:00 p.m. +Albert, John, & Julia Swist – int. of their family  
+Joseph & Josephine Slozak – int. of Richard & June  
5:15 p.m. +Nathan Bastek, 26<sup>th</sup> anniversary – int. of his daughter Nanci  
+deceased members of the Cadieux family – int. of the family

### **26. Sunday ~ 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; 20<sup>th</sup> after Pentecost**

- 8:00 a.m. za d.sp. Louise Church – od rodziny  
za d.sp. Dominik i Julii Machnik – od corki z rodzina  
9:30 a.m. +Angelo Cava – int. of his wife & children  
+Lucky & Aurore Baldyga – int. of their family

**2:00 p.m. Rosary at Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery/Rozaniec na cmentarzu**

### **27. Monday ~ feria**

- 7:00 a.m. +Frank Dojka – int. of his family

### **28. Tuesday ~ Sts. Simon & Jude, Apostles**

- 5:30 p.m. Novena & Mass: +Rev. John Ayers – int. of the Rudnick family

### **29. Wednesday ~ feria**

- 7:00 a.m. +John Marcinek – int. of his family

### **30. Thursday ~ feria**

- 7:00 a.m. +Mildred Janulewicz – int. of George Motyka

### **31. Friday ~ feria (All Hallows Eve)**

- 7:00 a.m. +Mary Langolis – int. of her family

### **Nov. 1 Saturday ~ ALL SAINTS**

- 7:00 a.m. God's blessings for Mary Wilga on her 101<sup>st</sup> birthday

### ***Vigil of Sunday***

- 4:00 p.m. +James Lafond, Jr. – int. of Andrew & Cindy Leveillee  
+deceased members of Niemiec family – int. of Carl & Irene  
5:15 p.m. +Edna & Frank Skutnik – int. of their family  
+Corinne Raymond – int. of Norman Charette

### **2. Sunday ~ Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed**

- 8:00 a.m. za d.sp. Jan Wasiuk – od zony z rodzina  
za d.sp. Joseph i Josephine Marchelewicz – od rodziny  
9:30 a.m. +Theresa Justus – int. of her daughter Charlene & family  
+Rica Elinor de La Cruz & Jovencio Perez & Brebiana Perez – int. of daughter  
**6:00 p.m. WYPOMINKI / Remembrance: Devotions for the Dead**

## Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament

*Please refer to the front cover for the hours of Adoration.*

Since 1996, our parish has been blessed to have the Blessed Sacrament exposed for the Adoration of the faithful. However, the Blessed Sacrament cannot be exposed in the monstrance on the altar unless one is willing to sacrifice one (1) hour. *Will you be that person?? Time spent with God is never time wasted!* If you would like to substitute or commit to a specific hour in this important ministry of prayer, please contact Diana Roth @ 283-8709. We need your help. *God is never outdone in generosity!*

**PRAY FOR PRIESTS/DEACONS** ~ Each day of the month is set aside to pray for a specific priest or deacon. *Please remember those listed below in your prayers this week.*

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
Fr. Earl Hebert	Fr. James Longe	Fr. Michael Lillpopp	Fr. Tucker Cardoni
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	
Bishop Emeritus McDonnell	Fr. Michael Twardzik		

## School of Religious Education *NEWS*

Religious Education Classes are in session. Grades K-5 meet on Saturdays from 9:00 to 10 a.m.) and Grades 6-11 meet on Sundays from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m.

**REQUEST FOR SUBSTITUTES:** *we are in need of individuals to serve as substitutes on Sunday mornings.* If anyone is interested, please contact Jean Brigham @ 283-4232.

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER** for classes this year! If your child is involved in Sat. morning soccer (or other sport), they are welcome to come prior to their 10 a.m. games and will be dismissed at 9:50 a.m. in order to make it to their game.

We ask that parents faithfully send their children to these important classes on our Catholic Faith, and that the whole family regularly attend Sunday Mass (or Saturday Vigil). Any questions or for more information, contact Jean Brigham (283-4232).

## FAITH

“An ‘adult’ faith is not a faith that follows the trends of fashion  
and the latest novelty;

a mature adult faith is rooted in friendship with Christ.”

~ Pope Benedict XVI, April 2005

## Donations to the Parish

*The Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donation: Bog Zaplac!*

### To the General Fund –

In loving memory of **+Antoinette Tenczar:**

\$25 from Larry & Linda Gonnevillie; \$25 from Carl & Irene Ersing

In loving memory of **+Carol Lavigne:** \$10 from Carl & Irene Ersing

### To the Seminarian Fund –

In loving memory of **+Joseph Zarenko:** \$10 from Charles & Genie Bates

In loving memory of **+Mary Lague:** \$10 from Carl & Irene Ersing

In loving memory of **+Cecelia Matera:** \$10 from Carl & Irene Ersing

## LECTORS' SCHEDULES

**New schedule for Lectors at the 4:00 p.m. & 5:15 p.m. Vigil Masses** is available in the sacristy, unless a schedule was emailed to a lector.

## OCTOBER: MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

**ROSARY DEVOTIONS** – The month of October ends this week as our parish. This Sun., **Oct. Oct. 26** we shall pray the Holy Rosary at **Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery** (weather permitting). Please join us as we pray for our beloved dead, and for the holy souls in purgatory.

**STS. PETER & PAUL ROSARY SODALITY** will be praying the **Holy Rosary this Mon., Oct. 27 at 4:00 p.m.** in the church for world peace and protection for our citizens and nation.

***Our Lady, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, pray for us!***

## “WYPOMINKI” ~ Remembering our Beloved Dead

**ALL SOULS** and the **MONTH of NOVEMBER** --- **DEADLINE** for submitting names of your **dearly departed is this Sun., Oct. 26.** Names received after Oct. 26 cannot be guaranteed for inclusion. Names of the deceased, written or printed **legibly**, may be dropped into the weekend collection or at the rectory office. Please be prompt so that all names received may be printed for the *All Souls remembrance* leaflet for Sun., Nov. 2.

## 30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CRAFT FAIR

The **Sts. Peter & Paul Rosary Sodality** is sponsoring its **30<sup>th</sup> Annual CRAFT FAIR** on **Sat., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the parish hall. **BAKERS ARE NEEDED; to donate baked goods, or for other information, please call Lynne Riendeau @ 283-7038.** This is one of the area's longest running craft fairs; beautiful craft items by talented local artists; refreshments; lunch; **FREE PARKING & FREE ADMISSION.**

## OCTOBER IS RESPECT FOR LIFE MONTH / VOTE ON NOV. 4

**Tues., Nov. 4** is **Election Day** from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Please fulfill your patriotic & Christian duty by becoming informed and voting for the candidate who will value your life and the lives of every other citizen. For information, call Mass. Citizens for Life @ (617) 242-4589 or visit the website: [www.VoteValuesMA.com](http://www.VoteValuesMA.com).

(((((((( "EVENTS/NOTICES AROUND TOWN" ))))))))

**Fall! Foliage! FRENCH MEAT PIES!**

**There's still time** for those delicious "homemade" French meat pies, made at St. Elizabeth Parish, Ludlow, in their pastoral center. **Individual pies: only \$3.00 each.** Order for yourself, family & friends, or freeze for Thanksgiving or Christmas. To place an order, call the parish center @ (413) 547-0239, Mon.-Fri. from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. When ordering, please give your first & last name, phone #, date & number of pies. Pickup times at the center: 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., remaining days: **Oct. 27, 28, 29, 30, & 31.**

**St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Belchertown**

**The St. Francis of Assisi Parish "Christmas Fair" will be held on Sat., Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.,** 10 Park St., Belchertown. Christmas gifts, crafts, bake sale, homemade candies, Chinese auction, Kiddies' shopping with Santa's helper, and gift wrapping. A bakery café serving gourmet coffee in take-home mugs, juice, tea, breakfast & lunch will include a wide variety of homemade soups, sandwiches, & delicious desserts.

**Felician Sisters, Enfield, Conn.**

**The Felician Sisters** at Our Lady of the Angels Convent, 1315 Enfield St. (route 5, corner of Enfield Street & South Road), Enfield, invite you to attend their **last pre-CHRISTMAS FAIR** on **Sat., Nov. 22 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** The day will include an opportunity to enjoy games of chance, purchase handmade items, and homemade bread-Babka, enjoy homemade food, and play TURKEY BINGO between 1:00 & 3 p.m. This event is held to benefit the elderly and infirm Felician Sisters. For more information, please call Sister Joan Marie Swierzb, CSSF @ (860) 745-7791.

**Holy Cross Parish, Springfield ~ FOOD VENDORS NEEDED**

**Holy Cross Parish,** 221 Plumtree Road, Springfield, is looking for food vendors for its **"FOOD FARE"** to be held on **Sun., Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** in the gymnasium. Tables are \$25 and are limited. To be part of this new event at Holy Cross, please call Frank @ (413) 782-5730.

**Annual Bishop's Mass for Scouts**

**A Scout is Reverent** – The Annual **Bishop's Mass for Scouts** will be held **next Sun., Nov. 2 @ 1:30 p.m.** at St. Michael's Cathedral, State St., Springfield. All scouts should plan to attend. Congratulations to our parishioners who will be recognized at the Mass: **Kathleen Day, Corin Przybycien, Abigail King, Harrision Lavoie, Thomas Traugh, Peter Traugh, & Aidan Day.** For more information, contact: Pam Kosnicki @ 283-3242 or [pamdkos@verizon.net](mailto:pamdkos@verizon.net).

**FALL BACK!** Don't forget to set your **clocks back one hour (and gain an hour of sleep!)** next weekend (for Sun., Nov. 2) as we return to Eastern Standard Time.

# SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS

## The Sacrament of Charity

**Part 5** – Continuing our series of excerpts from *the post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS* (Feb. 22, 2007) by **Pope Benedict XVI**. These inspired words can be a source of meditation in preparation for Holy Mass, and/or as a thanksgiving after Holy Mass.

### SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS... from **Part I:**

#27. The family---the domestic Church (*Lumen Gentium*, Vatican II dogmatic constitution on the Church)---is a primary sphere of the Church's life, especially because of its decisive role in the Christian education of children.....Marriage and motherhood represent essential realities which must never be denigrated.

#29. The divorced and remarried continue to belong to the Church, which accompanies them with special concern and encourages them to live as fully as possible the Christian life through regular participation at Mass, albeit without receiving Communion, listening to the Word of God, Eucharistic Adoration, prayer, participation in the life of the community, honest dialogue with a priest or spiritual director, dedication to the life of charity, works of penance, and commitment to the education of their children.....pastoral care must not be understood as if it were somehow in conflict with the law. Rather, one should begin by assuming that the fundamental point of encounter between the law and pastoral care is love for the truth: truth is never something purely abstract, but "a real part of the human and Christian journey of every member of the faithful" (*Propositio 40*).....Marriage and the family are institutions that must be promoted and defended from every possible misrepresentation of their true nature, since whatever is injurious to them is injurious to society itself.

#33. In Mary Most Holy, we also see perfectly fulfilled the "sacramental" way that God comes down to meet His creatures and involves them in His saving work.....Obedient faith in response to God's work shapes her life at every moment.....Mary is the great Believer who places herself confidently in God's hands, abandoning herself to His will. This mystery deepens as she becomes completely involved in the redemptive mission of Jesus.....From the Annunciation to the Cross, Mary is the one who received the Word made flesh within her and then silenced in death.....Consequently, every time we approach the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharistic Liturgy, we also turn to her who, by her complete fidelity, received Christ's sacrifice for the whole Church.....She is the Immaculata, who receives God's gift unconditionally and is thus associated with His work of salvation. Mary of Nazareth, icon of the nascent Church, is the model for each of us, called to receive the gift that Jesus makes of Himself in the Eucharist.

# "The House With Nobody In It"

By Joyce Kilmer

[Once when he was a boy, poet Joyce Kilmer (1886-1918) found an old, abandoned house which he explored from cellar to attic. Later he recaptured his feelings about the tumbledown house when he wrote this poem.]

Whenever I walk to Suffern along the Erie track  
I go by a poor old farmhouse with its shingles broken and black.  
I suppose I've passed it a hundred times, but I always stop for a minute  
And look at the house, the tragic house, the house with nobody in it.

I never have seen a haunted house, but I hear there are such things;  
That they hold the talk of spirits, their mirth and sorrowings.  
I know this house isn't haunted, and I wish it were, I do;  
For it wouldn't be so lonely if it had a ghost or two.

This house on the road to Suffern needs a dozen panes of glass,  
And somebody ought to weed the walk and take a scythe to the grass.  
It needs new paint and shingles, and the vines should be trimmed and tied;  
But what it needs the most is some people living inside.

If I had a lot of money and all my debts were paid  
I'd put a gang of men to work with brush and saw and spade.  
I'd buy that place and fix it up the way it used to be  
And I'd find some people who wanted a home and give it to them free.

Now, a new house standing empty, with staring window and door,  
Looks idles, perhaps, and foolish, like a hat on its block in the store.  
But there's nothing mournful about it; it cannot be sad and lone  
For the lack of something within it that it has never known.

But a house that has done what a house should do, a house that has sheltered life,  
That has put its loving wooden arms around a man and his wife,  
A house that has echoed a baby's laugh and help up his stumbling feet,  
Is the saddest sight, when it's left alone, that ever your eyes could meet.

So whenever I go to Suffern along the Erie track  
I never go by the empty house without stopping and looking back.  
Yet it hurts me to look at the crumbling roof and the shutters fallen apart,  
For I can't help thinking the poor old house is a house with a broken heart.



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## The Sacrament of Charity

Continuing our series of excerpts from **the post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation *Sacramentum Caritatis*** (Feb. 22, 2007) by **Pope Benedict XVI**.

These inspired words can be a source of meditation in preparation for Holy Mass, and/or as a thanksgiving after Holy Mass.

### Sacramentum Caritatis... from **Part I:**

#17. Our reception of Baptism and Confirmation is ordered to the Eucharist.

#19. The whole of Christian initiation is a process of conversion undertaken with God's help and with constant reference to the ecclesial community.....Receiving Baptism, Confirmation, and First Holy Communion are key moments not only for the individual receiving them but also for the entire family.

#20. We know that the faithful are surrounded by a culture that tends to eliminate the sense of sin.....The loss of a consciousness of sin always entails a certain superficiality in the understanding of God's love. Bringing out the elements within the rite of the Mass that express consciousness of personal sin and, at the same time, of God's mercy, can prove most helpful to the faithful.....Sin is never a purely individual affair; it always damages the ecclesial communion that we have entered through Baptism.

#21. All priests should dedicate themselves with generosity, commitment and competency to administering the sacrament of Reconciliation. In this regard, it is important that the confessionals in our churches should be clearly visible expressions of the importance of this sacrament.....A balanced and sound practice of gaining *indulgences*, whether for oneself or for the dead, can be helpful for a renewed appreciation of the relationship between the Eucharist and Reconciliation.....The practice of indulgences, which involves not only the doctrine of Christ's infinite merits, but also that of the communion of saints, reminds us "*how closely we are united to each other in Christ...and how the supernatural life of each can help others.*" (Apostolic Constitution, *Indulgentiarum Doctrina*, Pope Paul VI, Jan. 1, 1967).

#22. The Anointing of the Sick, for its part, unites the sick with Christ's self-offering for the salvation of all, so that they too, within the mystery of the communion of saints, can participate in the redemption of the world.

#23. The intrinsic relationship between the Eucharist and the sacrament of Holy Orders clearly emerges from Jesus' own words in the Upper Room: "***Do this in remembrance of me***" (Luke 22:19). On the night before He died, Jesus instituted the Eucharist and at the same time established the priesthood of the New Covenant. He is priest, victim and altar.

*To be continued...*

Cathedral High School's annual **College Fair** will be held **Thurs., Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>** at the school campus, 310 Main St., Wilbraham. Open to all area high school students, their parents, & school counselors. Financial Aid Program for parents from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Representatives from approximately 70 colleges and universities will be present from 6:00-8:00 p.m. to answer questions regarding academic requirements, courses, school atmosphere and costs. For more information, call the school's Counseling Office @ (413) 782-5285.

### **LaSalette Shrine Festival of Lights & Wright's Chicken Farm**

**A bus trip**, sponsored by Mary Mother of Hope Parish, 840 Page Blvd., East Springfield will take place on **Sat., Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 to 8:30 p.m.** **Lunch at Wright's Chicken Farm at 2:00 p.m., prior to visiting the Shrine of Our Lady of LaSalette in Attleboro to view the Christmas lights.** Cost: \$54 per person. For reservations, call Sylvia @ 594-2757.