

+ Divine Mercy Parish Bulletin+

Jesus, I Trust in You!

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Three Rivers, Mass.

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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.

November 9, 2014

Dedication of the Archbasilica of St. John Lateran

(Roman Rite, ordinary & extraordinary forms)

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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 November

Sun., Nov. 9th

Religious Education classes, grades 6-11, 10:30 to 11:45 a.m., parish hall
Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations, 4:00 p.m., church

Mon., Nov. 10th

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

Wed., Nov. 12th

Men's Guild Meeting, 6:30 p.m., parish hall.
Alcoholics Anonymous meeting, 7:00 p.m., St. Maximilian Kolbe Room.

Sat., Nov. 15th

Religious Education classes, grades K-5, 9:00 a.m., parish hall
Confessions, 3:00 p.m., church
Men's Guild Stuffed *Breast of Chicken Dinner*: social, 6 p.m.; dinner, 6:30 p.m., parish hall

Mother of Mary Prayer Force

If anyone would like their intentions prayed for by a dedicated group of parishioners, please email them to jmjdrrs2007@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 bedzie pochwalony Jezus Chrystus!
Laudetur Iesus Christus!

Vigil of Sunday

- 4:00 p.m. +Terry Rhicard – int. of Carl & Irene Irsing
+Irene & George Rebello – int. of their daughter Sharlene & family
5:15 p.m. +David Coache, 7th anniversary – int. of his wife & family
+Rev. John Smus; +Emmit Donahue – int. of Lydia Tanne

9. Sunday ~ Dedication of the Basilica of St. John Lateran

- 8:00 a.m. za d.sp. Halina Rybicka – od meza, syn z rodzina
9:30 a.m. +Rev. Mr. Edward Tenczar – int. of his wife Jeannette
+Horace Tippett, 29th anniversary – int. of his daughter Anne Marie

10. Monday ~ St. Leo the Great, pope & doctor of the Church

- 7:00 a.m. +Janet Charette – int. of Clarence Michaud & family

11. Tuesday ~ St. Martin of Tours, bishop *VETERANS' DAY*

- 5:30 p.m. Novena & Mass: +Raymond Besko – int. of his wife Mary
+Mary & Robert Olander – int. of her sister & family

12. Wednesday ~ St. Josaphat, bishop & martyr

- 7:00 a.m. +Walter Rozenbajgier – int. of John & Irene Dyl

13. Thursday ~ St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, virgin

- 7:00 a.m. +Corinne Raymond – int. of Sophie Walulak & family

14. Friday ~ *feria*

- 7:00 a.m. +Jadwiga & Henryk Tronowski – int. of their family

15. Saturday ~ St. Albert the Great, bishop & doctor of the Church

- 7:00 a.m. + za dusze zmarlych wspomnianych w wypominkach / souls in purgatory

Vigil of Sunday

- 4:00 p.m. +Alice & Andrew Smart – int. of their son Andrew
+Joseph Misiaszek – int. of his family
5:15 p.m. +Wilfed & Helen Bonneville – int. of their son & daughter-in-law
+Sophie Lachut, 5th anniversary – int. of her son & family

16. Sunday ~ 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; 23rd after Pentecost

- 8:00 a.m. za d.sp. zmarlych czlonkin i czlonkow Choru sw. Cecylii
9:30 a.m. +Alice & Andrew – int. of their family
+Harry, Sr., Anna, & Harry, Jr. Lombardi – int. of Robert & Terry Snyder

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.*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Pope Francis	Fr. William Rousseau	Fr. Bruce Teague	Msgr. Richard Sniezyk
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Fr. John Lessard-Thibodeau	Fr. Ronald Yelle	Fr. Quynh Dinh Tran	

School of Religious Education *NEWS*

Please refer to PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK, page 2, for class days & times.

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER for classes this year! Also, **we are requesting PERSONS to serve as SUBSTITUTES on Sunday mornings.** If anyone is interested, please contact Jean Brigham @ 283-4232. If your child is involved in Sat. a.m. soccer (or other sport), they may come prior to 10 a.m. games & will be dismissed at 9:50 a.m. to make it in time.

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).

“Mission of Sisters of St. Joseph in Love & Service with Dear Neighbors”

Julia Kozlik has been an active parishioner (Rosary Sodality, teaching CCD, lecturing). She has been chosen as **one of 20 delegates to travel to Villa El Salvador with Regis College** this coming spring break. As a senior nursing student, Julia will be learning/serving in Peru clinics. As a fundraising effort, she will be selling golabki with her family & accepting donations. *Your monetary, and especially prayer, support is appreciated!*

TRUE FREEDOM

“When freedom does not have a purpose, when it does not wish to know anything about the rule of law engraved in the hearts of men and women, when it does not listen to the voice of conscience, it turns against humanity and society.”

~ Saint Pope John Paul II (1920–2005)

Donations to the Parish

The Parish gratefully acknowledges the following donation: Bog Zaplac!

To the General Fund –

\$100 in loving memory of **+Hoarce A. Tippett**, 29th anniversary from his daughter Ann Marie Tippett/ \$25 in loving memory of **+Antoinette Tenczar** from Charlie & Genie Bates

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY ON MONDAYS

The **Sts. Peter & Paul Rosary Sodality** continues to pray the **Rosary on each Monday at 4:00 p.m.** in church (until further notice). Please come and pray for world peace and the protection for our citizens and nation.
All are welcome!

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

MEN’S GUILD NEWS ~~~

MEETING Sts. Peter & Paul Men’s Guild meeting this **Wed., Nov. 12 at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. All current members are urged to attend, and any prospective members are invited to join us. Membership is open to all men of the parish, including young men. Come and be a part of this vibrant and uplifting parish organization.

DINNER! The Men’s Guild is hosting a **Stuffed Breast of Chicken Dinner next Sat., Nov. 15** beginning with social at 6 p.m. and dinner served at 6:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Price: \$10 for adults, \$5.00 for children under 12. For tickets, please contact Fred Orzulak @ 283-5620 or (413) 427-9266 or Tom Losaw @ 283-4688.

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.

April 2015 Haiti Plunge Mission Trip

Faith Przybycien, high school parishioner, has been selected to participate with a team of 12 youth & advisors from the diocese (April 2015). They will work in reforestation & erosion control, education & recreational programs in HASWEP cooperative. Participants must raise \$1650 (cost of trip) by recruiting sponsors. If you’d like to be a sponsor, please complete the form below and mail directly to Haiti Plunge, Inc. For more information: www.thehaitiplunge.org or The Haiti Plunge on Facebook.

===== **~HAITI PLUNGE SCHOLARSHIP FORM~** =====

I would like to contribute to Faith Przybycien’s mission trip. /Enclosed is my donation of \$ _____

Donor’s name (please print) _____

Address _____

Mail to: Haiti Plunge, Inc., P.O. Box 745, North Adams, MA 01247

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

Society of Polish American Culture

Mark Giza of Indian Orchard, Mass. will speak to Society members on current & old-time movies. Mr. Giza appears on **"Real to Reel"** (& demonstrated floral arrangements to members last April) with his *"Look at the Movies,"* on **Mon., Nov. 17 at 7 p.m.**, Chicopee Lodge of Elks, 431 Granby Road, Chicopee. Public is welcome! Tickets for **Dec. 1 Wigilia Dinner** will be on sale (\$20 per person, purchased in advance; no tickets at door).

THE SINGING PRIESTS

The *Singing Priests* of the Diocese of Springfield will present a concert welcoming our new Ordinary, the Most Rev. Mitchell T. Rozanski on **Fri., Nov. 21 at 7:00 p.m.** at Bellamy Middle School. Tickets on sale now. For more information, call (413) 452-0645.

Felician Sisters, Enfield, Conn.

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

UNBOUND: FREEDOM in CHRIST CONFERENCE

"Unbound: Freedom in Christ" conference (helping people to achieve levels of peace & freedom, with five practical keys to set us free from attitudes & behavior patterns that block our way to being more effective Christians) **with Neal & Janet Lozano** will take place on **Fri., Dec. 5 & Sat., Dec. 6** at Sacred Heart Church, 1061 Springfield St., Feeding Hills. Space is limited, so please register early. **Pre-Registration** (by Nov. 28) includes continental breakfast, lunch & dinner (\$65) or at the door (*if space available*, \$75). Checks payable to: Sacred Heart Church. For more information: (413) 786-8200, ext. 3.

Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, Turners Falls

The annual **St. Nicholas Christmas Bazaar** will be held on **Sat., Dec. 6 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.** at the church hall, 84 K St., Turners Falls. Christmas crafts & gifts; religious goods; bake sale; Polish food sale (pierogi); gifts from Poland; tag sale; giant raffles, & more! If you'd like to rent a table, please call Shirley Webb @ (413) 773-7202.

Annual Christmas Cookie Sale & Lottery Calendar Sale

Fundraiser sponsored by Friends of the Palmer Senior Center **Annual Christmas Homemade Cookie Sale: \$7.00** (large box) **and \$5.00** (small box) Call to place your order by Dec. 19, 283-2670. Orders over two boxes must be prepaid (Palmer Council on Aging, 1029 Central St., Palmer, Mass.). Orders can be picked up on Dec. 22 after 1:00 p.m. or Dec. 23 from 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. / **Lottery calendar** cost: **\$5.00** (only 500 will be sold).

+Prayers for the Faithful Departed Souls in Purgatory+

Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal one: have mercy on those departed from this life.

- That the departed may be numbered with those who are in the bosom of Abraham:
Lord, have mercy
- That the Lord will pardon the dead of every transgression:
Lord, have mercy
- That the Lord will release the departed from all sorrow and make them glad when the light of God's countenance shall visit them:
Lord, have mercy
- That they may present themselves blameless before the judgment seat of the Lord of mercy:
Lord, have mercy
- That the Lord will grant them light, happiness, and peace:
Lord, have mercy

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of creation, for through the death and resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You have given all people the hope of eternal life: *Blessed are you, Lord God*

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of creation, for through the blood of Your Son You have granted the remission of the sins of all Your children: *Blessed are you, Lord God*

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of creation, for Your faithful who die and live forever in Your presence, and You bring them to the joy of eternal light: *Blessed are you, Lord God*

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of creation, for You faithfully remember the souls of Your servants departed: *Blessed are you, Lord God*

May the angels lead the departed into paradise. May the martyrs receive them at their coming and lead them into the holy city, Jerusalem. May the choir of angels receive them with Lazarus who was once poor: *May they have eternal rest*

DAILY INTENTION FOR NOVEMBER

Let us accept without a murmur all that God sends us this month. Every day let us offer to God in behalf of the departed souls all our prayers and good works. Father, God of consolation, in Your unending love for us You turn the darkness of death into the dawn of new life. Show compassion to Your people in their sorrow. Be our refuge and strength to life us from the darkness of this grief to the peace and light of Your presence. Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, by dying for us, conquered death and by rising again, restored life. May we then go forward eagerly to meet Him, and after our life on earth be reunited with our brothers and sisters where every tear will be wiped away. Through the same Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Sacrament of Charity

Part 6 – 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 II*:

#34. The [2005] Synod of Bishops reflected at length on the intrinsic relationship between Eucharistic faith and Eucharistic celebration, pointing out the connection between the *lex orandi* and the *lex credendi* (*the way we pray is the way we worship*), and stressing the primacy of the *liturgical action*.

#35. **The liturgy is inherently linked to beauty: it is *veritatis splendor*** (the splendor of truth). The liturgy is a radiant expression of the paschal mystery.....The beauty of the liturgy....is a sublime expression of God's glory and, in a certain sense, a glimpse of heaven on earth.

#37. **The celebration of the Eucharist implies and involves the living Tradition.** The Church celebrates the Eucharistic sacrifice in obedience to Christ's command, based on her experience of the Risen Lord.....For this reason, from the **beginning, the Christian community has gathered for the *fractio panis* (breaking of bread) on the Lord's Day.** Sunday, the day Christ rose from the dead, is also the first day of the week.

#38. The *ars celebrandi*, the art of proper celebration.....is the best way to ensure [the] *actuoso participatio* (actual participation of the faithful).

#39. While it is true that the whole People of God participates in the Eucharistic liturgy, a correct *ars celebrandi* necessarily entails a specific responsibility on the part of those who have received the Sacrament of Holy Orders.

#40. **The *ars celebrandi* should foster a sense of the sacred and the use of outward signs which help to cultivate this sense, such as, for example, the harmony of the rite, the liturgical vestments, the furnishings and the sacred space.** The Eucharistic celebration is enhanced when priests and liturgical leaders are committed to making known the current liturgical texts and norms, making available the great riches found in the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* and the *Order of Readings* for Mass.

#41. An important element of sacred art is church architecture, which should highlight the unity of the furnishings of the sanctuary, such as the altar, the crucifix, the tabernacle, the ambo, and the celebrant's chair.....The purpose of sacred architecture is to offer the Church a fitting space for the celebration of the mysteries of faith, especially the Eucharist.
To be continued....

MEDITATIONS

As for purgatory, I do not fear it. I am sorry to have deserved it because it has only been by offending God; but since I do deserve it, I am glad to go there to satisfy His

justice as rigorously as possible even to the day of judgment. I know the torments are great, but I know that they honor God and that in purgatory I shall be sure of never opposing God's will and of never complaining of the severity of His justice but of loving it and waiting patiently until it is entirely satisfied.

~Saint Claude de la Colombiere (spiritual director of Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque)

**MEXICO ARCHBISHOP:
KEEP MASS ATTIRE MODEST, RESPECTFUL**

Mexico City, Mexico, Oct. 2, 2014 (EWTN News)

Archbishop Jesus Carlos Cabrero Romero of San Luis Potosi, Mexico, has called on Catholics to dress appropriately at Mass and avoid turning liturgical celebrations into "fashion shows."

According to the newspaper *Pulso*, **Archbishop Cabrero Romero warned against coming to Mass in miniskirts or with low necklines**, which he said is disrespectful "to the Eucharist and to the Word of God."

When we come to church at Mass, a wedding, a Confirmation, or a Baptism, he explained, "we are going to a religious act and **we have to be respectful of what we are celebrating....So let's not take advantage of these ceremonies in order to hold fashion shows.**"

Dress for Mass should be modest and not distracting, the archbishop said.

He explained that "while our minds and the prayers are what's most important, **respect for the others in attendance is also relevant.**"

Archbishop Cabrero Romero's comments came on the heels of the diocesan synod, during which the vicar general of Aguascalientes, Father Raul Sosa, asked the faithful to "have respect and dignity for religious celebrations, such as weddings, Baptisms, and graduations."

One tradition holds that the tree of life in the garden of Eden was the olive tree. In the Mediterranean world of the Bible, its fruit provided food, and oil for light, heat, and healing. Mary bore the One Who is the light of the world and the healing of the nations.