

# + 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.

**January 18, 2015**

*Second Sunday in Ordinary Time* (Roman Rite, ordinary form)  
*Second Sunday after Epiphany* (Roman Rite, extraordinary form)

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The **Parish Bulletin** is currently in transition. Some issues, or parts, may not be available online until further notice. *Thank you for your understanding.* Items should be submitted **two weeks** before publication in the bulletin (e.g., items for Dec. 21 should be submitted by Dec. 7). *Thank you!* All submitted items are subject to editorial discretion and may or may not be used.

**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 January**

**Sun., Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>**

Religious Education classes, grades 6-10 – 10:30 a.m., parish hall.

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

**Mon., Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wed., Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>**

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

**Sat., Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>**

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

Confessions, 3:00 p.m., church

“FREE” PARISH MOVIE NIGHT featuring Disney’s “Frozen” after 5:15 p.m. Mass, 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 [jmjrdrsr2007@yahoo.com](mailto:jmjrdrsr2007@yahoo.com) . We have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for you.

**Apostles of Prayer**

If you’re requesting prayers for anyone or you’d 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. +deceased members of the Kargol family – int. of the family  
5:15 p.m. +Edward Godek – int. of wife Pat, son Tom & daughter-in-law Lisa  
+Marceline & John Noga & Walter Glabicky – int. of Gene, Bev, John & Jen Glabicky

### **18. Sunday ~ Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8:00 a.m. za parafian / for the parishioners  
9:30 a.m. +Nora & Alvin Rondeau – int. of their son James & family

### **19. Monday ~ feria [Martin Luther King Day]**

7:00 a.m. +Mary Jones – int. of Dick McCormick

### **20. Tuesday ~ Sts. Fabian, pope, & Sebastian, martyrs**

5:30 p.m. Novena & Mass: +Paul & Julia Borowiec – int. of their family  
+Edward Rudnick – int. of his family

### **21. Wednesday ~ St. Agnes, virgin & martyr**

7:00 a.m. O Boze blogoslawienstwo dla Zofii i Stefan Gurzynski

### **22. Thursday ~ DAY of PRAYER for PROTECTION of the UNBORN**

7:00 a.m. +Gary Pobieglo – int. of his family

### **23. Friday ~ St. Vincent, deacon & martyr; St. Marianne Cope, virgin**

7:00 a.m. +Fred Tyburski – int. of his family

### **24. Saturday ~ St. Francis de Sales, bishop & doctor of the Church**

7:00 a.m. +Celia Swiatlowski – int. of her family

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

4:00 p.m. +Thomas & Margaret Brigham – int. of their daughter Jean  
+Doris Lynn – int. of her family  
5:15 p.m. +Jan Wasiuk – int. of his wife & family  
+Louis Fontaine, 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary – int. of friends

### **25. Sunday ~ Third Sunday in Ordinary Time; Third after Epiphany**

8:00 a.m. za d.sp. Vera Gilbert – od Jean Ciukaj  
9:30 a.m. for the parishioners

**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
Fr. Mark Mengel	Fr. Gary Dailey	Fr. Alex Cymerman, OFM.C.	Fr. Francis Crombie
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Fr. Charles DiMascola	Fr. Anthony Cullen	Fr. William Lunney	

## 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!***

## Adoration Notice

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the monstrance is suspended until Jan. 28.**  
*Thank you for your understanding!*

## School of Religious Education *NEWS*

**Regular classes meet each Saturday and Sunday morning.** Refer to page 2 for details.

**CANCELLATION REMINDER:** Now that winter is here, please check WWLP, Channel 22 or [www.wwlp.com](http://www.wwlp.com) for announcements in case of cancellation of CCD classes.

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

**Sign of Peace** This is an *optional* gesture at every Mass. The Congregation for Divine Worship has recently called for the congregation to act with simplicity and more restraint when exchanging peace. For example, *a handshake is not obligatory.* In these cold months, it's also more practical **to prevent the spread of cold and other germs** with a simple and sufficient nod of the head, a smile or a whispered "peace to you."

## MASSES, ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS ITEMS FOR BULLETIN

As we prepare for more transitions with our weekly *Parish Bulletin*, we ask that any items for publication be submitted **TWO WEEKS before the desired Sunday date.**

*For example,* if you would like an item to appear in the January 25<sup>th</sup> issue, please submit your item no later than January 11<sup>th</sup>.

This is especially true regarding **Mass intentions. *Please be considerate and plan the date you would like a Mass offered well in advance.*** Most people do this, and we are grateful. However, ***it's unfair for someone to ask for a Mass to be added at the last moment, and often not possible because the bulletin has already been prepared for print.***

*Your understanding and assistance is greatly appreciated!*

## Donations to the Parish

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

### To the General Fund -

\$20 in loving memory of +Mary Jones from Elizabeth Dorsey

\$20 in loving memory of +Fred Swiderski from Donna & Ken Martin

### To the Seminarian Fund –

\$15 in loving memory of +Fred Swiderski Mr. & Mrs. Charles Bates

## Parish Movie Night

The Men's Guild is sponsoring a FREE "Parish Movie Night" next Sat., Jan. 24 after the 5:15 p.m. Mass. The popular Disney movie "FROZEN" will be shown on the big screen in the parish hall. FREE hot dogs, popcorn, soda, and coffee will be served. Kids may bring a blanket and watch from the floor while chairs are provided for adults. Come out and enjoy a fun, free, relaxing evening. *As always, everyone is welcome and it's all FREE.*

## MEDITATION FROM ST. MAXIMILIAN MARIA KOLBE

"Dear little children in the Immaculata, I wish you to be nourished by her with the milk of her graces, that she may caress and educate you as she did with Jesus, our elder Brother, so that He, the divine Spouse of the souls, may recognize always better in us those features He Himself received from His Mother, the Immaculata, those same little eyes, that same little heart.

"The more we belong to the Immaculata, the more confidently and freely we can approach the wounds of our Savior, the Eucharist, the Most Holy Heart of Jesus, and God the Father."

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

## St. John the Baptist School Open House

An "Open House for Parents, Grandparents & Friends" is scheduled for **Wed., Jan. 27 from 10 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.** at St. John the Baptist, 217 Hubbard St., Ludlow. Come and visit the school; bring anyone interested in enrolling their children (nursery school through Grade 8). **Registration** information – Kindergarten (583-8550); Nursery school (589-7531), Feb. 2-13, 9-11:30 a.m. (\$25 registration fee).

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**St. Cecilia Women's Club, Wilbraham**

The St. Cecilia Women's Club is sponsoring a **CARD & GAME PARTY** on **Thurs., Jan. 29** at St. Cecilia Parish Center, 42 Main St., Wilbraham. Come and play any game of your choice (bridge, Canasta, Whist, Scrabble, dominoes, etc.) and enjoy a delicious luncheon. Donation: \$7.00. **Check in begins at 11:30 a.m. with lunch at noon.** Also a raffle for many prizes and gift certificates. Proceeds to fund scholarships and donations to other needy area organizations. For reservations, call Sue Agnew @ 596-9480.

**Socks of Love for Our Neighbors in Need!**

During the month of January, St. John the Baptist School, Ludlow will organize a service project named "**Socks of Love**" during the weeklong celebration of National Catholic Schools Week, collecting new socks (all colors & sizes), toothpaste, tooth brushes, shampoo & conditioner, soap, deodorant. Students, families, & staff of St. John's will be filling the socks with daily essentials collected. If you can help, either monetarily or with supplies, please contact Nancy Richter @ (413) 262-7570 or [fsa@sjbludlow.org](mailto:fsa@sjbludlow.org).

**Casino Night**

A **Casino Night bus trip** will take place on **Sat., Feb. 28, 2015** to Mohegan Sun in Connecticut. Cost: \$35 (for each passenger over age 21; players club card needed for package – sign up for one on arrival, if needed), includes \$15 meal coupon and \$15 in free bets at the Big 6 wheel! Departure: 3:00 p.m. from Holyoke Catholic High School (HCHS), Springfield St., Chicopee. Arrive at casino, 4:30 p.m. Depart from casino, 10:30 p.m. Arrive at HCHS: 11:55 p.m. **Check made payable to HCHS Booster Club** and mailed to Liz Cassidy, P.O. Box 860, Belchertown, MA 01007.

**Irish Cultural Center**

**Irish language classes from the Irish Cultural Center and Elms College start the week of Jan. 19**, including a brand new beginner's class with no prior study required. Also offered are second semester introduction and intermediate classes, as well as a Novice class for credit. For class times, cost & more information on enrolling, call Ellen Gallivan @ (413) 265-2537 or visit [www.ElmsIrishCenter.org](http://www.ElmsIrishCenter.org)

**Pro-Life News for January 18<sup>th</sup>**

Please open your Bible to the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:13c-15a) (Second Reading for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B)~~~  
*"Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you...." Do we respect, protect, feed or dress it as such?*

As we approach the **41<sup>st</sup> anniversary** of the tragic Supreme Court decision **Roe v. Wade** which legalized abortion in 1973, here follows a story of a *true choice* for life!

### *The Life of a Future Priest*

From: "*The Deacon That Almost Wasn't*" from the Seminarian Casual website ([www.SemCasual.org](http://www.SemCasual.org)) on Sept. 22, 2014 comes an inspiring vocations .... *and pro-life* .... story!

"**Deacon Ryan Allan Kaup** should not be here right now," the post stated, referencing his mother's almost-abortion 26 years ago.

"Yet something inside of that frightened girl just wouldn't let her go through with the abortion. So she made another appointment --- this time with her doctor. She resolved to deliver her child and offer him up for adoption, hoping that he'd be given every chance she feared she couldn't give him."

He grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska, with his adoptive parents, Randy and Sherry Kaup, being raised Catholic and attending Catholic schools.

As a college student at the University of Nebraska, "Kaup got involved with the Newman Center on campus."

"[Friends] began to show me the joy that comes from a life lived for God. The example of the priests on campus was instrumental in my vocation to become a seminarian for the Diocese of Lincoln.

"My parents were so great. They always supported me in anything I wanted to do," he said.

Kaup finished his college studies at St. Gregory the Great Seminary in Seward, Nebraska, before attending St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in 2011 for graduate studies. "To be able to make God present for people in the Eucharist and to bring them His forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation is what I'm most looking forward to," he said of the priesthood.

[In the spring of 2015], Deacon Kaup will be ordained a priest.

Thank God for his natural mother's choice for life!

*Our Lady of Guadalupe, patroness of the Americas,  
patroness of the unborn, pray for us!*

SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS



## THE SACRAMENT OF CHARITY

**Part 15** – 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 III:**

#91. **“Give us this day our daily bread,” obliges us** to do everything possible, in cooperation with international, state and private institutions, **to end or at least reduce the scandal of hunger and malnutrition** afflicting so many millions of people in our world.

#92. **The Eucharist itself powerfully illuminates human history and the whole cosmos.** In this sacramental perspective we learn, day by day, that every ecclesial event is a kind of sign by which God makes Himself known and challenges us. **The Eucharistic form of life can thus help foster a real change in the way we approach history and the world.....**The world is not something indifferent, raw material to be utilized simply as we see fit. Rather, it is part of God’s good plan.

#93. The competent offices of the Roman Curia will publish a *Compendium* which will assemble texts from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, prayers, explanations of the Eucharistic Prayers of the Roman Missal and other useful aids for a correct understanding, celebration and adoration of the Sacrament of the Altar. (*Propositio 17*)

SACRAMENTUM CARITATIS... from **Conclusion:**

#94. The Eucharist is at the root of every form of holiness.....**How many saints have advanced along the way of perfection thanks to their Eucharistic devotion!**

**This most holy mystery thus needs to be firmly believed, devoutly celebrated and intensely lived in the Church.....**I therefore ask all pastors to spare no effort in promoting an authentically Eucharistic Christian spirituality. **Priests, deacons and all those who carry out a Eucharistic ministry should always be able to find.....the strength and inspiration needed** for their personal and communal path of sanctification. **I exhort the lay faithful, and families in particular, to find ever anew in the sacrament of Christ’s love the energy needed** to make their lives an authentic sign of the presence of the risen Lord.

#95. **We...cannot live without partaking of the sacrament of our salvation;** we too desire to be *iuxta dominicam viventes*, to reflect in our lives what we celebrate on **the Lord’s Day**. That day is the day of our definitive deliverance.

#96. **May Mary Most Holy, the Immaculate Virgin,** ark of the new and eternal covenant, **accompany us on our way to meet the Lord who comes.....She is the *tota pulchra*, the all-beautiful, for in her the radiance of God’s glory shines forth.** The beauty of heavenly liturgy, which must be reflected in our own assemblies, is faithfully mirrored in her.

#97. **True joy is found in recognizing that the Lord is still with us, our faithful companion along the way.** The Eucharist makes us discover that Christ, risen from the dead, is our contemporary in the mystery of the Church, His Body. (Given in Rome, 22 Feb. 2007)