

# + 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. Miraculous Medal 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.

**May 31, 2015**

*Holy Trinity Sunday* (Roman Rite, ordinary form)

*Holy Trinity Sunday* (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 May & June**

**Sun., May 31<sup>st</sup>**

Devotions in honor of our Blessed Mother to conclude the month of May, 2:00 p.m., church  
Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations, 4:00 p.m., church

**Mon., June 1<sup>st</sup>**

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

**Wed., June 3<sup>rd</sup>**

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

**Fri., June 5<sup>th</sup>**

First Friday in honor of the Sacred Heart / Pierwszy Piatek Miesiaca

**Sat., June 6<sup>th</sup>**

First Saturday: Rosary Sodality meeting after 7 a.m. Mass, St. Maximilian Kolbe room.  
HOT DOGS & HAMBURGS by Men's Guild, starting after 4 p.m. Mass, outside 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 [jmjdrrs2007@yahoo.com](mailto:jmjdrrs2007@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. +Alexander & Bertha Niemiec – int. of their daughter Irene & Carl  
+deceased members of the Slozak family – int. of June & Richard

5:15 p.m. for the parishioners

### **31. Sunday ~ HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY**

8:00 a.m. za d.sp. Sylvester & Helen Orszulak; Mary Ann & John Smola – od Fred i Barbara

9:30 a.m. +Alice Cichon – int. of her daughter Marcia

### **2:00 p.m. May Devotions / Majowe Nabozenstwo**

#### **1. Monday ~ Saint Justin, martyr**

7:00 a.m. +Frank & Sabina Lachowski – int. of their family

#### **2. Tuesday ~ Saints Marcellinus & Peter, martyrs**

5:30 p.m. Novena & Mass: +Rev. Luke Kot – int. of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Forkey  
+Nancy Michaud – int. of her family

#### **3. Wednesday ~ Saints Charles Lwanga & companions, martyrs**

7:00 a.m. +Carol Lavigne – int. of her husband Richard

#### **4. Thursday ~ feria (9<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time)**

7:00 a.m. +John Koss – int. of Veronica Karcz

#### **5. Friday ~ Saint Boniface, bishop & martyr**

7:00 a.m. +Julian Patino – int. of Janina & Waclaw Pryga

#### **6. Saturday ~ Saint Norbert, bishop**

7:00 a.m. for the living & +deceased members of the Rosary Sodality,  
group of Joanne Stolar

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

4:00 p.m. +Nancy Szostek – int. of Gloria Nowak  
+deceased members of the Karcz family – int. of the family

5:15 p.m. +Thomas McLaughlin & Mark Walker – int. of the family

+Jean Bigos – int. of her husband & family

### **7. Sunday ~ MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD of CHRIST / CORPUS CHRISTI**

8:00 a.m. za parafian / for the parishioners

9:30 a.m. +Cecelia Matera – int. of John & Barbara Yurkunas

In thanksgiving to God: 98 years of God's blessings for Sophie Lebida

### **Corpus Christi Procession / Procesja Bozego Ciala: after 9:30 a.m. Mass**

**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
<b>Pope Francis</b>	<b>Fr. Jonathan Inskip, MIC</b>	<b>Fr. Thaddeus Lancton</b>	<b>Fr. Joseph Powell</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Fr. Matthew Alcombright</b>	<b>Fr. Piotr Pawlus</b>	<b>Fr. Ryan Sliwa</b>	

## 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??*

**We are grateful that Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament continues in our parish.**

**DEO GRATIAS! Currently all Adoration Hours have been filled.**

*Thanks you and God bless all who have volunteered.*

Others are still encouraged to join us. It would be ideal if two (2) persons per hour were regularly scheduled. This would cover any emergency absence.

*Time spent with God is never time wasted! He may be calling YOU!* To substitute or commit to an hour in this ministry of prayer, please contact Joanne Stolar @ 283-4651. *God is never outdone in generosity!*

## School of Religious Education *NEWS*

**Religious Education Classes have concluded for 2014-2015.** Now comes the CHALLENGE, students and parents. As Catholics, we are obliged to attend Holy Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil). Come together as a family. Some may tell you, "It doesn't matter to God whether I'm in church or not." You may reply, "**God does care, and I know I'm pleasing Him when I come to worship and thank Him at Mass.**"

## RECITATION OF THE ROSARY ON MONDAYS

**Sts. Peter & Paul Rosary Sodality** continues to pray the Rosary on each Monday at 4:00 p.m. in church. Please come and pray for world peace and the protection for our citizens and nation. ***All are welcome! Queen of the Holy Rosary, pray for us!***

## MASSES, ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEWS ITEMS FOR BULLETIN

In preparation for transitions with our weekly *Parish Bulletin*, we ask that any items for publication be submitted **TWO WEEKS before the desired Sunday date.** (e.g., an item desired to appear in a Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> issue, should be submitted no later than Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>). Likewise for Mass intentions: ***Please be considerate and plan the date you would like a Mass offered well in advance. Your understanding is greatly appreciated!***

## New Parish Offertory Envelopes

As Father has previously announced, the **Parish Offertory Envelopes are here** and can be found in near the back pews of the church. This new packet will begin on **Sun., July 5, 2015. *Please be sure to take yours home.*** If you cannot find yours, please contact the rectory office. *Thank you for supporting our parish spiritually and financially!*

## Donations to the Parish

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

**To the General Fund ~**

~ \$100 in loving memory of +Nancy Morris from Peter & Frances Misiaszek

~ \$200 – special intention as promised from Natalie Noble

## “THEE BOUTIQUE” ~ PARISH PICNIC

*It's that time again!* Our Parish Picnic will be held on Sun., July 26. **“Thee Boutique”** is looking for donations: gently used and new purses, jewelry, scarves, jewelry boxes, men's neckties, cuff links and most accessories. Please leave items in the sacristy or call Cheryl Kozlik @ 283-2773 to arrange pickup. *Thank you!*

## STS. PETER & PAUL MEN'S GUILD

The next **meeting of the Sts. Peter & Paul Men's Guild** will be held on **Wed., June 10 at 6:30 p.m.** in the parish hall. All members are urged to attend. New members are welcome, including young men.

## HOT DOGS & HAMBURGERS

The Sts. Peter & Paul Men's Guild will host **Hot Dogs & Hamburgers** on **Sat., June 6** outside the parish hall. Food serving will begin after the end of the 4 p.m. Vigil Mass. Cost: \$1.00 for food & beverages. Nourish your soul at Mass, then nourish your body afterwards! *All are invited!*

## 2015 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**, the annual exercise in charity of the Diocese of Springfield since 1959 (previously known as *“Catholic Charities”* and *“Catholic Stewardship Appeal”*) began this past Lent. **If you have not yet done so, please consider making a donation for this worthy cause.** No amount is too little. The ACA provides services for so many diocesan programs and persons of genuine need. **LATEST PARISH UPDATE: \$13,234.00 collected from 217 donors.** *Thanks and God bless you!*

## PILGRIMAGE to NATIONAL SHRINE of OUR LADY of LASALETTE

The Apostolate of Suffering at Mary Farm is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the LaSalette Shrine, Attleboro, Mass. On **Sat., June 27. Mass & meal at Shrine: \$37 per person.** Air conditioned bus **leaves 8:30 a.m.; returns 5:30 p.m.** For more info., contact Br. Bob at (413) 283-4529 or [maryfarm@comcast.net](mailto:maryfarm@comcast.net). **Reservation deadline: June 12.**

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

**PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

The Three Rivers Firefighters Association Ladies Auxiliary will host a **Pancake Breakfast** on **Sun., June 7 from 8:00 to 11:30 a.m.** at the Three Rivers Fire Station, 50 Springfield St., Three Rivers. Please come and join in supporting our local fire department. *A fun and delicious way to celebrate as a community.* Adults - \$6.00 / Children 4-12 years - \$4.00 / Children under 4 years – Free *We hope to see you there!*

**MARCH FOR LIFE ~ MASS. CITIZENS FOR LIFE**

The Mass. Citizens for Life Inc. (MCFL) will sponsor a **MARCH FOR LIFE on Sun., June 28** on the Boston Common. Rally: 1:00 p.m.; March: 2:30 p.m. MCFL has sponsored the Walk to Aid Mothers & Children for almost 30 years. This year we will still raise funds for beneficiary groups, but we have expanded the focus to a March for Life. **Over 1.2 million babies in Massachusetts alone have died from abortion since 1973.** *We must give witness!* Rally speakers include legislators, post-abortive women, clergy, youth, and many others, all led by music of Lift Ministries. *Please come to raise public awareness.* More information, posters, sponsor sheets: (617) 242-4199 or [www.masscitizensforlife.org](http://www.masscitizensforlife.org)

**ST. MARY'S 31<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL CARNIVAL, Ware**

**St. Mary's Parish, Ware** will hold its **31<sup>st</sup> Annual Carnival** on the grounds of St. Mary's School, from **Thurs., June 11<sup>th</sup> to Sat., June 13<sup>th</sup>.** Polish food sold all three days. **Entertainment:** Thurs., Donna Lee, 6:30-10:30 p.m.; Fri., Maestro's Men, 6:30-10:30 p.m.; Sat., Raider Eddie & Skeletones, 6:30-10:30 p.m. *Free admission! All are welcome!*

**Bishop Rozanski's Tour to World Youth Day 2016**

Accompanied by Fr. Piotr Calik, associate pastor at St. Mary's, Ware, Bishop Rozanski will lead a tour to **World Youth Day** departing on **July 22, 2016** and returning on Aug. 3. The tour will include visits to Czestochowa, Auschwitz and Zakopane....several sites that were important in the life of Pope Saint John Paul II. For more details, call Stacy Dibbern @ (413) 452-0670 or email [stacy.dibbern@diospringfield.org](mailto:stacy.dibbern@diospringfield.org)

**"CHALICE of SALVATION" TIME CHANGE**

Due to other NBC programming, our weekly diocesan televised Mass, **"Chalice of Salvation,"** will air at an earlier time next Sunday. Instead of 10 a.m., the Mass will air at **6:30 a.m. on Sun., June 7.**

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Bishop Mitchell T. Rozanski cordially invites you to the Diocese of Springfield's

## **2015 PRIESTLY ORDINATION**



Join with the Catholic community in welcoming our newest priest, **Rev. Mr. Ryan Sliwa**, at St. Michael's Cathedral, State St., Springfield on **Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 11:00 a.m.**

A reception will follow the Ordination Mass in the Bishop Marshall Center.

**Ties to Divine Mercy Parish:** Many will remember that as a seminarian, Ryan, a member of Holy Family Parish (formerly St. Stanislaus), South Deerfield, spent one of his recent summers assisting in our parish.

Please remember this fine young man in your prayers as he assumes the dignity and sweet burden of the priesthood.

## **BASICS of OUR CATHOLIC FAITH ~ 15**

*from: The COMPENDIUM of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

**112. What is the importance of the Paschal Mystery of Jesus?**

**The Paschal Mystery of Jesus, which comprises His Passion, death, Resurrection, and glorification, stands at the center of the Christian faith** because God's saving plan was accomplished once for all by the redemptive death of His Son Jesus Christ.

**117. Who is responsible for the death of Jesus?**

The Passion and death of Jesus cannot be imputed indiscriminately either to all the Jews who were living at that time or to their descendants. **Every single sinner, that is, every human being is really the cause and the instrument of the sufferings of the Redeemer;** and the greater blame in this respect falls on those above all who are Christians and who the more often fall into sin or delight in their vices.

**122. What are the results of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross?**

**Jesus freely offered His life as an expiatory sacrifice, that is, He made reparation for our sins with the full obedience of His love unto death.** The Paschal Sacrifice of Christ, therefore, redeems humanity in a way that is unique, perfect, and definitive; and it opens up for them communion with God.

**124. In what condition was the body of Christ while it lay in the tomb?**

Christ underwent a real death and a true burial. However, the power of God preserved His body from corruption.

**125. What is the "hell" into which Jesus descended?**

**This "hell" was different from the *hell* of the damned. It was the state of all those, righteous and evil, who died before Christ.** With His Soul united to His divine Person Jesus went down to the just in hell who were awaiting their Redeemer so they could enter at last into the vision of God. When He had conquered by His death both death and the devil "who has the power of death" (Hebrews 2:14), He freed the just who looked forward to the Redeemer and opened for them the gates of heaven.

**126. What place does the Resurrection of Christ occupy in our faith?**

**The Resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith in Christ and represents along with His cross an essential part of the Paschal Mystery.**