



Divine Mercy Parish

Mass Schedule for the Week of May 29, 2022

<i>Monday, May 30, 2022</i>		
8:00 AM	DM	For All Those Buried In Our Cemeteries
<i>Tuesday, May 31, 2022</i>		
6:45 AM	DM	Arlene & Son, Steve Liscusky by Callee & Stephen
<i>Wednesday, June 1, 2022</i>		
6:45 AM	DM	Loving Memory of George Rittle – 3rd Anniversary of Death by Wife, Sons, Daughter & Families
2-4 PM	Chapel	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<i>Thursday, June 2, 2022</i>		
6:45 AM	DM	Eva & Michael Racis by Dorothy & Romolo
<i>Friday, June 3, 2022</i>		
6:45 AM	DM	Peter & Mary Yockachonis by Grandchildren
2-4 PM	Chapel	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<i>Saturday, June 4, 2022</i>		
8:00 AM	DM	No Mass
4:00 PM	DM	Buchinsky & Mirocke Families by Buchinsky Family
<i>Sunday, June 5, 2022</i>		
7:30 AM	SC	Uncle Edward Wiskierski & Father, Frank Garber by Janet
9:40 AM	SC	Divine Mercy Chaplet
10:00 AM	SC	Betty & Steve Straka by Daughter, Jenny & Family
12:30 PM	DM	Living & Deceased Priests – Diocese of Allentown
En espanol		

“The clergy and religious of the Diocese of Allentown continue to stand ready to provide steadfast support and prayers during this difficult time,” said Bishop Schlert. “Just as St. Joseph protected the Holy Family, we turn to St. Joseph to protect us at this time of uncertainty and pandemic.” We invite all the faithful who are quarantined during this time and unable to receive Holy Communion, to offer their prayers for healing throughout the world. Pray the Holy Rosary, on www.EWTN.com/tv/shows/sunday-Mass-live. Pray this prayer for spiritual communion and set aside time for prayer with the Sacred Scriptures of the day – go to www.wordamongus.org.

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



Divine Mercy Collections

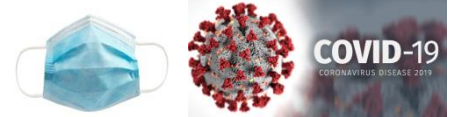
May 22nd - \$ 4,237.00

Prayer to Your Guardian Angel

Angel of God,
my guardian dear,
To whom God’s love
Commits me here,
Ever this day,
be at my side,
To light and guard,
Rule and guide.

Prayer for Our Country

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Patroness of America, please help our country. Help us to return to what is decent, right and proper. Help us to return to respect for ourselves and others, into truth in dealing with ourselves and others, to self-control and self-discipline and, especially, to a deep love for your Son and his teachings. Protect us from those who would destroy us from within. Our Lady, we place ourselves and our country under your mantle. Pray for us and help us. Amen.



Masks must be worn in the parish office due to COVID cases in Schuylkill County.



Patience Makes Sense

Don’t be tempted to compare yourself to others. God’s plan for you is unique. “Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him; fret not yourself over him who prospers in his way” (Psalm 37:7).

Divine Mercy Church Memorial Fund

- James Heckard**
 \$25 Tom & Pam Twardzik & sons
Felix Petrachonis
 \$25 Tom & Pam Twardzik & sons
John Caulfield
 \$5 Maria Rittle
Joseph Kolonsky
 \$10 Louise Heckard
Joseph Waiksnoris
 \$5 Daughters, Pat, Diana & Debby
 \$5 Grandchildren & Great
 Grandchildren
 \$5 Daughter, Debby & family



Our office will be closed on Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day. The office will reopen on Wednesday, June 1st at 8:30 AM.



Monday – 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM
Wednesday - 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM and
Thursday - 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM

Please note: our office will be closed every Tuesday and Friday for the summer.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

When: Every 1st Sunday of the month
 Time: 3:00 PM
 Where: St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Mahanoy City

St. Joseph the Worker

Our primary responsibility is to fulfill our daily obligations. Yet, St. Joseph demonstrated that work can lead to holiness if our efforts are for God. St. Joseph was not rich. He and Mary made a modest Temple offering when Jesus was born. As a carpenter he had to work hard to support his family. Yet, he offered all he was to raise God's son and protect him from harm. Thus, St. Joseph made everyday life holy.

Devotional Lamps

Divine Mercy

- Sanctuary In memory of my beloved parents & sister, Angelo & Enrica & Jean Romano by Ann Romano
 Divine Mercy God's blessings & speedy recovery for Ann Romano by Maria Rittle
 Divine Mercy Prayers & good health for J.M., S.M., M.S., A.M., T.S., G.M. & R.G. by M/M John Maskornick
 Divine Mercy In memory of James Heckard by wife, Louise
 Blessed Mother In memory of Albert Jr. Albert Sr., Anna, George & Regina Discavage by Irene
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of our grandparents on this Memorial Day, Nellie & Edward Maloney, William & Margaret Connor by Maloney family
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of Lucy, Joseph, Margaret, Edward, Jim, Francis & Mary Maloney, Aunt Anna, John, Maryann & William Connor by Maloney family
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of Helen, Joseph, Stanley & Donald Rusesky by Maloney family
 Blessed Mother God's blessings & speedy recovery for Ann Romano by Louise Heckard
 Blessed Mother In loving memory on their birthdays: my mother, Olga Piaskowski & my brother, Michael Piaskowski by Kathy Sinkiewicz
 St. Ann Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family
 St. Joseph Good health & God's blessings for Jason Banonis by cousin, Barbara Hardy
 OLMC In memory of Michael Racis by Dorothy & Romolo
 OLMC Happy birthday in heaven – Chuck Nowak by Diane & Albert
 OLMC In memory of Louis & Marion Chapley by Mary Ann & Bob Budd
 OLMC Special intentions for John Kelly family
 OLMC Special intentions by Ann Marnell Lehman
 OLMC God's blessings & speedy recovery for Ann Romano by Barbara Hardy
 OLMC Happy belated birthday to Arlene Sachleben by Barbara Hardy
 St. Joseph In memory of Connell & Karvois families by Marilyn Connell
 Altar In thanksgiving for 64 years of holy priesthood by Fr. Dene
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 Guadalupe Agustinmacaria Emanuel Relles Eduardo Domingo Gollo by Familia Barcnas Barrientos

St. Casimir

- Sanctuary In loving memory of my dad in heaven, George Rittle by daughter, Maria
 Czestochowa In memory of Florence Zelko by Barbara Guzinski
 Divine Mercy In loving memory of Frank Macus by Fran & Maria
 Divine Mercy In loving memory of Michalik, Mentel, Zelonis & Shirvinski families by Michael & Marie Michalik
 Divine Mercy God's blessings for Fr. Dene on his 64th anniversary by Ed & Fran Domkus
 Divine Mercy In loving memory of Leonard Mankiewicz by Fran & Maria
 Divine Mercy Special intention for Brent & in thanksgiving by Pat
 Divine Mercy Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of John T. McGuire by wife, Peg
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of Joseph Jurewicz on the 6th anniversary of his death - love and miss you by Joan & Joe Wallace
 Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Paul Straka by Joe & Joan Wallace
 Blessed Mother Brent's safe trip and for his intention by G.
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of my nephew, Jonathan Meier on his birthday by Elaine Tutko

Why are Catholic and Protestant Bibles Different?

The differences are found in the Old Testament. The first 39 books accepted by Jews as divinely inspired were written in Hebrew. After Alexander the Great conquered the Middle East, Greek became the common language. Another 7 books Jews accepted as inspired were written in Greek.

In time most Jews lost their knowledge of Hebrew. About the year 150 BC, a group of 70 scholars were appointed to translate the original 39 books into Greek. This version of Scripture was called the Septuagint and contained 46 books. All Jews, including Jesus and the Apostles, used this version.

One of the Scripture references to Purgatory is in 2 Maccabees, a book originally written in Greek. In the early 1500s, Martin Luther rebelled against the Catholic Church. One reason he gave was his rejection of Purgatory. So he removed all seven books originally written in Greek. Ever since, Protestants have followed suit. Even though Christians had believed those seven books to be divinely inspired for 1500 years, Protestants removed them from the Bible.



Can You See God?

Are you aware of God's presence in your life? Looking for ways in which he blesses us rather than thinking about prayers he hasn't yet answered make us more aware of how he moves in our lives. Of course, God is always with us whether we see him or not. Ask him to give you eyes to see him.

"Trust always in your God. He does not lose battles," St. Josemaría Escrivá.



St. Casimir

- Blessed Mother Special intentions by Mary Kufro
- Blessed Mother In memory of John & Helen Pukavige by children
- Blessed Mother In memory of Joe Kutsko Sr. by Deb, Dana & Dustin
- Blessed Mother In memory of Paul Drumheller – 15th anniversary of death by Deb, Dana & Dustin
- Sacred Heart In memory of Leon Boltz by wife, Lisa
- St. Ann In memory of Theodore, Catherine and Catherine Mary Guzinski by Barbie

Chapel

- Sanctuary Special intentions by Msgr. B
- Blessed Mother Prayers & good health for Emily Seigel by uncle Ed & aunt Kerri
- St. Joseph Special intentions by Msgr. B

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 4TH AND 5TH

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM	Gina Lombard	Marty Brophy	None
7:30 AM	Anne Grochowski	Jennifer Grochowski	Kale Rowan
10:00 AM	Anne Taylor	Kathy Phillips	Jennifer Selbi

Because We Are Catholic

Many thanks to those who have made a pledge to the Because We Are Catholic Annual Appeal. Making a six-month pledge to the Appeal allows you to maximize the amount that you may give by making monthly payments. For example, a \$120.00 gift to the Appeal may be setup with the six \$20.00 installments. Remember, every gift counts, no matter how small. Your generosity funds the annual budget for important Diocesan ministries in our area. You can make your gift online at BecauseWeAreCatholic.org.

What are the Precepts of the Catholic Church

- To observe certain feasts.
- To keep the prescribed fasts.
- To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days.
- To confess once a year.
- To receive Holy Communion during paschal time.
- To pay tithes.
- To abstain from any act upon which an interdict has been placed entailing excommunication.

Feasts & Celebrations

In June we honor the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The flame of the Sacred Heart symbolizes Christ's unending love for us. Mary's pure mother's heart follows her son's and goes out to everyone he loves.

June 11th - St. Barnabas (1st Century). The Apostles changed his name from Joseph to Barnabas (meaning "son of encouragement") because he sold his property and gave the much needed funds to the Jerusalem community. He accompanied St. Paul on his first evangelical journey.



Adult Confirmation at the Cathedral on Pentecost Sunday

Bishop Schlert will celebrate the 11:30 AM Mass on Pentecost Sunday, June 5th at the Cathedral of St. Catharine of Siena, Allentown, wherein he will confirm adults of our Diocese. Those to be confirmed are those adults (eighteen years of age or older) who were baptized in the Roman Catholic Church, received their First Communion, are catechized, but never confirmed. Please contact your pastor or Sister Helene to discuss registration details.

Divine Mercy Parish Pierogies are available at the parish office \$ 7.00 per dozen.

A Little Reminder For Cemetery Lot Owners in order to keep bringing all our Parish Cemeteries in line with the guidelines and regulations of the Diocese the following will still be enforced: all bricks, fine & crushed stone, plants, fresh & plastic flowers not in containers, fences, borders of all types will be removed & discarded immediately due to the fact that they cause a problem for maintenance of your lot. Again, anything that interferes with the mowing & trimming of grass will be removed at the family's expense. Containers should not interfere with the care of the cemetery grounds. If they do, the containers will be removed immediately. No planting of flowers, trees, or shrubs allowed. Plastic flowers must be in containers also.



Always Hope

Sin and negative thinking go hand in hand. We lose hope and think God isn't watching or doesn't care. Thinking positively and hopefully helps to avoid sin. Thanks be to God for second chances!

Our next Prayer Group will be held on Thursday, June 2nd at 6:30 PM at the Father Cizek Center.

Bible Group Friday, June 10th at 9:30 AM at the Father Cizek Center

There will be no Franciscan Group in June

For more information, call Sr. Marietta 590-0435 or the parish office 462-1968.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel with the Annual Novena

will begin on July 7th. The Novena Mass will be at 8:00 AM each day. The final Mass will be held on Sunday, July 17th at 8:30 AM with Procession following.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH FOOD SALE

Will be held on

Friday, July 15th from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Saturday, July 16th from 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM and

Sunday, July 17th from Noon to 6:00 PM



In Divine Mercy Parish Parking Lot

Our Menu will consist of: Bar-B-Que, Bleenies, Haluskie, Hamburgers, Meatball Hoagies, Homemade Pierogies, Homemade Dill Pickles, Kielbasy Hoagies, Porketta, Spanish Food, Wedding Soup & Desserts

Cash Prize Raffles will also be available and Mega Prize Chances

God is Our Strength

Life can be exhausting and we can become overwhelmed by what it takes to be good. It is important to remember that we don't struggle alone. *If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him?* (Romans 8:31-32).



Our parish is in need of Lectors, Altar Servers and Eucharistic Ministers. If you are interested in any of these ministries, we ask that you please call the parish office at 462-1968.



To the parishioners from Divine Mercy Parish who are so proud of their heritage and walked in the Heritage Day Parade on Saturday, May 21st.

Bautismos Todos están invitados a bautizar a sus hijos. Aún si usted no está casado en la Iglesia se puede bautizar a su bebé. Sin embargo, le pedimos que seleccione una pareja que se casó en la Iglesia Católica para ser sus padrinos. Si un padrino / madrina es una persona soltera, él / ella puede convertirse en una condición de que, esa persona ha recibido el bautismo. Por favor, tenga en cuenta que una pareja, civilmente casada o una persona que vive junto a otra persona como una pareja no está calificada para ser un padrino/madrina. Si son de fuera de nuestra parroquia, por favor, díles de obtener un certificado de elegibilidad de su pastor al menos dos semanas de anticipación. Padre llevará a cabo clases de bautismo, tanto para los padres y padrinos y administrar el rito del bautismo. Por favor, visite la oficina parroquial (108 W. Cherry St., Shenandoah, Teléfono 570 (4621968) para reservar fechas y rellenar formularios. El proceso es muy fácil.

Diocesan Information

If a Prenatal Diagnosis is Poor... You are not alone. There is help. The Diocese of Allentown has a network of concerned parents and professionals who have experienced or worked closely with issues surrounding poor prenatal diagnosis. For support, contact: Sr. Janice Marie Johnson, . Johnson@allentowndiocese.org or 610-289-8900 x 245.

Victim Assistance Coordinator The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church. Victim Assistance Coordinator—**Direct Telephone Number:** 1-800-791-9209. To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit www.allentowndiocese.org and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right hand corner of the page.

Open Registration for the 2022-2023

Divine Mercy Pre-school Program

Under the Direction of Mrs. Sharon Tobin, B.A. Exceptional Child Study. Pre-school will be held at the Fr. Walter Ciszek Education Center (Trinity Academy), 233 W. Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA 17976 - Phone 462-3927. Children ages 3, 4 and 5 welcome for half and/or full day Pre-school classes Monday through Friday. Our Pre-school Program follows a modified Montessori method to prepare your child for the world of learning and his/her admission to Kindergarten. Attendance five days per week allows your child to benefit by participating in more of the learning opportunities provided. Please call Sr. Patricia Mount at 462-3927 for more information or to request a registration packet. **Registrations will be taken throughout the summer.** Please mark this on your calendar.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM - PREP

Now is the time to register your child for the Religious Education Classes for Students in Grades 1 – 8, for the 2022 – 2023 school year.

The students who attended PREP classes during the 2021 – 2022 school year have received their registration forms. The forms are to be completed and put in the mailbox of Annunciation Convent, 229 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA, by **Sunday, June 12th.**

The parents of new students are to call Sister Mary Glackin at 484-888-1358 to set up an appointment to register.

If you have any questions, please call Sister Mary Glackin at 484-888-1358.

The first twenty families that register will receive a prize in September.

Thank you and God bless you,
Sister Mary Glackin, IHM

Programa de Education Religiosa PREP de la parroquia de la Divina Misericordia

Es la hora de registrar sus niños(as) para las clases de educación religiosa para los estudiantes que en el año escolar de 2022-2023 van a asistir los grados 1-8.

Los estudiantes que atendieron las clases de PREP durante el año escolar 2021 – 2022 recibieron los formularios de registración. Deben completarlos y ponerlos en la caja del correo del convento de la Anunciación, 229 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA, antes de Junio 12th.

Los padres de los nuevos estudiantes deben llamar a la Hermana Mary Glackin al 484-888-1358 para hacer una cita para registrarse.

Si tienen alguna pregunta por favor llamen a la Hermana Mary al 484-888-1358.

Las primeras 20 familias que se registren recibirán un premio en septiembre.

Gracias y Dios los bendiga,
Hermana Mary Glackin, IHM

Attention all Safe Environment Coordinators!

Mandated reporter trainings and Protecting God’s Children Workshops will now be available virtually. If you are interested, please contact Pam Russo Secretary, Youth Protection and Catholic Human Services

P.O. Box F, Allentown, PA 18105-1538
610-871-5200 ext. 2204

prusso@allentowndioocese.org

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Upcoming Events

Knights of Columbus, Council 618, 201 West Cherry St. Shenandoah will sponsor a Hoagie Sale on the following dates from 11:30 AM to 2:00 PM: June 14th, July 12th, August 9th, September 13th and October 11th. Advance Orders call 462-1430 or 590-1188. Local delivery only. Choice of Hoagies: Regular, Italian & Ham & Cheese \$ 6.00 each.

Swahili Mass Fr. Barnabas Shayo, A.J., will celebrate a Swahili Catholic Mass on June 5th at 2:00 PM, in St. Patrick Church. All are welcome to experience the African way of celebrating Mass. There will be African food, soft drinks, and banana beer at the Parish Center following Mass. Fr. Barnabas will offer classes every Wednesday on the several parts of the Swahili Mass to help attendees be able to participate fully during Mass.

St. Mary’s Church Block Party will be held on Friday, June 10th from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM and Saturday, June 11th from 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM. Live music on Saturday – Sakes Alive. Third Annual Horseshoe Tournament on June 11th – registration at 10:00 AM and tournament begins at 11:00 AM - \$ 20.00 per person if interested, please call 985-7311. Homemade food, beer, raffle tickets, basket auction, games, great band, great company. Rain or shine.

St. Patrick Church, Pottsville presents TRIVIA NIGHT on Wednesday, June 15th. Doors open at 6:30 PM; Trivia starts at 7:00 PM in St. Patrick Parish Center (313 Mahantongo Street, Pottsville). \$250.00 for the winning team. Tickets (per person): \$10.00 in advance; \$15.00 at the door. BYOB. Refreshments available for purchase. Please call Debbie at 622-1802, ext. 0 for tickets or more information.

Marian Catholic High School

Information Session, Monday, June 6th from 5:30 PM-7:00 PM. Come take a tour of the school, meet some students and staff, and get all your questions answered. Transfer grants available for incoming sophomores & juniors. Please call or email Mary Milosh to RSVP: mmilosh@mariancatholic.org /467-3335 Ext. 116

Wanted: Bridge Builders

In Jesus’ day, the accustomed action for people who didn’t conform to usual standards of behavior was to turn them into outcasts. Jesus showed us another way. He didn’t expel sinners but forgave them. In fact, many of his healings helped restore people to their communities. By commanding us to love our enemies, Jesus demanded that we become bridge builders and refuse to recognize anyone as an enemy. As his followers, he wants us to build bridges, not walls. **Listen without talking.** Building bridges requires understanding others’ needs. Listening well is key but can be hard to do. Try starting a conversation and practice just listening. Maintain eye contact and don’t plan your response until the other person has finished speaking. **Empathize.** Empathy is the ability to understand and share the feelings of another. It means setting aside your own personal agenda so you can fully understand the other person’s needs. **Be an instrument of peace.** A disagreement doesn’t have to become a conflict. We gain nothing by being nasty or obnoxious. Instead, stick to the facts and be firm but friendly. **Avoid gossip and gossips.** This is the most obvious tip but talking about others behind their backs leads to trouble for others and for you. If you are asked about someone else, always find something positive to say.

Financial Report for the Month of March 2022

Net March	Income	\$ 36,092.28	Expenses	\$ 39,876.27
			Insurance	\$ 7,422.00
			Assessments	\$ 4,023.00
	Total Income	\$ 36,092.28	Total Expenses	\$ 51,321.27
	Expenses over income	\$ 15,228.99	This shows a loss of	\$ 15,228.99