



# Divine Mercy Parish

## Mass Schedule for the Week of August 14, 2022

### *Monday, August 15, 2022*

6:45 AM DM **George, Agnes & Mary Zitkus** by Family  
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
 6-6:30 PM DM Confessions

### *Tuesday, August 16, 2022*

6:45 AM DM **Joseph Sr., Gloria & Joseph Jr. Bellucci** by Family

### *Wednesday, August 17, 2022*

6:45 AM DM **Jack Wright** by Charlotte & Dave Kriner  
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### *Thursday, August 18, 2022*

6:45 AM DM **Living & Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Parish**

### *Friday, August 19, 2022*

6:45 AM DM **Wally Tabor** by Rita & Bob  
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

### *Saturday, August 20, 2022*

8:00 AM DM **Wileen Blackwell** by Ann Louise Conroy

3:45 PM DM **Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
 4:00 PM DM **Edward Sivak** by Family

### *Sunday, August 21, 2022*

7:30 AM SC **Steven Finkel & Joseph Mulkusky** by Mom & Sister  
 9:40 AM SC **Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
 10:00 AM SC **Florence Steele** by William Steele  
 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](http://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](http://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

### **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 mantel. Pray for us and help us. Amen.

### **Divine Mercy Chaplet**

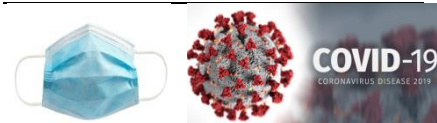
When: Every 1st Sunday of the month

Time: 3:00 PM

Where: St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Mahanoy City

### **Divine Mercy Collections**

August 7th - \$ 5,942.00



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



**Date for Confirmation:  
 Tuesday, October 18, 2022  
 at 4:30 PM  
 at Divine Mercy Parish.**

**Divine Mercy Church Memorial Fund**

**Helen Greenwalt**

- \$10 Shustack family
- \$10 Kowalick family
- \$5 Gloria Laudeman

**Florence Yanall**

- \$10 Joe & Joanie Wallace
- \$10 Barbara Hardy

**Ann Sacco**

- \$5 Gloria Laudeman

**Good health & God's blessings for Maryann Selvocki**

- \$10 Joe & Joanie Wallace

**God's blessings, health, wealth & happiness for Robert & Violet Guers**

- \$10 Anonymous

**Good health & God's blessings for Dan Shustack**

- \$10 Pav & Diane

**Father Walter J. Ciszek Chapel Memorial Fund**

**Pat Gilroy**

- \$15 Bob & Joan Racis

**Daniel Vale**

- \$10 Leo & Pat Treshock



To the following students of Nativity High School who graduated this year: Ace Christian, Zachary Pribish, Luke Sajone & Juan U. Tovar. May God bless them in their future endeavors.

**Divine Mercy Parish Food Sale Donation**

- \$100 Barbara Hardy



To an anonymous parishioner for their generous donation of \$500.00 to use to help pay the electricity bill. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



**Devotional Lamps**

**Divine Mercy**

- Sanctuary In memory of my beloved parents & sister, Angelo & Enrica & Jean Romano by Ann Romano
- Divine Mercy Good health & God's blessings for J.M., S.M., M.S., H.S., T.S., G.M., R.G., L.B. & J. B. by M/M John Maskornick
- Divine Mercy In loving memory of Donald & Lucille by wife & mother
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- Divine Mercy In memory of my sister, Joann Hilbert on her birthday 8/12 by sister, Pat & Leo T. & family
- Blessed Mother In memory of Albert Jr. Albert Sr., Anna, George & Regina Discavage by Irene
- Blessed Mother In loving memory of our grandparents, Edward & Nellie Maloney and William & Margaret Connors by Maloney family
- Blessed Mother In memory of Thomas Mundy Sr. on his birthday 8/17 by wife, Anna, children & grandchildren
- Blessed Mother Special intentions by Gloria Laudeman
- Blessed Mother Prayers & God's blessings for Adie Jankaitis by Nikki
- Blessed Mother Prayers & God's blessings for Charlotte Litwak by sister, Nikki
- St. Ann Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family
- St. Ann Good health & God's blessings for Maura Marnell by friends
- OLMC In memory of Antoinette Laureti by Dorothy & Romolo
- OLMC In memory of Betsy Clark – 2nd anniversary of death 8/10 by husband, Gary & family
- OLMC Special intentions by Ann Marnell Lehman
- OLMC Special intentions for John Kelly family
- St. Joseph In memory of our dear "Pop" Buchinsky by family
- St. Joseph In memory of Connell & Karvois families by Marilyn
- St. Joseph Good health & God's blessings for my grandson, Finn on his 10th birthday
- Infant of Prague Eternal salvation – Helen Birchess by Damian Birchess
- Guadalupe Anniversary of death – Felipe Perez by family Hernandez Perez

**St. Casimir**

- Sanctuary In memory of the former St. George Parish by Cindy Tancredi
- Czestochowa For deceased Barnick & Guzinski grandparents by Terry & Joe Richardson
- Divine Mercy In loving memory of Frank Macus by Fran & Maria
- Divine Mercy Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski
- Divine Mercy In loving memory of John T. McGuire by wife, Peggy
- Divine Mercy Good health & God's blessings for Patty Rainis by Peggy McGuire
- Divine Mercy Good health & God's blessings for Patty Rainis by Rose Chiaretti
- Divine Mercy Good health & God's blessings for Maryann Parante by Rose Chiaretti
- Blessed Mother In memory of John F. Baginski by Baginski family
- Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Agnes Ferguson on her 100th birthday by Ed & Fran Domkus
- Blessed Mother Special intention by Ed & Fran Domkus
- Blessed Mother In memory of John & Helen Pukavige by children
- Sacred Heart In loving memory of my dad, George Rittle by daughter, Maria
- St. Ann Special intentions by Mary Kufro

**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

**Divine Mercy Summer Food Sale Profit**

**\$19,617.11**

Thank you to all who helped set up for the food sale, purchased tickets, for monetary donations, and to those who attended our food sale and supported our parish. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Special office hours**  
**The week of August 22nd**  
**and August 29th**

Mon., Aug. 22nd 9:00 AM to Noon  
 Wed., Aug. 24th 9:00 AM to Noon  
 Thurs., Aug. 25th 9:00 AM to Noon

Mon., Aug. 29th 9:00 AM to Noon  
 Wed., Aug. 31st 9:00 AM to Noon  
 Thurs., Sept. 1st 9:00 AM to Noon



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5th for the Labor Day Holiday. The office will reopen on Wednesday, September 7th at 8:30 AM.



**Fr. Dene August 25th**

When you see Father, please wish him a happy birthday.

**Let Go of the Dream**

Who wouldn't want to live the "good life?" Imagine having all the money you need, going on exotic vacations, and owning your dream home? Yet, people who have all the world can offer still say they don't have all they want. That's because the good life isn't here on Earth.

**Roomful of Friends** Learning about the saints is a like walking into a room full of strangers. You scan the faces looking for a friendly one who beckons you over. Scan the saintly faces until you find one with whom you would like to become friends.

"Only the one who can see hope in death can also lead a life of hope." Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI), *Images of Hope: Meditations on Major Feasts*.

**WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR**  
**AUGUST 20TH AND 21ST**

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM	Maskornick, Sherri	McGauley, Delmy	_____
7:30 AM	Selvocki, Joseph	Cieslukowski, Linda	Daynorowicz, Nolan
10:00 AM	Taylor, Anne	Phillips, Kathy	Selbi, Jennifer

**Who is the lucky person with Lotto # 628 for July**

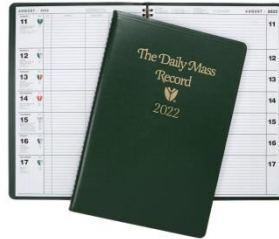
**You won on 7/23 – day number \$ 50.00**



Our office received the upper section of the lotto calendar for July. However, there was no bottom portion sent with your name and address. If you can please bring the bottom portion to the office, we will issue a check to you.

**July Lotto Winners**

Joan Shustack	7/7	\$ 25.00	# 668	Eve
Gloria Norcavage	7/13	\$ 50.00	# 788	Eve
_____	7/23	\$ 50.00	# 628	Day
Joseph Katulis	7/25	\$ 25.00	# 762	Eve
Theresa Kolonsky	7/26	\$ 25.00	# 768	Day
Chris Cadau	7/28	\$ 25.00	# 723	Day
Jessica Perrong	7/30	\$ 50.00	# 576	Eve



**2023 Mass Book for Divine Mercy Parish** will open on Wednesday, October 5th. The **Diocesan Mass Stipend is set at \$ 10.00**. When requesting a Mass for 2023, the stipend must be paid before it can be written in the Mass Book. Each parishioner will be allowed **one weekday Mass and one weekend Mass**. **Please note: For every Mass for 2023 we will be asking for a contact name, address and phone number. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter! Remember, the Mass Book fills up quickly!** Candles will also be taken for 2023 at this time. If you would like to have a candle lit on a special day in any of the parishes, it is important that you notify us as soon as possible. The dates fill quickly.

**JUST A REMINDER OF OUR OFFICE HOURS**  
**BEGINNING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5TH**

Monday 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM  
 Closed Labor Day

Tuesday Closed

Wednesday 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

Thursday Closed

Friday 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM







Rosary will be held on Tuesday, September 13th at 7:00 PM in Our Lady of Fatima Cemetery at the Grotto. Our parish will continue the rosary every month until October 13th.

**Do You Trust God?**

“The Lord is my strength and my shield, in whom my heart trusts” (Psalm 28:7). Do you trust God with everything in your life or only some things? Do you give him your problems but take them back when he doesn’t do what you want? It is when we have complete trust in God that our lives work well.

**Is God trustworthy?** A person worthy of trust is one of good character and integrity. We have more than two thousand years of history that prove God means what he says and says what he means. He does what he promises.

**Is God capable?** God has power over all creation – He even has power over life and death. Through the ages, we have learned that all things are possible with God. More to the point, God’s Son told us that God loves us with unimaginable intensity so he always wants what is best for us. In fact, God is more qualified than we are to take care of what we need.

**Are you ready to really trust God?** Start by thanking him no matter what. Everything that he allows to happen to us is for our good. Then remind yourself that God is fully in charge. Finally, ask him what you should do next and do it.



We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose” (Romans 8:28)



**Redner’s “Save – A- Tape” Receipts**

Divine Mercy Parish is now collecting the “Save-A-Tape” from Redner’s Markets. Please drop off your receipts in the collection or mail box or bring them to the parish office during regular office hours. The parish will receive a check for 1% of what is collected. Please support your parish and collect the receipts. Thank you for all of your support throughout the year. It is greatly appreciated.



Bible Group will meet at the Fr. Ciszek Center on Friday, September 9th at 9:30 AM



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

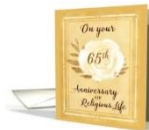
Our next Prayer Group will be held on Thursday, September 1st at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.



Franciscan Group will meet on Thursday, September 15th at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.

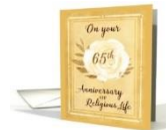


The Tree of Life has been placed in the vestibule of Divine Mercy Parish in the corridor leading to the former crying room. Take a moment and stop by to look at it. If anyone is still interested in making a donation to the new chapel in memory of someone or a special intention that you may have, please contact the parish office at 570-462-1968 as soon as possible. Your choices are: Leaf \$ 300.00, Acorn \$ 500.00, Foundation Stone \$ 1,000.00 and Mini-Tree \$ 1,500.00. Thank you to everyone who has made a donation to the chapel.



*Congratulations*

**Sister Helene**



who celebrated her 65th anniversary in the religious life on July 16, 2022. Please continue to keep Sr. Helene in your daily prayers that God will grant her many more years here at our parish and good health.



**Financial Report**

Net July	Income	\$ 28,145.10	Expenses	\$ 39,282.26
			Insurance	\$ 7,422.00
			Assessments	\$ 4,023.00
	Total Income	\$ 28,145.10	Total Expenses	\$ 50,727.26
	Expenses over income	\$ 22,582.16	This shows a loss of	\$ 22,582.16

**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 (462)1968) 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](http://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.**



#### **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.

**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 education religiosa para las 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 registracion. Deben completarlos y ponerlos en la caja del correo del convent de la Anunciacion, 229 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah, PA.

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

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 bendigan,  
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](mailto:prusso@allentowndioocese.org)

**Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service**

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at [www.ReportBishopAbuse.org](http://www.ReportBishopAbuse.org) or by calling 800-276-1562.

**Servicio de Denuncia de Abusos de Obispos Católicos**

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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: 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.

**St. Teresa of Calcutta Church Food Sale** will be held on Saturday, August 27th from Noon to 3:00 PM. Held at St. Teresa Rectory Garage, Market Street, Mahanoy City. Take Out Only! Come and enjoy Bundukies, BBQ, Haluski, Halupkies, Stuffed Shells, Chicken Pot Pie & Baked Goods.



**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.

**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.

**What is the Difference Between Feast Days and Solemnities?**

Feasts and solemnities differ in terms of their importance. Solemnities are the highest rank of celebration in the Church. Christmas, Easter, All Saints Day, the Ascension, Corpus Christi, and other celebrations of events in the life of Jesus are solemnities. There are fewer solemnities than feast days. These days are like Sundays but they aren’t always Holy Days of Obligation. We say both the Gloria and the Creed on such days. “Thus recalling the mysteries of the redemption, (the Church) opens up to the faithful the riches of her Lord’s powers and merits, so that these are in some way made present in every age” (CCC, #1163). Far from being “solemn,” solemnities are joyful occasions to celebrate. Feast days honor important saints or events from the lives of Jesus and Mary. The Catholic Church celebrates these feasts because they are snapshots in the history of the Church and of God’s saving love for us. They call to mind sacred mysteries or events recorded in the history of our redemption.

