



# Divine Mercy Parish

## Mass Schedule for the Week of September 4, 2022

*Monday, September 5, 2022*

**Living & Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Parish**

8:00 AM DM

*Tuesday, September 6, 2022*

**Beloved Husband, Stanley Kayesuski Jr. – 42nd Wedding  
Anniversary by Wife, Susan**

6:45 AM DM

**Parent Sacramental Meeting**

6:30 PM DM

*Wednesday, September 7, 2022*

**Jack Wright by Charlotte & Dave Kriner**

6:45 AM DM

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

2-4 PM Chapel

*Thursday, September 8, 2022*

**Bill Foley by Rita & Bob**

6:45 AM DM

*Friday, September 9, 2022*

**Clarence & Gerry Zubowicz by Daughter/Son-In-Law,  
Sherry & Tom Squierdo**

6:45 AM DM

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

2-4 PM Chapel

*Saturday, September 10, 2022*

**Joan Rittle by Niece, Lisa Rittle**

8:00 AM DM

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

3:45 PM DM

**Joseph & Anna Hardy by Daughter, Barbara**

4:00 PM DM

*Sunday, September 11, 2022*

**Rosemary Shustack by Keith Harkins**

7:30 AM SC

**Divine Mercy Chaplet**

9:40 AM SC

**William Webb by Wife, Jackie**

10:00 AM SC

**Living & Deceased Priests – Diocese of Allentown**

12:30 PM DM

**En espanol**

## 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

Will be announced at a later date!

"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



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

Trust  
in the Lord  
with all thine heart;  
and lean not  
unto thine own understanding,  
in all thy ways  
acknowledge Him,  
and He shall direct thy paths.  
Proverbs 3: 5-6



**From Father Dene**

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, candles and cards which were received for my birthday. I will continue to keep the parishioners of Divine Mercy Parish in my daily prayers.



Msgr. Bocian will be celebrating his birthday on Thursday, October 6th. So, when you see Msgr., don't forget to wish him a Happy Birthday. We wish Msgr. many more years at our parish and that God will bless him with good health.

Happy moments,  
*Praise God.*  
Difficult moments,  
*Seek God.*  
Quiet moments,  
*Worship God.*  
Painful moments,  
*Trust God.*  
Every moment,  
*Thank God.*

**Ignore**

Ever notice how good it feels to walk away from a fight? That's why Jesus said, "When someone strikes you on (your) right cheek, turn the other one to him as well" (Matthew 5:39). Next time someone picks a fight, walk peacefully away.

**Divine Mercy Parish Memorial Fund**  
**Josephine Cieslukowski**  
\$20 Palubinsky grandchildren



**Did You Change Your Address Lately?** The parish office would like to ask our parishioners, if they have a change in their address, to please notify the parish office as soon as possible. Every time we send mail out and the address is incorrect, the parish must pay for this piece of mail. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Devotional Lamps**

**Divine Mercy**

Sanctuary In memory of my beloved parents & sister, Angelo & Enrica & Jean Romano by Ann Romano  
Blessed Mother In memory of Albert Jr. Albert Sr., Anna, George & Regina Discavage by Irene  
Blessed Mother In memory of Jean Romano by Fran & Maria  
St. Ann Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family

**St. Casimir**

Sanctuary In loving memory of my dad, George Rittle by daughter, Maria  
Divine Mercy In loving memory of Frank Macus by Fran & Maria  
Divine Mercy Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski

**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



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, October 6th 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.**

**Our Daily Lives Prove Our Love for Jesus**

Negative behaviors often rob us of the peace God intends for us to have. Some can even lead us to sin. A good way to overcome bad habits is to replace them with good ones. Try these ideas:

**Worry.** Worry can be a sign that we don't trust God. When things don't go your way, ask for God's help to bear his will patiently. True peace only comes to those who don't waste time or effort on what they can't change.

**Finding fault.** The only acceptable reason to point out another's faults is to help the guilty party grow in holiness. Don't encourage back-biting by joining in or listening to it. Instead, excuse yourself or change the subject as tactfully as possible.

**Knowing-it-all.** Some people have such a desire to impress others that they try to look like they have all the answers. It's more important to impress God. Know and do what is necessary to live a more useful and holier life.

**Neediness.** Depending too much on other people will lead to disappointment. Only God can answer all your needs. Make God your first stop when you need help, instead of your last resort.

Our daily lives are witnesses of just how much we love Jesus. A constant, genuine effort toward holiness can prove our love for him.



Msgr. Bocian, Fr. Dene and the parish office staff would like to wish everyone a Safe & Happy Labor Day



The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 5th for the Labor Day Holiday. The office will reopen on Tuesday, September 6th at 8:30 AM.



Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA

On the weekend of September 10th & 11th, there will be a second collection after Communion for the Archdiocese Military. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

**Bulletin News...** our bulletin is sent out on a Monday by noon. If you would like a candle or memorial or any type of information placed in the bulletin, our office needs the information by 11:00 AM on a Monday. The bulletin company prints the bulletin as soon as it is sent to them.

**Love in Action**

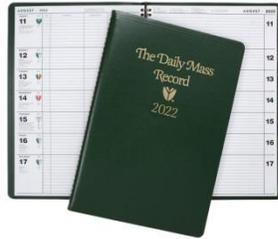
When we see others suffering, we might think, “The Church should do something.” Yet as members of the Church, it’s our job to take action and share Christ’s love. We can be a listening ear, a helping hand, or an encouraging voice to someone in need. Whatever it is, the Church can always “do something.”

Bulletins will continue to be available on the parish website: [dmparish.com](http://dmparish.com)

**WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER 10TH AND 11TH**

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM	Lombard, Gina	Brophy, Marty	_____
7:30 AM	Selvocki, Joseph	Grochowski, Jennifer	Daynorowicz, Madeline
10:00 AM	Twardzik, Pam	Twardzik, Thomas	Estrada, Caesar & Estrada, Jose

**CHANGE OF DATE!**



**2023 Mass Book for Divine Mercy Parish will open on Wednesday, October 18th.** 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, September 5th  
 Tuesday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM  
 Wednesday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM  
 Thursday 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM  
 Friday CLOSED



Please note: There are changes in our weekday office hours.

**All Souls Day Envelopes** please list the names of all those you would like remembered on the back of your envelope. The names listed will be remembered during the month of November at all Masses.



**Giving From a Grateful Heart**

In Old Testament times, a faithful farmer gave the first of his harvest to the temple for God’s use. He understood that it was through God’s blessing that he had a harvest at all. We, too, can give to God from our grateful hearts. **Give God the first, best moments.** Many of us rush through our day from the moment we open our eyes. We forget that it is by God’s grace that we are even able to see a new day. Instead, give the first moments of the day to God in prayer. **Pay God first.** Most of us pay pressing bills first – housing, food, insurance – and give to the Church from what is left. Then we grumble when our parish fundraises to meet its needs. Yet all we have is through God’s blessing in the first place. In fact, if we each give to the Sunday collection for God’s use a first portion of our income – the Biblical 10%, for example – all our important needs will be met.



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.

**Blessing of Animals** will take place in St. Casimir Church parking lot on Sunday, October 2nd at 11:15 AM.



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**Pass on the Gift**

In the encyclical, *Caritas in Veritate*, Pope Benedict XVI said, "Love is God's greatest gift to humanity, it is his promise and our hope." As God's children, we convey his love to others through acts of charity.



**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.



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.



**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

**Divine Mercy Parish – Fall Food Sale  
Strictly Take Out Only  
Divine Mercy Church Parking Lot**

**Friday, September 30th – 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
Saturday, October 1st – 1:00 PM to 7:00 PM  
Sunday, October 2nd – Noon to 6:00 PM or until sellout**



**Our Menu will consist of:  
Bar-B-Que, Bleenies, Funnel Cakes,  
Hispanic Foods, Homemade  
Pierogies, Meatball Hoagie, Sausage  
Hoagie and Pasta Fagioli Soup &  
Desserts**



We will also have "A Wreath of Franklins" Wreath valued at \$500.00 which will be sold before and after all Masses starting the weekend of September 10th & 11th. Tickets are \$1.00 per ticket. You may also purchase a ticket(s) at the parish office during normal business hours.

**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)968) 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- corn-er 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 Cizek 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**

**Divine Mercy Parish Religious Education Program  
Grades 1 - 8**

Tuesday, September 6th - Parent Meeting - 6:30 PM Divine Mercy Church.

Thursday, September 8th - Classes begin - 6:00 – 7:30 PM.

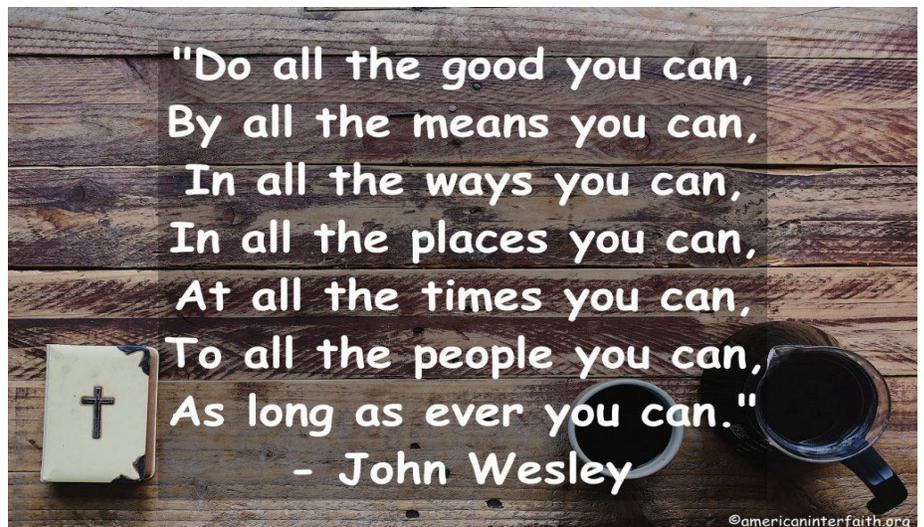
**The parents of new students** are to call Sister Mary Glackin at 484-888-1358 to set up an appointment to register.

**Programa de Education Religiosa  
PREP de la parroquia de la Divina Misericordia  
Grados 1-8**

Martes, 6th de septiembre – Reunion para los padres en la iglesia Divine Mercy – 6:30 PM

Jueves, 8th de septiembre – Los classes son de 6 – 7:30 PM

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



Upcoming Events

**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  
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**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.



**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.

**We Can Make a More Peaceful World**

Ordinarily we think of violence as physical – a blow, a gunshot, a bombing. It seems that we hear and read about acts of war every day. But wars escalate from everyday acts in homes, neighborhoods, and communities that can be as subtle as words or gestures that dampen the spirit of another person. As Christians, we can prevent violence by living our faith.

**Embrace diversity** – don’t just tolerate it. Different as we are, we are all made in God’s image and likeness. There is great diversity in the communion of saints.

**Develop more empathy** – see situations from another’s perspective. It’s the best way to understand the impact of our actions on those affected by them.

**Treat everyone with dignity** – don’t ignore others as a way of expressing anger or disapproval. Giving the silent treatment instead of working out problems denies much needed human contact and fails to solve conflict.

**Choose entertainment carefully** – a steady diet of violent entertainment and media helps us become comfortable with violence and to see people as characters rather than humans. Instead, pray for victims of violence and for the souls of those who perpetrate it.

**Detach** – value people more than things. Share what you have. Don’t take more than you need. Don’t get so attached to achieving an outcome that you forget love matters more.

