



Divine Mercy Parish

Mass Schedule for the Week of October 16, 2022

Monday, October 17, 2022

6:45 AM DM **Stanley Kaleda**
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
 6-6:30 PM DM Confessions

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

6:45 AM DM **Vincent Ryan** by Peter & Nicole Fahringer
 4:30 PM DM Confirmation

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

6:45 AM DM **Living & Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Parish**
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thursday, October 20, 2022

6:45 AM DM **Gino Bruni** by Maryann & Family

Friday, October 21, 2022

6:45 AM DM **William Walsh** by Joan Teno & Dana Seisler
 2-4 PM Chapel Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, October 22, 2022

8:00 AM DM **Thomas Patrick Monaghan** by Divine Mercy Religious Program

 3:45 PM DM **Divine Mercy Chaplet**
 4:00 PM DM **Michael Pribish** by Wife, Joann & Son, Zach

Sunday, October 23, 2022

7:30 AM DM **Vincent P. Ryan** by Deb & Tom Salvadore
 9:40 AM DM **Divine Mercy Chaplet**
 10:00 AM DM **Bill Webb** by Wife, Jackie
 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

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.

Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

Divine Mercy Collection

10/9 - \$ 6,613.00

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



On Tuesday, October 18th at 3:00 PM due to Confirmation. The parish office will reopen on Wednesday, October 19th at 8:30 AM.



Divine Mercy Church Memorial Fund

Stephen Mundy

\$10 Louise Heckard
 \$10 Stephen & Bradley Oravitz

Mary Venusti

\$10 Catizone family
 \$10 Gloria Norcavage
 \$10 Susan Supreme
 \$10 Margaret Mensick
 \$10 Stephen & Bradley Oravitz

Mary (Marie) McLaughlin

\$20 Tricia Palubinsky
 \$20 Mary & Frank Avolio
 \$10 Ed & Melanie Boxter
 \$10 Walukiewicz Oravitz Fell F.H.
 \$10 Susan Bobbin
 \$10 Stephen & Cathy Carpenito
 \$10 Emily Connor & Carpenito
 McNamara
 \$10 Thomas Carpenito
 \$10 Mensick family
 \$5 Maria Rittle

Frank Sebastiano

\$10 Walukiewicz Oravitz Fell F. H.
 \$10 Leonard & Theresa Wierzalis
 family
 \$5 George Lapata

Aggie Waiksnoris

\$5 Daughters & family
 \$5 Grandchildren & great
 grandchildren

Uncle Ed Chesnavage

\$5 Nieces and family

Special intentions

\$5 Anonymous

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\$5 Anonymous



Devotional Lamps

Divine Mercy

Sanctuary In memory of my beloved parents & sister, Angelo & Enrica & Jean Romano by Ann Romano
 Divine Mercy In loving memory of Donald & Lucille by wife & mother
 Divine Mercy Prayers & good health for J.M., S.M., M.S., A.M., T.S., G.M., R.G., J.B. & L.B. by M/M John Maskornick
 Divine Mercy For intentions of Lizy & Jan by friend, Pat
 Divine Mercy In memory of my sister, Joann Hilbert by sister, Pat & Leo
 Blessed Mother In memory of Albert Jr. Albert Sr., Anna, George & Regina Discavage by Irene
 Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Suzy Kayesuski by Murph & Jenny Navitsky
 Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Suzy Kayesuski by Rita Sherakas
 Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Suzy Kayesuski by Barbara Hardy
 Blessed Mother In memory of my friend, Tally on his first anniversary of death by Gene & Pat
 St. Joseph In memory of Connell & Karvois families by Marilyn Connell
 St. Joseph In memory of Michael Pribish by Buchinsky family
 St. Joseph In memory of Michael Pribish by wife, Joann & son, Zach
 St. Joseph In memory of our dear "Pop" Buchinsky by family
 St. Ann Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family
 OLMC In memory of John Kelly by Charlie & Denise Sincavage by family
 OLMC In loving memory of Maura Marnell by Laudeman family
 OLMC Special intentions for John Kelly family
 OLMC In memory of Wilbur Clark Jr. on the 10th anniversary of his death 10/28 by wife, Nellie & son, Gary
 Guadalupe Eduardo gollo mauro Domingo Emanuel Relles by familia Barcenas Barrientos

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 for Christopher, Hope, Marc, Benjamin & Morgan
 Divine Mercy Special intention by Terry & Joe Richardson
 Divine Mercy Speedy recovery for Donna Kowalski by Ed & Fran Domkus
 Divine Mercy Good health & God's blessings for Ed Domkus by wife, Fran
 Divine Mercy Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski
 Divine Mercy In loving memory of John T. McGuire by wife, Peg
 Blessed Mother In memory of John & Helen Pukavige by children
 Blessed Mother Good health & God's blessings for Diane Kalyan by Theresa & Diane Paruch
 Blessed Mother In loving memory of Joe & Joestelle by wife & mother
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 Blessed Mother Special intentions, in thanksgiving & good health for Msgr. Bocian, Fr. Dene, Brian Rooney, Marc, George Huss & Estelle McLaren
 St. Ann Special intentions by Mary Kufro
 St. Anthony Special intentions for Marc
 St. Joseph In memory of our dad, John F. Bagienski by Bagienski family

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

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.

Bible Group will meet at the Fr. Ciszek Center on Friday, November 11th 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, November 3rd at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.

Franciscan Group will meet on Thursday, October 20th at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.



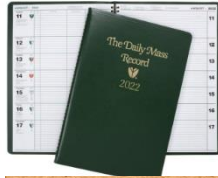
Due to the high inflation of fuel costs, all funerals and weekend Masses will be held at Divine Mercy Parish effective, Monday, October 17th. St. Casimir Church will be closed until further notice.

Parish Dues for 2023 for Divine Mercy Parish are now payable for any registered parishioner 21 years of age and older at the parish office, 108 West Cherry St. If dues are paid by January 31, 2023, dues are \$ 50.00 per individual. If paid after January 31, 2023, dues are \$ 60.00 per individual.

Why do Catholics Honor the Saints?

Non-Catholics often wonder at the hundreds of calendar days, prayers, and statues devoted to the saints. The Church recognizes and celebrates men and women of extraordinary holiness who we realize are in heaven. We look to them as examples to follow and what we can become when we cooperate fully with God’s grace. God’s goodness, beauty, and love is reflected in the saints’ lives. Just as complimenting an artwork is honoring the artist, so by honoring the saints, we glorify God.

CHANGE OF DATE to – **Tuesday, October 18th**



2023 Mass Book for Divine Mercy Parish will open on TUESDAY, 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.

Annual Father Ciszek Mass

The annual Father Walter Ciszek Day will be held on Sunday, October 16th. It is a day to celebrate Father Ciszek’s extraordinary faith in God and commitment to his priestly vows and vocation. The Mass will be at St. Casimir Church, 229 North Jardin Street, Shenandoah, PA at 2:00 PM. Rev. Richard Malloy, SJ, Director of Mission and Ministry, Cristo Rey Jesuit High School, Chaplain of Ignatian Volunteers of Baltimore Region will be the homilist. Light refreshments will be available in the church hall after Mass. Also, related items concerning Fr. Walter will be available for purchase. The new Prayer League Center at 218 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah will be opened from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM showing video of Fr. Ciszek being interviewed by Rev. John Catoir.



All Saints Day is a holyday of obligation. Mass schedule is as follows:

Monday, October 31st 5:30 PM St. Casimir
 Tuesday, November 1st 6:45 AM Divine Mercy
 Tuesday, November 1st 7:00 PM Divine Mercy (en espanol)

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 22ND & 23RD - ALL MASSES AT DIVINE MERCY

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM	Bronk, Cathy	McGauley, Delmy	_____
7:30 AM	Oravitz Fell, Marguerite	Grochowski, Jennifer	Rowan, Kale
10:00 AM	Jones, Mary Jo	Engle, Lillian	Estrada, Caesar & Estrada, Jose

“Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth.” Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord” (Ephesians 6:1-4).

Divine Mercy Fall Food Sale Donation
\$20 Anonymous



Special Memorial Mass

During November, the month of the Holy Souls, we are praying especially for all the faithful departed. However, due to the increase of COVID cases again, number of deaths we have thus far and anticipated number of deaths, number of people we are anticipating attending the Mass, we are cancelling the Memorial Mass for our deceased loved ones for this year. I ask that you pray that this pandemic is over. Please pray for all those who have been stricken with the virus and all those who have passed away from the virus.

Assumption BVM will be holding a Gift Card Calendar Raffle for the month of October. This fundraiser will directly benefit the school and its students. The calendars are \$10.00 each and are good for all 31 drawings during the month. Calendars can be purchased from any ABVM family or from the school (school phone: 570-622-0106 or e-mail: tmengel@assumptionbvmschool.net). Thank you for your help in making our Calendar Raffle a success! If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at 622-0106. Thank you for your continued support!

Happiness

As a loving Father, God intends for us to be happy. True happiness is: “Joy and beatitude over receiving the fulfillment of our vocation as creatures: a sharing in the divine nature and the vision of God. God put us into the world to know, love, and serve him, and so come to the happiness of paradise.

The Most Important Thing

When Jesus promised to be with us always, He wasn’t just talking symbolically. He meant that He would stay with us – Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. In fact, when we go to Mass, we meet Jesus, Himself, “truly, really, and substantially contained” in Holy Communion (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, # 1374). Don’t miss a single Sunday Mass. He is there every time.

September Lotto Winners

Deb Abrachinsky	9/7	Day	# 495	\$ 25.00
Donna Kowalski	9/14	Day	# 622	\$ 50.00
Janet Moyer	9/20	Day	# 382	\$ 50.00
Teresa Kolonsky	9/24	Day	# 521	\$ 50.00
Joseph Katulis	9/27	Eve	# 391	\$ 50.00

Times Change; God Doesn’t

The Bible tells of countless times when God gave his people victory in otherwise hopeless circumstances, provided for them when they had no resources, and guided them in their decisions. God is ready to work as powerfully for you.

Financial Report -- September

Net September	Income	\$ 22,300.22	Expenses	\$ 27,540.21
			Insurance	\$ 7,422.00
			Assessments	\$ 4,023.00
	Total Income	\$ 22,300.22	Total Expenses	\$ 38,985.21
	Expenses over income	\$ 16,684.99	This shows a loss of	\$ 16,684.99

Divine Mercy Parish Fall Food Sale Raffle Winners

First prize	\$1000.00	Steve Dzedziak
Second prize	\$ 500.00	Jeffery Davidson
Third prize	\$ 200.00	Chris Kowalski
Fourth prize	\$ 100.00	Alice Palek
Fifth prize	\$ 100.00	Dolores Sion
Sixth prize	\$ 100.00	Scarlett Madaffari
Seventh prize	\$ 100.00	Martina Nestor
Eighth prize	\$ 100.00	Anna Mae Danouski

“Wreath of Franklin”

\$ 500.00 Cash
Gary & Linda



Thank you to everyone who worked so hard in setting up for our fall food sale, to those who volunteered their time and worked at our food sale and to those who supported Divine Mercy Parish by purchasing food. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Important Notice

The annual Priests’ Convocation will be held this year from Tuesday, November 8th, Wednesday, November 9th, Thursday, November 10th and Friday, November 11th. Instead of two sessions as in the past, there will be only one general session this year. As a result, all priests will be attending the Convocation at this time. However, there will be NO Mass from Wednesday, November 9th through Friday, November 11th. And there will be NO funerals scheduled from November 9th through November 11th. All Funeral Masses will be scheduled beginning on Saturday, November 12th. They will be scheduled as they come in and more than likely two each day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon. Burials will be able to take place as long as no priest is needed for prayers at the cemetery.

Anointing of the sick will be done if a priest can be found to do it.

Both nursing homes have been notified

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.Ch erry St., Sheandoah. 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 MarieJohnson,. Johnson@allentown diocese.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- corn-er of the page.

Yes, We Are Doing the Cookie Sale Again!

2021 Cookie Sale Helped Feed 2.2 Million

Last year's Cookie Sale raised enough money to help Cross Catholic Outreach (crosscatholic.org), Cross International (crossinternational.org) and Blessings of Hope (blessingsofhope.com) feed more than 2.2 million people. Since we are selling cookie trays this year, our goal is to feed over 4.2 million people! 100% of the proceeds from the Annual Cookie Sale goes to Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach's Hunger Relief Program in Haiti & to Blessings of Hope's U.S. feeding programs!

This year's "sale" weekend for The Cookie Sale to Combat World Hunger is Dec. 10th & 11th.

Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach is an organization dedicated to feeding starving people and helping those in need around the world. Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach is efficient with an amazing 97.3% of all the money raised from the sale going directly to the starving people of Haiti. Last year's sale helped feed more than 4.2 million people in need in Haiti. This year's goal is to match or exceed 4.2 million in spite of the rising food costs. For more information on Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach, check out their website crossinternational.org & crosscatholic.org. This is sponsored through the Allentown Diocese. All proceeds go to Haiti.

Absolutely 100% of the proceeds from The Cookie Sale go to Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach. Less than 3% of the proceeds will be used by Cross International/Cross Catholic Outreach for administrative costs.

There are no local administrative costs. Amazingly, the cost of printing the order forms, hall rental, trucking, printing the thank you cards, all labor, meeting space, radio air time on WJTL, artwork, and even the candy and cookies for the gift trays are all donated. There are no salaries and the groups selling these cookies do not benefit in any way. That is why the purchase of 1 cookie tray provides hunger relief for 375 people.

The cookie trays are only \$15 each and have 24 cookies; 8 chocolate chip, 8 peanut butter & 8 snickerdoodle, chocolates and are beautifully gift wrapped. **Please make check payable to The Cookie Sale.**

Cookies will be baked and delivered to the parish office, late in the week of December 6th. If you forget to order your trays of cookies, they will also be available at all Masses the weekend of December 10th and 11th.

If you are interested in placing an order, please contact the parish office as soon as possible. See form below:

Please use the following order form for the Cookie Tray

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of Cookie Trays: _____



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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Servicio de Denuncia de Abusos de Obispos Católicos

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Upcoming Events

Healing Mass Join Father George Winne for a Healing Mass at Saint Columbkil Parish, 200 Indian Spring Road, Boyertown, PA on Sunday, October 23rd at 7:00 PM. Praise and worship music begins at 6:30 PM. All are invited to attend.

Designer Purse Bingo sponsored by St. Joseph the Worker, Frackville will be held in the Parish Hall, 9 South Broad Mountain Avenue on Saturday, November 5th – doors open at 5:00 PM and bingo begins at 6:30 PM. Cost: \$ 30.00 for 20 games/ tickets purchased before 10/30 will be entered in a special drawing. Extra packs of games will be available for purchase the night of the bingo. There will be four specials available throughout the night for purchase... side raffles. Food and adult beverages will be available for purchase and 50/50 raffle.

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.



Now is the Time to Join the Choir of the Parish If you love to sing, we have just the group for you to sign up with, the choir of the parish. The choir rehearses on Wednesday at 6:30 PM at St. Casimir. Reading music or not, you are welcome to come for a “No Obligation trial” any Wednesday evening which the choir sings for 10:00 AM on Sunday. If you have a high or low male or female voice, like meeting new people, singing and serving your parish, this is your opportunity to make a difference, join the parish choir and see how rewarding singing with the fellow parishioners can be. If you have questions or would like more information, please call Maria at 462-1968 for the 10:00 AM Mass and Sue at 462-4477 for the 4:00 PM Mass or email me at info@dmparish.com. Looking forward to see YOU soon!

Why Are You Catholic?

Even adults who have been Catholic since infancy ought to be able to provide a deliberate answer to the question, “Why are you Catholic?” The answers will be varied, personal, and may differ from time to time.

Kara said, “I am Catholic because the Catholic Church is the one that Jesus founded. He gave it to Peter and the Apostles, and they passed His teaching on to their successors, the Pope and the bishops. That Church is still standing, despite 2,000 years of scandal and persecution. That proves its divine foundation.”

“Jesus promised to stay with us,” said Nick. “He gave us the Sacraments so we can experience His presence. The only Church in which I can meet Him in the Sacraments is the Catholic Church.”

Laura said simply, “The Catholic Church teaches Jesus’ Real Presence in the Eucharist. Jesus said, ‘This is My Body.’ It’s not a symbol; it’s really Him. I won’t encounter Him anywhere else as fully and directly as in the Eucharist.”

