



Divine Mercy Parish

Mass Schedule for the Week of October 22, 2023

Monday, October 23, 2023

6:45 AM DM **Mary Guziewicz** by Family
2-4:00 PM Chapel **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**
6 – 6:30 PM **Confessions at Divine Mercy**

Tuesday, October 24, 2023

6:45 AM DM **Souls in Purgatory** by Mike & Terry Gilliam

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

6:45 AM DM **Michalik, Mentel, Zelonis, Lenkaitas & Shirvinski Families**
by Mike & Marie Michalik
5:30-7 PM Chapel **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Thursday, October 26, 2023

6:45 AM DM **Bernard & Carol Savakinas** by Sister

Friday, October 27, 2023

6:45 AM DM **Sister Marie Mount (Sister Maureen Patrice)** by IHM Sisters
2-4:00 PM Chapel **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Saturday, October 28, 2023

8:00 AM DM **Dennis & James Lally Sr.** by Family

3:45 PM DM **Divine Mercy Chaplet**
4:00 PM DM **Raymond & Kathy Jones** by Richard T. Examitas & Family

Sunday, October 29, 2023

7:30 AM DM **Veronica Kayes & Patricia Maloney** by Leo & Karen Kayes
9:40 AM DM **Divine Mercy Chaplet**
10:00 AM DM **Joseph, Mary, Bernard & Alvera Zelonis** by
Daughter/Granddaughter & Niece, Marie & Husband
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 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

10/15- \$ 4,119.00

Thank You From Msgr. Bocian, Sister Maria Rose & Sister Marietta,

to all the parishioners, friends, & family of Fr. Walter Ciszek who participated in the Mass and made it such a special day. Also, to Maria Rittle, organist and to the choir for the splendid musical performance on Sunday. Also, to the children who sang so beautifully.

The Father Walter J. Ciszek Prayer League

has presented a gift of \$ 5,000.00 toward the expenses incurred in pursuing Father Ciszek’s Cause for Canonization.

Divine Mercy Memorial Fund

Mary Jo Zuber

- \$20 Georgine Sinkus
- \$10 Romolo & Dorothy Laureti

William Rhoades

- \$10 John Catizone

David Joseph Olivia

- \$10 Ron & Sally Gennarini

Joseph Lapatovich

- \$10 Louis & Donna Kowalski

In loving memory of Diane M. Kalyan

- \$10 Husband, Ron & family

Geraldine & Clarence Zubowicz

- \$25 Tom & Sherry Squierdo

Leo Androconis

- \$100 Detra Prete & Frances Arsa Artha & family

- \$50 Albert & Diane Bindie

- \$30 Estelle DeLuca

- \$20 Ann Romano

- \$20 Mikita families

Charles Brensinger

- \$10 Catherine Toborowski

Alverda Kerrigan

- \$10 Joanne Koles

Joseph Colosimo

- \$20 Wife, Diane

- \$10 Joanne Koles

- \$10 Son, Joseph Jr. & daughter & son-in-law, Megan & John Burke

- \$5 Grandchildren, Johnny, Brynn & Daemon Burke

- \$5 Brother, Bobby Colosimo

Helen Lebidziewski

- \$10 Pat & Leo Treshock

Good health & God's blessings for Rita Sherakas

- \$5 Catherine Toborowski

Good health & God's blessings for Mary Ann Pronio

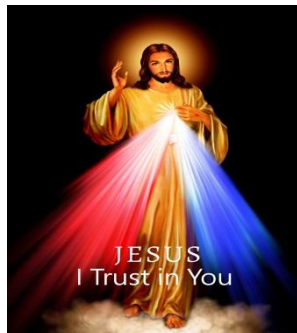
- \$5 Catherine Toborowski

Good health & God's blessings for Helene Grutza

- \$5 Catherine Toborowski

Special intentions

- \$5 Anonymous



Devotional Candles

Divine Mercy

- Sanctuary** In memory of my beloved Parents & Sister, Angelo & Enrica & Jean Romano by Ann Romano
- Divine Mercy** In loving memory of Lucille & Donald by Wife & Mother
- Divine Mercy** Prayers & good health for J.M., S.M., M.S., A.M., T.S. R.G., J.B., L.B., G.M., Z.S. by M/M John Maskornick
- Blessed Mother** In memory of Albert Jr., Albert Sr., Anna, Joseph, George & Regina Discavage by Irene
- Blessed Mother** In memory of Stephen Mundy on his 59th birthday by Mother, Sister & Brother
- St. Ann** Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family
- St. Joseph** In memory of Connell & Karvois families by Marilyn Connell
- St. Joseph** In memory of Joseph Mikita on his birthday 10/24 by family
- OLMC** In loving memory of my Brothers, John Philip & Chris Sacco on their birthdays in heaven by Sister, Mary Rose
- OLMC** Special intentions for John Kelly family
- Sacred Heart** In memory of Fr. Dene by H. Mikita & family
- Sacred Heart** Special intentions by Mary Kufro
- Sacred Heart** In memory of Fr. Dean by Theresa & Diane Paruch
- Altar** In memory of Fisher & Whytena by Jim & Georgann Connell
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St. Casimir

- Sanctuary** In memory of Bernard Majewski by Brother, Albert
- Divine Mercy** In loving memory of Frank Macus by Fran & Maria
- Divine Mercy** In loving memory of Suzanne Peacenti by Michael & Marie Michalik
- Divine Mercy** Prayers for recovery from knee replacement for Richard Mader by Joe & Kristel Domkus
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- Divine Mercy** In memory of John & Helen Pukavige by children
- Divine Mercy** Special intention by Terry & Joe Richardson
- Divine Mercy** Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski
- Blessed Mother** In loving memory of Joe & Joestelle by Wife/Mother
- Blessed Mother** In memory of John McGuire by Wife, Peg
- Blessed Mother** In memory of Mary Jo Zuber by Theresa & Diane Paruch
- Sacred Heart** In loving memory of my Dad, George Rittle by Daughter, Maria

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 Saints Day (Holyday of Obligation) Mass Schedule will be as follows:

Tuesday, October 31st	5:30 PM	Divine Mercy
Wednesday, November 1st	6:45 AM	Divine Mercy
Wednesday, November 1st	7:00 PM	Divine Mercy - Spanish

Assumption BVM School - Cash & Basket Bingo \$1,000 JACKPOT!

Sunday, November 5th St. Clare of Assisi Church Hall, St. Clare... Doors open: 11:00 AM and Bingo begins: 1:00 PM. Advance tickets: \$35.00 at the door: \$40.00 20 regular games. Purchase on site for extra, 2 special games and the \$1,000 jackpot game. Email: ABVM.BINGO@gmail.com or call 590-0503 or 205-3676 Paypal.me/abvmschool. *All must purchase a ticket to enter, regardless of age.



Congratulations to the following children & adults from Divine Mercy Parish who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday, October 12th:

Chloe Arias, Eduardo Barcenas, Ethan Bench, Gianna Donovan, Cesar Estrada Zamudio, Alverherick Flores Zamudio, Brandon Hernandez, Erik Hernandez, Viara Ivanov, Isabella Martinez, Laurajeon Migliaccio, Natalie Moses, Alyazari Paniagua, Peter Pikitus, Izabela Snitzer, Sara Maria Tovar & Paloma Zamudio. May God bless these children and adults and keep them in His care.

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 1st for All Saints Day. The office will reopen on Thursday, November 2nd at 8:30 AM.

**Second Collection
November 4th & 5th**

As part of its founding Decree in 1961, the Diocese of Allentown has had an integral relationship with Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary in Philadelphia. Currently, 13 of the Allentown seminarians are in formation of Saint Charles. We have been a proud part of the seminary community for over 60 years and look forward to the future. Saint Charles is embarking on a truly inspiring and exciting time. The Seminary's continued vitality has now led to moving into a new chapter in its history, with construction for a new home in Lower Gwynedd Township, Pennsylvania. The relocation of the Seminary to a newly developed campus is a source of hope, as the mission to form priests who will be servant leaders after the Heart of Jesus Christ will continue in a modern facility that meets the needs of 21st century priestly formation. A second collection will be taken up at all Masses the weekend of 11/4 & 11/5, to support St. Charles relocation. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

OPLATKI/CHRISTMAS WAFERS

Will be available beginning Saturday, December 2nd and Sunday, December 3rd before & after all the Masses at Divine Mercy or at the Parish Office, 108 West Cherry St. during office hours. **Donation for a 6 piece pack will be \$ 5.00.**



Christmas Memorial & Christmas Flower Memorial Envelopes are placed in your December envelopes. You may place your Christmas Memorial & Christmas Flower Memorial in memory of a loved one or for a special intention. The memorials will be published for Christmas. **The deadline will be Monday, December 11th.**



2024 Mass Book for Divine Mercy Parish IS NOW OPEN.

The **Diocesan Mass Stipend is set at \$ 10.00.** When requesting a Mass for 2024, 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 2024 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 2024 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.

Nativity Happenings

The Interact Club will host a winter clothing and Diaper Drive again this fall. The club will be collecting coats and winter clothing along with diapers from October 9th through October 27th. All winter clothing must be washed and cleaned before being brought to school. Additionally, all donated items will be sanitized. This club is involved in many service projects. If there is a project that you need help with, please contact the school office. The Interact members will also be working at the Pottsville Soup Kitchen.

Once again, Nativity will host a **Trunk or Treat Event** at the school on Sunday October 29th from 1:00 PM -3:00 PM. If you are interested in decorating a car/trunk, please call Diane in the school office at 622-8110. All are welcome!

The Nativity BVM Drama Club will be hosting a Wine Festival on Saturday, October 26th, from 2:00 PM-6:00 PM on the school campus. Guests will be provided with a Nativity tasting glass to sample vendors, and music will be provided by the Nativity BVM drama club members. Food and merchandise from vendors will also be available to purchase. Tickets are \$25 a person. For tickets, please contact Amy Eades at 292-9895.

The month of November, Nativity's Green and Gold Club will be selling Gift Card Calendars. Anyone who would like to donate a \$25.00 gift card it would be greatly appreciated. The Club will be mailing out 5 calendars to each Nativity family to sell and additional calendars will be available in the main office. The cost of each calendar is \$10.00.



Divine Mercy Parish Homemade Pierogies

are now available. Cost: \$ 8.00 per dozen.



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.

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.



Information Regarding Opening of Divine Mercy Church & Closing of St. Casimir

All Masses will now be held at Divine Mercy Church due to high cost of oil. All Masses include: Saturday, Sunday, Weekday Masses, Funerals, Weddings & Spanish Mass.

Parish Dues for 2024 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, 2024, dues are \$ 50.00 per individual. If paid after January 31, 2024, dues are \$ 60.00 per individual.

Did You Request Extra Envelopes to Pay Your 2024 Dues Monthly?



If you receive collection envelopes monthly, envelopes for your dues are included in that packet of envelopes. It is the very first envelope of every month. Please use that envelope to pay your dues monthly. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Assumption BVM Fall Nut Roll Sale - \$17.00 / roll -- Flavors available: Nut, Poppy, Apricot, Lekvar, Seedless Raspberry & Pumpkin Cheese. PREPAID Orders Due Friday, October 27th -- Delivery to ABVM, Tuesday November 14th. Orders may be placed through any ABVM family or by contacting the school.

September Lotto Winners

9/7	Joan Shustack	#662	\$25	Day
9/11	Darlene Mlynek	#726	\$25	Eve
9/25	Maryann Bruni	#748	\$25	Day
9/28	Diane Pavlosky	#690	\$25	Day
9/29	Helen Mikita	#727	\$25	Eve

Welcome Kimberly Gabriella Tovar Salmeron who was baptized on Saturday, October 14th. Kimberly Gabriella is the daughter of Juan Diego Tovar Olayo & Gabriella Marie Salmeron. May God bless her and keep her in His care.



Congratulations to M/M Kevin Kowalski who were united in marriage on Saturday, October 14th. Mrs. Kowalski is the former Mary Randazzo. May God bless them with good health and grant them many years of happiness.



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

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 or by calling 800-276-1562.

Servicio de Denuncia de Abusos de Obispos Católicos

Si tiene una denuncia de abuso contra un 6bispo, comuníquese con el Servicio de Denuncias de Abuso de Obispos Católicos en www.ReportBishopAbuse.org o llamando al 800-276-1562

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WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 28TH & 29TH – ALL MASSES AT DIVINE MERCY

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM	Lombard, Gina	Toborowsky, Robert	Blank, Name
7:30 AM	Daynorowicz, Nolan	Grochowski, Jennifer	Daynorowicz, Nolan
10:00 AM	Taylor, Anne	Engle, Lillian	Rakus, Evan

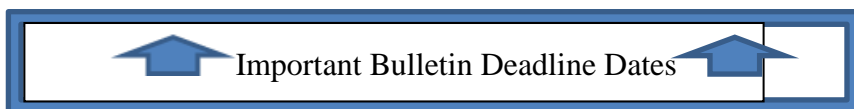
Shenandoah Area Free Public Library Events

The library will be participating in Francesco’s Dine In or Take Out during the months of October, November and December. Tickets are \$35.00 each and are valid for 1 Veal, Chicken or Seafood dinner and cannoli. Expiration date for tickets: December 31, 2023. Tickets can be purchased at the library 462-9829 or DSI Office, 116 North Main St. Shenandoah.

Bulletin Deadline Dates

Below you will find a listing of when bulletin information is due. The holidays are very busy, so I ask that you please use this as a reference guide as to when bulletin information is due. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Bulletin for Sunday.....	Bulletin Information is due on ...
Sunday, November 19th	Thursday, November 9th
Sunday, November 26th	Monday, November 13th
Sunday, December 3rd	Monday, November 20th
Sunday, December 10th	Monday, November 27th
Sunday, December 17th	Thursday, December 7th
Sunday, December 24th	Monday, December 11th
Sunday, January 7th	Tuesday, December 26th



Many parishioners have asked about having past bulletins on our website: www.dmparish.com. Good news, we now past bulletins on our website. All you have to do is to our website, www.dmparish.com and click on About Us and Bulletin Archive and you can click on whichever one you would like to read.

Cemetery Note

Pease help us to keep all of our cemeteries looking nice and well maintained throughout the fall and winter months. Please remove and take home any flowers, planters, wreaths or baskets you placed on the graves. Flowers, baskets, logs & planters left on the graves will be removed & disposed of. Decorations, statues, and stepping stones should be removed permanently and if left will be disposed of. The cemeteries close daily at sunset, the gates will be closed during the winter months to prevent vandalism & trespass. Thank you for your cooperation.

Next Prayer Group will meet at the Father Ciszek Center on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:30 PM.

Next Bible Group: Thursday, November 9th at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.

Next Franciscan Group: Thursday, November 16th at 6:30 PM at the Father Ciszek Center.

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

Divine Mercy Pre K Fundraiser Gourmet mixes with a gourmet flavor!

Checks made payable to Divine Mercy
Returns needed by November 1st.
Pickup Date to be announced.
Cost: \$ 6.00 each or 3 for \$ 17.00.

Forms available at Trinity Academy School from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM.

How Can I “Love” People I Don’t Like?

In fact, Jesus addressed this very question in Matthew 22. The Jewish leaders didn’t like Jesus. Jesus made them angry when he accused them of hypocrisy and insincerity. They knew he was right, of course.

So some of the Pharisees tried to trick Jesus into saying something illegal in public. They asked Jesus which of the Jewish laws was most important. If he encouraged people to disregard any law, he could be harshly punished. This was an old debate, so the lawyer who challenged Jesus only asked hoping that Jesus would trip himself up.

Instead Jesus said everything starts and ends with love – love for God and each other. To love God is to love one another. They are as inseparable as the beams of the cross.

True love of neighbor is measured by how we treat those outside our circle. It means including people we may prefer to exclude or avoid. Jesus loved prostitutes, thieves, lepers, even Pharisees. This is how God loves and we are to do no less.

Financial Report -- August

Net August Income	\$ 24,546.20	Expenses	\$ 29,665.68
		Insurance	\$ 7,422.00
		Assessments	\$ 4,023.00
Total Income	\$ 24,546.20	Total Expenses	\$ 41,110.68
Expenses over income	\$ 16,564.48	This shows a loss of	\$ 16,564.48

Open Registration for the 2023-2024 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 are welcome to attend for half and/or full day Pre-School classes Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM. 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.

Our Registration fee of \$75.00 is non-refundable. Please call Sr. Patricia Mount at 462-3927 to set up an appointment or to request a registration packet.

School office hours 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.



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.

Marian Catholic High School Trunk or Treat Sunday, Oct. 29th, 1:00 PM-3:00 PM. The event will take place behind the school, in the student parking lot. Parking is available in the front and back of the school. No RSVP needed.

If interested in hosting a trunk, please contact Mary Milosh at 467-3335 ext 117 or mmilosh@mariancatholic.org

The Schuylkill County Knights of Columbus Councils will be delivering a Turkey Dinner complete with turkey, filling, yams, gravy, vegetable and dessert to all residents of Schuylkill County who are in need of a meal for this Thanksgiving Day, November 23rd. If you know of a person who is in need of a meal, or if you are a person who is in need of a meal, please call either 773-0627 or 516.9514 and leave the following information if no one answers the phone (Name & Phone Number) and we will get back to you. You can also contact us at KofC431@yahoo.com. The only requirement we have for the meal is that the person be home. Closing date to order is November 17th at 5:00 PM in order for us to order the required items for the meal. Thank you. Also, anyone who can give us a hand delivering the meals is asked to come to St. Patrick’s Social hall in Pottsville on Thanksgiving Day by 8:00 AM. You can sign up for an area you may know in order to deliver the meals or for any area. We are usually finished by 1:00 PM.

