

Divine Mercy Parish Mass Schedule for the Week of

	3	Monday, November 25, 2024
7:30 AM	DM	Rev. Charles Dene
6-6:30 PM	DM	Confessions
7:30 AM	DM	<i>Tuesday, November 26</i> , <i>2024</i> Julius & Nellie Stremba by Pat & Jules Stremba
7.30 ANI	DIVI	Junus & Ivenie Stremba by Fat & Jules Stremba
		Wednesday, November 27, 2024
7:30 AM	DM	John & Helen Pukavige by Daughter, Barbara
1-4:00 PM	Chapel	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
		Thursday, November 28, 2024
9:00 AM	DM	Living & Deceased Members of Divine Mercy Parish
		Friday, November 29, 2024
7:30 AM	DM	No Mass
		Saturday, November 30, 2024
7:30 AM	DM	No Mass
3:40PM	DM	Divine Mercy Chaplet
4:00 PM	DM	Bernard & Carole Savakinas by Sister
		Sunday, December 1, 2024
7:30 AM	DM	Joseph Lawson by Karen Salada
9:40 AM	DM	Divine Mercy Chaplet
10:00 AM	DM	Gloria Choplick by Steve & Joann Babinchak
12:30 PM	DM	Living & Deceased Priests – Diocese of Allentown
En Espanol		

November 24, 2024

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. Amen.

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Divine Mercy Parish Homemade Pierogies are now available. Cost: \$ 8.00 per dozen. **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.

Important Phone Numbers Divine Mercy Pre K Sister Patricia Maureen Mount, IHM 570-462-3927 Divine Mercy PREP Sister Mary Glackin, IHM 1-484-888-1358

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 November 17th - \$ 5,050.20



Holiday Parish Office Hours The office will be closed from noon on Wednesday, November 27th. Thursday November 28th, Friday November 29th and Monday, December 2nd for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The office will reopen on Tuesday, December 3rd at 8:30 AM.

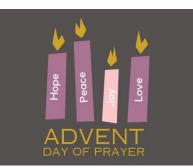
God's Timing

Sometimes it seems like no matter how much we pray, God doesn't hear us. It can be tempting to give up hope, but remember, *God always answers prayer* in his time. Each day, decide to trust God; his timing is perfect.

Our Lord Jes	us Christ, King o	f the Universe – November 24, 2024		
	Devotional Candles			
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anksaivina	Sanctuary	In memory of my beloved Parents & Sister, Angelo & Enrica &		
Mare 1 22 1-		Jean Romano by Ann Romano		
	Blessed Mother	In loving memory of Tina Sass by Mom, Son & family		
Msgr. Bocian & the Parish Office Staff	Blessed Mother	Our special intention by Karen & Leo Kayes		
Would like to wish all the parishioners &	Blessed Mother	Good health & God's blessings for Joe C. by Deb Abrachinsky		
friends of Divine Mercy Parish a very	Blessed Mother	Good health & God's blessings for Marlana Buhl by Deb		
safe & happy Thanksgiving.		Abrachinsky		
	Blessed Mother	In memory of Marie Dower by Nikki Zarcufsky		
	St. Ann	Special intentions by Marguerite Oravitz Fell & family		
	St. Joseph	In honor, praise & thanksgiving		
Divine Mercy Memorial Fund	OLMC	In loving memory of all of our faithful departed, Virginia Bell,		
Loving memory of Diane M. Kalyan		Marie Tarkovich & Eleanor Lombard by Gina & Jim Lombard		
\$20 Ron Kalyan & family	OLMC	Special intention by John Kelly family		
Marie Dower	Sacred Heart	Our special intention by Karen & Leo Kayes		
\$5 Carol Pukavage	Jesus Crucified	In memory of Francis McAndrew 8th anniversary Love always		
Loving memory of my dad, Eugene		Sis		
Straka on his birthday	Jesus Crucified	14 day – In loving memory of Cookie Meier 15th anniversary 11/29		
\$10 Paul Straka		by Son, Matt, sisters & brother		
William Treshock	C (St. Casimir		
\$10 Peter Ulicny	Sanctuary	In loving memory of my Dad, George Rittle by Daughter, Maria		
Lil Keephart	Czestochowa	Special intention by Michael & Marie Michalik		
\$20 Ann Romano	Divine Mercy	Special intentions by Louis & Donna Kowalski Prayers & good health for J.M., S.M., M.S., Z.S., T.S., G.M., A.M.		
Josephine Blasco \$20 Ann Romano	Divine Mercy	J.B., L.B. & R.G.		
Dennis Stanczyk, happy birthday in	Divine Mercy	Special intentions & for Brent's speedy recovery by Pat & Leo		
heaven, rest in peace love & miss	Divine Mercy	In memory of John & Helen Pukavige by children		
you	Divine Mercy	Special intentions for Christopher, Hope, Marc, Benjamin, Morgan,		
\$10 Sister, Lisa, Frank & families	Divine Mercy	Aubree, Eleanor, Owen, Oliver & Reni		
Special intentions	Divine Mercy	Good health & God's blessings for Charlie Lex by Pat & Leo		
\$5 Anonymous	Blessed Mother	In memory of John T. McGuire by wife, Peg		
+	Blessed Mother	In loving memory of Joe & Joestelle by wife/mother		
	Blessed Mother			
Christ the King		Nephews, Mark, Francis & Billy		
What does it mean to say Christ	Blessed Mother			
is King? Do we give him our Sundays		peace by Nephews, Mark, Francis & Billy		
only, or the whole week? Set aside ten	Blessed Mother	In memory of Stephanie Zdziera – rest in peace by Nephews, Mark,		
minutes for God. Offer him the events of		Francis & Billy		
your day and say, "Your will be done."	Blessed Mother	Special intentions, in thanksgiving & good health for Msgr. Bocian,		
		Stephen Bocian, Joanne Demko, Estelle McLaren, Scarlet Henry,		
Fr. Walter Ciszek Prayer League Raffle		Frankie Pettinato, Christa Beecroft, Joe & Chris		
Winners	Blessed Mother	In loving memory of my Sister, Cookie Meier by Elaine Tutko		
Mary Ann Wagner. \$500.00	Blessed Mother	In memory of Jean Thomas – rest in peace & dearly missed by your		
Reisterstown, MD	~	twin sister, Joan by Cousins, Mark, Francis & Billy		
	Sacred Heart	Special intentions by Mary Kufro		
Rev. Dan Hebert. \$250.00	Sacred Heart	Special intentions for Christopher, Marc & Christa		
Anchorage, AK	St. Anthony	Special intentions for Christopher, Marc & Christa		
	St. Francis	In loving memory of my Sister, Cookie Meier by Pat Lapatovich		
Msgr. Nicholas I. Puhak. \$100.00	Construction	Chapel Special intentions by Magn P		
Drums, PA	Sanctuary Blessed Mother	Special intentions by Msgr. B Brayers & good health for Emily Saigel by Uncle Ed & Aunt Karri		
		Prayers & good health for Emily Seigel by Uncle Ed & Aunt Kerri Special intentions by Msgr. B		
The Birchess Family. \$50.00	St. Joseph	Special intentions by Misgi. D		
Glen Bernie, MD				
Marri A. Maala and A27.00	Beginning	g, Monday, November 25th. you may schedule		
Mary A. Macleary. \$25.00	addit	ional Masses for 2025 and book is open to		
Mahanoy City, PA.	non-narishioners			

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non-parishioners. The Diocesan Mass Stipend is set at \$10.00.



ADVENT DAY OF PRAYER

During the secular holiday season, we are bombarded with messages on TV, on the internet, in stores, in magazines and other sources that blare out the commercialism of the holidays. What a perfect time to escape from the cacophony, go to our quiet and beautiful chapel to pray, reflect and discover the true meaning of Christmas - the Birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ

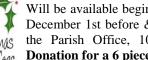
Our Advent Day of Prayer will be held on Wednesday, December 4th with **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** and Adoration in the Chapel from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM.

"Keep Christ in Christmas"

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, diles 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 parroquia(108 W.Cherry St., Shenandoah. Teléfono 570 (4621968) para reservar fechas y rellenar formularios. El proceso es muy fácil.

Dolatki Christmas

OPLATKI/CHRISTMAS WAFERS



Will be available beginning Saturday, November 30th and Sunday, December 1st before & after all the Masses at Divine Mercy or at the Parish Office, 108 West Cherry St. during office hours. Wafers 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 9th.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR 2024

Christmas Eve Schedule Tuesday, December 24th 4:00 PM Tuesday, December 24th 9:00 PM **Christmas Day Schedule** Wednesday, December 25th 7:30 AM Wednesday, December 25th 10:00 AM

Wednesday, December 25th 12:30 PM

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MARY, MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31st	4:00 PM	Divine Mercy
Wednesday, January 1st	7:30 AM	Divine Mercy
Wednesday, January 1st	10:00 AM	Divine Mercy

Catholic Charities - Pregnancy & Parenting Support Program - Diocese of **Allentown - Christmas Giving Tree**

This year during Advent, our parish will participate in the Christmas Giving Tree sponsored by the Catholic Charities - Diocese of Allentown. Catholic Charities focuses its Christmas giving on respect life efforts by providing counseling and material assistance to expectant and new mothers and their children. This year, the current administration in Harrisburg decided to not renew the annual government contract with Real Alternatives, the non-profit organization that funds our program. Because of this, your support is more needed than ever. Donations include: diapers sizes 3 and up, infant wipes, infant/toddler clothing, bottles and small infant safe toys. Additionally, parishioners may opt to provide a gift card to area stores at which Catholic Charities' staff may pick up specific items to stock the baby closets. These items will be used to support pregnant and new mothers throughout the five counties of the Diocese of Allentown. Any and all donations will be greatly appreciated. Items may be dropped off at church in the vestibule or at the parish office. Deadline: Sunday December 15th.

Monday, December 9, 2024: The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception (Holy **Day of Obligation**)

In a memo to the U.S. Bishops, the Vatican confirmed that the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception usually celebrated on the 8th day of December must be transferred and observed as a Holy Day of Obligation on the 9th day of December since the 8th day of December in 2024 is the 2nd Sunday of Advent. In light of this new directive, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Monday, December 9, 2024 is to be observed as a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass Schedule will be as follows:



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- corner of the page.

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@allentowndiocese.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 <u>www.ReportBishopAbuse.org</u> or by calling 800-276-1562

Servicio de Denuncia de Abusos de Obispos Católicos

Si tiene una denuncia de abuso contra un 5bispo, comuníquese con el Servicio de Denuncias de Abuso de Obispos Católicos en www.ReportBishopAbuse.org o

llamando al 800-276-1562

SCENTED CANDLE ORDERS Date of Pick Up: Friday, December 6th from 1 PM to 3 PM @ Trinity School

WEEKLY MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER 30TH AND 1ST

Mass Time	Lector	Eucharistic Minister	Altar Server
4:00 PM @	Lombard,Gina	Mealia,Patrick	Arias,Paco Jesus
DM			Hernandez,Omar
7:30 AM @	Grochowski, Jennifer	Selvocki,Joseph	Snitzer,Isabella
DM			
10:00 AM @	Grochowski, Anne	Sadusky,Joseph	Estrada,Jose & Caesar
DM			

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, December 8th	Monday, December 2nd
Sunday, December 15th	Monday, December 9th
Sunday, December 22nd	Monday, December 9th
Sunday, December 29th	Monday, December 16th
Sunday, January 5th	Wednesday, December 18th

Please support the Retired & Infirmed Priests of the Diocese of Allentown Make sure to remember the retired priests of our Diocese by making a gift to the Endowment Fund for the Care of Retired Priests. This special fund is used to directly support retired priests in good standing including the future costs of their healthcare, insurance and housing and sustenance. Please return your gift using the envelope you received in the mail. These envelopes may be returned in the mail or in the collection at Mass. For more information visit the website www.weloveourpriests.org. Your generosity supports retired priests from all 5 counties of our Diocese.



Did You Request Extra Envelopes to Pay Your 2025 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.

Mushie Lally Molly & Sunshine Carol Anczarski Walter Shurko JR & Donna Kowalski Pat Bubnis M. Ulicny Finn & James Tourish Joann Pribish Joseph Sadusky Ann Kiehl Deluca

Second Lotto (fillers				
	10/4	\$50	# 524	day
	10/5	\$50	# 378	day
	10/7	\$25	# 404	eve
	10/9	\$25	# 627	eve
	10/12	\$25	# 501	eve
	10/16	\$50	# 567	day
	10/18	\$50	# 550	eve
	10/18	\$50	# 535	day
	10/20	\$50	# 438	eve
	10/21	\$25	# 402	day
	10/27	\$50	# 373	day
	10/30	\$50	# 612	eve

October Lotto Winners

Redner's "Save – A- Tape" Receipts
Divine Mercy Parish is still 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. Please do not cut any of
the receipt away.

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. All Summer flowers must be removed!

Payments for Parish Funerals

Funeral fees must be paid 24 hours prior to the burial. We ask that the family of the deceased come to the parish office and pay directly to the church. Please make no payment to the funeral directors. If payment is not received within 24 hours of burial, there cannot be any burial in the parish cemetery. Also, all Lot Care (Perpetual Care/Cemetery Care) must be current including current burial.



Lord, we thank you for the goodness of our people and for the spirit of justice that fills this nation. We thank you for the beauty and fullness of the land and the challenge of the cities. We thank you for our work and our rest, for one another, and for our homes. We thank you, Lord: accept our thanksgiving on this day. We pray and give thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYER RESOURCE

s Christ, King of the Oniverse – November 24, 2024				
Financial ReportSeptember				
Net September Income	\$ 28,327.22	Expenses \$ 21,824.4		
		Insurance \$ 7,422.0	00	
	А	ssessments \$ 4,023.	00	
Total Income \$28,	327.22 Total	l Expenses \$ 33,269.4	41	
	Net Los	s \$4,942.19		







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.

Works of Mercy

The Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy are actions we can perform that extend God's compassion and mercy to those in need.

The Corporal Works of Mercy are these kind acts by which we help our neighbors with their material and physical needs.

Feed the hungry Give drink to the thirsty Clothe the naked Shelter the homeless Visit the sick Visit the imprisoned Bury the dead

The Spiritual Works of Mercy are acts of compassion, as listed below by which we help our neighbors with their emotional and spiritual needs.

Counsel the doubtful Instruct the ignorant Admonish sinners Forgive offenses Bear wrongs patiently Pray for the living and the dead

Food Truck Again at Divine Mercy Parish.....

Catholic Charities' Community Café Food Truck will be on site at the Divine Mercy Church Parish parking lot on Tuesday, November 26th from Noon to 1:30 PM. All are welcome to join us for a complimentary hot lunch! Meet Catholic Charities' staff and volunteers and enjoy a delicious meal! The food truck will be visiting Divine Mercy each month, so keep an eye out for further dates. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the food truck ministry, please contact Pam Russo at prusso@allentowndiocese.org or 610-871-5200, ext. 2204. Anyone is welcome to come and receive a free meal No questions asked or no payment or donation is requested.

Giving Thanks for God's Bounty

Soon we will gather with friends or family to give thanks for all the blessings we have received throughout the year. Yet the gifts don't just come once a year, so try these tips for living gratitude all year:

Say it out loud. Saying the words out loud will keep you from taking your blessings for granted. Let words of gratitude be the first ones you speak in the morning and the last ones on your lips at night.

Avoid complaining. How can we be thankful and still gripe when things don't go our way? When you find yourself feeling stressed or depressed, stop and list five blessings instead.

Don't shop or buy. Try putting off what you don't absolutely need. Instead, clean out a closet, drawer, or storage area you have been ignoring and rediscover the good things you already have.

Live thankfully. Each day, look for small blessings and pleasures. Noticing them will help you remember that God makes all things well and deserves our thanks

Parish Dues for 2025 for Divine Mercy **Upcoming Event Parish** are now payable for any registered parishioner 21 years of age and Eat In or Take Out Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by St. Patrick Church on Sunday, older at the parish office, 108 West December 8th from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM (or sell out) 313 Mahantongo Street, Cherry St. If dues are paid by January Pottsville. Spaghetti platter includes pasta with our homemade sauce, two meatballs, 31, 2025, dues are \$ 50.00 per individual. a salad, and bread - \$11.00. Extra meatballs and/or sauce available for purchase. If paid after January 31, 2025, dues are \$ 60.00 per individual. Marian Catholic Volleyball Team is having a \$1000.00 Cash Jackpot Bingo! The Tree of Life has been placed in the vestibule of Divine Mercy Parish in the Specials, Tricky Trays, 50/50 and more! Food and Drink available for corridor leading to the former crying purchase! Contact Angela at 582-5980 for reservations/payment. 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 Shenandoah Area Free Public Library Fall Raffle ... 35 cash & gift card prizes. memory of someone or a special intention Purchase tickets at the library \$5.00 each or \$20.00 for 5 tickets. Drawing date that you may have, please contact the is Friday, November 29th at Coal Cracker Christmas celebration. parish office at 462-1968 as soon as possible. Your choices are: Leaf Shenandoah Area Free Public Library... Book Signing: Andrea Mallick \$ 300.00, Acorn \$ 500.00, Foundation Pytak... Saturday, December 14th from Noon to 2:00 PM. "Hard Coal & Onion Stone \$1,000.00 and Mini-Tree Domes" remembering three generations of the Mallick family in America, and \$ 1,500.00. Thank you to everyone who the forces of nature that helped them survive. has made a donation to the chapel. Shenandoah Area Free Public Library is hosting a Book Bingo on Friday, "I Am With You Always." Sometimes December 6th from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Free for all ages. God can seem distant and silent. Yet, he promised to stay with us always (Matthew 28:20). The same God who

How Does the Church Decide Who is a Saint?

There are many people in Heaven who are saints but whose names we may never know. They are uncanonized saints. Canonization is the formal process by which the Church identifies and determines whether someone has become a saint.

In its simplest form, official Church procedures detail three steps to recognizing a saint. First, the bishop of the diocese where the person died begins an extensive investigation. The results are passed to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. If the Congregation approves, the prefect presents the cause to the pope. With the pope's approval, the petitioner becomes "venerable" and is called "Servant of God."

Next, "beatification," may come after further investigation and a miracle has proven to be attributed to the Servant of God's intercession after his or her death. Then the person can be called "Blessed."

Finally, canonization may follow additional investigation and a second miracle also proven to have occurred after the beatification and as a result of the candidate's intercession. After canonization, the "Blessed" is called "Saint."

Marian Catholic HS is looking for a PT Night Custodian. Interested applicants can send their cover letter and resume to Pete Sanfilippo. psanfilippo@mariancatholichs.org



Why Does the Priest Wear Purple **During Advent?** The colors of the priest's vestments

came to Bethlehem 2,000 years ago still

comes to us now to live in our churches

God's loving presence. Ask him to help

and our hearts. Today, be mindful of

you grow closer to him.

highlight a season of the liturgical year or a mystery of the faith. Purple (violet) represents a time of penance and preparation. During three weeks of Advent, the priest wears violet vestments to remind us to prepare penitentially for Christ's coming. On the third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday), he wears rose vestments to signal the halfway point of Advent. This is a happy time when we anticipate the joy in Christ's coming.



Sunday, December 8th @ Lakeside Ballroom, Barnesville...,Doors Open at 12 noon-Games Start at 1:00 PM. \$25.00 in advance and \$30.00 at door...10 Regular Games,