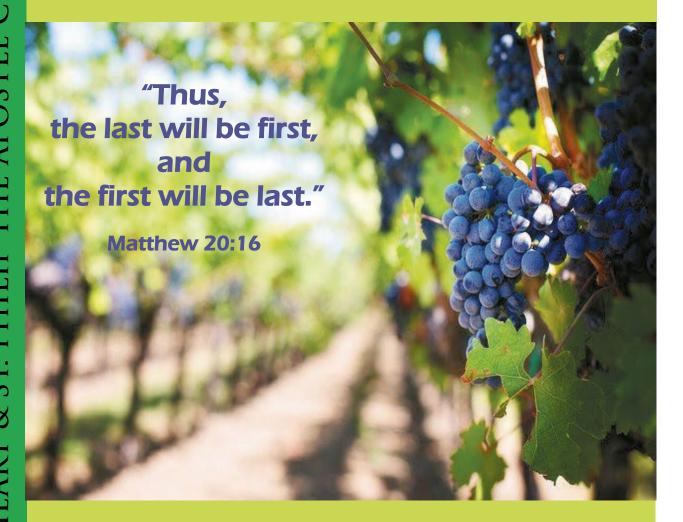
# WELCOME TO DIVINE MERCY PARISH





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THE 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIVINE MERCY



#### **BLOOD DRIVE: OCTOBER 16**

In conjunction with Versiti Blood Center of Illinois, Divine Mercy will host a blood drive on Monday, October 16th from 2-6 p.m. in the Parish Center. If you would like to donate blood that day, you can reserve your appointment here:

https://donate.illinois.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/5606395

Frequently asked questions about a blood drive (from Versiti's website):

- 1) How many times a year can one donate blood? A person is able to donate blood 6 times per year or every 56 days for whole blood.
- 2) **Does the annual blood work from the doctor count?** No. You are still able to donate 1 pint of blood.
- 3) **Do I need to bring any forms of ID to my appointment?** Yes. Any of the following forms of identification with a photo and birth date are acceptable:
  - Driver's license
  - State-issued ID
  - Student ID card
  - Passport, visa or green card
- 4) **How long does it take to give blood?** The process for donating whole blood takes about an hour from the time you walk in the door to the time you leave. This includes registration, a brief medical screening, blood collection and refreshments.
- Who can donate blood? Individuals aged 17 and older who are in good health and not experiencing symptoms of cold or flu may donate blood. Donors who are 16 years old may donate but must have parent/guardian permission. There is no maximum age for donation. Donors must weigh at least 110 lbs to donate.\* Donors aged 16-18 have special height and weight requirements, view our website for more information. Donors can be 16 years-old with parental consent. Forms are on our website.
- 6) Can I donate if I take medications? Most medications will not defer you from donating blood. Before you make an appointment, however, check our medication deferral list. If you are currently taking antibiotics for an infection, you will be eligible to donate two days after your course of treatment is complete. View or download donor forms like the Medication Deferral List, Parental Consent Form, and educational resources from our Resources Library.
- 7) I have tattoos and/or piercings. Can I donate? As long as your tattoo or piercing has healed and was done in a state-licensed facility, you are able to donate blood. If it was not done at a state-licensed facility or has not healed, a three-month waiting period is required before you are eligible to donate blood.
- 8) Why should I give blood? This is a volunteer opportunity like no other. Versiti is the only provider of blood to the community hospitals where we live and work. Medical technology has provided many life-saving discoveries over the years, but there is still no substitute for blood. In a medical emergency, often the most important element is the availability of blood. Your blood donation can help trauma victims, surgery patients, premature babies, and people with anemia

#### PASTOR'S "TO THE POINT"



We are all gathering at Clarkson Park in Northfield Saturday night for our second annual *Party in the Park*. This adult's only gathering promises to be an enjoyable evening filled with the delights of food and football.

Now in the second year of our five-year strategic plan, the *Party* affords us an excellent opportunity to strive for the main focus of year two: community. We get together for no other reason than to enjoy one another's company and presence.

A parish, after all, is a collection of people. So let us be that collected group. Let us be together with no other purpose than to be together. I hope to see you there!



# YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD: JAMESON RICK

In the Archdiocese, the Youth Leadership Awards started more than 20 years ago to recognize the outstanding ministry and service performed by youth in our parish.

Last Sunday, we recognized Jameson Rick who received this Award for being a catechist aide and the many other ways in which he has supported Children's Ministry.



Jameson served as a Catechist Aide for the past two years, the first year in 7th Grade where he helped lead discussions in Youth Alpha, and last year in 8th Grade, where he chose to walk with his brother Evan through the Confirmation process. He was a key member of the catechist team and often led his own small group discussions.

Jameson also volunteers his time doing things like food drives, clothing drives, making lunches for Uncle Pete's Ministry, and creating food packets for the Feed My Starving Children organization. He works with young children teaching them the basics of different sports like basketball and lacrosse. In his free time, he plays football and runs track for New Trier.

Jameson will once again serve in our 8th Grade this year – he will graduate from High School this spring and plans to study engineering.

**Congratulations Jameson!** You shine brightly in our parish! We are very grateful for your service to Divine Mercy Parish and Children's Ministry!

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY FOOD DRIVE A BIG SUCCESS!

The 8th graders of Children's Ministry held a food drive outside The Grand last weekend, and they were able to collect 30 bins of food along with \$347.00 in cash. All proceeds were donated to the New Trier Township Food Pantry. Congratulations to our 8th graders on their outstanding service to those that hunger in our community. Well-done!









# A JUST HARVEST LUNCH SERVICE THANK YOU

Many thanks to all the parishioners who helped with the September lunch service for A Just Harvest Community Kitchen. To all of our servers, cooks, bakers, shoppers and drivers, thank you on behalf of the Divine Mercy community! Pictured to the right are Linda Preda's grandsons Alex and Thomas, who prepared casseroles this month.





## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIVINE MERCY

#### **CHECK OUT ALPHA!**

Give yourself the gift of the Alpha experience to connect with others, energize your faith and converse with others on a deeper level.

**UNDECIDED?** Just come and see. It's food, friends, a video and great conversation.

**All are welcome** regardless of spiritual background or beliefs. Really.

Feel like you already know what you need to know about your faith? Many others felt the same way. Yet they came to check it out and discovered more about themselves, their faith, and their relationship with Jesus. Just come and see. There's no commitment, no questions asked if you decide it's not for you after the first session. Come and see.

ALPHA is important to our future as a parish faith community. We hope that all parishioners will give ALPHA a chance so that they may grow in their faith and in their relationship with Jesus who calls us as his own and as his missionary disciples. Just come and see.

There are several options for your convenience.

MONDAYS (ONLINE) from 7-8:15pm

TUESDAY EVENINGS from 6:30-8:00pm

WEDNESDAYS from 9:30-11am Or

from 12:00-1:30pm

THURSDAYS (ONLINE) from 7-8:15pm

You can register <u>here</u> on our ALPHA webpage to help us with meal planning or scan the QR code. Just look for the session you'd like to join.

Don't worry, this does not mean you've made a commitment!

Just Come & See!

#### WHAT COMES AFTER ALPHA?

So many things that depend on your interests or where God might be calling you! *Do you like small group faith sharing?* You can participate in the Men's Spirituality group that meets on Saturday mornings, or attend The Chosen sessions. Most importantly, you can become a team member for Alpha. Just connect with Patty Sanfilippo for more information.

Want to learn more about your faith? Try the Bible Study sessions with Fr. Kartje, Judy Pyke's Scripture

A Guide to Divine Mercy Ministries & Organizations



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

Sacred Heart Church - St. Philip the Apostle Church

Rev. Steven M. Lanza, Pastor

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NETWORK

SEPTEMBER GATHERING ( 7:00-8:00 PM

MONDAY 25TH SEPT

PARISH CENTER

Our special guest this month is Fr. Steve!
Think "Inside the Actor's Studio". Enjoy an
evening of fun with Fr. Steve, and learn a few
things you never expected! We may also
learn a bit about his plans for the future and
his aspirations for the parish when he
retires. Join us to learn more!



JOIN

Reflection on Zoom, or Tri-Parish events that always cover important topics of our faith.

Do you like putting your faith into action? There are many ministries that focus on the corporal works of mercy like Uncle Pete's Ministry, A Just Harvest, Hunger Hero, or our important Hospitality Ministry. Greeters are always needed at Sunday Mass, funerals and weddings.

Want to serve at Mass? Opportunities abound! We need people to serve as lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and altar servers. Make it a family service day in which you serve in various roles.

The parish recently published **A Guide to Divine Mercy's Ministries and Organizations** to help you find where you belong! Look for it in our church vestibules or online <u>here</u>.

Join us for Season 2

# The Chosen

Following Jesus
Then & Now

Thursdays 6:30-8pm beginning Sept. 21st for 8 weeks in the Divine Mercy Parish Center at Sacred Heart (Burr & Gage Sts.) Come a little early for Dinner!



Each episode will be followed by a short discussion, hosted by Judy Pyke & other parishioners. Join Us!



Enter into the story of the people who surrounded Jesus. Sinners who spent time with the one Man who understood them & would eventually die for them. You'll meet the people who loved Him, served Him, & followed Him, seeing the Savior through their eyes as you consider who He is & why He came.

Their story is ours.

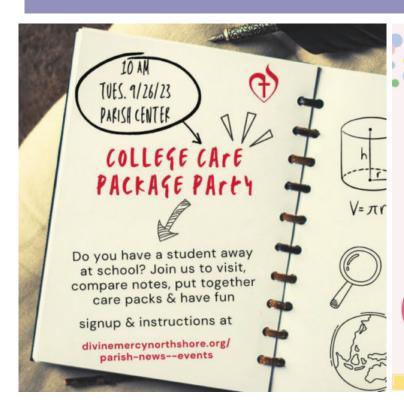
# MISS THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL DONATION BOX?

Then this donation drive that our neighboring parish is hosting is just for you! Bring your clothing donations to the St. Joseph Church parking lot on Saturday, September 30 or Sunday, October 1, 2023from 1-3:30 p.m.

Remember, clothing only!



# Watch for Party in the Park Photos Next Week!





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# THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY



#### **THANK YOU**

Many thanks to all the parishioners who helped us achieve our Uncle Pete's "Take Home" Project this month (displayed to the left). You responded in the usual outstanding way!

Parishioner and Outreach Board member, Laurie Bauer (pictured below right), delivered 95 sack dinners to A Just Harvest on Sunday, September 17th, courtesy of our participating parishioner families. Also pictured below are the Stegich grandchildren who had a ton of fun making the sack dinners with their grandparents!

Thank you for taking the time to help those who are less fortunate than we!





#### **HOSPITALITY SUNDAY IS A FUN DAY AT DIVINE MERCY!**

We were so happy that so many of you stayed to chat with one another for Hospitality Sunday on September 10th. We are truly grateful to all the parishioners who give of their time, talent and treasure to provide the hospitality for all of us to enjoy. Thank you!

























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The three Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael are the only angels named in Sacred Scripture and all three have important roles in the history of salvation. Saint Michael is the "Prince of the Heavenly Host," the leader of all the angels. His name is Hebrew for "Who is like God?" and was the battle cry of the good angels against Lucifer and his followers when they rebelled against God. He is mentioned four times in the Bible, in Daniel 10 and 12, in the letter of Jude, and in Revelation. Michael is invoked for protection against Satan and all evil. "I am Gabriel, who stand before God." (Luke 1, 19) Saint Gabriel, whose name means "God's strength," is mentioned four times in the Bible. Most significant are Gabriel's two mentions in the New Testament: to announce the birth of John the Baptist and the at Incarnation of the Word in the womb of Mary. "I am the angel Raphael, one of the who stand before the seven. Lord" (Tob 12:15). Saint Raphael, whose name means "God has healed" because of his healing of Tobias' blindness in the Book of Tobit. Tobit is the only book in which he is mentioned. His office is generally accepted by tradition to be that of healing and acts of mercy. Raphael is also identified with the angel in John 5:1-4 who descended upon the pond and bestowed healing powers upon it so that the first to enter it after it moved would be healed of whatever infirmity he was suffering.

# THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE LITURGICAL MINISTER ASSIGNMENTS

September 30, 2023 5:00 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
Presider: Fr. Ken Kiepura
Sacristan: Joe Schuessler
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Minister Needed
EM: Minister Needed

October 1, 2023 8:00 a.m.

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza Sacristan: Rima Abraham Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: Minister Needed EM: Minister Needed

10:00 a.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza
Sacristan: Ludy Mariano
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Minister Needed
EM: Minister Needed

4:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH Presider: Fr. Bob Heinz Sacristan: Minister Needed Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: Minister Needed EM: Minister Needed

New ministers are always welcome If available please contact Ron Vanasdlen via email at: rvanasdlen@divinemercy northshore.org. Ask him about the "Family Plan."

Training is provided.

#### FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

The following people suffer from illness or chronic conditions. They have asked for the prayers of our parish family. Please remember them to the Lord.

Mark Agnew, Jeannie Ambrose, Michael Anderson, Loretto Berghoff, Paul Berghoff, Caroline Birnbaum, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback, Ronald Braun, Wendy Braun, Robert Conte, Jr., John Coyne, Rich Danstrom, Joel Dysart, James Farney, Joseph Felicelli, Julie Felicelli, Mary Beth Fellinger, Lisa Marie Franke, Ermin Garcia, Jr., Patricio Gilchrist, Benjamin Grillo, Rose Anne Grimes, Barbara Hayward, Jack Hogan, Jim Horrell, Sarah Hyde, Rick Kehrer, Ryan Kelly, Andy Klatt, Patti Kotscharjan, Diana Lambert, Gina Quirk Lazicki, Cathy Lehman, Ginny Linting, Susan Lodge, John Madden, Sr. Peggy McDonnell, Mike McNulty, Heather Mroz, Beth O'Brien, Joan O'Donnell, Lynn Pattison, Debbie Puhala, Brad Raguse, Judy Rasfeld, Scott Rood, Kathy Sarch, Terry Shin, Catherine Sullivan, Kay Thomas, Rita VanHyning, Violet Vanselow, Amanda Warford, Larry White, and those written in our parish book of prayer.

If you or your loved one needs a Minister of Care or is seriously ill or near death, and in need of the Sacrament of the Sick/Last Rites, please contact the parish office at 847-446-0856.

#### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

May the souls of faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sacred Heart Church:

Saturdays 9 - 9:30 a.m.

St. Philip the Apostle Church:

Wednesdays 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. with Rev. Gerald Cole.

#### **ADORATION**

Sacred Heart Church:

Wednesdays 2 - 3:00 p.m.

St. Philip the Apostle Church:

Fridays from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Online Rosary

Via Zoom

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

#### **PARISH CALENDAR**

#### September 24, Sunday

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Priesthood Sunday World Day of Migrants and Refugees

National Migration Week begins

- 8:45 a.m. 7th & 8th Grade Children's Ministry Sessions - Parish Center
- 8:45 a.m. PK 6th Grade Children's Ministry Sessions - SH School

#### September 25, Monday

Monday of the 25th Week of Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. Mass Sacred Heart
- 7 p.m. Women's Network Parish Center

#### September 26, Tuesday

Optional Memorial of Ss. Cosmas and Damian

- 8 a.m. Mass St. Philip
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary St. Philip
- 8:45 a.m. 1:30 p.m. Tutoring / Tolton
- 9:30 a.m. Crafty Ladies JPII Room
- 10 a.m. College Care Package Parish Center
- 2 p.m. Connect Group Discussion -Parish Office Conference Room
- 6:30 p.m. ALPHA Parish Center

#### September 27, Wednesday

Memorial of St. Vincent de Paul

- 8:30a.m. Mass Sacred Heart
- 9:30 a.m. ALPHA Parish Center
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- 2 3 p.m. Adoration Sacred Heart
- 3 4:30 p.m. Confessions St. Philip
- 6:30 p.m. Bible Study with Fr. Kartje -Parish Center

#### September 28, Thursday

Optional Memorial of St. Wenceslaus Optional Memorial of St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

- 8 a.m. Mass Sacred Heart
- 8:45 a.m. 1:30 p.m. Tutoring / Tolton
- 2 p.m. Caregiver Support Group Fireplace Room
- 6:30 p.m. The Chosen Season 2 Parish Center

#### September 29, Friday

Feast of Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

- 8 a.m. Mass St. Philip
- 8:30 9 a.m. Adoration & Rosary — St. Philip
- 9 a.m. Parent Tot Playgroup SH Parish Center Teen Room

#### September 30, Saturday

Memorial of St. Jerome

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Inspirational Study Group - Fireplace Room
- 9-9:30 a.m. Confessions Sacred Heart
- 10 a.m. Baptism Sacred Heart

#### October 1, Sunday

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Respect Life Sunday 8th Grade Enrollment for the Sacrament of Confirmation

- 8:45 a.m. CM 8th Grade Tour of SH Church
- 10 a.m. Mass 8th Grade Enrollment for Confirmation
- 4:30 6 p.m. Children's Ministry Meeting - Fireplace Room

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### SUNDAY, SEPT 24

8:00 a.m. (SPA) – Jean Kane † 10:00 a.m. (SH) – William J. Hocter † 4:30 p. m. (SH) – Tom Reedy †

#### MONDAY, SEPT 25 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - Daniel M. Kerrane, Jr. †

#### TUESDAY, SEPT 26 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - August Mauge †

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPT 27 (SH)

8:30 a.m. - Cindy Santaniello †

#### THURSDAY, SEPT 28 (SH)

8:00 a.m. – Tom and Joan Forte †

#### FRIDAY, SEPT 29 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - Frank Ehmann †

#### SATURDAY, SEPT 30 (SH)

5:00 p.m. – The Coradini Family

#### SUNDAY, OCT 1

8:00 a.m. (SPA) – Brian Doherty and Parishioners of Divine Mercy 10:00 a.m. (SH) – Jack Quinn † 4:30 p. m. (SH) – Fr. Bob Ferrigan †

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

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