## **OCTOBER 1, 2023**



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Please remember in your prayers this year's Children's Ministry Candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation



Todd Baker Brendan Boyle Kelsey Buzza Maeve Cashman Maxwell Chudgar Quinn Egan Christopher Farrell Isabella Fitzgerald Rose Mary Gallagher Raul Garcia Greta Getzendanner Louisa Hernandez Emmett Hourihane Dylan Johnson Megan Kelly Raymond Lawrence Evan Marcus Brigid Miller Charlotte Moore Grace O'Toole Mia Ordonez Fintan Pierce Grace Spatzek Haley Stepan Colton Stiller Olivia Sylvester Charles Wheat Meredith White Reese Womack

Please note that our Sacred Heart School Confirmation candidates will be enrolled at a later date during a school Mass. Lord, you send out your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in you and in Jesus whom you sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to your voice. Open their hearts to your Spirit and bring to fulfillment the good work that you have begun in them.

As we prepare these children for Confirmation, make each of us an instrument of your love. Teach us to appreciate what is holy in others, and to be patient with what we do not understand. Deepen our faith in the Gospel and help us to pass it on by our example. We pray that you will continue to guide us and sustain us.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Welcome to Divine Mercy! We are a Welcoming Community that Inspires Disciples of Jesus to Share God's Love and Transform the World.

THE 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Respect Life Sunday 8th Grade Confirmation Enrollment

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIVINE MERCY



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Thanks to all who came out for a beautiful evening at Clarkson Park. Special thanks to all those who volunteered their time and energy for making it a wonderful event, particularly the team led by Susan Seeberg, Lisa Lesniak, and Liz McGowen. We could not have done it without you!







### PASTOR'S "TO THE POINT"



At the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass we will acknowledge the Children's Ministry eighth graders who are preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. It will be wonderful to see all these youth in church commit to preparing for the sacrament in such a way that they receive it fruitfully.

Keep these kids in your thoughts and prayers. Our episcopal vicar, Bishop Jeffrey Grob, will celebrate Confirmation here at Divine Mercy Parish on Monday evening, April 15.

On Wednesday, October 4th, I'll be in the parking lot at Sacred Heart Church at 5:00 p.m. to bless any and all pets on the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. Please, no snakes. Like Indiana Jones, I hate snakes. If you have a pet snake, you'll have to say your own prayer of blessing over it.



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#### **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.
- 5) 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 <u>Resources Library</u>.
- 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

#### PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING BLOOD ON OCTOBER 16th

#### WHAT COMES AFTER ALPHA?

So many things that depend on your interests! **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. Small groups are always offered during Advent and Lent, and there are a few Connect groups that have formed post-Alpha so that you can keep in touch and continue to share your faith with your Alpha group. 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 Reflection on Zoom, or Tri-Parish events that always cover important topics of our faith.

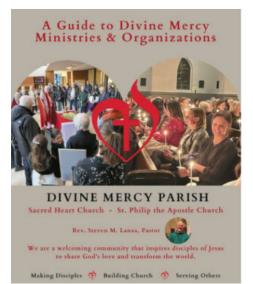
#### Do you like putting your faith into

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 <u>online here</u>.



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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIVINE MERCY

#### WELCOME JONATHAN PETERS TO OUR FAMILY OF FAITH!

Jonathan Peters was received into the Roman Catholic Church last weekend at the 10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart when he made his profession of faith. Congratulations to Jonathan!





#### **ARE YOU NEW TO DIVINE MERCY?**

Welcome! We're glad you joined us. Interested in Children's Ministry? How about connecting with others at the parish? Looking for a good session on growing your faith or brushing up on the bible? Want to know when the next Alpha takes place? Want to know when the Parent-tot playgroup meets? We have it all!

First things first, visit our New to Divine Mercy page on our website (or just click here). You'll find links to registration, how to sign up for the (brief) daily e-blast which keeps you informed of what's happening at the parish, as well as a list of our staff, ministries and organizations. Our goal is to be sure everyone feels welcome and finds a place to belong at Divine Mercy!

Visit our website at divinemercynorthshore.org.



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#### PET BLESSING WEDNESDAY **OCTOBER 4**

Bring your pets to the Sacred Heart Church parking lot on Wednesday, October 4th from 5-6:00 pm to be blessed by Father Steve on the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi.



#### WELCOME BACK CHILDREN'S **MINISTRY!**

Children's Ministry sessions began last weekend. It was nice to have you back!



## This Week at Divine Mercy

Join us for Season 2

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## 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!



JOIN US ON MONDAY NIGHT FOR UNCLE PETE'S MINISTRY All are welcome to Uncle Pete's Ministry on Monday night, October 2nd, in the Parish Center from 7-8:00 p.m. where we pack sack dinners for the less fortunate. The sandwich dinners are delivered to A Just Harvest the following day where they are shared with their

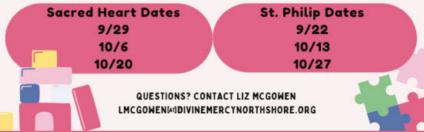
day where they are shared with their patrons.

This is a fantastic & easy opportunity for family service, as all ages are welcome. Feeding the hungry is one of the corporal works of mercy we can teach our kids! Join us!





Join other parents for a weekly drop-in playgroup at Sacred Heart (Parish Center Teen Room) & St. Philip the Apostle (JP II Room). All are welcome! NOW FRIDAYS 9-10am





#### HELP CHILDRENS MINISTRY COLLECT BREAD TAGS AND DO GOOD DEEDS!

The square and rectangular little hard plastic tags at the ends of bread bags, bagel bags, potato bags, bags of clementines, etc. are made from a very clean natural resource - 100% petroleum. Unfortunately due to processing equipment they are not recyclable in your curbside cart at home and throwing them in the landfill is just contributing more to harmful greenhouse gases that cause climate change.

But now you have an alternative - collect them in a jar at home and then turn them into us when you need to empty your jar! We will then pass them on to *Danielle Cares for Chairs*, an organization that collects these bread tags and then sells them to recyclers in bulk. The money received is then used to buy wheelchairs for people in need all over the world! Just this past year alone *Danielle Cares for Chairs* collected 1.2 million bread tags - that's over 2000 lbs of bread tags that were saved from the landfill. As of the start of 2022 *Danielle Cares for Chairs* had donated 11 wheelchairs to people in need all over the world! Considering it takes at least 260,000 bread tags to buy one wheel chair, that is very impressive.

For more information: www.scarce.org

#### CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD (CLOW) IS BACK AT THE 10 AM MASS!

CLOW occurs right before the Liturgy of the Word during the 10 am Mass, where two leaders take children PK-2nd grade out of Mass to the Chapel in the Parish Office and read the gospel story (from the Children's Bible) thereby giving them an opportunity to reflect on the story AND stretch their legs. (And their parents a chance to hear the readings and homily!) Parents are welcome to join if you want to

check it out the first time your child attends. Want to help? Let a leader know!



## THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

#### PARISH OFFICE

Open Monday - Friday.9am to 4pm Office Address: Divine Mercy Parish 1077 Tower Rd. Winnetka, IL 60093

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The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi was a poor little man who astounded and inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally-not in a narrow fundamentalist sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance. Serious illness brought the young Francis to see the emptiness of his frolicking life as leader of Assisi's youth. Prayer-lengthy and difficultled him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, climaxed by embracing a leper he met on the road. From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, "Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down." He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust to the hearts of his former friends, ridicule from the unthinking. During the last years of his relatively short life, he died at 44, Francis was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side. On his deathbed, Francis said over and over again the last addition to his Canticle of the Sun, "Be praised, O Lord, for our Sister Death." He sang Psalm 141, and at the end asked his superior's permission to have his clothes removed when the last hour came in order that he could expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord.



October 4th

#### THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE LITURGICAL MINISTER ASSIGNMENTS

October 7, 2023 5:00 p.m. SACRED HEART CHURCH Presider: Sacristan: Joe Schuessler Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: Minister Needed EM: Minister Needed

October 8, 2023 8:00 a.m. ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza Sacristan: Rima Abraham Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: Liz Harvey EM: Minister Needed

**10:00 a.m.** SACRED HEART CHURCH **Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza** Sacristan: Ludy Mariano Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: William Hague EM: Mary Jo Bushell

4:30 p.m. SACRED HEART CHURCH Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza Sacristan: Minister Needed Servers: Ministers Needed Lector: Barb Anderson EM: Frieda Baker

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.

## THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

#### 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

October 1, Sunday

The 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Respect Life Sunday

- 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

#### October 2, Monday

- Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels

  8 a.m. Mass Sacred Heart
- 7 p.m. Uncle Pete's Ministry Parish Center

October 3, Tuesday Tuesday of the 26th Week of Ordinary Time

- 8 a.m. Mass St. Philip
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary St. Philip
- 9 a.m. Crafty Ladies JPII Room
- 7 p.m. ALPHA Parish Center

#### October 4, Wednesday

Memorial of St. Francis of Assisi Synod on Synodality Assembly begins through Oct. 29

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

#### October 5, Thursday

Optional Memorial of St. Faustina Kowalska Optional Memorial of Bl. Francis Xavier Seelos World Teachers' Day

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

#### October 6, Friday

Optional Memorial of St. Bruno Optional Memorial of Bl. Marie Rose Durocher First Friday

- 8 a.m. Mass St. Philip
- 8:30 9 a.m. Adoration

#### & Rosary - St. Philip

• 9 a.m. Parent-Tot Playgroup - Sacred Heart Teen Room (Parish Center)

#### October 7, Saturday

Our Lady of the Rosary / First Saturday

- 7:30-8:30 a.m. Men's Inspirational Study Group
- 9-9:30 a.m. Confessions Sacred Heart
- Hunger Hero Weekend

#### October 8, Sunday

The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11:15 a.m. Sacrament of Baptism— Sacred Heart

- Hunger Hero Weekend
- Hospitality Sunday after the 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses

#### MASS INTENTIONS

#### 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 †

MONDAY, OCT 2 (SH) 8:00 a. m. – Mario Iturino †

TUESDAY, OCT 3 (SPA) 8:00 a.m. – Frank Meade †

#### WEDNESDAY, OCT 4 (SH) 8:30 a.m. – Joe Madden †

THURSDAY, OCT 5 (SH) 8:00 a.m. – Mary Ennis †

FRIDAY, OCT 6 (SPA) 8:00 a.m. – Claire Mary Madden Petzniger †

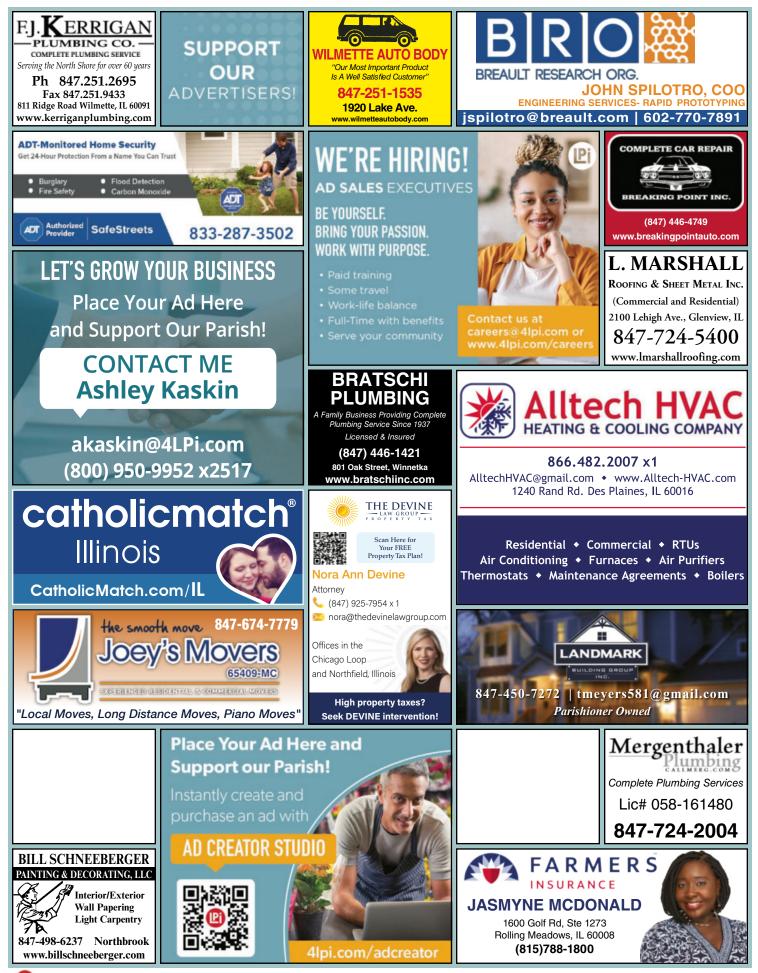
**SATURDAY, OCT 7 ( SH)** 5:00 p.m. – Stevens-Conway Families

#### SUNDAY, OCT 8 8:00 a.m. (SPA) – John Tower 10:00 a.m. (SH) – Mimi McNulty † and Parishioners of Divine Mercy 4:30 p.m. (SH) – Buddy Teevens †

#### MASS INTENTIONS

Contact the parish office 847-446-0856 or megan@divinemercynorthshore.org

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