



DIVINE MERCY PARISH SACRED HEART CHURCH • ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

JANUARY 19, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.

Isaiah 49:6

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

LISTENING TO POPE FRANCIS

As is the papal custom, a few days before Christmas, on December 21, Pope Francis met with the Roman Curia (the administrative institutions that assist the Pope in his day to day exercise of his jurisdiction over the Roman Catholic Church). I've read through his address several times now. There are some great insights in his talk that help me as our parish continues to move through Renew My Church. Before I get to those insights, let me just say that one of the most exciting things about the papal talk was how Pope Francis dipped into the past and the tradition, in order to point us forward.

Pope Francis quotes St. John Henry Newman (*Essay on the Development of Christian Doctrine*). I wonder if the members of the Curia put on their "subway faces," the face we put on when we hop on the L or the subway. I imagine them steeling their faces to give away no emotion and not communicate any reaction when they heard the Pope quote Newman: "Here below to live is to change, and to be perfect is to have changed often."

I am sure the Curia doesn't like change. Most bureaucracies don't. It's in the nature of a bureaucracy to stay the same.

CHANGE

Most individuals don't like change. It wasn't too long ago that kids were taught in Sunday school that the Catholic Church was unchanging. The inflexible, unchanging character of the Church was touted as a positive value. In a changing world there was something *unchanging*, something that offered stability.

Then along came the Second Vatican Council. All of a sudden, in CCD, we were told that the essence of Church teaching remained unchanging, but *how* that teaching was expressed changes over time. The Council, being pastoral in nature, was simply expressing unchanging truths in new ways that made sense to modern ears and hearts.

CHANGE AND CONVERSION

Pope Francis used Newman's quote to transition into a favorite topic of his: conversion and the interior transformation to which we are continually called by God in Christ. He noted in his talk that the Church has always been marked by "new beginnings, displacements and changes." We, the People of God, are nothing if not pilgrims. We are always going to be a bit unsettled.

Is that the reason why some are so anxious about *Renew My Church*? Have we simply gotten used to maintaining things as they are? Do we not want to contemplate the difficult road of "new beginnings, displacements and changes"?

The recent address to the Curia could just as well be addressed to us, especially when Pope Francis says the kind of change he is talking about is not superficial. The change the pope refers to is not like simply putting on new clothes while we remain exactly as we were before. This kind of change does not have anything to do with outward appearances. Instead, change which fosters conversion, and which is transformative, requires discernment, patience, and soulsearching.

ON THE MOVE

I love when Pope Francis says, "We must initiate processes rather than occupy spaces." To occupy a space is to be concerned with stasis. We are plopped down into this particular space, maintaining ourselves as we always have been with no thought to any sort of movement. Some leaders of organizations excel at such "plopping" because it's easy and it doesn't require evaluation or innovation. It just requires



everything to stay the same.

As a parish, we can't afford to stay the same. The world won't let us remain fixed where we are. In a world mired in secularization, consumerism, and narcissism—all the *isms* that have overtaken us—we dare not stay the same and expect our parish to flourish.

Renewal means change. Healthy and deep change requires conversion, and that, in turn, won't happen unless we squarely address a culture of maintenance in our parishes. The kind of meaningful change asked of us by *Renew My Church* is not something that can be achieved overnight or by one program or one pastoral initiative.

INGREDIENTS TO HELP US MOVE FORWARD

This kind of change will take perseverance. We will need to stay the course over many years. What will this look like? The following are some elements of us persevering, or staying on the course to revitalization.

Preaching the vision. People need to hear "this is what we are striving for as a parish, this is who we aspire to be" to help them visualize and embrace the specific steps necessary to get from here to there.

Praying for help. Individual and communal change of this sort isn't going to happen without appeal to the Holy Spirit. We're never going to get there without God's assistance.

Pushing forward with humility. There will be periods of slowness. There will

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN (CONTINUED)

be mistakes that we make. We will not have all the answers all the time. So what? Is it better to play it safe and do nothing? So along with perseverance, humility is another virtue we can cultivate as we rely on the grace of God, the support of one another, and the inspiration found in the richness of our tradition as we all journey together on this pilgrimage of renewal.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP

A scripture reflection group meets every Monday morning in the Sacred Heart offices after the 8:30am Mass.

We gather for one hour to read and reflect on the **coming** Sunday readings. We simply share what is in our hearts and on our minds. No experience in scripture necessary. All are welcome!

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP FROM OUR SCRIPTURES

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." ISAIAH 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and generously share them with others.

RESPECT LIFE

That we may respond to our call to be a holy people by protecting and respecting all human life, especially those who are most inconvenient

OUTREACH

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY OF SERVICE

Join volunteers of all ages and abilities to help multiple nonprofits on Monday, January 20th anytime from 1-4pm at The Community House, located at 620 Lincoln Avenue

in Winnetka. No registration is required.

Most project materials are provided, but please consider bringing:

- Four yards of fleece fabric to make a blanket for the homeless (there will be some kits available for purchase);
- New or gently used t-shirts to make pet toys for animal shelters;
- New or gently used warm coats for homeless, refugee children and adults; and
- Unopened laundry detergent for the New Trier Township Food Pantry.

For more details, visit VolunteerCenterHelps.org

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER

Shortfall

In worship, we make it possible for the Lord to transform us by His love, to kindle light amid our darkness, to grant us strength in weakness and courage amid trials.

COMMUNITY

UPCOMING MEN'S CLUB EVENTS

Join the Divine Mercy Men's Club for a meeting on January 20th at 7:30 p.m. at Stormy's Tavern in Northfield. (1735 Orchard Lane) All are welcome!

Mark your calendars for the annual **Smoker/Cards for Charity** event on January 25th at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Philip the Apostle Gym (1980 Old Willow Road in Northfield). The event includes a steak dinner, beverages and a donation. Open card games will be played until 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$75 per person.

Questions? Contact John Joyce at john.joyce@svn.com or 847-778-1254.

WELCOME OUR NEW FAMILIES TO DIVINE MERCY PARISH Mrs. Laura Dee

CONTACT REV. JOHN FOLEY, SJ Fr. Foley, longtime presider at the St. Philip the Apostle Sunday 7:30am Mass, has retired to the Jesuit Residence Camillus in Milwaukee. You can reach him at is 414-259-8662. The address is 10201 N. Wisconsin Avenue, Wauwatosa, Wisconsin. 53226.

STEWARDSHIP GIVING

FINANCES AT A GLANCE AS OF January 12, 2020

(Combined SPA / SH Church Sites) YTD 2019-2020 Sunday Collection YTD 2018-2019 Sunday Collection Christmas Collection Christmas Budget

\$621,154 \$653,456 \$216,035

\$240,000 (\$23,965)

We hope you had a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! We are grateful for your continued generosity (and it's not too late to send in a Christmas donation).

Thank you for your generosity to Divine Mercy Parish!

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

DIVINE MERCY MEN'S RETREAT: "TABLE TALK: LISTENING TO JESUS' MESSAGE AS WE SHARE MEALS WITH HIM" FEBRUARY 21-23, 2020

This Ignatian, silent weekend retreat for Men at Bellarmine Retreat House in Barrington, will be led by Retreat Master Fr. David Shields, SJ. Using

various stories from the gospel of St. Luke, we will read and consider the issues and themes that Jesus talked about when he was invited out. By accompanying Jesus at important meals,



we can come to know his mind and heart more intimately, deepen our love or him and strengthen our level of discipleship as Catholic Christians.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Fr. Shields is a Jesuit priest of the USA Midwest Province who has been involved in retreat ministry for over 40 years in many formats. In addition to this ministry, Fr. Shields has spent some 20 years with the Oglala Sioux on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and, more recently, nearly 22 years in Hispanic ministry in Milwaukee, WI. Currently he is the Director of Spiritual Programs at Casa Romero Renewal Center in Milwaukee. Casa Romero is an urban bilingual spirituality center offering bilingual retreats and formation to 1st and 2nd generation Latinx in southeast Wisconsin.

Suggested retreat contribution: Weekend Retreat is \$295 per person (\$95 deposit). For more information contact Great Grodecki, 847-906-4105, or Deacon Mike McNulty,847-446-0856x120.

COMMUNITY

SACRED HEART RECTORY WINDOW & DOOR PROJECT

In early fall, the replacement of the drafty, 100-year-old windows in the rectory began, along with three storm doors in the back of the rectory. As of today, most have been replaced. The project has been a tremendous success with reduced energy bills, better temperature control, and enhanced curb appeal!

This project was initiated by parishioners. No capital campaign funds or savings were or will be used for this project. To date, \$91,000 has been collected to cover the \$130,000. You can make a contribution to this project if you'd like to help us meet our goal! Any contributions to this project will be carefully used and greatly appreciated. Just make a note on any checks you send to the parish. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Snowflake Festival Saturday, January 25 9:00-11:00am



Join us for snow-themed activities with friends new & old! For families with children through 3rd grade, FREE.

Spotlight on Sacred Heart Wednesday, January 29 9:00-11:00am

Wondering what makes Sacred Heart School so special? Come see us in action! Learn more about Sacred Heart's Preschool-8th Grade at our STEAM Showcase & Academic Fair; private tours available.

1095 Gage Street Winnetka



www.shwschool.org (847) 446-0005

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/PREP)

What a great start to our year...

Thank you to all of our families and to Father Pat McGrath and Deacon Puhala for the wonderful Family Mass we celebrated last Sunday at St. Philip's. It was a cold, snowy morning, but warm and joyous inside. Congratulations to the children who received the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last Monday. Thank you to Father Steve, Father Dean and Father Mike for the beautiful First Reconciliation Service. "This Little Light of Mine, I'm Going to Let It Shine." And, it did! Brightly! We are grateful for these special moments with all of you.





Father Pat McGrath, SJ, who is president of Loyola Academy, spoke of being missionaries and spreading the Word in his Family Mass homily.

First Reconciliation, January 14, 2020



ALPHA

DIVINE MERCY INVITES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN ALPHA!

What is it? Alpha is a wonderful way to explore life and the Christian faith in an informal, open environment. Alpha runs in churches, bars and coffee shops all over the world. Alpha sessions consist of sharing a meal with other members of the group, enjoying a short video and a discussion where you can share your thoughts in a small group. Alpha is for anybody and everybody who wants to know more about the Christian faith or simply grow in their own faith.

There's no judgement, no pressure, no charge and it's FUN! Alpha in the Catholic Context is run around the world, and all have three things in common: good food, a video and good conversation.

We believe Alpha is a key component of what the future holds for us as a renewed Divine Mercy parish. It's a wonderful way to renew your faith. It's an opportunity to get to know people in our faith community, whether they are from St. Philip or Sacred Heart. Come and check it out! No matter who you are or what you believe, everyone is welcome...Catholic or not...practicing or not...or simply curious...Join us! You'll love the food, the videos and the conversation.

Everyone should have the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view. *Take a chance*!

COME AND SEE WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!

Thursday, January 23, 2019 6:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Center 1090 Gage Street, Winnetka

Have questions? Call the Divine Mercy office at 847-446-0856.

CHECK IT OUT!



COME AND SEE JANUARY 23rd @ 6:30pm

we must



TO HAVE A CHURCH

Jesus' final command before ascending to heaven, is to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations..." (Matthew 28:19). It's known as the Great Commission, not "the really good suggestion". Why? Because Jesus entrusted his disciples with a partnership in the salvation of the world. The transmission of the Gospel message depends on **US**. Jesus is counting on us to reach a particular person or persons with the message of His love and redemption. But how do we go about this?

Just invite.

Inviting someone to come to Mass might be a little too intimidating for someone who is unfamiliar with liturgy. But inviting them to dinner? That's easy. Non-threatening. At Alpha you can bring your friend, co-worker, colleague, hairstylist, daughter's boyfriend, or the UPS driver for a meal. You'll be greeted by really friendly people and have a great (free) dinner. You'll watch a video on the very basics of the Christian faith, then have a chance to discuss it with your tablemates. And any and all questions and comments are allowed! Seriously. At Alpha, everyone gets a chance to voice their thoughts and be heard, without judgement. Alpha is a place to have a meaningful conversation, and to explore the biggest questions of faith. It's a welcoming place to begin a journey that will change a life forever.

Who will you invite?

ALPHA

SOME FEEDBACK FROM PARISHIONERS:

If you yearn for greater purpose and meaning in your every day, consider trying Alpha. After the first gathering, you will sense the potential impact on your life. For me, it was an unexpected and profound gift! Aimee G.

I so enjoyed our small group sessions. It was a place to share, support, and strengthen the bonds of our Catholic Community. Dona C.

I had no idea what to expect but was pleasantly surprised. It helped me review my faith on another level and talk with others about it. I also was very surprised about the number of fellow Parishioners that attended. George K.

Alpha was the first experience that helped me to find a path to forgiveness in my heart. It would not have happened without the inspiring people I shared the Alpha journey with or the amazing overnight retreat. It was truly a life-changing experience. Kirsten L.

When I signed up for ALPHA, I did not appreciate what I would experience. The program was a great way to get to know other parishioners. We became a closer group as the weeks went by. The videos were very powerful means to remind us of how wonderful it is to be a Catholic. Joe M.













Some of our Alpha attendees!



SACRED HEART SCHOOL



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 20th No school in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Thursday, January 23rd Parent and Tot class 9-10am Early dismissal JK-8th 1:20pm Teacher meetings 1:30pm

Saturday, January 24th Snowflake Festival! 9-11:00am

Sunday, January 25th Catholic Schools Week Kick Off Mass 10:30am



EVERYBODY IS BACK AND READY TO LEARN!



Last Friday, the JK classes hosted their dads and special friends for Dads and Doughnuts. The students were gracious hosts and loved taking care

of their dads for a change - they showed them where to hang up their coats, made a craft with them, gave them a classroom tour, shared with them their homemade "Dad" book, and served them their tasty, sweet snack! We had such a fun time with our special guests!













LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE - Weekend of January 25 & 26, 2019

SACRED HEART CHURCH

5:00 p.m.

Presider:	Fr. Cassidy
Greeters:	Edward Kuffert, Patty Sanfilippo
Servers:	Volunteers needed
Lector:	Barbara Anderson
EM's:	Barbara Fifer, Samuel Fifer, Patty Sanfilippo
Cantor:	Dan MacDonald

7:30 a.m.

Fr. Solazzo (Deacon Keenan)
Ludy Mariano
Christopher Essig, Ava Half
Roberta Olshansky
Bernadette Broccolo, Ludy Mariano
Bernadette Garza

9:00 a.m.

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Presider:	Fr. Solazzo (Deacon McNulty)
Greeters:	Mary Newton, Frieda Baker
Servers:	Christopher Nelson, Danny Hession
Lector:	Chris Hartman
EMs:	Ann Marie Kiener, Volunteers needed
Cantor:	Bernadette Garza

10:30 a.m.

Presider:	Fr. Semmer (Deacon Keenan)
Greeters:	Kay Madden, Jim Harrington
Servers:	Nora Murdock, Rachele Lombardi
Lector:	Bill Hague
EMs:	A.J. Leonard, Mary Jo Bushell, Kay Madden,
	Volunteers needed
Cantor:	Shannon Barker Keys

4:30 p.m.

Presider:	Fr. Semmer
Greeter:	Dan Hagedorn
Servers:	Charlotte O'Bryan, Matthew Bradley
Lector:	Matthew Compton
EMS:	James Collins, Catherine Lehman
Cantor:	Matt Mieling & Ensemble

MINISTERS OF CARE

Lake Cook: Barbara Baisley Glen Oaks: Frieda Baker

Maryhaven / Lutheran General:

Mary Breen, Mary Claps, Maureen Claps, Marilyn Hielscher, Marty Kearney, Anna Koberda, Michael Koberda, Diana Scheeler, Tom Carroll

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

5:30 p.m.

Presider: Fr. Lanza (Deacon Puhala preaching)
Servers: Lindsay Minogue, Shane Kropp
Lector: Bob Snediker
EMs: Rob Hilliard, Anna Koberda, Michael Koberda
Ushers: Charlie Orth, Rick Turk, Gino D'Egidio

7:30 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Lanza (Deacon Puhala preaching)
Servers: Volunteer needed
Lector: Jim Dietz
EMs: Jane Clark, Stephen Cross, Rima Abraham
Ushers: Joe Pacini, Greg Clingan

9:30 a.m.

Presider	: Fr. Lanza (Deacon Puhala preaching)
Servers:	Dylan Johnson, Owen Johnson
Lector:	Steve Thordarson
EMs:	Tom O'Donoghue, Chris Kaiser, George Kaiser
Ushers:	Patrick Krohn, Dan Murphy, Jody Smith,
	Stan Smith

PLEASE PRAY

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, Jim Baisley, Dorothy Banas, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback, Sande Bolan, Paula Brady, Dennis Braun, Wendy Braun, Luciana Butera, Milly Calabrese, Kierre Caldwell, Patt Carlson, Patricia Catarello, Teresa Chapman, Kelly Bolan Chevalier, Sheila Devlin, Tim Doll, Rick Doucette, David and Mary Ann Duerwachter, Maureen Dwyer, Timothy Feeney, John Flynn, Lisa Franke, Lydia Gatton, Benjamin Grillo, Philip Hall, Laura Hendricks, John Hoerster, Nancy Holihan, Mario Iturino, The Jatis Family, Becky Jones, Philip Jones, Marge Kalsch, Edward Kennedy, Ginny Kunkel, Gina Quirk Lazicki, Anne Lesniak, John Madden, Drew Mans, Jackson Mans, Beth O'Brien, Sally O'Malley, Ennio Rossi, Mary Sabo, Donna Sabido, Dick Schager, Catherine Scheid, Mary Shepherd, Judy Sokal, Mary Tatro, Linda Walsh, Julie Wright, Lisa Zitella and Dr. Jerome Zwierzycki

For Those Who Have Died

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

MASS INTENTIONS

SACRED HEART Monday, January 20 7:00 am-8:30 am- George Murphy

Tuesday, January 21 7:00 am-8:30 am- Jim O'Toole

Wednesday, January 22 7:00 am – 8:30 am- Mary Beth Gosline

Thursday, January 23 7:00 am-8:30 am-

Friday, January 24 7:00 am – 8:30 am –

Saturday, January 25 8:30am-5:00 pm — Parishioners of Divine Mercy

Sunday, January 26 7:30 am -9:00 am-10:30 am- William Flocco 4:30 pm –

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE

Monday, January 20 8:00am – Special Intention for the Brown family

Tuesday, January 21 8:00am-

Wednesday, January 22 8:ooam – Robert Hutchings Blessings for All Unborn children Thursday, January 23

8:ooam –

Friday, January 24 8:00am-

Saturday, January 25 8:00 am-5:30 pm-

Sunday, January 26 7:30 am-9:30 am- Parishioners of Divine Mercy

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

Monday, January 20 Scripture Reflection Group 9:00am / SH PO

Tuesday, January 21 Crafty Ladies 9:00am / SPA Convent Prayer Group 9:00am / SH PO

Wednesday, January 22

Thursday, January 23 Alpha 6:30pm / SH Parish Center

Friday, January 24 Holy Hour 3:00pm / SPA

Saturday, January 25 Holy Hour 3:00pm / SPA Men's Inspirational Study Group 7:30am Cards for Charity 6:00pm / SPA Gym

Sunday, January 26 Children's Ministry Sessions 9:00am / SH School, Gym & Parish Center Children's Ministry Sessions 10:30am / SPA Convent, SPA Gym & HP School Family Faith Connection 5:00pm / SH Parish Center

SACRAMENTS

Sacraments can be scheduled at either church. Arrangements should be made through the main office at Sacred Heart.

RECONCILIATION Wednesday—3:00-5:00pm (SP) Saturday—9:00-9:30am (SH) Saturday—5:00-5:15pm (SP) or by appointment

BAPTISM By appointment. Please call the main parish office or visit our website for the requisite forms.

MARRIAGE Contact the main parish office 6 months prior to the anticipated date of the marriage.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Contact the main parish office to arrange for the sacrament for the seriously ill and homebound.

DO YOU HAVE A BULLETIN SUBMISSION?

Please adhere to the following specifications when submitting an item for the bulletin. The deadline is Tuesday, 9:00am for the following Sunday.

BULLETIN SPECS:

FONT STYLE: Corbel FONT SIZE: Headlines: 12 (ALL CAPS & BOLD) Body text: 10 LINE SPACING: Before and After Paragraphs: opt Between Lines: 1sp Avoid outlining text boxes, if you can.

Continue to create ads for special events like A Moveable Feast, Oktoberfest or NiteLites. We simply ask you incorporate the Corbel font style when you are able. Please submit all items to divinemercybulletins@gmail.com.

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Sacred Heart School Office

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