



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH · ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

July 18, 2021

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



The Lord is my
shepherd, there is
nothing I shall want.
Psalm 23

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

HELPER PRIEST

Beginning last weekend, Father John Kartje, the rector of the University of St. Mary of the Lake (seminary), began helping out at Divine Mercy Parish. We welcome Father Kartje and are grateful to him for his commitment to our weekend schedule of Masses.

Father Kartje travels via the use of the Metra train, which means his help will focus on Sacred Heart church. He is able to take the Metra from Libertyville and walk the half-a-block to Sacred Heart.

We are not the only parish which sees Father's help on weekends. He helps out in a number of places that are near the Metra lines. This means he won't be here every weekend. It also means there is zero chance that we will increase the number of Masses on the weekend simply because we have additional priestly help from time to time.

Less than a year from now Father Dan retires. That leaves only one priest serving the parish. The Mass schedule was formulated with this in mind so that one priest can preside at all the daily and weekend liturgies, including weddings and funerals, at both campuses.

Welcome Father Kartje. We're so glad you are able to be with us on many upcoming weekends!

VACATION FUN

I had a chance to get away for three days to be with my brother and his family. They're all doing wonderfully and it was a beautiful visit. I can't believe my nieces are growing up so fast!

We relaxed together. We had some great meals. I got acquainted with their new pup, Myles, who is a hoot. I played Yahtzee for the first time since high school with all of them. We laughed a lot.

I hope you are able to get some down time this summer and to relax. I also hope that as you relax you are able to enjoy life and find laughter.

Laughter is a great tonic. It's good for what ails us.

Here's what Saint Thomas More said—
Give me a sense of humor, Lord, and something to laugh about.



May these summer days find you laughing, chortling, guffawing, and maybe even, on occasion, "scream-laughing." Yes, that's a thing. That's when you laugh so hard, you're almost screaming.

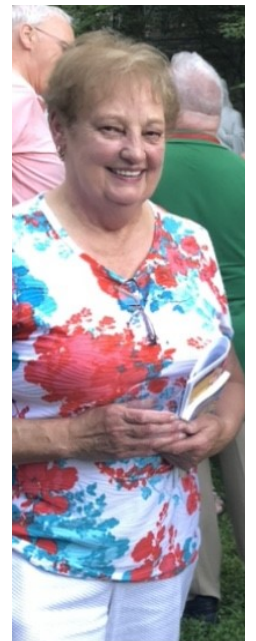
After this past year and its challenges, we all need good wholesome laughter in our lives!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. St." followed by a stylized flourish.

FAREWELL TO MARY NEWTON

It is with heavy hearts that we bid farewell to longtime parishioner, Mary Newton, as she returns to Ireland next week to be with her family. Whether you realize it or not, Mary has touched many of your lives. She has volunteered in countless ways for our parish. She's been a lector (and one of the first and only lectors who helped us go "online" during the pandemic), a Eucharistic Minister, a greeter, a cross-bearer, and a volunteer for art & environment. She's participated in our prayer group, bible studies, adult formation programs, and volunteered as our receptionist in times of need. She's been a Minister of Care, bringing Holy Communion to those in need at one of our nearby nursing homes. She helped distribute ashes on Ash Wednesday when we began to distribute ashes throughout the day. Most importantly, she has served as one of our Sacristans at Sacred Heart Church for years. It's been Mary who has worked behind the scenes to prepare for many of our weekend Masses. On Christmas Eve or Easter Sunday, some of the busiest days at our parish, Mary would prepare for multiple Masses. If you've attended a funeral at Sacred Heart Church, Mary was likely helping out, whether she distributed Holy Communion or prepared the incense that wafted over your loved one's casket. If you've been baptized at the Easter Vigil, or confirmed at Sacred Heart Church, Mary was probably there, making sure everything was just right.

Mary did all these things because she loves the Lord and she loves the Church. We cannot thank you enough Mary, for all that you have given to our parish. You are a living example of what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Thank you for sharing your life with so many of us at Divine Mercy. You will be missed more than you will ever know! We love you Mary Newton and we thank you!





Eucharistic Adoration & Recitation of the Rosary

**Sacred Heart Church:
Wednesday afternoons
July 21 & 28
2-3 p.m.**

**St. Philip Church:
Every Friday
Morning
8:30 - 9:30 a.m.**

Come by for 5 or 50 minutes - whatever fits your schedule! Come and go as you wish!

This is meant to be a warm and welcoming experience, so please do not be intimidated.

The Blessed Sacrament of Jesus will be exposed on the Altar for prayer so that we are in His presence. During the first half hour, we will say opening prayers followed by the Rosary. The second half hour will be quiet time spent with the Lord.

**ALL ARE WELCOME:
THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER SAID THE ROSARY, AND
THOSE WHO PRAY IT DAILY. GUIDES WILL HELP
YOU ALONG THE WAY!**

ARCHDIOCESE OF CHICAGO



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July 9, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

In Chicago, in the metro area, and even more widely across our nation, we face a profoundly painful moment in our life together. So many families are grieving the loss of loved ones to violence, and those loved ones include babies and small children. The grief is compounded by the senselessness of the loss. Fear accompanies many of us as we go about our daily lives. We are afraid of becoming a victim of gun violence, or a carjacking, or an assault. And we are afraid not only for ourselves but also for the people we care for.

As we recover from the pandemic and embrace a more familiar way of life, the comfort of normalcy we had hoped for is being spoiled by a menacing violence that threatens all of us.

Understandably, we want this horrifying situation resolved without delay. Government leaders and community activists have offered many ideas, for example: more effective policing, reforming the criminal justice system, stemming the flood of illegal guns, dismantling gangs, investment in historically disadvantaged neighborhoods, strengthening education and shoring up family life. I cannot claim special expertise in all these matters. But as a pastor, I can point to the underlying spiritual crisis that this violent and unstable situation has provoked.

When violence prompts grief, fear, and a loss of hope, as it always does, people feel alienated from one another. On one level, the fractures appear to be along the lines of race, ethnicity, economic class, and political affiliation. But it runs much deeper than that. We seem unable or unwilling to comprehend that we are inextricably connected with each other. Yet we truly are *fratelli tutti*, as Pope Francis put it — all brothers and sisters to each other. If we lose that sense of interconnectedness, we also lose our sense of compassion, empathy and responsibility for each other. And that counts as an incalculable spiritual loss, with profound consequences for how we live together as neighbors, as members of the same human family. In this light, I recall the prophetic words of Dr. Martin Luther King in 1964: “We must learn to live together as brothers [and sisters] or perish together as fools.” (St. Louis, March 22, 1964)

The challenge, especially for believers, rests at the very center of the Church’s identity. At the beginning of the Second Vatican Council’s *Constitution on the Church*, we see powerful and defining words: the Church is in the manner of a sacrament, that is, an effective sign of the unity of all humanity in God. If we, the people of God, are to remain faithful to our identity and



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our calling, we must respond to the challenge to human solidarity that violence has provoked. At the same time, we can legitimately ask ourselves: What can we do? What difference can we make? How can we bridge the divides that separate us?

Faith does not give us ready-made solutions to complex problems. Faith does give us hope that with God's help we can move forward, and that we *ought* to move forward as best as we can. With that in mind, I want to propose to Catholics and to all people of good will five steps that we can take:

1. **Ask questions:** Explore our experience and seek understanding, but in asking questions, also be prepared to authentically listen, even when what we are hearing proves painful.
2. **Dialogue:** Seek honest exchanges with people of different backgrounds. No one person or group has all the answers, and when we speak with and listen to those who have experiences and expertise that differs from our own, we begin to move toward understanding. We cultivate empathy.
3. **Pray:** Ask for enlightenment, place struggling people in God's hands, and imagine Jesus walking with us, because he is.
4. **Follow the prompts:** If we truly open ourselves to God and to each other, and if we remain attentive, we will begin to identify where God is leading us. This is discernment.
5. **Stay connected:** The great temptation during a time of crisis is to retreat to what we consider a safe space. In fact, what we most need is to go out of our comfort zones and accompany one another, even when that calls for effort and even some risk.

For people of faith, no matter the severity of the crisis, the last word is trust in God. The stirring words of Psalm 91 have consoled me and strengthened my resolve these days:

*He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
and abides in the shade of the Almighty
says to the Lord: "My refuge,
my stronghold, my God in whom I trust."*

*You will not fear the terror of the night
nor the arrow that flies by day,
nor the plague that prowls in the darkness
nor the scourge that lays waste at noon.*

*It is he who will free you from the snare
of the fowler who seeks to destroy you;
he will conceal you with his pinions
and under his wings you will find refuge.*

*A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand fall at your right,
you, it will never approach;
his faithfulness is buckler and shield.*

And finally, in the words of Pope Paul VI: "If you want peace, work for justice."
God bless you and your loved ones and keep you safe.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Blase Cardinal Cupic
Archbishop of Chicago

COMMUNITY

ARCHDIOCESE LIFTS COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

If you don't receive our e-blast yet, (to sign-up, email Judy Pyke at jpyke@divinemercynorthshore.org or call the parish office) or have not seen the parish news on our website, the Archdiocese has issued guidelines in accordance with the State for Phase 5 of Restore Illinois, essentially lifting most of our restrictions. Thus, we are at 100% capacity at both our churches; reservations are no longer required to attend Mass; and face masks are no longer required unless you are unvaccinated (or you feel more comfortable wearing one). You can read the full list of guidelines on our website under Parish News and Events or by clicking [here](#).

A LUMEN CHRISTI INSTITUTE EVENT:

A School for the Lord's Service: A Meditation on the Rule of St. Benedict: Sunday July 25, 7:30 p.m.
Written for monks living in Italy almost

1600 years ago, The Rule of St. Benedict is remarkable for its wisdom, its discretion, and its clarity. St. Benedict draws on Scripture and the theological tradition that preceded him to craft a text that combines both detailed prescriptions for daily life in a monastery and the principles of a spiritual theology. All these prescriptions and theological principles he sees as foundation of a School for the Lord's Service. In this webinar we will look at several elements of that "school" that guide any Christian to "run along the path of God's commandments, our hearts overflowing with the inexpressible delight of love" (Rule of St. Benedict, Prologue 49).

Join the Lumen Christi Institute for this monthly special series on Monastic Wisdom. This event will be held online through Zoom (registration required) and live-streamed to YouTube. Click [here](#) to register or visit <https://www.lumenchristi.org/events/upcoming>.

OUTREACH

A JUST HARVEST NEEDS OUR HELP

Throughout the pandemic A JUST HARVEST remained open and continues to serve a record number of clients. Now they need our help with a number of projects. There will be scheduled days to participate. If you are interested, please email David Crawford at david@ajustharvest.org. David will contact you with specific information.

INDOOR

Cleaning the kitchen and dining areas
Painting the kitchen and dining areas
This opportunity is for ADULTS ONLY and anyone who participates MUST wear a mask.


OUTDOOR

Assist with:
Composting, Hoop House, Clearing the parking lot, Building a Library Box
Other possible projects.
These opportunities are for ADULTS ONLY.

Many thanks to our many parishioners who have donated funds, goods and time to keep A JUST HARVEST open and running!

ST. COLUMBANUS HAS A NEW NAME

Pray for the faith community of the newly formed parish, St. Moses the Black, which combines the former parishes of St. Columbanus, St. Dorothy and St. Clotilde, as they begin their new life together to help renew the Church of Chicago!

 [stmosesparish](#) ...

SATURDAY @ ST. COLUMBANUS WORSHIP SITE:
4:00 P.M.
SUNDAY @ ST. COLUMBANUS WORSHIP SITE:
8:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.
SUNDAY @ ST. DOROTHY WORSHIP SITE:
9:00 A.M.

Mass will continue to be streamed LIVE on Sunday's at 10:30 a.m.



**St. MOSES the BLACK
PARISH**



FORE!

Save the Date!
Monday September 13, 2021

**Parish Golf Outing
at
Wilmette Golf Club**

All parishioners & their guests
are welcome, as are outing sponsors.
More details to follow
in the coming weeks!

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

NO CONFESSIONS AT ST. PHILIP DURING AUGUST

Fr. Javier has informed us that he will be away for the month of August. Therefore, there will be no confessions at St. Philip during the month of August. Confessions on Wednesday afternoons will resume August 4, 2021.

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER



In these days of being hospitalized, I have experienced how important good health care is, accessible to all. This precious benefit must not be lost which needs everyone's contribution.

We pray the Rosary together online at 7:30 am each week day. All are welcome to experience the joy of praying in community. You can find the link [here](#) or you can dial in by calling +1 312 626 6799, Meeting ID: 261 495 7344, Passcode: 534493

The Rosary is also prayed after 8:00 am Mass on Fridays at St. Philip the Apostle.

Join us!



MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like a Mass said for a loved one? Just call Megan Nolan at our office at 847-446-0856, and she'll be able to help you. You can also email Megan Nolan at megan@divinemercynorthshore.org

RESPECT LIFE PRAYER:

That those who suffer because of injustice, discrimination or hardship because of race or religion may deepen their faith in God and experience his protection, we pray to the Lord...

WORSHIP AIDS FOR MASS

Worship aids for Mass can be found on our website, which you can download before you come to Mass or scan this QR code with your smart phone camera to access it at church or at home so that you can follow along. **NOTE:** all three Masses will appear, so you'll need to scroll to the Mass you are attending.



OUR VISION STATEMENT

Divine Mercy Parish is a Welcoming Community that Inspires Disciples of Jesus to Share God's Love and Transform the World.

Making Disciples • Building Church • Serving Others

COMMUNITY



School Supply Drive!



We are collecting donations for Augustus Tolton Catholic Academy, the school of Saint Moses the Black Parish (formerly St. Columbanus). Their families are in need of book bags/backpacks, school supplies, face masks and hand sanitizer. Divine Mercy will hold a Drive for these items one weekend only - August 6, 7 and 8th. Bins for donations will be set in the parish office vestibule at Sacred Heart Church.

Additionally, students are in need of school uniforms. If you're able to contribute towards uniforms, please consider making a donation via our Give Central portal on our website (givecentral.org/location/205/event/3320), or sending us a check with ATCA School Uniforms in the memo line.

Thank you for your generosity!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/PREP)

Registration for Children's Ministry 2021-2022 Is Open!

We know that our children and families need faith more now than ever.

Our plan for the future is designed to help our children become lifelong followers of Jesus.

The goal of all of our programming is to better engage the hearts and minds of our children and families.

Please click [2021-2022 Registration Link](#) to register for Children's Ministry. Registration will close on Friday, August 6, 2021 so we have adequate time to order materials. Calendars will be sent out following registration.

Children's Ministry Sunday Morning Sessions

- Sessions will meet from 8:50-9:50 a.m. on Sundays at Sacred Heart School & Parish Center.
- We will hold Family Masses, retreats, sacraments, special sessions and more on both the St. Philip the Apostle campus and on the Sacred Heart campus.
- We will kick off our year with a Family Mass at 9:30 a.m., September 19th at St. Philip the Apostle Church followed by food and fellowship.
- Our year will feature:
 - 3 Family Masses
 - Service projects woven directly into the monthly curriculum based on the Corporal Works of Mercy for all grade levels
 - 1 Saints Celebration
 - 1 Christmas Pageant
 - Sessions led by our outstanding, experienced catechists
 - Youth Alpha for our 7th graders to better know the Life of Jesus
 - Sacramental prep for our 2nd and 8th graders.

Family Faith Connections

- We will bring back our monthly Family Faith Connections program for those families who want to learn, grow and pray together as an alternative to the regular weekly Children's Ministry sessions. Family Faith combines monthly group meetings on Sunday evenings at the Sacred Heart Parish Center and grade-specific instruction by trained catechists along with at-home sessions guided by parents.
 - Families will gather 8 times per year on a Sunday evening from 5:15-7:00 p.m. to share a meal, prayer and activity, followed by lessons for the children and a chance for parents to meet with a priest or leader to discuss our faith.
 - Parents work with children to complete approximately 20 Home sessions using parent-friendly materials and instructions.
 - Any family member who would like a shared faith experience can participate. Parents, children, grandparents, step-parents, aunts, uncles – all are welcome.
 - 8th Graders may attend Family Faith, but must also attend weekly sessions on Sunday mornings.
- Questions? Please contact Kelly Shoup at kshoup@divinemercynorthshore.org or call 847-446-0856, x.106.



PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

PRESIDER SCHEDULE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

July 24, 2021

SACRED HEART CHURCH

5:00 p.m.

Presider: Fr. John Kartje

July 25, 2021

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

8:00 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Dan Cassidy

July 25, 2021

SACRED HEART CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Dan Cassidy

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,
please come spiritually into my heart.
I embrace you now
as if you were already there
and I unite myself wholly to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.

MINISTERS OF CARE

Given restrictions of nursing homes in the State of Illinois, the constraints of safety protocols of the Archdiocese, and the fact that the majority of our volunteers fall into the vulnerable category, home visits by Ministers of Care cannot be made at this time. **If your loved one 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.** One of our priests will respond to your call. Please leave a message!!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

LECTOR ASSIGNMENTS:

July 24, 2021 Sacred Heart Church
5:00 p.m. Matthew Compton

July 25, 2021 St. Philip the Apostle Church
8:00 a.m. Volunteer Needed

July 25, 2021 Sacred Heart Church
10:00 a.m. Kathy Janega

If you are interested in the ministry of Lector at either Sacred Heart or St. Philip the Apostle, please contact Ron Vanasdlén, via email rvanasdlén@divinemercynorthshore.org

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,
Donald Blair, Dennis Braun, Ron Braun, Wendy Braun, Patt
Carlson, John Coyne, Dan Dawson, Lisa Marie Franke, Paul
Greco, Benjamin Grillo, Jack Hogan, Sarah Hyde,
Mark Iserloth, Mario Iturino, Philip Jones,
Gina Quirk Lazicki, Beth O'Brien, Sister Betty Tranel

For Those Who Have Died

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

Readings for the week of July 18, 2021

Sunday: Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-3, 3-4, 5, 6 [1]/Eph 2:13-18/
Mk 6:30-34
Monday: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc, -2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/
Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Ex 14:21-15:1/Ex 15:8-9, 10 and 12, 17 [1b]/
Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-
28 [24b]/Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8
-9 [2]/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Friday: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [cf. Jn 6:68c]/
Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 [14a]/
Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-16, 17-18
[cf. 16]/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15

MASS INTENTIONS

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK AT BOTH SACRED HEART AND ST. PHILIP

MONDAY, July 19 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - John Flynn

TUESDAY, July 20 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. -

WEDNESDAY, July 21 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - The Wetoska Family

THURSDAY, July 22 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - Maureen Gallagher

FRIDAY, July 23 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. -

SATURDAY, July 24 (SH)

5:00 p.m. - Conway-Stevens Family

SUNDAY, July 25

8:00 a.m. **(SPA)** - Gregory Gruccel
Parishioners of
Divine Mercy

10:00 a.m. **(SH)** - Sonya Frances
LaMarr

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

Meetings at Divine Mercy are gradually returning. Check with the parish office for the most up to date information.

SACRAMENTS

Please call the Parish Office at 847-446-0856 for information regarding Sacraments, or visit our website at www.divinemercynorthshore.org.

The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** is offered at both of our worship sites. Sacred Heart Church offers the Sacrament on Saturday mornings between 9:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. and at St. Philip the Apostle Church on Wednesday afternoons with Fr. Javier Del Castillo from 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. And there is no need to make a reservation! We remind everyone to wear a mask, and that you'll be greeted by someone from our reopening team.

Please know that if it has been a while since your last confession, "Do not be afraid!" (Matthew 14:27). ***The priest will help guide you.***

A suggested Act of Contrition is:

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Savior Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy. (Rite of Penance, no. 45)

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 Nite Lites. We simply ask you incorporate the Corbel font style when you are able. Please submit all items to:

divinemercybulletins@gmail.com

DIVINE MERCY OFFICES

Given the constraints of the pandemic, our offices are only open in the mornings from 9:00 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. You can reach us by calling 847-446-0856.

You can also reach any staff member via email. You can find that directory on the next page.

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Thank you for your understanding.

PARISH STAFF

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