



DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH · ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

JUNE 14, 2020 THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Have you made your reservation to attend Mass? See our website, www.divinemercynorthshore.org or call the parish office at 847-881-6664.

See inside for more information regarding Streaming Masses

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

GRADUAL REOPENING

This weekend we begin our gradual reopening for the celebration of Mass at Divine Mercy Parish. At both of our houses of worship, Sacred Heart and St. Philip the Apostle, we will be open for one Mass.

Sacred Heart church will be open for Mass Saturday at 5:00 p.m. with no more than 50 worshippers. St. Philip the Apostle will be open for Mass Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

To attend, you will need to sign up (make a reservation) online. If you do not have access to the internet, you can sign up for Mass by calling our temporary office number at 847-881-6664. Complete information can be found on our website homepage at www.divinemercynorthshore.org.

My point in mentioning this is to underscore that our reopening is gradual. We are starting with only one Mass in each place in order to ensure that our registration system works well, and that our lay greeters who have stepped up to help work out any kinks in the procedures to make subsequent Masses smoother. In addition, we need to make sure that we are properly disinfecting the churches after their use so that when we get to multiple Masses we can do so efficiently and effectively.

In other words, we will evaluate how this first weekend goes and proceed accordingly. All of this is being done to welcome you back safely.

Meanwhile, we will continue to livestream the weekend Mass at Sacred Heart Church starting with the 5:00 p.m. Saturday evening celebration. Thereafter, on the weekend, that Mass is available on line for all of our virtual attendees.

Finally, the online sign up will be constructed in such a way that we will know if there are more than 50 people who want to attend in person. This will help us gauge how soon to

open up more Masses as the weekends go by.

Thank you for your patience as we work through all of the particulars. Is this all new for you? It certainly is for us!

As many commentators have already mentioned, we all want to get back to what we would call "normal" life. However, what we will be getting back to is not really "normal." It'll be the "new normal." The best we can be in this situation is patient with one another. With patience and a lot of forbearance, we will get through this and move on to even better days!

CORPUS CHRISTI

The solemnity we celebrate this weekend is the annual feast that proclaims one of the most central and foundational beliefs of us Catholics: when we gather for Mass, the real presence of Jesus Christ is made manifest for us in the Eucharist. I'm glad we are reopening for Mass on this particular feast day.

While we will always stream Mass going forward in order to reach people as a platform for evangelization, the preeminent way in which we gather for liturgy will always be in person. It goes without saying that it is impossible to eat and drink the same meal virtually. The only way participants can eat and drink of the same meal is to be in one another's presence.

Symbolically, it is one loaf of bread which we break and share and one cup which is poured out and from which we partake, even when it is many small hosts and several chalices at Mass. It is the same meal for the same assembly, Jesus Christ, now and always.

Getting together for that sacred celebration can't happen soon enough, even though it must happen



with us observing certain practices, like masks and social distancing. It's still the same Mass with some new elements, again, all for the purpose of keeping people safe.

This is all part of another of our fundamental beliefs as Catholics: we respect life and seek to nurture life in one another.

My gratitude to all who have supported the parish and all those who will continue to support this parish as we gradually open. My thanks to those on the reopening committee who have stepped forward to make this reopening as smooth as possible at both Sacred Heart and St. Philip the Apostle churches.

PREPARING FOR A FAREWELL

Father Mike Solazzo, one of our associate pastors, will soon be retiring. He will preside at Mass on June 20th at Sacred Heart Church. This Mass will be streamed. You can catch it by going to our website homepage, www.divinemercynorthshore.org, and scroll down till you see "Worship With Us."

Father Mike has been ordained a priest for 44 years. He came to us as administrator of the final year of St. Philip the Apostle parish. When the two former parishes were combined to create Divine Mercy parish, Father Mike stayed on as associate pastor. Prior to his arrival, Father Mike was a pastor—for many years.

As he prepares to leave us and go into the happy land of retirement I invited

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN (CONTINUED)

him to reflect on the current situation we find ourselves in, knowing that we will continue to deal with the pandemic, racial injustice, violence and looting in the streets. All of this (and more) challenges us these days as we continue with the mission of Christ. What wisdom does he offer us from his vantage point, especially to the younger members of our parish, twelve of whom are graduating from Sacred Heart School this weekend. Here is what Father Mike offers us.



Dear Friends,

For the past three years, I have had the privilege of being on the pastoral staff of Divine Mercy Parish. In 2017, I was asked to be the administrator for St. Philip Parish in Northfield while it went through the Renew My Church process. From the very beginning, I was received with open arms and a most warm welcome. St. Philip soon felt like home to me.

In 2018, we began the merger of St. Philip and Sacred Heart churches to eventually become Divine Mercy Parish. This has been a time of great change, an opportunity for growth, and a demonstration of how much God asks us to trust in His plan for us. While it has not always been a smooth or easy road, it has been path that has led to enlightenment, a clearer understanding of who we are as the people of God. I am so grateful to have been a part of this journey.

Three years ago, I knew this would be my last stop, so to speak, in my priestly ministry. The past 44 years of

priesthood have been both a blessing and gift, even in the difficult times. Now with retirement on the horizon, we stand in the midst of two viruses which have caused much confusion, uncertainty, pain, and even death for many. The first virus is the invisible one, the coronavirus. It has forced us to re-examine our lives, how we relate to one another, and what we must do to move forward as we strive to take care of one another.



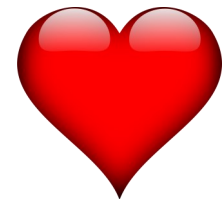
The second virus is, sadly, the all too visible one of racism and hatred in our country and in our world. This virus, too, has altered our lives and forced us to take a deep look at ourselves and our society and ask the hard questions of how we can change, and change we must. This racism virus has been with us since the inception of our country and the sin of slavery. The 1960's gave us a glimmer of hope that we just might be ready for change. But sadly, that hasn't yet really happened. We still have a long way to go.

As I leave Divine Mercy Parish and embrace retirement, I do so with a heart full of gratitude for all you have done for me and given to me. I will take that with me. I hope in some small way I have done that for you. I

pray that God will continue to watch over and bless this great Parish of Divine Mercy and help us all to become great agents of this mercy for our world. Only that will make things change. Together we can do this.

Be strong, keep the faith, and God bless you all. I leave you with the words of one of my favorite songs from the Canadian songwriting team of Ian and Sylvia Tyson-" Four Strong Winds". Four strong winds that blow lonely, seven seas that run high, all these things that don't change come what may. But our good times are all gone, and I'm bound for moving on. I'll look for you if I'm ever back this way. Four strong winds, four strong winds.

Love,
Fr. Mike



NOTE: Fr. Mike will be the presider at the 5:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart on June 20th, which will be streamed online.

You can bid farewell to Fr. Mike at our Parish Parade on June 20th at 1:00 p.m. in the St. Philip west parking lot (next to the school). See the next page for more information.

**We'll Miss
You
Fr. Mike!**

**LET'S SEND FATHER MIKE
INTO RETIREMENT
WITH A PARADE!**

**Join us on Saturday, June 20th
at 1:00 pm**

**in the Hyde Park Day School (St. Philip the Apostle)
west parking lot
1980 Old Willow Road, Northfield**

Feel free to decorate your cars/bicycles/persons

**Do you have a card for Fr. Mike? Just send it to the Parish Office,
and we'll make sure it gets to him!**

**When we once again can gather together there
will be a celebration for Father Solazzo.**

***BUT*, before he moves away, let us at Divine Mercy and friends
show him our love and appreciation
for his life in the priesthood
and his time here with us.**

Any questions please call Bobbie Weiss at 312-590-0191



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

THE PATRONS OF THE ARTS IN THE VATICAN MUSEUMS VIRTUAL SERIES ON RAPHAEL

If you are a fan of the artwork of the Vatican museums, the New York Chapter of the Patrons of the Arts in the Vatican Museums has created a four-part virtual lecture series entitled *Raphael and His World* by renowned art historian and popular Patrons tour guide, Professor Elizabeth Lev. The series celebrates the 500-year anniversary of the death of Raphael.

The title of each lecture is as follows:

- The Elusive Leonardo
- The Might of Michelangelo
- Clash of the Titans
- Raphael Triumphans, Raphael Moriens

Each lecture lasts one hour and can be found at on their website which you visit [here](https://nyvaticanartpatrons.org/2020/04/25/raphael-and-his-world-virtual-lecture-series/).
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Enjoy the series!



ONLINE GRIEF GROUPS NOW AVAILABLE

Are you someone who lost a loved-one recently, and have not been able to mourn them properly given the constraints of social distancing during this pandemic? If so, the Archdiocese has created a series of online grief support groups that may be of interest to you.

Each online grief group consists of a small group of adults (18 years of age or older) who have lost a family member or a friend. In the absence of our usual in-person parish life, these online grief groups are places to share stories and feelings with others who have also experienced loss.

Their online grief group facilitators are not counselors and do not give advice, but they will be present to listen and to guide each grief group in prayer and discussion. As Jesus comforted Martha and Mary after the death of their brother, Lazarus, a grief group is a place of comfort in our tradition. If you have experienced loss and are interested in joining a group, please sign up [here](#). You can also visit this page on the Archdiocesan website at <https://www.archchicago.org/coronavirus/online-grief-groups>.

RESPECT LIFE PRAYER

For a new Culture of Life, that welcomes children with a self-sacrificing love that says, "This is my body, given for you," we pray to the Lord.

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER

By receiving the Eucharist we are nourished of the Body and Blood of Jesus, and by entering us, Jesus joins us to his Body!



ONLINE SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP: MONDAYS AT 9:00 A.M.

Our weekly scripture reflection group continues to meet every Monday morning from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. on Zoom. We read and discuss the readings for the coming Sunday. No scripture experience is necessary and all are welcome. If you're interested in participating, contact Judy Pyke at jpyke@divinemercynorthshore.org or call 847-881-6664 to let her know and she'll send you the Zoom invitation link. Join Us!

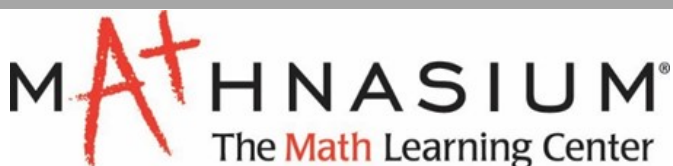
SCHEDULE FOR MASSES

Tune into our website www.divinemercynorthshore.org to view the links for our streaming Mass on Saturdays at 5:00 p.m. We hope you'll join us for our weekly liturgy. You will be able to watch the Mass *anytime after* 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, as it will be recorded.

CHURCH & OFFICE HOURS

Our Churches and Offices are closed for the time being, but you can contact all staff members via email, or call our **TEMPORARY OFFICE NUMBER: 847-881-6664**. You can find our email addresses in the back of the bulletin.

COMMUNITY



Bridge to Math Success – Mathnasium@home

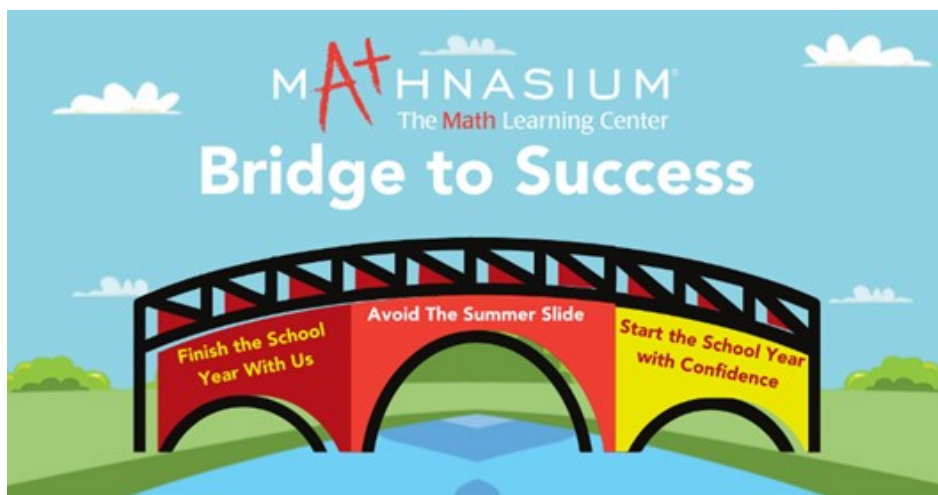
Mathnasium@home is ready to support students during this vital

time with customized learning plans and individualized instruction. While we see a slide every summer, a recent study conducted by NWEA says the impact to student learning is expected to be more devastating for kids! According to the study, if

students return to school campuses in the fall without continuity of instruction, they could retain only 70 percent of their reading progress. And Math looks worse with students projected to lose anywhere from half of their academic growth from the last year!

Let us build that bridge to success getting ready for the next school year. With Mathnasium@home, your child is sitting 'live' with our math experts using individualized instruction and our renowned customized learning plans. Our in-center success has been replicated to assure that each child advances in their math learning journey at the pace they need to maximize their growth –helping kids stay on grade level and even getting ahead through this crisis.

<https://www.mathnasium.com/at-home/winnetka>



If you need to reach us at the parish, we have a temporary phone number during this shut down period. **Call us at 847-881-6664.**

FINANCE

Our Parish uses



give central
for online donations

Sign up for online giving at
www.givecentral.org

FINANCES AT A GLANCE AS OF JUNE 7, 2020

(Combined St. Philip the Apostle/ Sacred Heart Church Sites)

YTD 2019-2020 Sunday Collection \$917,426

(Online this week \$5,067)

(Received in the mail \$5,371)

YTD 2018-2019 Sunday Collection \$993,229

If you are not an online donor and wish to sign up, please contact Cindy Atsaves in the parish office at cindyatsaves@divinemercynorthshore.org.

Thank you for your generosity to Divine Mercy Parish!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY (RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/PREP)

So many hands...

We are so very blessed to have a **Divine Mercy Parish Children's Ministry Board**. Members of the board are parents of current and former children in our ministry. They serve as a great sounding board, and provide terrific feedback and counsel. They are totally invested in the mission of Children's Ministry, and often roll up their sleeves to lend a hand to help us get things done. From research on programs that help engage our families in the ministry to providing hospitality and traffic duties on Sunday mornings, these folks get things done! If you are interested in learning more about the Children's Ministry Board or know someone who might want to serve, please contact Kathy Handelman at khandelman@divinemercynorthshore.org.

Divine Mercy Children's Ministry Board 2019-2020

Thank you to...

Rima Abraham
Lisa Centner
Rita Compton
Kimberly Conte
Claudia Goodrich
Mike Hering
Jeff Link
Sandy Norbot
Dobson Schofield
Bobbie Weiss

and to Phil Gaechter for previous service
as well as Father Steve Lanza and Sue Lehocky for their ongoing
support and leadership!



LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT
SACRED HEART SCHOOL!

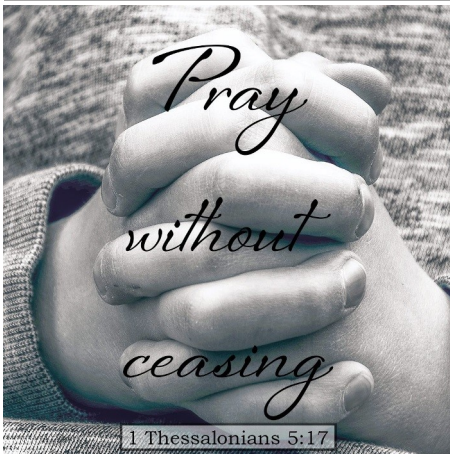


CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2020



Have a wonderful summer! Stay safe and healthy and we hope to see you in the fall!

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH COMMUNITY



Lord, we lift up our prayers to you for all those suffering from the Coronavirus, their loved ones, and all those health care professionals taking care of those who are sick.

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

Our Ministers of Care currently are prohibited from visiting Nursing Homes in the State of Illinois. If the Minister would still like to serve in hospitals, they must comply with protocols established by the hospitals. And due to the fact our Churches are closed, home visits cannot be made at this time. We encourage everyone to tune into the parish livestream Masses found on our website www.divinemercynorthshore.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Note: Please ignore any emails from Ministry Scheduler Pro. It has been technologically difficult to cancel the automatic emails. **Just know that ALL liturgical ministry assignments are suspended until further notice.**

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,
Dorothy Banas, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback, Sande Bolan,
Paula Brady, Dennis Braun, Wendy Braun, Luciana Butera,
Milly Calabrese, Kierre Caldwell, Patt Carlson,
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, Joe Pellegrino,
Ennio Rossi, Mary Sabo, Donna Sabido, Dick Schager,
Catherine Scheid, Mary Shepherd, Judy Sokal, Heather Stepan,
Mary Tatrow, Patty Wilson, 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.

**Gina DiPaolo
William Drury**

MASS INTENTIONS

Given the current curtailment of public Masses, all Mass Intentions at Sacred Heart Church and St. Philip the Apostle Church for the coming week will be offered at the Saturday Livestream Mass at 5:00 p.m.

SACRED HEART & ST. PHILIP FOR LAST WEEK (June 8 —June 14):

Loretta Maloney, John Conley and Anne Berghoff Baston (Birthday blessings).

SACRED HEART & ST. PHILIP FOR THIS WEEK (June 15 - June 21):

Margaret and John Madden (Wedding Anniversary), John Conley, Jim Prindiville, John Madden, III (Birthday Blessings), Carrie Ellen Young, John Klemmer, Richard Trueheart, Albert Doherty

SACRED HEART & ST. PHILIP FOR NEXT WEEK (June 22 - June 28)

Joseph Cosgrove, Michael J. Hickey, Sandra Jarost, Frank Schmid, Don O'Meara, Genevieve Conway, John Conley, Samantha Bastow (Birthday Blessings), Robert Hutchings, Eugene R. Corley, Richard Turk, Sr., Rowland and Rosemary Hoffman, Frank and Teresa D'Astici, John Klemmer, Richard Trueheart

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

All meetings at Divine Mercy Parish are currently suspended until further notice.

The Church is now closed to the public until further notice, in order to keep people safe, per the Governor's "Shelter-at-home" order.

SACRAMENTS

Please call the Parish Office temporary number at 847-881-6664 for the most current information regarding Sacraments during this crisis.

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:

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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:
divinemercurybulletins@gmail.com

DIVINE MERCY OFFICES

Given the Governor's Shelter in Place Order, our offices are currently closed. You can still reach us by calling our temporary office number at 847-881-6664.

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

Thank you for your understanding.

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

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