

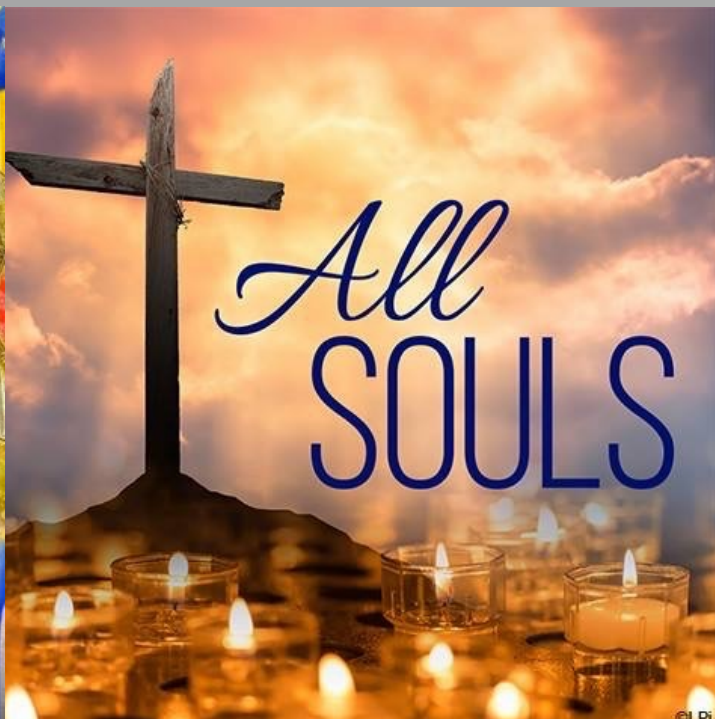


DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART CHURCH · ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

NOVEMBER 1, 2020

ALL SAINTS DAY



All You Holy Men and
Women Pray For Us!

Livestream Mass at 6:30 p.m. from Sacred
Heart Church. To attend this Mass, you
must make a reservation by clicking [here](#).

Visit our Website to Make Mass Reservations for all Masses,
or call the Parish Office at 847-881-6664.

FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

IT'S THAT TIME OF THE YEAR

I'd like to highlight for you that it's the time of year when we prepare the *State of the Parish* report. In past years we've published that report and made it available for you to pick up after Mass at both our churches.

This time around, given the pandemic and the constraints imposed by it, we will continue to have a limited number of copies available for you after Mass but we will also be mailing it to every household in the parish. We'll also publish it online on our parish website and provide a link to the report in one of the daily e-blasts.

The report will include all the financial information on the parish. It will also direct your attention to what is new and notable in ministry.

It goes without saying that these days are difficult and challenging for all of us. This includes those of us trying our best to organize and direct the various ministerial efforts and outreach of the parish.

Overall, the parish has done an amazing job at adjusting to the reality of the pandemic and its constraints, all the while continuing to pursue renewal and revitalization.

In some ways the pandemic has brought into sharper focus the fissures and cracks in the old ways of doing things and the old ways of being a Catholic parish in this ever-changing modern world. We know, for example, that we must strengthen our online presence, for the virtual world has become and will continue to be the new "front door" of our churches.

You Yourself Are the Gift!

We could not have adjusted to the demands of the pandemic without your support and without the many dedicated parishioners who have stepped up and gotten involved in ministry. Without our volunteers who

greet and direct people who attend Mass in-person, we would not have been able to reopen for liturgy.

There are others who have also stepped up and called or visited parishioners to check in on them, or help them out with a special need. There are others who are also ensuring that the work of the school and of Children's Ministry continues. There are others who are seeing to it that Alpha happens virtually, which is no small feat given the small group faith sharing



that takes place in that lovely course.

Thank you for all you do in support of Divine Mercy Parish! Thank you for your dedication and commitment and your spirited response in these extraordinary days! You are proving yourselves to be an extraordinary people who care for one another precisely because the Lord Jesus has given us to one another. The state of the parish is strong and beautiful because *you* are strong and beautiful in the Lord!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Fr. Stan".

"For it is
in
giving
that
we
receive."
- St. Francis of Assisi

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Dear Divine Mercy Parishioners,

Several of you have recently brought to our attention that your offering envelopes are not arriving by mail in a timely manner. We have discussed this matter both with Overt, the envelope printing and mailing service provider, and with our local mail carrier. At this point, we can only attribute the delays of inconsistency with the USPS. As an alternative to the traditional envelopes, we encourage you to sign up for on-line giving via Give Central. Please visit our website (click [here](#)) and do so today! It's easy, secure, environmentally-friendly, and reliable! Thank you for your support of our parish.

Michelle
Wasielewski
Director of
Operations



ALL SOULS DAY

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Let us pray for the faithful departed from the last year. We also pray for all those who have died from the Coronavirus pandemic. May God rest their souls.

Rosalinda Florido Almase
Sandee Barker
Sande Bolan
Mary Brault
Ellie Beilmann
Brian J. Blair
Olive Scannell Bryson
William Carey, Sr.

John L. Klemmer
Michael Lang
Anne Lesniak
Russ Lehocky
Margery W. Livingston
Ruth Lyons
Holly Madigan
James "Jim" Meier

Lisa Solek
Uta DeTappan Staley
Chris Thordarson
Mary Scott Sullivan
Barbara Sweeney
Linda Walsh

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Dorothy Caspersen
Bob Carroll, Sr.
Lorayne Cascino
Patricia Catarello
John Conley
Margaret "Peggy" Crumley
Silvia DeRosa
Gina DiPaolo
Albert Doherty
William G. Drury

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Jeff A. Duerwachter
Dan Erickson
William Flaherty
Margaret Foorman
John Terrence "Terry" Franke
Sherry Fulton
James Gelafo
Joan Gerlits
John Gerlits

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Rita Girardi
John Gridley
Judith A. Happ
Roger Hosbein
Carol O'Leary Kane
Frederic Kastner

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Joe Migley
John "Jay" Mommsen
Mary Gene Moore
Catherine "Kay" McGovern
James McGrath, Sr.
Armand Norehad
Betty O'Sullivan

Albert E. Pyott
Mary Frances "Frannie" Reynolds
Marijane Shacherer
Kathy Shinkle

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Tom Walter
Judith Zachar
Robert Zengeler



PRAYER AND WORSHIP

OUR LIST OF THE SICK

Every few years, we like to thoroughly update our list of the sick, so that our files are completely up to date.

Please review the list of the sick on page 9 of this bulletin. If you or a loved one would like to be on our list of the sick, please contact Maureen Valvassori to provide her with the necessary information. These names will be listed in our bulletin, and prayed for at Mass. You can reach Maureen at 847-881-6664 or mvalvassori@divinmercynorthshore.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to privacy laws, we need to hear directly from individuals or their family members to be put on our list of the sick, given the public nature of our bulletin and electronic media.

You might be wondering what qualifies someone to be on the list of the sick. Certainly, those suffering from serious and/or chronic illnesses, those undergoing surgery, and those people near death.

Thank you so much for your help. This helps all of us direct our prayers where they are so needed.

God bless you, and let us pray for all those who are sick!

RESPECT LIFE PRAYER

That relying on the prayers of the saints, we may work for justice for all the poor, the oppressed, and the unborn, whose most basic rights are denied, we pray to the Lord.

POPE FRANCIS ON TWITTER

Kindness frees us from the cruelty that at times infects human relationships, from the anxiety that prevents us from thinking of others, from the frantic flurry of activity that forgets that others also have a right to be happy. #FratelliTutti



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE REFLECTION GROUP

A scripture reflection group meets every Monday morning on ZOOM at 9:00 a.m. for one hour to read and reflect on the coming Sunday readings. We share what is in our hearts and on our minds. The Holy Spirit is always at work! No experience in scripture necessary, and everyone walks away learning something new!

All are welcome—it will make your Sunday experience even more worthwhile!

SCHEDULE FOR MASSES

Our Weekend Mass schedule:

Saturday - 5:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart (Livestream Mass)

Sunday - 8:00 a.m. at St. Philip

Sunday - 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart.

Our Daily Mass Schedule:

Monday - 7:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Tuesday - 8:00 a.m. at St. Philip

Thursday - 7:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Friday - 8:00 a.m. at St. Philip.

Note, the Wednesday morning Mass at 8:30am currently is for school students only, but is livestreamed on our website. There is no Mass on Saturday mornings.

The dispensation from attending Mass remains in place until the end of the year.

You must make a reservation to attend Mass. Visit the Mass Reservation page on our website: www.divinmercynorthshore.org.

PLEASE ARRIVE AT MASS EARLY TO CHECK-IN, which allows for our volunteers to attend Mass as well.

CHURCH & OFFICE HOURS

Our office remains closed, and the churches are only open for Mass and Confessions.

CONFESSIONS: Available on Saturday mornings from 9 - 9:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart, and Fr. Javier Del Castillo offers confessions at St. Philip on Wednesday from 3-4:30 p.m.

Have questions? 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Would you like a Mass said for a loved one? Just call Megan Nolan at our office at 847-881-6664 or 847-446-0856, and she'll be able to help you. You can also email Megan at menolan@divinmercynorthshore.org

• Christ has no body but yours,
• No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
• Yours are the eyes with which he looks
• Compassion on this world,
• Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
• Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
• Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
• Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
• Christ has no body now but yours,
• No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
• Yours are the eyes with which he looks
• compassion on this world.
• Christ has no body now on earth but yours.
• — St. Teresa of Avila (1515–1582)

OUTREACH



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

THE LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR PROGRAM CONTINUES!

Again, many thanks to all of our LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR volunteers! Your calls, notes, and running of errands, has been a great help and morale booster.

Parishioners have had groceries delivered, as well as received on-going check in calls. As a result, new friendships have been formed and parish history has been shared from generation to generation. Some of our volunteers have been actively contacting parishioners for six months!

As we approach the colder months and the virus continues, we have volunteers ready to help. If you need assistance or would like a regular check-in call, please contact Maureen Valvassori at mvalvassori@divinemercynorthshore.org or 847-881-6664. We will connect you to one of our volunteers. We are truly blessed to have each other during this challenging time.

God bless you all!



LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR

THANKSGIVING AT ST. COLUMBANUS

Things may be different this year, but the need is still the same, if not greater. Divine Mercy parishioners have a tradition of helping out at the St. Columbanus Food Pantry the day before Thanksgiving, and that has not changed! Volunteers are limited this year, and fortunately (or unfortunately), **all the available volunteer slots are full.**

Many thanks to all those who signed up to volunteer so quickly! The St. Columbanus Food Pantry is grateful for your help. If you did sign up and need to cancel, please be sure to do so online, so spots open up for other interested volunteers.

If you still want to help out, see the need for TURKEYS! →→→→→



TURKEYS, TURKEYS, TURKEYS!

Each year, the St. Columbanus Food Pantry distributes turkeys to its Pantry clients for Thanksgiving. This year is no different, except for how the turkeys are being funded.

In years past, the Children's Ministry Families have raised money for the Turkeys. Since Children's Ministry essentially is meeting virtually this year, we thought we'd better open up the Turkey fundraising to the entire parish, so these families don't go without their turkeys!

If you're able to donate towards the cost of a turkey for the St. Columbanus Food Pantry, you can click [here](#) to visit the St. Columbanus online Give Central portal, where you'll find a link for **Turkeys for Thanksgiving**. You can make a direct and safe online donation here to St. Columbanus, or you can send in a check made payable to Divine Mercy Parish noting TURKEY on the memo line.

Thank you so much for your generosity! They are truly grateful!



COMMUNITY

LITURGY

WANT TO BE IN THE KNOW? WE NEED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS!

Given the current reality, the only way we can communicate with our parishioners is through email, our website and social media. **PLUS**, Fr. Steve writes a daily update on what's happening at the parish, and shares a short video reflection on a daily scripture. You won't want to miss these, or other important information related to the gradual reopening of our churches.

So! If you're not receiving our e-blasts, get on our mailing list. They are also mobile-phone-friendly now, so please check them out! Please send Judy Pyke your email address, and she'll get you connected. You can email her at jpyke@divinemercynorthshore.org or call our temporary office number: **847-881-6664**. **THANK YOU!**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR ALPHA GUESTS

We ask that you pray for all the guests who are participating in our fall session of Alpha, particularly during the coming weekend, when they will participate in the retreat of the Holy Spirit. We also ask for your prayers for the Alpha Team who are hosting the this group of pilgrims on the Alpha journey. Thank you!

JOIN THE VIRTUAL CAFÉ

Join fellow parishioners online on Sunday mornings to get to know each other better and share your thoughts on the homily or readings you heard at Mass. All conversation welcome! The group meets online every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m., so if you'd like to participate, contact Sue Lehocky at 847-881-6664 or

slehocky@divinemercynorthshore.org

and she'll put you on the Zoom call!

Join us! Parishioners are having a great time getting to know each other!

FOLLOW ALONG WITH MASS WITH OUR WORSHIP AID

Just scan this QR code with your smart phone camera to access the worship aid for Mass when you watch online.

It also takes you to our parish website page featuring music at Divine Mercy, which you might like to peruse.



FINANCE

Our Parish uses



for online donations

Sign up for online giving at
www.givecentral.org



Scan the Code
to Donate!

FINANCES AT A GLANCE AS OF OCTOBER 25, 2020

	Current Year		Last Year	Over (Under) Last Year
	Week	Year-to-Date	Year-to-Date	Year-to Date
Mail/Mass Collection	\$ 5,579	\$ 104,812	\$ 186,689	\$ (81,877)
Online Giving	\$ 3,741	\$ 88,290	\$ 71,413	\$ 16,877
Total Collection	\$ 9,320	\$ 193,102	\$ 258,102	\$ (65,000)
Budget for Sunday Collection	\$ 18,163	\$ 259,973		
Difference	\$ (8,843)	\$ (66,871)		

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)

It Was Great to Have Our 2nd Graders in Person!

We held our first 2nd grade in-person session October 25th and while safely socially distancing, we had fun learning our prayers! Our students made Prayer Books with stickers of Catholic prayers, thanks to a wonderful design shared by catechist Maggie Harvey. They practiced their prayers and even made a game out of it. A snack on the way out was well received!

We are on the road to mastering Zoom sessions for those not in person. Overall, we are off to a great start, thanks to our catechists amazing planning.



L to R, Nancy Ledinsky, Lydia Barrett and Julian, Tom Zachar and Lucinda, Tonya Wallach and Charlie. Kaki Ledinsky will be in our next photo!



Did You Know?

Father Steve celebrated eight group Confirmations and First Communions this past summer, as well as several individual ones, such as Jack Hunken's recent Confirmation at a Friday morning Mass at St. Philip's. It has been wonderful to celebrate these special sacraments during Mass and to feel the excitement!





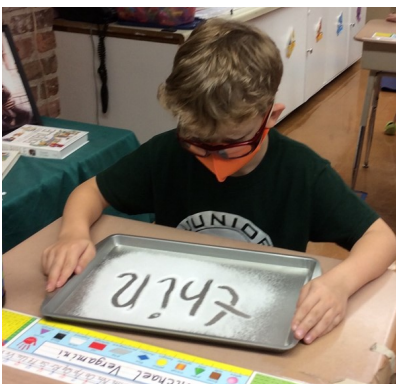
LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART SCHOOL!



Stem challenge! How many Magna-Tiles can you use to create a structure? These kindergarteners used all but two!



Stem challenge-creating symmetry and balance!



The first graders busy with some Word Work activities this week. Salt tray writing, magnetic letters, and the Blast Off game kept everyone making words.

It's SOCCER time in the Sacred Heart gym! Here our 3rd graders are practicing their line soccer skills!



The full day JKers learned about voting and democracy yesterday, which happens to be very timely with Election Day approaching. The children each got a ballot on which they casted their vote for the class pumpkin to be carved with either a happy, sad, or mad face. They learned that the option with the most votes would be the winner... and "happy" won! The children each got their own bag of pumpkin pulp to feel and play with. Monday was a great start to a week filled with Halloween fun!



The 7th grade girls loved celebrating Spirit Week with all of the fun themes! We love that they showed school spirit in such a fun and unique way! Pictured below are Groutfit Day (all grey outfit) and Crazy Accessories Day. What a fun way to celebrate!



As part of the agriculture unit, kindergarteners planted wheat. They observed it and recorded their observations in their science journals.



PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

PRESIDER SCHEDULE

November 7, 2020

SACRED HEART CHURCH

5:00 p.m.

Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza

November 8, 2020

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE
CHURCH

8:00 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Steve Lanza

November 8, 2020

SACRED HEART CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

Presider: Fr. Dean Semmer

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 the various restrictions of nursing homes in the State of Illinois, the constraints of established 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 or 847-881-6664. One of our priests will respond to your call.

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,
Irina Anikovich, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback, Dennis Braun,
Wendy Braun, John Dory, Lisa Franke, Paul Greco,
Benjamin Grillo, Mario Iturino,
Gina Quirk Lazicki, Beth O'Brien and Lisa Zitella

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

LECTOR SCHEDULE

November 7, 2020 Sacred Heart Church **5:00 p.m.**

Bill Hague

November 8, 2020 St. Philip the Apostle Church **8:00 a.m.**

Steve Clingan

November 8, 2020 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 Vanasdlen, via email rvanasdlen@divinemercynorthshore.org

If you are able to assist our Greeter ministry, please contact Michelle Wasielewski via email mwasielewski@divinemercynorthshore.org

No other ministers are being scheduled. If you get an email from Ministry Scheduler Pro, please disregard it.

For Those Who Have Died

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

William Carey, Sr., Dorothy Caspersen, Michael Lang

MASS INTENTIONS

Note that the Wednesday Mass currently is closed to the public. Only the Sacred Heart School students are allowed to attend. It may be viewed on our website homepage via livestream.

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

MONDAY, November 2 (SH)

7:00 a.m. -
6:30p.m. - All Souls

TUESDAY, November 3 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - Mark Eck,
Jim O'Toole

WEDNESDAY, November 4 (SH)

8:30 a.m. - Johnny Ghazi

THURSDAY, November 5 (SH)

7:00 a.m. -

FRIDAY, November 6 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - Lourdes Mariano

SATURDAY, November 7 (SH)

5:00 p.m. - The Coradini Family

SUNDAY, November 8

8:00 a.m. (SPA) - Frank & Teresa
D'Astici,
Bill Berghoff
(Birthday Blessings)

10:00 a.m. (SH) - Diane McIntosh,
Parishioners of Divine Mercy

THIS WEEK AT DIVINE MERCY

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

SACRAMENTS

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

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: 15p

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 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.

Making Disciples • Building Church • Serving Others

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