

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

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Romans 13:10

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PASTOR'S "TO THE POINT"



I usually stick to one point in this column, hence the title. However, this weekend I've got two things I'd like to share with you.

First, Father Matt O'Donnell, pastor of Saint Moses the Black Parish, visits Sacred Heart church this weekend, presiding and preaching at those three Masses. He's here as the final piece to the *Legacy of the Heart* capital campaign, an initiative of the former parish prior to the merger.

Those of you who were around back when the *Legacy of the Heart* campaign took place might remember that it included funds earmarked for Saint Moses (then St. Columbanus Parish). Fr. Matt will talk about life at Saint Moses and how some of those *Legacy* funds have been utilized, especially with their Athletic Center.

Secondly, I'd like to highlight and literally point you to the facing page. You'll see a snapshot of our parish based on the *Disciple Maker Index* survey taken in all the parishes of the Archdiocese this past Lent.

The survey will be taken again in a few years. This will allow each parish to determine how parishioners are progressing in discipleship.

Fr. Matt

**Welcome
Fr. Matt
O'Donnell!**



How To Talk To Children About Scary Things



Wednesday, Sept. 20, at 7:00 pm

Divine Mercy Parish Center at Sacred Heart Campus
1090 Gage St., Winnetka

with Dr. Karen Cassiday, PhD
Anxiety Treatment Center of Chicago

Learn concrete tips and age-appropriate strategies to
help you discuss life's difficulties and disasters with
your children.



This event is free and all are welcome.



RSVP: divinemercynorthshore.org/pastoralcare

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Parish Survey Findings

During the first quarter of 2023, the parishioners of Divine Mercy were asked to participate in the Archdiocesan-wide Disciple Maker Index Survey, which gave people an opportunity to reflect on their spiritual growth, level of involvement in the parish, as well as their satisfaction with the parish and parish related activities. Approximately 54 percent of our active* parishioners completed the survey. (That's 235 completed surveys out of 435 average weekend mass-goers.) Thank you for taking the time to share your thoughts. We appreciate your efforts in providing the parish with valuable insights into how we can enhance our faith and service-based community. Below is a brief overview of the survey findings. If something you read stirs anything in you, or if you have something to share, let us know! Email the Parish Council via Judy Pyke at jpyke@divinemercynorthshore.org.

PARISH STRENGTHS

Based on the survey data, we have identified our top parish strengths.

The following percentages show those who answered "agree or strongly agree" for each question.

90%

know that scripture is the word of God.

87%

make time daily or weekly for individual prayer time.

87%

believe that the Eucharist is the Body and Blood of Christ.

78%

attend Mass weekly, with some attending daily.

86%

feel our parish communicates well and makes information readily available.

75%

understand that the Church is critical to their relationship with God.

PARISH OPPORTUNITIES

Although the results are encouraging, you have helped us identify some opportunities for growth.

These areas include:



We will strengthen our **missionary discipleship** by enabling parishioners to share their personal witness stories, helping them feel confident to have a conversation about faith with family and friends, and inviting another person to a parish activity or Mass.



We will provide opportunities for parishioners to grow in their **confidence of Church teachings** so they can answer questions from others.



We will explore ways to ensure that preaching and **homilies connect faith with everyday life**.

NEXT STEPS

The survey results will help the Parish Council update our Parish Strategic Plan, particularly as we begin year two (Community). They will also be able to fine-tune the goals set forth for years three through five, which address missionary discipleship, ministry, and worship.

*Active parishioners are defined as regularly attending Mass and being active in one or more ministries.

Uncle Pete's Ministry at Divine Mercy Parish
New "Take Home" with Curbside Drop-Off

Beginning in September 2023
 A new way you can help feed the homeless!

<p>Step 1:</p> <p>Weekend of September 9th & 10th pick up a packet (each with 2 sacks & instructions) when you come to Mass</p> <p><i>Note: One packet will be sent home to each Sacred Heart School family</i></p>	<p>Step 2:</p> <p>Fill your 2 sacks as instructed Each bag will contain: 2 sandwiches 2 hard boiled eggs 1 bag chips or pretzels 1 small candybar or cookie 1 bottle of water 1 napkin</p>
<p>Step 3:</p> <p>Return your sacks Sunday, Sept. 17th Drop off your two sack dinners at: St. Philip the Apostle Church between 7:30-8:00 am or In front of the Parish Center at Sacred Heart (1090 Gage, Winnetka) between 9:00-10:00 am</p>	<p>Step 4:</p> <p>Our volunteers will deliver your sacks to an organization serving the homeless. Your family will help feed at least two people who otherwise might not have enough to eat!</p>

Can you volunteer to help make all this possible? The signup form is at www.divinemercynorthshore.org/outreach-partners

Contact Liz McGowen, 847-446-0856 ext. 108 or Lmcgowen@divinemercynorthshore.org.
 Thank you!



A Just Harvest offers daily lunch service for the homeless in the Rogers Park community. Divine Mercy Parish is scheduled to serve lunch on the third Sunday of September—the 17th.

We are in need of:

- a few cooks who prepare food at home and deliver it to the Parish Center at Sacred Heart on Saturday, 9/16.
- a volunteer to drive all the food to Rogers Park that afternoon; and
- a few people (at least 12 years old) to serve the food on Sunday.

Can you help at all? Visit our website for more information ([click here](#)) or scan the QR code.



BEGINS THIS WEEK!

Join Fr. John Kartje's Bible Study!

Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00 p.m.

**Sept 13 & 27 / Oct 4 & 18 /
 Nov 1, 15 & 29 / Dec 13 & 27**



Parish Center
 at Sacred Heart

Join Fr. John Kartje, Rector and President of Mundelein Seminary/University of St. Mary of the Lake, as he opens the Word of God for us during his Bible Study sessions. You'll look at scripture in a whole new way!

PARENT-TOT PLAYGROUP RETURNS THIS WEEK!

Join other parents and tots for a playgroup on Friday, September 15th from 9-10 am at St. Philip the Apostle John Paul II Room, just left of the Church. Hope to see you there!



Uncle Pete's Ministry

Sack Dinners for the Less Fortunate



All That's Missing is YOU!

REGISTER FOR UNCLE PETE'S MINISTRY—TOMORROW NIGHT!

Join us for a fun night with Uncle Pete's Ministry on Monday night, September 11th from 7-8pm in the Parish Center, where we'll pack sack dinners for the less fortunate. This is a great service project for young families!

Please register [here](#) (or on our website under Outreach) if you can, so we can plan the appropriate number of packing stations. Thanks so much.



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Not sure? Just come and see;
it's food, friends, & great
conversation! *All are welcome,*
regardless of spiritual
background or beliefs



MONDAYS

Starting 9/18/23 from 7:00-8:15pm (ONLINE)

TUESDAYS

Starting 9/12/23 from 6:30-8:00pm

WEDNESDAYS

Starting 9/13/23 from 9:30-11:00am

OR

Starting 9/13/23 from 12:00-1:30pm

THURSDAYS

Starting 9/21/23 from 7:00-8:15pm (ONLINE)



Come & See!
Starts
This Week!



Pause Netflix.
Try Alpha.



PARISH OFFICE

Open Monday - Friday 9am to 4pm
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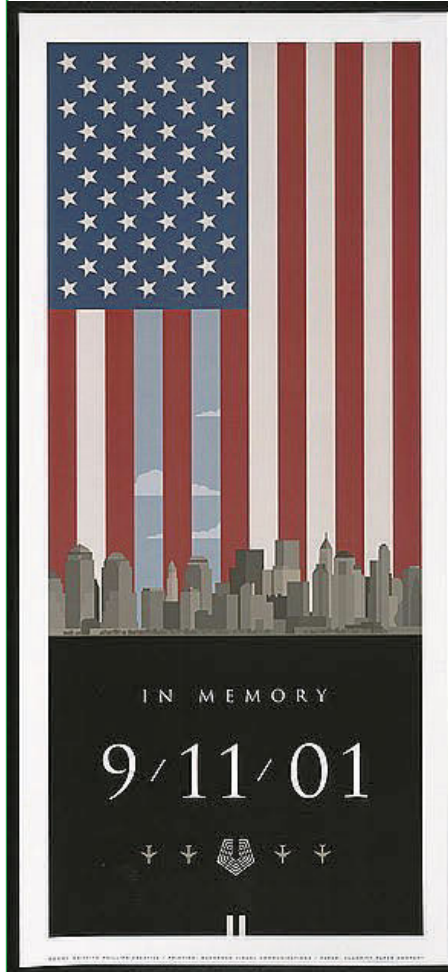
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Monday, Sept. 11, marks the 22nd anniversary of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. During our personal prayer times today, let us continue our prayer for peace as we pray for the souls of those lost this day.



Let us also remember all firefighters, police officers, and emergency medical technicians who serve our community.

**THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE
LITURGICAL MINISTER ASSIGNMENTS**

September 16, 2023

5:00 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
President: Fr. Steve Lanza
Sacristan: Joe Schuessler
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Deb Kubasiak
EM: Dan Kubasiak

September 17, 2023

8:00 a.m.

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH
President: Fr. Ken Kiepora
Sacristan: Rima Abraham
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Kevin Ryan
EM: Minister Needed

10:00 a.m.

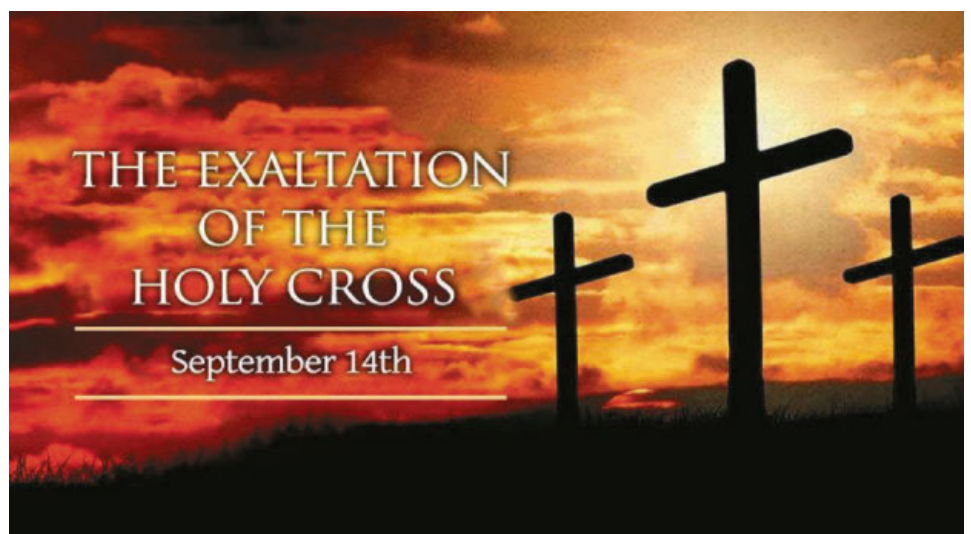
SACRED HEART CHURCH
President: Fr. Steve Lanza
Sacristan: Ludy Mariano
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Children's Ministry
EM: Dcn. Gerry Keenan

4:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
President: Fr. John Kartje
Sacristan: Minister Needed
Servers: Ministers Needed
Lector: Susan Seeberg
EM: Minister Needed

Interested in ministry?

Contact Ron Vanasdlen via email at:
rvanasdlen@divinemercynorthshore.org.



FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

The following people suffer from illness or chronic conditions. They have asked for the prayers of our parish family. Please remember them to the Lord.

Mark Agnew, Jeannie Ambrose,
Michael Anderson, Loretto Berghoff,
Paul Berghoff, Caroline Birnbaum,
Donald Blair, Elaine Boback,
Ronald Braun, Wendy Braun,
Robert Conte, Jr., John Coyne,
Rich Danstrom, Joel Dysart,
James Farney, Joseph Felicelli,
Julie Felicelli, Mary Beth Fellingner,
Lisa Marie Franke, Ermin Garcia, Jr.,
Patricio Gilchrist, Benjamin Grillo,
Barbara Hayward, Jack Hogan,
Sarah Hyde, Rick Kehrer, Ryan Kelly,
Patti Kotscharjan, Diana Lambert,
Gina Quirk Lazicki, Joseph Lee,
Cathy Lehman, Susan Lodge,
John Madden, Sr. Peggy McDonnell,
Mike McNulty, Heather Mroz,
Beth O'Brien, Joan O'Donnell,
Lynn Pattison, Debbie Puhala,
Brad Raguse, Judy Rasfeld, Scott Rood,
Kathy Sarch, Terry Shin, Catherine
Sullivan, Violet Vanselow, Larry White,
and those written in our parish book of
prayer.

If you or your loved one needs a Minister of Care or is seriously ill or near death, and in need of the Sacrament of the Sick/Last Rites, please contact the parish office at 847-446-0856.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sacred Heart Church:

Saturdays 9 - 9:30 a.m.

St. Philip the Apostle Church:

Wednesdays 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

with Rev. Gerald Cole.

ADORATION

Sacred Heart Church:

Wednesdays 2 - 3:00 p.m.

St. Philip the Apostle Church:

Fridays from 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

PARISH CALENDAR**September 10, Sunday**

*The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Grandparents' Day*

September 11, Monday

*Monday of the 23rd Week
of Ordinary Time
National Day of Mourning and
Remembrance*

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

September 12, Tuesday

*Optional Memorial of the
Most Holy Name of Mary*

- 8 a.m. Mass — St. Philip
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary — St. Philip
- 8:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tutoring at Tolton
- 9:30 a.m. Crafty Ladies — JPIL Room
- 6:30 p.m. Pastoral Care Committee - Fireplace Room
- 6:30 p.m. Alpha - Parish Center
- 7 p.m. Catechist Training Make Up - Parish Office Conference Room

September 13, Wednesday

Memorial of St. John Chrysostom

- 8:30 a.m. Mass — Sacred Heart
- 9:30 a.m. Alpha - Parish Center
- 12 Noon Alpha - Parish Center
- 2 - 3 p.m. Adoration — Sacred Heart
- 3 - 4:30 p.m. Confessions — St. Philip
- 6:30 p.m. Fr. Kartje Bible Study - Parish Center
- 7 p.m. Children's Ministry Board Mtg - Fireplace Room

September 14, Thursday

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- 8 a.m. Mass — Sacred Heart
- 8:45 - 1:30 p.m. Tutoring at Tolton
- 2 p.m. Caregiver Support Group - Fireplace Room

September 15, Friday

Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows

- 8 a.m. Mass — St. Philip
- 8:30 - 9 a.m. Adoration & Rosary — St. Philip
- 9 a.m. Parent-Tot Playgroup - SPA JPIL Room

September 16, Saturday

*Memorial of Ss. Cornelius and Cyprian
Jewish New Year -
Rosh Hashanah 5784*

(sundown Sept. 15—sundown Sept. 17)

- 7:30 a.m. Men's Inspirational Study Group - Fireplace Room
- 9 - 9:30 a.m. Confessions — Sacred Heart
- 9 a.m. 1 p.m. A Just Harvest Food Drop Off - Parish Center Kitchen

September 17, Sunday

*The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Catechetical Sunday*

10 a.m. Blessing of Catechists

11:15 a.m. Baptism (SH)

12:15 a.m. Baptism (SH)

- 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. A Just Harvest Lunch Service (Rogers Park)
- 5:15 - 7 p.m. Family Faith - Parish Center

MASS INTENTIONS**SUNDAY, SEPT 10**

8:00 a.m. (SPA) — Tom Reedy †

10:00 a.m. (SH) — Vince DiPaolo † and Parishioners of Divine Mercy

4:30 p.m. (SH) — Ludy Mariano

MONDAY, SEPT 11 (SH)

8:00 a.m. — Victims of 9/11 Tragedy †

TUESDAY, SEPT 12 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. — Caroline Birnbaum Boury

WEDNESDAY, SEPT 13 (SH)

8:30 a.m.— Alex "Bart" De Bartolo

THURSDAY, SEPT 7 (SH)

8:00 a.m. — Frank Ehmann †

FRIDAY, SEPT 8 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. — Dan Dillon †

SATURDAY, SEPT 9 (SH)

5:00 p.m. — Frank & Teresa DiAstici †

SUNDAY, SEPT 10

8:00 a.m. (SPA) — Gene Nowak †

10:00 a.m. (SH) — Earle Gott

4:30 p.m. (SH) — Dennis Haught † and Parishioners of Divine Mercy

MASS INTENTIONS

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