

DIVINE MERCY PARISH

SACRED HEART • ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCHES

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 21, 2024



WELCOME TO DIVINE MERCY PARISH

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2024 CONFIRMANDS

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CONFIRMANDS

Ava Bluhm
Molly Bowman
Scarlett Byrnes
Gianna Fisher
Elizabeth Flatt
Faith Hamman

Myles Jenkins
Brooke Mackey
Quinn Meyers
Sean Smylie
Jonathan Turansick
Finnegan Williams

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CONFIRMANDS

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Kelsey Buzza
Maeve Cashman
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Ryan Coffey
Quinn Egan
Christopher Farrell
Isabella Fitzgerald
Rose Mary Gallagher
Raul Garcia
Greta Getzendanner
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that Inspires Disciples of Jesus to Share God's
Love and Transform the World.**

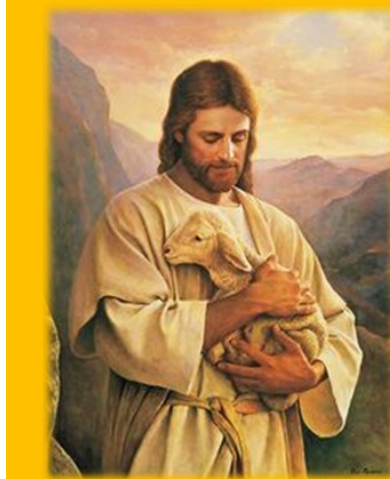
PASTOR'S "TO THE POINT"



When Bishop Grob asked me to consider staying on for another year past retirement, I mentioned to him that I had a number of trips lined up this coming year given that I'd be free to do so without the responsibility of pastoring a parish. He said that wouldn't be a problem; I wouldn't have to cancel out of these upcoming trips even though I may end up taking a few more weeks off than usual.

This first planned trip in the coming year is not until the end of July. That's when I'm going to be hearing the command, "All aboard for the Rocky Mountaineer!" That's the Canadian train which travels through the Rocky Mountains. It's only for a week. But I am sure that I will be appropriately impressed and awed by the mountains as we pass through them on the way to Vancouver from Lake Louise.

July first sees us entering the next fiscal year as well as the third year of our parish strategic plan, the year of discipleship. The first two years we've traveled through the combined eight goals of evangelization and community. Now we are getting ready for a deepening and strengthening of our following Jesus as his disciples. Soon we'll be hearing, "All aboard for the year of discipleship!"



Good Shepherd Sunday and National Day of Prayer for Vocations

Jesus said: "I am the good shepherd. A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. John 10:11"

Pope Francis offered a summary of our Christian vocation in his message for the 61st World Day of Prayer for Vocations, which the Church marks today. The Pope's message focuses on the theme: "Called to sow seeds of hope and to build peace".

Prayer for Vocations

God our Father, we thank you for calling men and women to serve in your Son's Kingdom as priests, deacons, and consecrated persons. Send your Holy Spirit to help others to respond generously and courageously to your call. May our community of faith support vocations of sacrificial love in our youth and young adults. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

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**Called to
sow seeds of
hope and to
build peace**



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"All Christians are called to welcome their God-given vocations to serve him in the world, whether it be through consecrated life, the priesthood, marriage, or even as a single person.

"Called to Sow Seeds of Hope and to Build Peace," reflects the universal Christian call to "base our lives on the rock of Christ's resurrection, knowing that every effort made in the vocation that we have embraced and seek to live out will never be in vain," the Pope said.

"Let him challenge you by his presence, which always provokes in us a healthy crisis. More than anyone else, Jesus respects our freedom. He does not impose but proposes.

"Make room for him and you will find the way to happiness by following him. And, should he ask it of you, by giving yourself completely to him."

Pope Francis



SCENES FROM CONFIRMATION WITH BISHOP GROB
APRIL 15, 2024





**CONFIRMATION WITH BISHOP GROB
APRIL 15, 2024**

FIRST COMMUNION 2024:

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW - PARISHIONERS TOO!

This year our 45 candidates who will receive their first communion, along with their families and friends, will participate in one of our regularly scheduled weekend Masses.

This year at the 5 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart on Saturday, May 4th, 19 of our candidates will worship with the Divine Mercy community. We will celebrate with 16 candidates at the 10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart on Sunday, May 5th, *and* celebrate the annual Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

An additional Mass to our weekend schedule, and final First Communion Mass is scheduled for Pentecost Sunday, May 19th, at 10 a.m. at St. Philip the Apostle. Note that this is in addition to the usual 10 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart. Anyone can attend this Mass and fulfill their Sunday obligation.

Why the change? First and foremost the reception of Holy Communion should be celebrated within the community of faith since we are the Body of Christ. Sacraments should be celebrated in community, not set apart. This allows the community of faith to pray for and celebrate with those who will receive Holy Communion for the first time. The community lifts them up and celebrates in their joy. This also happens to fit perfectly within our parish focus this year—community!

SOUTH SIDE SUNDAYS!

Divine Mercy Parishioners travel to our Sharing Parishes to celebrate Mass on the third Sunday of each month. All are invited!

Our next "South Side Sunday" will be **Sunday, April 28th**, when we will attend the 10:00 am Mass at **St. Benedict the African**.

[SIGN UP HERE](#) if you'd like to join us and carpool, or visit the sign up on the Outreach Partners page of our website.

- Parishioners who would like to travel as a convoy are asked to indicate whether they can drive others or need a ride.
- All who want to be part of the convoy will gather at the parking lot of St. Philip at 9 a.m. that morning.
- Please know that it may be as late as 2 pm by the time our group returns to St. Philip since Masses can be a bit longer.

Contact Liz McGowen with questions at , lmcgowen@divinemercynorthshore.org. If you would like to travel on your own and meet us there , that's great too!

Join us for the next South Side Sunday!



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TODAY AFTER MASS
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

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6. WHAT'S HAPPENING AT DIVINE MERCY

WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER AS A TUTOR?

Divine Mercy Parish has two new community partners that provide after school tutoring. No experience is needed.

Beacon Place - After school tutoring and activities for children in kindergarten through 6th grade, 603 S. McAlister Ave. in Waukegan. Hours are on weekdays from 3:30-5:30 pm. [Click here](#) to visit the website.

C24/7 - After school tutoring that also feeds children dinner, at 1543 Howard St. in Chicago. Hours are on weekdays from 3:30-6:00 pm. [Click here](#) to visit the website.

Questions or want to see if you can carpool with others? Contact Liz McGowen, Lmcgowen@divinemerlynorthshore.org.



DIVINE MERCY'S WOMEN'S NETWORK APRIL GATHERING

🕒 7:00-8:00 PM
📅 MONDAY 22 APR
📍 SACRED HEART CHURCH & GATHERING SPACE

JOIN US!

Join us for a behind-the-scenes tour of Sacred Heart Church. (We'll tour St. Philip in the fall.) Learn about the windows, artwork, sacramentals & early Christian symbols in the church. We'll start in the church to take advantage of the sunlight & socialize in the Gathering Space afterwards.

NEXT SUNDAY! ALL ARE WELCOME

CALLING ALL PARENTS! CATHOLICISM 101 PART 4

EVERYTHING YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT

Confirmation, the Eucharist and the Saints

GATHER IDEAS ON HOW TO GROW YOUR CHILD'S FAITH OVER THE SUMMER

Sunday, April 28

8:45-9:50 a.m. Rm 300 of Sacred Heart School
Presented by Sam Fifer from Children's Ministry

Join Fr. John Kartje's Amazing Bible Study!

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

April 3 & 17
May 1, 15 & 29



Divine Mercy Parish Center

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



FINANCES AT A GLANCE

Happy Easter! Recall that the Easter season is not just a single day; we celebrate for 50 days! Thank you to everyone who has already donated to our Easter collection and remember that it's not too late to make your Easter donation to Divine Mercy! We are grateful for your generosity and support of the many ministries in our parish.

Easter Donations \$66,878
Easter Budget \$80,000
Shortfall (\$13,122)



[You can make your Easter donation here](#) or scan the QR code above. Thank you!:



MEN'S CLUB

TUESDAY START AT 7 PM
APRIL 23, 2024

📍 PARISH CENTER STAINED GLASS ROOM

The newly reinvigorated Divine Mercy Men's Club will meet on Tuesday, April 23rd at 7pm. All the men of the parish are welcome!

Our working mission statement for the group is: The Divine Mercy Men's Club provides a faith-based opportunity for the men of the parish to meet, coordinate events to provide assistance to community members in need and help with other philanthropic efforts.

We hope you'll join us!

Join us! All are Welcome!

Questions? Contact John Joyce john.joyce@svn.com

THE WORK OF THE PEOPLE LITURGICAL MINISTER ASSIGNMENTS

April 27, 2024

5:00 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

President: Fr. Steve Lanza

Sacristan: Joe Schuessler

Servers: Ministers Needed

Lector: Minister Needed

EM: Minister Needed

April 28, 2024

8:00 a.m.

ST. PHILIP THE APOSTLE CHURCH

President: Fr. Steve Lanza

Sacristan: Rima Abraham

Servers: Ministers Needed

Lector: Liz Harvey

EM: Minister Needed

10:00 a.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

President: Fr. Steve Lanza

Sacristan: Minister Needed

Servers: Ministers Needed

Lector: Bill Hague

CLOW: Liz Winemiller

EM: Dee Hanlon

4:30 p.m.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

President: Fr. Robert Ryan

Sacristan: Minister Needed

Servers: Ministers Needed

Lector: Minister Needed

EM: Minister Needed

WEEKDAY PRESIDER SCHEDULE

April 22, 8 a.m. (SH) Fr. Bob

April 23, 8 a.m. (SPA) Fr. Bob

April 24, 8:30 a.m. (SH) Fr. Steve

April 25, 8 a.m. (SH) Fr. Ryan

April 26, 8 a.m. (SPA) Fr. Steve

More from Confirmation



KNITTING HEARTS TOGETHER FOR GOOD: AN INTERFAITH KNITTING GROUP

All are invited to join a new interfaith knitting group called "Knitting Hearts Together for Good." No knitting experience necessary!

The purpose is *to bring together a diverse group of interfaith knitters to foster friendship and work together making hand-crafted items for those in need.* Our first project will be knitting warm hats for local immigrants.

Glencoe Union Church, Divine Mercy and North Shore United Methodist Church are committed to launching this group. North Shore Congregation Israel is also interested. We have invited all Jewish and Christian congregations in the Glencoe Clergy Association to join us.

The group will meet twice a month and we will share more information as plans develop.

Questions? Contact Laurie Jaffe, Lauriejaf@gmail.com, from Glencoe Union Church or Lisa Lesniak from Divine Mercy at lesniak60022@yahoo.com.

Finally, if you have yarn or needles you'd like to donate to this venture, drop them off at the parish office.

Thank you!



Winner 2021/22
International Peace
Poster Contest
Anja Rosen,
13-year-old
Slovenia student

PARISH OFFICE

Open Monday - Friday 9am to 4pm
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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, Donald Blair, Elaine Boback, Ronald Braun, Wendy Braun, Bob, Julie, James and Robert Conte, Jr., John Coyne, James Farney, Mary Beth Fellinger, Lisa Marie Franke, Ermin Garcia, Jr., Patricio Gilchrist, Benjamin Grillo, Mike Hayes, Barbara Hayward, Jack Hogan, Jim Horrell, Sarah Hyde, John Janega, Ryan Kelly, Andy Klatt, Patti Kotscharjan, Gina Quirk Lazicki, Margaret Lenhart, Ginny Linting, Janet Lyman, Jamey Machens, John Madden, Ben Mazzone, Sr. Peggy McDonnell, Mike McNulty, Heather Mroz, Beth O'Brien, Mike Pearson, Cheryl Pierson, Brad Raguse, Judy Rasfeld, Scott Rood, Kathy Sarch, Terry Shin, Catherine Sullivan, Kay Thomas, Ruth Tressa, Violet Vanselow, Amanda Warford, Larry White, and those written in our parish book of prayer.

If you or your loved one needs a Minister of Care, 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, especially **Joan O'Donnell** and **Patrick Oliver**.

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.

ONLINE ROSARY via Zoom

Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m.

Link on website homepage

PARISH CALENDAR

**April is devoted to
The Blessed Sacrament
and the Holy Spirit**

April 21, Sunday

*The Fourth Sunday of Easter
World Day of Prayer for Vocations*

- 8:45 - 9:50 a.m. Children's Ministry Sessions
- 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. A Just Harvest Lunch Service (Rogers Park)
- 5:15 - 7 p.m. Family Faith - Parish Center

April 22, Monday

*Monday of the 4th Week of Easter
Earth Day
Passover begins at sunset*

- 8 a.m. Mass - Sacred Heart
- 7 p.m. Women's Network - Sacred Heart Church & Gathering Space

April 23, Tuesday

*Tuesday of the 4th Week of Easter
Optional Memorial of St. George
Optional Memorial of St. Adalbert*

- 8 a.m. Mass - St. Philip
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary - St. Philip
- 8:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tutoring at Tolton
- 9:00 a.m. Crafty Ladies - JP11 Room
- 6:15 p.m. Ministers of Care & Funeral Helpers Meeting - SH Fireplace Room
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Club Meeting - Parish Center Stained Glass Room

April 24, Wednesday

*Wednesday of the 4th Week of Easter
Optional Memorial of
St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen
Administrative Professionals Day*

- 8:30 a.m. Mass - Sacred Heart
- 10 a.m. Connect Group Meeting - SH Fireplace Room
- 2 - 3 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration SH Church
- 3 - 4:30 p.m. Confessions - St. Philip
- 6:30 - 8 p.m. Outreach Board Meeting - SH Fireplace Room

April 25, Thursday

Feast of St. Mark

- 8 a.m. Mass - Sacred Heart
- 8:45 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Tutoring at Tolton
- 1 - 3 p.m. Sacred Heart School Faculty Meetings - Parish Center

April 26, Friday

Friday of the 4th Week of Easter

- 8 a.m. Mass - St. Philip
- 8:30 a.m. Adoration & Rosary - St. Philip

April 27, Saturday

Saturday of the 4th Week of Easter

- 7:30-8:30 a.m. Men's Inspirational Study Group - SH Fireplace Room
- 9 a.m. Confessions - Sacred Heart
- 6 p.m. Nite Lites - Sacred Heart School Gym

April 28, Sunday

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

- 8:45 - 9:50 a.m. Children's Ministry Sessions
- 8:45 a.m. Catholicism 101 for Parents - Part 4 - Sacred Heart School Teacher's Lounge

MASS INTENTIONS**SUNDAY, April 21**

8:00 a.m. (SPA) - Brian Blair †

10:00 a.m. (SH) - James Mill † and

Parishioners of Divine Mercy

4:30 p.m. (SH) Thomas Patrick O'Neill, III †

MONDAY, April 22 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - Bob Berner †

TUESDAY, April 23 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - Debbie Puhala †

WEDNESDAY, April 24 (SH)

8:30 a.m. - Lynn Pattison †

THURSDAY, April 25 (SH)

8:00 a.m. - Mary Mitchell †

FRIDAY, April 26 (SPA)

8:00 a.m. - Maureen Claps †

SATURDAY, April 27 (SH)

5:00 p.m. - The Conway and Stevens Families

SUNDAY, April 28

8:00 a.m. (SPA) - Debbie Puhala †

10:00 a.m. (SH) - Pat Craddock †

4:30 p.m. (SH) Thomas Jude Delaney †

and Parishioners of Divine Mercy

MASS INTENTIONS

Contact the parish office 847-446-0856 or megan@divinemercynorthshore.org

**Please keep Jack Perlmutter
in your prayers during Easter Time.
Jack was initiated into the Catholic
Church at the Easter Vigil.
Welcome Jack!**

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