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Three Rivers, Massachusetts

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July 11, 2010



Vigil of Sunday – 4:00 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. - **Sunday** – 8:00 a.m.(Polish) and 9:30 a.m. **Daily Masses** – 7:00 a.m. (except Tuesday) - Tuesday – Novena & Mass 5:30 p.m. **Holy Day Masses** – Refer to Mass Schedule

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**SACRAMENT OF PENANCE** – Saturday 3:00 p.m. First Friday at 6:30 p.m. **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM & HOLY MATRIMONY** – Contact Rectory to make arrangements **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK (ANOINTING)** – Contact Rectory when the need arises **SICK CALLS** – Anytime

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Organist: Mary Besko & Barbara Kelleher (596-2727)

#### **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### SATURDAY, July 10th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY, July 11th

- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the church

#### MONDAY, July 12th

## - Golabki <u>preparing process</u> in the Parish Hall at 7:00 a.m.

#### TUESDAY, July 13th

- Choir Rehearsal – check with Mark Narreau, Director

## - Golabki making process in the Parish Hall at 7:00 a.m.

## WEDNESDAY, July 14th

- Alcoholic Anonymous – 7:00 p.m. – St. Maximilian Kolbe Room

## THURSDAY, July 15th

## FRIDAY, July 16th

## SATURDAY, July 17th

- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

## SUNDAY, July 18th

- Chalice of Strength – Prayers for Priests & Vocations – 4:00 p.m. in the church

#### **Mass Intentions**

#### Saturday July 10th Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. – +Stanislaw Kryczka – Jozef & Teresa Sucharski

4:00 p.m. - +Stanley Skowronek 10th Anniv. - His Son Michael & Family

5:15 p.m. - +Veronica Koziol - Her Sister Sophie Gladkowski & Family

#### Sunday - July 11th Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - +Frank & Raymond Kapinos - The Family

9:30 a.m. – +Ronald Gordiski – Fred & Betty Brozek

#### Monday - July 12th

7:00 a.m. – All Parishioners of Divine Mercy

#### Tuesday - July 13th St. Henry

**5:30 a.m**. – +Frank Wolanik – Mr. & Mrs. Edward Koss +John Karcz – Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Lemanski

#### Wednesday - July 14th Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, virgin

7:00 a.m. – +Genevieve Janosz – Josephine Yurkunas

## Thursday – July 15th St. Bonaventure, bishop and doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m. - +Douglas Bator - Lynne Riendeau +Paul Morin - His Family

## Friday - July 16th Our Lady of Mount Carmel

7:00 a.m. - +Michael Szwed - The Grzywna Family

## Saturday - July 17th Blessed Virgin Mary

7:00 a.m. – +Marjorie Foushee – Lynne Riendeau

4:00 p.m. - +Charles Olejarz - His Wife & Family +Emily & William Farrell - Their Family

5:15 p.m. - +Florence Holt – Pat, Lynn, Laurie & Anjelina +Michael Szwed – Jack & Sandra Gilbert

## Sunday - July 18th Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. - +Sister Mary Klaus - Robert & Janet Brown

9:30 a.m. - +Stephen Lebida - His Wife & Family

#### ~~ DIVINE MERCY SCHOOL OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS ~~

#### **VACATION TIME**

It is our hope that our students and their families enjoy a wonderful vacation time. Vacations are beneficial. They help us change our routine, permit us to experience new places and people while continuing to grow and appreciate the natural beauty of God. WE CAN BE VERY GRATEFUL THAT THE ONE WHO NEVER GOES ON VACATION IS GOD! He never has a "busy signal" or transfers us to voice mail. In appreciation, it's only right that we should not forget God during vacation time. We must go to Mass each Sunday, and that includes when we are away from home. The Holy Eucharist is what makes us Catholic, and gives us the spiritual strength we need. Let's be proud of, and always want to live our Catholic faith!

#### ~~ ADORATION OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT ~~

Wednesday – 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Thursday – 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Friday – 7:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Saturday – 7:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

If you can give one hour, or substitute, please call Diana Roth @ 283-8709

Forgiveness
"No one heals himself by wounding another."
St. John Chrysostom

#### For Reflection:

"We should be careful of what we allow to <u>rent space</u> in our heads!"

Something to think about!

#### **PRIESTLY & RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS**

......If you feel God may be calling you to a religious vocation in His Church, call Fr. Gary Dailey at 413-452-0816 or email: <a href="mailto:g.dailey@diospringfield.org">g.dailey@diospringfield.org</a>. Website: <a href="https://www.myvocation.com">www.myvocation.com</a>.

#### ~~ DONATIONS ~~

SINCERE THANKS for your generosity & support of our parish - God Bless All

GENERAL FUND -BURSE FUND -

#### CASH DONATIONS TO OFFSET MONEY RAFFLE -

\$25 Mr. & Mrs. Leslie Bonneville \$15 Edna Czapla

\$100 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Jasak \$50 Mr. & Mrs. John Wasiuk

## ~~ DIVINE MERCY NEWS ~~

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, July 25th – Divine Mercy Annual Parish Picnic

<u>"SIGN IT" - DIVINE MERCY</u> When writing a check out to the church, please make it out to "Divine Mercy Parish".

**FOOD SHARE** – Please continue to assist with your donations to the Food Share program. All non-perishable items are accepted, including crackers, Jell-O, condiments, coffee, tea, jams, jellies, cake mixes, etc. Drop off donations in the box at church. *Thank you for your help!* 

<u>WEB-SITE UPDATE</u> – Please visit our church web-site <u>www.churchofdivinemercy.org</u>. Paul Brozek is the person that updates the web site; if you have any comments or would maybe like to see something added, please contact the Rectory. Weekly bulletin can be viewed there.

<u>STAR 2010-2011</u>- Your JULY contributions to the STAR Program may be deposited in the weekly collection basket or may be mailed to the Rectory. Please make your check payable to Divine Mercy Parish and include the applicable coupon so you will be properly credited and entered in the next drawing.

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#### **DIVINE MERCY ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC**

#### Sunday, July 25th

We are still taking donations to the "Special Raffle," please call Fred Orszulak at 283-7400, the Rectory at 283-6030 or Lydia McKee at 283-6865. *Thank You*.

#### The Picnic Committee welcomes new assistance.

Volunteers are also welcome and needed to make this year's Parish Picnic another success. *Please consider giving a couple hours of your time!* 



Mary Majka would like to thank everyone who helped to make the pierogi's for this year's annual picnic. Your help and support showed your devotion to the parish and hopefully you we're able to meet and make new friends. God Bless!

#### **NEW WEEKLY DONATION ENVELOPES**

You should have already picked up your new Box of donation envelopes that we're on the tables as you entered the church.

#### PLEASE START USING THESE ENVELOPES NOW.

If you have not yet picked up your envelopes, please do so. If you can't find your box of envelopes, please contact Lydia or Debbie at the Rectory at 283-6030.

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## Gołąbki Time!!

#### WE NEED YOUR HELP!!

Anyone that would like to help make gołąbki for the picnic can join us on the following dates:

**Monday, July 12**<sup>th</sup> **at 7:00 a.m.** This session will be for the <u>preparing</u> process **Tuesday, July 13**<sup>th</sup> **at 7:00 a.m.** This session will be for the <u>making</u> process

The more people we have to help the faster the job gets done. So, come lend us a hand, meet new people, make new friends and learn how to make gołąbki if you don't already know how! No experience necessary!!

#### **ARTS & CRAFTS ITEMS**

We have a great need for Arts & Crafts items.

Everyone has a talent and we need YOUR help!

What can you contribute this year?

Call Carol at 283-7222 with your generous reply and may God Bless you abundantly.

#### **CALLING ALL BAKERS!!**

Time to get out those aprons and recipes!

We need items for the bake sale at the Annual Parish Picnic

and accept anything yummy!

Pies, cookies, cupcakes, or whatever your specialty item maybe: all are appreciated.

Thank you!! Dziekuje!! Merci!!

### (Divine Mercy News...continued)

#### **CHICKEN BBQ TICKETS**

Cathy and Ron Izyk will be selling tickets for the BBQ Chicken Dinner. You can get your tickets after all the weekend masses until the picnic.

Tickets are \$10.00 each.

## ~~ AROUND THE AREA ~~

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH OF INDIAN ORCHARD cordially invites you to its 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Dozynki Polish-American Festival to be held on the parish grounds July 16, 17 & 18, 2010. Traditional Polka music, as well as popular European music will be provided free of charge daily. Two kitchens serving American food and homemade Polish food will be open throughout the festival. There will be 2 separate raffles, they are:

The Grand Raffle:

1st Prize: 2010 Ford Mustang Coupe

Tickets are \$50.00/each

Only 1000 tickets will be sold!

The Cash Raffle:

1st Prize: \$1000.00

2nd Prize: \$500.00

3rd Prize: \$200.00

Tickets are \$2/each or 6 for \$10.00 **DRAWING: SUNDAY, JULY 18, 2009**We look forward to seeing you there! The Immaculate Conception Church Picnic Committee

<u>POLISH PICNIC AT ST. JOSEPH CHURCH</u> to be held on Parish grounds at 414 North St. in Pittsfield on Sunday, July 18<sup>th</sup> from 12 Noon to 6:00 p.m. There will be a live band and dancing to "The Rymanowski Brothers". Lots of events, food, raffles and more. Free admission, bring your lawn chair. Proceeds benefit St. Joseph's new Parish Center.

MICHAEL H. DESLAURIERS SCHOLARSHIP FUND, SUMMER BLAST to be held Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 pm. to 10 p.m. (rain or shine). Adults/\$5 – Children 12 & under are free.

K of C Pavilion, West Main Street (Rt. 9) in Ware. Music by Dennis Polisky's "The Maestro"s Men". All seniors in local schools including Pathfinder are eligible to receive this Scholarship.

#### "All in Need of Mercy."

Last week we introduced personal responsibility and forgiveness. Nowadays, people seem willing to accept responsibility...only if it's in their favor. But too often when one is truly guilty, the first urge is to point the finger away, toward something or someone else that might have influenced the outcome. Probably one of the reasons that so few Catholics confess their sins anymore is because they prefer "self-absolution." If in your mind somebody else is always to blame, why bother seeking forgiveness? This leads to another problem: the less we seek forgiveness, the less likely we forgive others.

The sexual abuse of minors by a minority of clergy and religious in the Catholic Church is a horrendous sin and crime. This is a clear fact, and there should be no disagreement here. Unlike "no fault divorce" or "no fault insurance," there is blame (and shame) to be assigned to the guilty parties, and rightly so. But, as in many other instances in life, we can take situations, stretch and twist them into extremes.

There have been and continue to be many non-Catholics who point out the sins and faults of the Catholic Church. They are joined by many Catholics who readily assign blame as well. This demonstrates their agreement with Our Lord on the evil of sin.

True victims of sexual abuse deserve compassion and care. But when an offender has admitted guilt and expresses true contrition for his sins, are we willing to forgive that offender as Jesus teaches? Our Lord experienced anger: at the money-changers in the Temple; at the Pharisees' hypocrisy; at those who would manipulate or use children. But He never taught revenge and promoted retaliation. If He had, He would never have suffered such an ignominious death on the Cross. Those who continuously attack the Church and pointing out her grievous errors may be righteous in their anger, like those with the adulterous woman. But so many of them fail to take the next step. **They are unwilling to forgive**. They conveniently forget---or deny--- that they, too, are sinners; hopefully not engaging in sexual abuse, but sinners nevertheless. No other human but Our Blessed Lady is without sin. We mustn't forget Our Lord's words after the departure of those who wanted to stone the adulterous woman. Jesus forgives her, with a warning: "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and do not sin anymore." (cf.: John 8:11)

In many situations, we need to grow up. There is justifiable anger; there is cause to point out the errors of others. But perpetuating anger and revenge never solves anything. A terrorist must certainly always be angry. When one has personally erred, it's best to admit it, accept the responsibility and try to make corrections where possible.

Even in the case of grave sins like sexual abuse, the authentic Christian must be willing to forgive, to show compassion. That's difficult. It's much easier to point the blame. The Lord's Prayer does not say, "forgive us our sins, as we so easily forgive others." Jesus never said it would be easy to forgive. It may take a long time to do so. But Jesus does teach us that it is the right thing to do, the only way to go forward.

#### **VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS**

1.+Edna Burns – daughter Patty. 1.+Piotr I Anna Majka – syn. 1. Zsp. Joseph & Frances Swist - daughter. 1.+Earl McKee - wife Lydia. 1.+Frank & Mary Falk - daughter & son-inlaw. 1.+Felix & Catherine Misiaszek – son Peter & daughter-in-law. 1.+Phyllis Misiaszek – brother Peter & sister-in-law. 1.+Sister Josephine – Niece. 1.+St. Anne special blessings on grandchildren. 1. St. Anthony for a special favor. 1. +Joseph Misiaszek Peter & sister-inlaw. 1. Zsp. Deceased members of Salamon & Marcinkiewicz families. 1. +Deceased members of Gut & Yurkunas family. 1.+Helen & Francis Ford - Pat. 1.+Rusty Nowak - wife & son. 1. Zsp. Jana Wasiuk – od zony z rodzina. 1. Thank you God, for prayers answered & continued blessings & good health - B.R. 1. God's blessing & continuing recovery for Eleanor - Charlie. 1.+Michael A. & Mary Wojnilowicz - son Michael. 1. Pray for world peace – Holy Rosary Sodality. 1. For a friend's health. 1.+Edward Ziobrowski – family. 1. For all members of the military – Rosary Sodality. 1. For an end to abortion – Rosary Sodality. 1. Health for our sick parishioners – Rosary Sodality. 1. For Priestly and Religious vocations – Rosary Sodality. 1.+Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 1. +Darryl Tyburski – love Mom, Dad, sister Betty & brothers Tom & Ray. 1.+Julia & Joseph Koziol – family. 1.+Edward Godek - wife Pat. 1. Health & God's blessings for Irene Orluk - Sophie. 1.+Nancy Szostek – Gloria Nowak. 1.+Kowalczyk family – family. 1. Zsp. Franciszke I Wojciecha Frydryk – Syn. 1.Zsp. Stella I Leo Pulaski – J.F. 1.Zsp. Anne I Michala Zbylot – J.F. 1.Zsp. Edna I Frank Pytka – J.F. 1. Zsp. John I Michael Boronski – J.F. 1. Zsp. Patricia Kohler - J.F. 1. God's blessings & health for Christine - Virginia. 1. Healing for Susan B - LJF. 1. Rest in peace Michael – LJF. 1. Health & God's blessing for daughter & family. 1. Sister's health. 1. Blessed Mother help all girls & women to dress proper for mass. 1. In petition to Matt Talbot to intercede for healing for Michael F. – L.R. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga – son Stephen. 1. In thanksgiving for Luke Roberts and his family's presence in and service to our Parish. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. God's blessings & special intentions for Stephen - Grammy. 1. God's blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola – EK&GK. 1. +Grace Kulpa – husband Ed. 1. God's help & guidance for my son – D., 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa – daughter Debbie, 1. +Fred & Helen Krawczyk – daughter Susie & son-in-law Leslie. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha – Barbara. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz - Barbara. 1. To. St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Henry Stefanowich -Anna. 1. "Jesus I Trust In You" blessings for family health & strength. 1. +Anthony Zieminski – wife & family. 1. +John Mastalerz – wife & family. 1. +Stanley J. Jasak – 21st anniv. - Sally & family. 1. +Karolina Wyrobek - daughter F. Zabawa. 1. +Frank Zabawa his wife. 1. Blessings & good health for daughter & son & their families. 1. God's blessings & good health for Josie Slozak – Ron & Marilyn Lemanski. 1. +John Szado – 11th anniv. – sister & brother-in-law. 1. +Agnes Szado – 45th anniv. – daughter & son-in-law. 1. +husband & son – love A. Pietrewicz. 1. Thank you Jesus for prayers answered – Carol. 1. God's blessings & good health for Lewis Kapinos – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Josephine Kargol – daughter. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. Safe

travel for daughters. 1. Blessed Mother – blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. Birthday blessings & good health for Kami Wlodyka on her 4th birthday - Babci & Dziadziu. 1. Blessings & a speedy recovery for Josephine Slozak - Connie & Chick. 1. +Stefan Rosinski – wife Sallie. 1. +John & Henrietta Wieczorek – sister Sallie. 1. +Frank Charwick – wif & sons Bruce & Frank, Jr. & Richard. 1. Richard Charwick to return to good health - Mom & Frank & Bruce. 1. God's blessings for a speedy recovery, Mom love, June. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony – E., 1. +Josephine Kulis – daughter Edna. 1. St. Lucy – E., 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. - wife & family. 1. Birthday blessings & good health for Lydia McKee - Connie & Chick. 1. Jacqueline Janosz - Happy Birthday & God's blessings for good health - Jane Pelski. 1. Happy Birthday & good health for Jackie Janosz - niece Arlene. 1. +Charles Olejarz – 23<sup>rd</sup> anniv. – wife & family. 1. +Emily Farrell – 2<sup>nd</sup> anniv. – daughter Arlene & family. 1. God's blessings & return to good health for Arlene Olejarz – Aunt Jackie. 1. Healing & blessings for son. 1. +John Ligus – wife Helen. 1. +Victor Bukowski – R.C.. 1. Health & strength for Mom – R.C.. 1. Health & happiness of K.T.E.N. – M.P.. 1. God's blessings & health for J.J.P.B.J. – M.P.. 1. +Victor Bukowski – his wife Frances. 1. God's blessings & speedy recovery for Sally Olearczyk – Hedy Workum. 1. God bless Josie Slozak with a speedy recovery - Lil Petrashewicz. 1. +Barbara Godek - Chet & Helen. 1. Belssings for my grandson Vic - Grandma. 1. God's blessings & good health for my granddaughter. 1. God's blessings & good health for Diana Doane - Lillian Olearczyk. 1. healing & strength. 1. God's blessings – Father DiMascola. 1. +Genevieve Vaz – Lori. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. +Stanley, Walter, Chester Lemanski. 1. St. Jude – healing – D., 1. +William Gilbert, 1. +Helen Starzyk, 1. +Eleanor Starzyk, 1. +Betty Bielaska. 1. God's blessing & good health for KDJ. 1. +Tony Nowak – V. Gilbert. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – Pat Godek. 1. Terry & Frank Kulina - S.. 1. + Julia A. Machnik - S.. 1. Gale Benoit - S.. 1. Lori Vaz – S.. 1 Susan Konkel – S.. 1. +Jennie Vaz – S.. 1. The Lemanski family – S.. 1. A.J. & Joanne - S., 1. +Mary & William Lemanski - S., 1. Stella J. M. - S., 1. For recovery of Diana Doane the Wostena family. 1. In thanksgiving to St. Joseph – the Wostena family. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena – children. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. – wife & children. 1. God's blessings for all our families. 1. God's blessing & speedy recovery for Josie Slozak – Ed & Millie Jasak. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. God's blessings for Jade & Iain. 1. +Ann R. Sullivan **31**<sup>st</sup> anniv. – family. 1. Pat & Linda a miracle for Baby Ben. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan - S.. 1. +Edward Rudnick - family. 1. +Joseph Kszepka - wife & family. 1 +Joseph Marchelewicz - family. 1. For good health & Our lady of Mt. Carmels protection for Father Stefan always - L.R.. 1. For intentions of the prayer line - L.R.. 1. For complete recovery for Kelly – L.R.. 1. For birthday blessings on her 16th birthday for granddaughter Michela – L.R.. 1. For Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will continue to be the ever present source of refuge for all – L.R., 1. Thanksgiving to St. Joseph – Sonny & Diana, 1. Thanksgiving to St. Theresa little flower - Sonny & Diana.1. God's blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God's blessings for my family. 1. Thanksgiving to St. Philomena – Sonny & Diana.

## ~~ BACK PAGE HUMOR & MORE~~ Cowboy Poetry

Jake, the rancher, went one day to fix a distant fence. The wind was cold and gusty and the clouds rolled gray and dense.

As he pounded the last staples in and gathered tools to go, The temperature had fallen, the wind and snow began to blow.

When he finally reached his pickup, he felt a heavy heart. From the sound of that ignition he knew it wouldn't start.

So Jake did what most of us would do if we had been there. He humbly bowed his balding head and sent aloft a prayer.

As he turned the key for the last time, he softly cursed his luck They found him three days later, frozen stiff in that old truck.

Now Jake had been around in life and done his share of roaming. But when he saw Heaven, he was shocked -- it looked just like Wyoming!

Of all the saints in Heaven, his favorite was St. Peter. So they sat and talked a minute or two, or maybe it was three. Nobody was keeping' score -- in Heaven, time is free.

'I've always heard,' Jake said to Pete, that God will answer prayer, But one time I asked for help, well, he just plain wasn't there.'

'Does God answer prayers of some, and ignore the prayers of others? That don't seem exactly square -- I know all men are brothers.'

'Or does he randomly reply, without good rhyme or reason? Maybe, it's the time of day, the weather or the season.'

'Now I ain't trying to act smart, it's just the way I feel. And I was wondering', could you tell me -- what the heck's the deal?!'

Peter listened very patiently and when Jake was done, There were smiles of recognition, a he said, 'So, you're the one!!'

That day your truck, it wouldn't start, and you sent your prayer a flying, You gave us all a real bad time, with hundreds of us trying.'

'A thousand angels rushed, to check the status of your file, But you know, Jake, we hadn't heard from you in quite a long while.'

'And though all prayers are answered, and God ain't got no quota, He didn't recognize your voice, and started a truck in Minnesota'

#### **BETTER KEEP IN TOUCH!**