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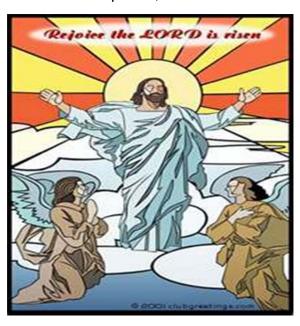
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Vigil of Sunday – 4:00 p.m. and 5:15 p.m. - **Sunday** – 8:00 a.m.(Polish) and 9:30 a.m. **Daily Masses** – 7:00 a.m. (except Tuesday) - Tuesday – Novena & Mass 5:30 p.m. **Holy Day Masses** – Refer to Mass Schedule

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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

Items for the bulletin should be submitted no later than Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m. Editorial discretion on all items. Email: <a href="mailto:stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com">stspeterpaulanne@gmail.com</a>.

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**Welcome to Divine Mercy Parish**  $\sim$  We are pleased to have you present today and extend to you the warmest of welcomes. It is fitting that we should celebrate the Holy Mass together at our Parish, the center of our spiritual life. We ask everyone gathered here to remember this is a holy place. It is a place where the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lord present among us, is kept in the tabernacle. It is also a sacred place for prayer. Therefore, please maintain a respectful silence in the Church out of consideration for the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and those who are praying. Thank you for your understanding.

# **WEEKLY CALENDAR**

#### SATURDAY, April 14th

- NO CCD Classes for Grades K-5 School Vacation
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, April 15th

- NO CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 School Vacation
- NO CCD Classes for Grade 11 School Vacation
- Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations 4:00 p.m. in the church

#### MONDAY, April 16th

#### TUESDAY, April 17th

- Parish Council Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Kolbe Room
- Choir Rehearsal check with Mark Narreau, Director

#### WEDNESDAY, April 18th

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

#### THURSDAY, April 19th

#### FRIDAY, April 20th

#### SATURDAY, April 21st

- CCD Classes from 9:00 10:00 a.m. for Grades K-5
- Confessions at 3:00 p.m.

#### SUNDAY, April 22nd

- CCD Classes from 10:30 11:30 a.m. for Grades 6-10
- CCD Classes from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for Grade 11
- Chalice of Strength Prayers for Priests & Vocations 4:00 p.m. in the church



# **Mass Intentions**



#### Saturday - April 14th

7:00 a.m. – +Amelia Dojka – Her Family

4:00 p.m. - Catherine Giza ~ Birthday - Her Family

+Genowefa i Zanon Pietrusinski – The Family

5:15 p.m. – +Lorraine & Don Perry – The Kosmider Family

+Anne Renaud Houle - Helen Ligus

#### <u>Sunday</u> - April 15<sup>th</sup> ~ *Sunday of the Divine Mercy*

8:00 a.m. - +Barney & Mary Skowronek - Their Grandson Michael & Family

9:30 a.m. - +Joseph, Emily, Franiu Smola - Their Sister

+Theodore Koziol, Sr. ~ 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniv – His Wife & Family

#### 2:45 p.m. - DIVINE MERCY DEVOTIONS

#### Monday - April 16th

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

#### Tuesday - April 17th

5:30 p.m. - +Victor Bukowski - His Wife and Family

#### Wednesday - April 18<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 a.m. - +Rev. Samuel Rozenbajgier - John & Irene Dyl

#### Thursday - April 19th

7:00 p.m. - +Florence Ziemba - Her Family & Friends

+Paula Gralinski – Edna Czapla

#### Friday - April 20th

7:00 a.m. – +Sophie Valtehas – The Polish Women's Club of Three Rivers

#### Saturday - April 21st ~ St. Anselm, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 a.m. - +Pattie Seyfert - John & Carol Sugrue

4:00 p.m. – +Veronica MacKay - Her Daughters

+Yola Deveux - Her Sisters

5:15 p.m. – +William & Mary Lemanski – Their Son and Family

+Wally Wrubel - His Wife and Family

#### Sunday - April 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ Third Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. – +Weronika Kloczkowska and Irena Lewandowska od Rodziny

9:30 a.m. – +Wladyslaw, Stanislaw, Jan and Kazimierz Janosz – Their Sister Sophie Cuzzane

+William Whitten - His Wife and Family

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



# April 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> No CCD - School Vacation Sunday April 22nd, Seminarian, Deacon Daniel Cymer will be speaking to all CCD classes at their regularly scheduled time.

CCD Classes for Grades K-5 ~ Saturday's from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. CCD Classes for Grades 6-10 ~ Sunday's from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. CCD Classes for Grade 11 – Sunday's from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Any questions please call Jean Brigham at 283-4232.



#### ~~ 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

"Attitude ~ We cannot control the wind, but we can adjust our sails."

For Reflection:

When people question about whether a Priest should marry? A better question to meditate on "Was Jesus married???"



#### PRO-LIFE REFLECTION

From today's Gospel, John 20: "Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them and whose you retain are retained."

No greater love than that of one who gives his life for another, even for one who has refused the gift of life.

# ~~ <u>DIVINE MERCY NEWS</u> ~~

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday, April  $28^{th} \sim$  Men's Guild Prime Rib Dinner 6:00 p.m. Parish Center Sunday, May  $6^{th} \sim$  First Communion at the 9:30 a.m. Mass Sunday, May  $6^{th} \sim$  Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, May  $15^{th} \sim$  Confirmation at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June  $30^{th} \sim$  Men's Guild – Bronx Zoo Trip

<u>MOTHER OF MERCY PRAYER FORCE</u> - Anyone who would like their intentions prayed for please **Email** them to <u>imidrsr2007@yahoo.com</u> We have a network of prayer warriors who will pray for your intentions, etc.

BLESSINGS AT COMMUNION TIME If anyone cannot or does not wish to partake of the Eucharist, you may come forward in Father Stefan's line with your arms crossed on your chest to receive a blessing.

STS. PETER & PAUL PRAYER LINE - Prayer Intentions, call Cindy Leveille at 283-7836.

PARISH COUNCIL ~ At the last Parish Council Meeting, it was decided that there should be an opportunity for other parishioners to participate on the Parish Council. Elections are being planned to fill five(5) openings for three-year terms. Our present plan is to have nominations forms available for three weeks followed by elections in May. In addition, it was also decided to include two(2) youth representatives in order that the younger generation have representation on the Parish Council. Youths nominated should be willing to serve one-year terms. We ask that, if any parishioner makes a nomination other than themselves, that they assure the person being nominated is agreeable to serve. Please seriously consider and prayerfully discern your choices. Forms will be available at the back of the church and can be returned in the collection basket or mailed to the Rectory.

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THE MEN'S GUILD IS HOSTING A PRIME RIB DINNER on Saturday, April

**28**<sup>th</sup>. There will be a social time from 6:00 to 6:30 p.m., with hors d'oeuvres served. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults & \$6 for children 12 and under. To purchase tickets, contact Fred Orszulak at 283-7400, or speak to any member of the Men's Guild. The dinner is open to everyone, and is a perfect way for families and individuals to come together and enjoy a delicious and satisfying meal at a minimal expense. If you haven't come to a Men's Guild dinner yet, come on out and give it a try -- this is one you won't want to miss! You will be treated like royalty, and you definitely will not go away hungry! Please note -- this dinner sells out very quickly -- so be sure to get your tickets today!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING The Divine Mercy Parish Council will hold a meeting on Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Kolbe Room. As always, Parishioners are also invited to attend to observe meetings of the Parish Council.

THE DIVINE MERCY PARISH SCHOLARSHIP applications are now available in the Sacristy or at the Rectory. All graduating seniors who are parishioners of Divine Mercy are welcome to apply for this scholarship. Applicants must be planning on attending either a four-year or two-year accredited college. Of prime consideration is the applicant's weekly attendance at Mass and involvement with the Church. All applications must be received by May 15, 2012.

Since our first year was such a success, we are going to have **"thee boutique" again at the Parish Picnic**. It's time to spring clean. We are accepting donations of gently used purses, jewelry, hats, scarves and any other accessories. Please leave them in the sacristy after Mass. Any questions see or call Cheryl Kozlik @ 413-283-2773. Thank You!

**SCHOLARSHIP** 

BRONX ZOO TRIP – On June 30<sup>th</sup>, the Sts. Peter & Paul Men's Guild will sponsor a trip to the Bronx Zoo. The bus will depart Divine Mercy Parish parking lot at 7:30 a.m., and depart the Bronx Zoo at 5:00 p.m., with a stop for supper at the Danbury Mall; and return approximately at 9:15 to 9:30 p.m. The cost is \$62 for adults and \$58 for Children 12 and under and includes the bus fare and the Total Experience Ticket to the zoo. The zoo ticket covers the General Admission, Zoo Shuttle, Bengali Express Monorail, Children's Zoo, World of Darkness, World of Reptiles, Jungle World and Congo Gorilla Forest (excluding camel rides). Wear comfortable shoes as there is lots of walking on this tour, and of course, dress for the weather. Payment is due at time of reservation and must be paid before June 12<sup>th</sup>. Call Tom Losaw at 283-4688 or Steve Nowak at 283-9889. Include cell phone number for contact at the zoo.

## ~~ AROUND THE AREA ~~

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> – Every Tuesday from noon to 2:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Sacred Heart on Boston Road in Springfield. English-Polish-Spanish. This is Fr. Tomasz Parzynski's Parish.

**IS GOD GETTING A BUSY SIGNAL?** Is God calling you to make some time for him and does He keep getting a busy signal? Many have hectic lives but on **April 21**<sup>st</sup>, the women in the Diocese of Springfield have a chance to spend some time focused on their faith. The 5th Annual Catholic Women's Conference will be held at the Bellamy School in Chicopee. It will offer time for prayer, community and laughter. Call 452-0812 or log onto <a href="https://www.diospringfield.org">www.diospringfield.org</a>.

**ST. JOSEPH'S SOCIETY** –Scholarship Committee is now accepting applications for the year 2012 scholarship program. A total of \$2000 is available for qualified applicants. Deadline for submitting applications is **May 10**th. To be eligible you must complete high school in 2011, have a GPA of 2.8 entering, an accredited college and meet all other requirements specified by the St. Joseph Society. You must also be a son or daughter of a member (man or woman) in good standing. For questions, contact any committee member. Joseph Siok @ 967-3830, Stanley Siok @283-3570 or Peter Warakomski @ 283-8189.

**OPERATION FRIENDSHIP OF PALMER** will be having a Bus trip to New York City departing the Converse Middle School at **7AM, Saturday April 28**th, departing NYC 7:00PM. The cost is only \$47. If you are interested, please call Lisa at 413-283-8598. The money is due by April 12, 2012. Checks maybe mailed direct to our treasurer Belinda O'Connor, 30 Charles St, Three Rivers, MA 01080.

<u>ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL</u> Thank you to all who have answered the call to help our neighbors in need through the Annual Catholic Appeal. Your generosity is muchappreciated. For those who have not yet sent in their donation, there is still time! Please visit <u>www.diospringfield.org/aca</u> and click on Annual Catholic Appeal to make your secure online donation or complete and return your pledge card to PO Box 1730 Springfield, MA **01102-1730**.

**10<sup>H</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE**: On **Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>** the Office of Men's Ministry for the Diocese of Springfield will hold its 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the Annual Catholic Men's Conference **held at Bellamy School in Chicopee.** We have extended the day a bit to include 5 Keynote Speakers that have addressed the Conference in the last 10 years. The day starts at 8:30 and will end by 6pm. Other speakers are coming – keep watch for more announcements in the bulletin. Brochures are available at the doors of the church. For more information call 413-549-0300 Ext. 36 or <a href="https://www.diospringfield.org/mensconf.html">www.diospringfield.org/mensconf.html</a>

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**: The parishes of the Greater Holyoke Deanery will be hosting a Holy Hour for Vocations on **Sunday, April 29th** at the Dominican Nuns Monastery of the Mother of God Chapel, 1430 Riverdale Street in West Springfield, from 3pm – 4pm. This is in conjunction with the celebration of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Prayers will be offered for priestly and vowed religious vocations. All young people and men and women of the diocese are encouraged to come and pray for vocations.

**MARRIAGE HELP** - Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program, offered three times a year locally, can help you too. For confidential information about the program please call 1-800-470-2230, email: held5@charter.net or visit the web site at <a href="https://www.HelpOurMarriage.com">www.HelpOurMarriage.com</a>

**PRO-LIFE EVENTS IN THE AREA** On **Friday April 27, 2012**, the Dan Kane singers Featuring Teen singing sensation Keila Roman will be performing a "Night of Broadway" with all proceeds to benefit the 2013 March for Life in Washington DC. Help support local pilgrims who will March for Life next January.

On **Thursday May 3, 2012** the Pioneer Valley Chapter of Mass Citizens for Life will be holdings our 38th annual Mother's Day Dinner. We are pleased to have as our keynote speaker this year international author Professor Robert George of Princeton University.



#### ~~ DONATIONS ~~

**GENERAL FUND** ~ In Memory of Mary Edgerly - \$40 from Theresa Sousa In Memory of Joseph Wysmutek - \$25 from Dorothy & Edward Szaban



#### **BIBLE WORD SEARCH** ~ MOTHER OF JESUS

All the words listed below are in the puzzle - left, right, up, down or diagonally. Find each word and highlight it. After you have found all the words, use the leftover letters in the correct order to form the *mystery answer*. You can find the answer on the back page...but no peeking!

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**SEARCH WORDS**: Angel, Asher, Be it done to me, Bethlehem, Blessed are you, Do not be afraid, Favor with God, Firstborn Son, Gabriel Visited, Galilee, God her Savior, Handmaid, Holy is His Name, Humble, Jerusalem, Joachim, Judah, Mother of my Lord, Nazareth, Phanuel, Pondered, Spirit upon you, Wedding at Cana, Zechariah

#### **VOTIVE LAMP INTENTIONS**

1.+Edna Burns – daughter Patty. 1. Zsp. Joseph & Frances Swist – daughter. 1.+Earl McKee - wife Lydia. 1.+Frank & Mary Falk - daughter & son-in-law. 1.+Felix & Catherine Misiaszek - son Peter & daughter-in-law. 1.+Phyllis Misiaszek - brother Peter & sister-inlaw. 1.+Sister Josephine - Niece. 1.+St. Anne special blessings on grandchildren. 1. St. Anthony for a special favor. 1. +Joseph Misiaszek Peter & sister-in-law. 1. Zsp. Deceased members of Salamon & Marcinkiewicz families. 1. +Deceased members of Gut & Yurkunas family. 1.+Helen & Francis Ford - Pat. 1. Zsp. Jana Wasiuk - od zony z rodzina. 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. +Darryl Tyburski – love Mom, Dad, sister Betty & brothers Tom & Ray. 1.+Edward Godek - wife Pat. 1. Health & God's blessings for Irene Orluk - Sophie. 1.+Kowalczyk family - family. 1. Healing for Susan B -LJF. 1. God's blessings & health for daughter-in-law Donna. 1. +John Olearczyk – wife & family. 1. +Rusty Nowak - wife & son. 1. +Nancy Szostek - Gloria Nowak. 1. Health & God's blessing for daughter & family. 1. God's blessings & recovery for my sister Dee – Gloria Nowak. 1. God's blessing & good health for Camden Lee - Gloria Nowak. 1. +Edward Zerdecki – wife & family. 1. God's blessings & good health for my son – Mom. . +Anna Zieminski – Larry Zieminski & Terry & Stephanie Cole. 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. Z sp. John I Michael Boronski – J.R., 1. Zsp. Patricia Kohler – J.F., . 1. +Julia A. Lemanski Machnik – John & family. 1. Zsp. Rodzicow Witkowskich – od corki. 1. +Deceased members of the Wilga family - M.W..1. Safe travel for daughters. 1. Blessed Mother - blessings & good health for daughters & granddaughters. 1. Safe return for our son – love, Dad & Mom. 1. +Frank & Ray Kapinos – family. 1. Blessed Mother my son needs your help - Mom. 1. Blessed Virgin Mother, thank you. 1. In loving memory of Grace Kulpa - daughter Debbie. 1. +Walter Smola - wife Alice. 1. +Grace Kulpa - husband Ed. 1. God's guidance for my son – D., 1. God's blessings for Alice Smola – son Rich, 1. God's blessings, good health & continued success for Rep. Todd Smola - EK&GK. 1. Good health & God's blessings for my grandson - Babci. 1. Jesus I Trust In Thee. 1. God's blessings & good health for all our families. 1. God's blessings for full time work. 1. +Mary Edgerly - the family. 1. +Edward Swiderski - wife & family. 1. For Mom & Dad's health - TKNE. 1. +Victor Bukowski - wife Frances & family. 1.+Fred & Helen Krawczyk - daughter & son-inlaw. 1. God's blessings & good health for Ashley – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +Fred Mastalerz – love, Julie & Carol. 1. +William Gilbert. 1. +Helen Starzyk. 1. +Eleanor Starzyk. 1. +Betty Bielaska. 1. God's blessing & good health for KDJ. 1. Zsp. Joseph Wostena, Jr. - wife & children. 1. God's blessings for Pope Benedict XVI on his 85th birthday – the Wostena family. 1. To Pope John Paul I for good health of Blanche Wostena - children. 1. To St.

Polycarp for special intentions. 1. God's blessings for Anna Stefanowich on her 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday - the Wostena family. 1. +Stephen & Sophie Noga - son Stephen. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz - Barbara. 1. A special intention for "BJ" - Barbara. 1. +Frank & Edna Miskiewicz – Barbara. 1. +Henry Stefanowich – Barbara. 1. A special intention. 1. To St. Lucy for a special favor. 1. +Bernice Lagrant – Anna. 1. +Sophie & Joseph Socha - Anna. 1. +Frank Miskiewicz - Anna. 1. +John Mastalerz - wife & family. 1. +Veronica Goodreau -Sally Mastalerz. 1. +Alexander Lemanski – Lori. 1. +Alexandra Lemanski – Lori. 1. Living & deceased members of Lemanski & Vaz families. 1. +Genevieve Vaz - Lori. 1. healing, strength, protection. 1. +Jullia A. Machnik & Stella Maestrone. 1. Lori Vaz & Gale Benoit -S.. 1. +Hedy Workum – S.. 1. Michael Lemanski family – S.. 1. The Konkel family – S.. 1. The Lemanski family - S.. 1. +Jennie Vaz & +Alexander Lemanski - S.. 1. +Richard Wawro love, wife Barbara. 1. Safe trip & good health for Nick & Tom. 1. Safe trip & good health for Emily. 1. "Jesus I Trust In You" family health & strength. 1. For extra special blessings for Father Stefan & a special thanksgiving for his beautiful liturgies throughout Lent & the Easter season – L.R.1. In a special 1. +Fred Mastalerz – Pat Godek. 1. +Henry Kokoszka – C. Misiaszek. 1. +Joe Misiaszek – Cis & family. 1. Family health & God's blessing. 1. Safe trip for Richard & Joanne. 1. Birthday blessings for Anna Stefanowich - John & Irene Dyl. 1. Special intention for Father Stefan - S., 1. +Edward Rudnick - family, 1. +Mary Edgerly -Sts. Peter & Paul Prayerline. 1. Cheryll S. health - T.S.. 1. +Walter P. Lech - Ruth Lech. 1. God's blessings & good health for John P. - Cioci Ruth Lech. 1. +Norma Kusek - Sophie Lebida. 1. Blessings for Braydon - Great Gramma. 1. +Josephine Kulis 17th anniv. daughter Edna. 1. St. Jude & St. Anthony – E.. 1. St. Lucy special intention – E.. 1. +Raymond Sabourin, Sr. - Edna & family. 1. +Alphonse Roszko - wife & family. 1. +Walter P. Lech, Jr. -Kathryn. 1. For Babci Janosz – grandson Karl. 1. +Genevieve Janosz/Mom – Marcia & Wally. 1. God's blessing & healing for Jake. 1. God's blessings for our family. 1. +Veronica Goodreau – Gloria Nowak. 1. +Doris Jalbert – Gloria Nowak. 1. +Edward Swiderski – Gloria Nowak. 1. In loving memory of Victor Bukowski 2<sup>nd</sup> anniv. – daughter & son-in-law & family. 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 - R.C., 1. Safe travel for E. & Nick - M.P., 1. +Louis Zglobicki wife & family. 1. Zsp. Tadeusz Dziedzic – 27th anniv. – son John & family. 1. In memory of Helen Magiera - Love Trudy, Pam & Lisa. 1. In memory of Irene Smith - Trudy Mercier.

**IN LOVING MEMORY** – Please remember in your prayers the soul of Irene Plato. May she rest in peace

#### ~~ BACK PAGE HUMOR & MORE ~~

THE BUZZARD ~ If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will

be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a Run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

THE BAT ~ The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a

remarkable nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

THE BUMBLEBEE ~ A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

PEOPLE ~ In many ways, we are like the buzzard, the bat, and

the bumblebee. We struggle about with all our problems and frustrations, never realizing that all we have to do is look up! That's the Answer, the escape route and the solution to any problem! Just look up.

Sorrow looks back, Worry looks around, But faith looks up!

Mystery Answer is VIRGIN MARY