

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

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"We the Parish of Mother of Divine Providence, are of the one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. Nourished by Eucharist and guided by the example of Mary our Mother, we are called to open ourselves to an intimate relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ. As a welcoming community, we strive to live our Catholic faith and to foster and share this faith through worship, education and service."

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Sister Veronica Gross, R.S.M.-
Director of Parish Services

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Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday: 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM
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Sunday : Closed

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PARISH DEVOTIONS

MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 5:15 PM
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM
Monday through Saturday:
8:00 AM
Holydays and Holidays: as announced

MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

15 minutes before morning Mass
(Monday through Saturday)

ROSARY

After morning Mass.
(Monday through Saturday)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA PRAYERS

After Saturday morning Mass.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

After 8:00 AM Mass until 7:00 PM each
Tuesday.

OUTREACH

CARE MINISTERS

Parishioners dedicated to assisting fellow parishioners at times of sickness or bereavement and to visiting the homebound. Contact the Parish Offices.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Casseroles are due on the second Wednesday of every month. Contact Julie about pans, recipes and drop-off point at 610-878-9121.

NEW RESIDENTS

REGISTRATION

We welcome you to our area! Please phone the Parish Offices to schedule an appointment to register. Parish registration is required to schedule baptisms or marriages as well as to obtain certificates of eligibility for godparents and/or sponsors.

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 12:45 PM. Call the Parish Offices to schedule.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS

Second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 PM in the Parish Offices Building. Both parents must take part. Call the Parish Offices to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM
Vigil of a Holyday: 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM
Also by appointment.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Persons intending to marry must visit the priest six months in advance so that the proper preparation may be made.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND THE EUCCHARIST

The priest will gladly come to shut-ins with the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners who are planning surgery should contact the priest to receive the Anointing of the Sick before the surgery.

PREPARING ADULTS TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTS

Informal gatherings of prayer and instructions for adults who are interested in becoming one with us in our Catholic Faith, or who are already Catholic and wish to complete their Christian Initiation by receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and / or Eucharist. For more information contact Theresa Gilmore.

EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH

Children not attending the Parish School are educated in the faith through our Religious Education Program. Classes are held on Wednesday evenings during the school year, beginning in September. Contact Theresa Gilmore for details.

LITURGY
31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, October 30, 2011

7:30 AM Mass - Don Kelsh

9:30 AM Mass – Ray Forster

11:30 AM Mass – For the People of the Parish

Monday, October 31, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Don Kelsh

Tuesday, November 1, 2011 – All Saints Day

8:00 AM Mass – Deceased Members of the Legion of Mary

12:05 PM Mass – Robert & James Quinn

7:30 PM Mass – June Stiles

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – All Souls Day

8:00 AM Mass – For All Souls

7:00 PM Mass – For All Souls

Thursday, November 3, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Mary Barker

Friday, November 4, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Mary Barker

Saturday, November 5, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Mary Barker

5:15 PM Mass – Gus Cipollini



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We invite children in Grades Pre-Kindergarten through 2nd to participate in the celebration of the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 AM Mass each Sunday. We are grateful to the catechists who serve so willingly each week to share the Good News with our children.

STEWARDSHIP
SHARING TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION

Your sacrificial giving is greatly appreciated as we strive to maintain our parish facilities and services. God bless your generosity!

The collection for 10/23/11 totaled \$14,779.91

The collection for 10/24/10 totaled \$15,036.97

Mission Sunday collection totaled \$2,723.00

SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a second collection next weekend, November 5th and 6th. This will be for the **Parish Fund**.

SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO SEMINARY
ANNUAL APPEAL



The Annual Appeal for Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary kicks off during the month of November, 2011. Please consider supporting the Seminary, and if possible, increasing your gift over what

you gave last year.

The Seminary community is grateful to you for your full support. Your tax-deductible gift helps to enhance the many resources needed for priestly training and enables the Church to form holy, educated, and dedicated priests.

Please send your donation to:

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary

Office for Development

100 East Wynnewood Road

Wynnewood, PA 19096

Or if you would like to make your donation online, please visit: www.scs.edu.

MDP MASS ENROLLMENTS

Mass is offered on the first Sunday of each month at Mother of Divine Providence Church for the intentions of our benefactors, including the intentions made through our Mass Enrollment program. Attractive white leatherette folders (including a photograph of our outdoor shrine of Mary, Mother of Divine Providence) are available at the Parish Offices. You may choose one of three enrollment periods (25 years, 50 years or a perpetual remembrance) with a donation of \$25, \$50, or \$100. These Mass Enrollments and Folders are designed **to honor the living, or to remember the dead**. The proceeds realized from the Enrollment Program benefit our Building Fund.

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends in Christ,

We have been invited this morning to gather at the footstool of God. It is here that the infinity of God humbles us. The Readings assigned to today's Mass describe a common trap in which believers often find themselves. We try to live according to the precepts and laws of the Church but, when we do so without regard for the poor and the lowly of this world, we can find ourselves becoming arrogant and self-satisfied. Jesus warns His followers not to fall in to this trap. Rather, He says, they must humble themselves as they strive to live out the law of the Lord. All of us are servants of the Word and all of us approach the listening of the Word with Humility. This in fact is the only way to exalted glory with the Lord.

The Word of God calls us then into faithfulness with the Covenant He has made for us; a Covenant that is new and everlasting! We have only one master Who is Christ. May God's abundant mercy fill us as we rest here in His holy Temple.

A reminder that the Month of November is the month of Souls. As we commemorate the Dead, help us to remember your loved ones and friends, give us the names of those you wish us to remember at all our Masses for the Dead this month. Remember, one day, we will be praying for your soul!

I want to thank the members of our Respect Life Committee under the leadership of Michael Fichera, for organizing the remembrance of this Month. This year we focused on the evils of Abortion and Contraception, next year, we will focus our attention on other issues that affect our Catholic Community.

*Have a good week, Faithfully,
Father Cioppi*

VI. Catechesis for the People's Parts of the Third Translation for the Roman Missal

Sanctus

Commentary

At the conclusion of the Preface comes the Sanctus, which in Latin means "Holy." The Sanctus, like the Gloria, is intended to be sung – in fact, many different settings of the Latin text exist even in Gregorian chant. The only textual difference from our current version is that "God of power and might" becomes "God of hosts." The word "hosts" refers to a great gathering or multitude, and speaks here of God's command over the heavenly host of angelic armies.

This reference has a Biblical foundation in Isaiah 6:1-3, where the prophet writes, "I saw the Lord seated on a

high and lofty throne... Seraphim were stationed above... 'Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts!' they cried one to the other. 'All the earth is filled with his glory!'"

And in Luke 2:13, a "multitude of the heavenly host" also announces the birth of Jesus to the shepherds.

The words of the final three lines of the Sanctus can be found in the Gospel of Matthew, during the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem before His Passion, as the people shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest" (Mt 21:9). Versions of this acclamation appear in the other Gospels, and the "Blessed is he..." line comes from Psalm 118 (117), amidst a passage that became understood as a reference to Christ.

The Sanctus reminds us that all creatures on "heaven and earth" owe thanksgiving to God ("Eucharist" actually means "thanksgiving"). And because we truly believe that the Angels are also present and worshiping with us as we celebrate the Holy Eucharist, then every fiber of our being is made to reflect the utmost reverence. Therefore, immediately after the Sanctus, we kneel. Kneeling is a sign of respect and humility that is distinctly human and bodily – it is something that even the Angels, being pure spirit, cannot do.

Present translation:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

New translation:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

IN OUR PARISH

FROM MONSIGNOR MURRAY

My dear friends of MDP: On Friday, October 28th I will enter Lansdale Hospital for a medical procedure and for my continued good health. My best judgment from talks with my doctors, is that I shall be out of circulation for about a week to ten days. While there is always apprehension when one enters the hospital, I feel upbeat and grateful for the doctors and medical people I have for the the facilities that are available to us. I am sharing this information with the parish for several reasons. First of all, I know you care. Secondly, I know how rumors and speculation can go and I wanted to keep you informed. Finally, I want to thank you in advance for your prayers which I always count on. Thanks so much and God Bless.

Monsignor Murray

MDP YOUTH GROUP

The Youth Group will meet on Sunday, November 6th at 7 PM in church for Adoration with singing followed at 7:30 PM for meeting, activities, games and snacks in the gym. We are using the book "It's Not About Me, Teen Edition" by Max Lucado for our discussions. We will finish at 9 PM. All parishioners in grades 7 through 12 are welcome to attend! For more information, please email youthgroup@mdpparish.com.



11TH ANNUAL MDP CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR AND BAZAAR NOVEMBER 19, 2011 - 8:00 AM – 3 PM

BAKED GOODS DONATIONS

Please consider donating a baked good to this year's Christmas Craft Fair and Bazaar. No need to bake something from scratch, your purchased item would be greatly appreciated as well. To sign up, please email Donna at dsgobrien@comcast.net, or add your name to the sign up sheet in the rear of Church next weekend.

VOLUNTEERS

Can you believe there are only 3 weeks left until our 11th annual Christmas Craft Fair & Bazaar? The day is such a wonderful opportunity to connect with friends while getting a jump start on your Christmas shopping. This parish event continues to grow every year drawing over 1,000 guests through the door. We need your help to assure a successful day. Please call or email Donna at 610-337-3814 or dsgobrien@comcast.net to volunteer to help. Many hands make light work!

CALLING ALL CHEFS

If you're looking for a way to support this year's craft fair and bazaar, and you enjoy cooking, we could use your help. The kitchen committee is looking for volunteers to make pasta salad to be sold as a menu item. The recipe will be provided to you. We don't need an unlimited supply, so please contact Donna at 610-337-3814 or dsgobrien@comcast.net if you are able to help.



CHURCH FLOWERS

We receive beautiful arrangements left in honor of people whose funerals are held in our church. These flowers most often do not have the care that they deserve, beginning with the most essential nutrient of all, water! Do you go to daily Mass? Would you have some free time after Mass on any given day to help take care of the flowers left in the Church? If you

would be interested in helping us to keep the Sanctuary beautiful and ready for our Liturgies, we would very much like to speak with you. Please call Susan at the Parish Offices, 610-265-4178, for further details.

MDP YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

(ages 20-35)

We invite you to join us. We will start by getting together for lunch once a month, and grow from there. Our hope is that this group will become a source of fellowship, service, and great fun for all of us. We will meet outside the church after the 11:30 Mass and go to lunch on **November 6, and December 4**. To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Annie Eadie at annie.eadie@gmail.com



Let's Get Together!

PRE-CANA REGISTRATION

The next session of our Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples will be held on **Saturday, April 28, 2012** in Providence Hall. The program will begin with a continental breakfast starting at 8:45 AM and will run through 4:00 PM. Lunch will be provided for all participants. Registration for this session is limited to 15 couples. A program fee of \$135 per couple is required at the time of registration in order to hold a spot for the engaged couple. Registration forms may be obtained on the MDP website or by contacting Rosemarie DeRosa at the parish offices at 610-265-4178 or Deacon Mark Dillon at 610-293-9774.



UPDATE ON THE KING OF PRUSSIA 10 MILER

Next year's date for the race will be **May 20, 2012**. There will also be a new course which will be announced at a later time. We are looking for help promoting the race. If you have communication or marketing skills, or media contacts, please contact Phil Fogli at 610-354-0288 or pfogli@frscapital.com.

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

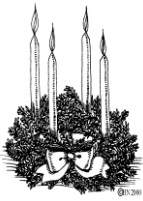
O God, Father of all mercies, Provider of a bountiful harvest, send Your graces upon those You have called to gather the fruits of Your labor; preserve and strengthen them in their lifelong service of You. Open the hearts of Your children that they may discern Your Holy Will; inspire in them a love and desire to surrender themselves to serving others in the name of Your son, Jesus Christ.



ADVENT WREATH-MAKING

Fill your home with Advent Spirit!

You are invited to our Advent wreath-making on **Saturday, November 26th** at 10 AM in Providence Hall. The \$20 cost for materials is due with your registration. Details will be emailed upon receipt of this form.



Please return by **Wednesday, November 2nd** to the parish offices, the school or the religious education program.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Number attending: Adults _____ Children _____

I can help with: Refreshments: _____

Set-up: _____ Clean-up: _____

Checks payable to Mother of Divine Providence.

\$20 x number of wreaths _____ =

\$ _____

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The **Legion of Mary** will hold their meeting, Sunday, October 30th at 12:30 PM in McGrory Hall.

The **Charismatic Prayer Group** will hold their meeting on Monday, October 31st at 7:30 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

The **MDP Seniors** will hold their meeting on Tuesday, November 1st at 11:00 AM in the Parish Offices Building.

The **Contemporary Guitar Group** will meet for practice on Tuesday, November 1st at 6:45 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

There will be a **Food Addicts Meeting** on Tuesday, November 1st at 7 PM in McGrory Hall.

The **Intercessory Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday, November 2nd at 9 AM in the Church.

Boy Scout Troop 481 will hold their meeting on Thursday, November 3rd at 7 PM in Providence Hall.

The **Choir** will meet to practice on Thursday, November 3rd at 7:30 PM in the Church.

The **MDP Ministry Conference** on November 5th, will start with Mass at 8 AM in Church and then the conference will begin at 8:30 AM in Providence Hall.

*******MANDATED REPORTING TRAINING*******

November 12, 2011

The Office for Child Protection will again hold their Mandated Reporter Training Classes here at MDP. **If anyone from MDP has not taken this class and are volunteering in any capacity, you must attend one of these sessions.** The sessions will be held at 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. To register on-line go to <http://bit.ly/AOPMandatoryReporterTraining> or call the Office for Child Protection at 215-587-2466.



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS

Listed below is the new schedule from the **Archdiocese of Philadelphia**

Attention all new coaches, assistants, and volunteers who are thinking about going on field trips, working with our children in the school, chaperoning school functions, etc., helping with our Youth Group activities or volunteering in the Religious Education Program. In order to work with our parish children, you **MUST** attend a Protecting God's Children workshop in addition to getting the required clearances.

To register please visit the Virtus website www.virtus.org or call the Office for Child and Youth Protection at 215-587-2466.

11/2/11 – Sacred Heart of Jesus, Phila. – 7 PM

11/3/11 – St. Jude, Chalfont – 6:30 PM

11/16/11 – Christ the King, Phila. – 7 PM

11/21/11 – Arch. Office Center, Phila. – 6:30 PM

12/12/11 – Arch. Office Center, Phila. – 6:30 PM

1/18/12 – Arch. Office Center, Phila. – 6:30 PM

2/6/12 – Arch Office Center, Phila. – 6:30 PM

PARISH SERVICES

MDP SENIORS TO MEET



Our next scheduled Senior meeting is Tuesday, November 1, 2011 at 11 A.M. in the Parish Offices Building. Our topic is "How to Stay Limber in the Winter Months". Please come ready for some fun and to learn some exercises that will keep our joints limber as the cold weather approaches.

LOOKING AHEAD TO OUR ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

Mother of Divine Providence Parish will be celebrating All Souls' Mass on Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 7 P.M. All are welcome to attend to remember those who have died. At this Mass, we will remember in a special way all those who were buried from our Church in the past year. Please join us for prayer and fellowship – refreshments will be served after Mass in McGrory Hall.

CARE MINISTERS TO MEET

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 7 at 2 P.M. in the Parish Offices Building. Claire Drexler from the Center for Loss and Bereavement will speak to us on "How to Speak of Death?" Please join us for this informative meeting.

GRIEF AND THE HOLIDAYS

If you have experienced the death of someone you love, a family member, a friend or a co-worker and are wondering how you will make it through the holidays, Mother of Divine Providence is having a special session to help with this experience. Those interested will gather on Thursday, November 10 at 7 P.M. in the parish offices building. This experience will include prayer, some sharing and hints on how to move through the holiday season. Please join us.

from the desk of Sister Veronica

THE NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

School News

<http://mdpschool.com>



Our students observed Respect Life Month by sponsoring a collection of baby items for Birthright. Many parishioners also followed the children's lead. Shannon Mulgrew, a Student Council officer writes: *"Over the past week, we hosted a Birthright charity, which was a huge success! We had so many items, they could barely fit in the back of a Toyota Sequoia, including: 2 mattresses, a 3-child stroller, 2 single strollers, 5-6 car seats, and many boxes filled to the top with new clothes, binkies, diapers, wipes, blankets, etc... With these very generous donations, we were able to help pregnant woman feel less stress about receiving the right materials for their child. Everything we donated will help the babies to live a strong and healthy life!*

"Thanks to everyone for your generosity!" I truly admire the cheerful service of our parish youth.



The children in Grades 1 through 4 decorated Halloween bags, filled them with treats and packed them for delivery to St. Veronica School – our sister school. The neighborhoods around St. Veronica's are not particularly safe for "trick or treat," something unknown to our fortunate children. We are the only source of treats at Halloween for these children. Our young students followed Jesus's words: "Whatever you do for the least of My brothers, that you do unto Me" – and they had a great time! Thank you to Mrs. Talia Urquhart, with her children Christian & Elina, and to others from our school who made the special delivery this week to St. Veronica School.

Let's get behind the push to pass Senate Bill #1 – School Choice, Tuition Vouchers, EITC funds. "1-2-3" (1) Go to the link on MDPschool.com, (2) enter your zipcode, and (3) connect with local legislators.

Celebrating our academic success ... Report Card on the Schools ...

Suburban Life just published Upper Merion Schools were ranked 47/67 of Delaware Valley Public School Districts. Did you know that MDP School is in the top 15% of Archdiocesan Schools in the same region? With faith formation, generous service, current technologies & programs, and academic excellence, Mother of Divine Providence School is *the school of choice*.



Congratulations to recent **Apple of My Eye** winners. Many children earned tickets through their acts of kindness or responsibility. Each week we draw tickets from the full bin of "good apples" to award dress-down passes. These went to: Maryrita Swope, Madalyn Colbert, Connor O'Brien, J.T. Tiglaio, Matt DiGenova, Mara Parker, Alaina Acchione, Jack Matics, Colleen Lloyd and Emma Barone. Emma earns special recognition because she donated her beautiful long hair to "Locks of Love." She now sports a lovely bob haircut. Children, you are all the apple of my eye!

It's UNITED WAY pledge time at many of your employers. Our middle school service activity – teaching technology skills to adults (COMMTECH) has been supported entirely through United Way donations. Unfortunately, those funds have been exhausted. COMMTECH is offered free of charge to the adult participants, but there are modest costs for program materials and the



stipends to teacher/moderators. We wish to continue offering the COMMTECH program going forward. Please consider supporting this inter-generational community service project by directing your United Way pledge to "4116802 MDP COMMTECH." Free will donations are also welcome.

The Week-at-a-Glance:



- 10/31 Monday – Halloween – regular day of classes
- 11/1 Tuesday – All Saints Day – school is in session (due to other necessary in-service/trainings)
 - School Mass (planned by first grade little saints) at 10:30 AM in church
- 11/3 Thursday - *Joe Corbi* Fundraiser begins
- 11/4 (through 11/17) - Student Council sponsored Thanksgiving Food Drive
- 11/8 Tuesday - *African Drum and Dance Assembly* at 2:00 PM in the gym. Friends of MDP – all ages - are welcome to join us for this special cultural arts program.
- 11/8 Tuesday – Home & School Assn. General Meeting at 7:00 PM in Providence Hall; presentation on Common Core State Standards, the new archdiocesan report cards, and *Gradelink* grade reporting program. At least one parent from each family is encouraged to attend for this important information. Each time a parent attends a Home & School meeting, their name is entered in an “end-of-the-year” drawing for a \$500.00 tuition voucher for the following year. Wow!

from the desk of Theresa Garvin, Principal

CATECHETICAL FORMATION

CONFIRMATION PARENT EVENING OF ENRICHMENT

Parents who were unable to attend the evening of enrichment on October 25th are asked to choose one of the given parishes on the reminder list. Upon our receipt of the form, signed by the DRE or principal at that parish, the Confirmation packet will be given. Please contact



Theresa Gilmore for more information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION



This past week our upper level students spent some time with Deacon Mark Dillon as he invited and explained the ministry of altar server. We are grateful to all the students in the parish who serve at Mass.

As has been our tradition the last week of October, students and staff dressed up for our remembrance of All Hallows’ Eve. Many great saints visited us and talked about their lives and their love of God. We are blessed to have so many older ‘brothers and sisters’ to intercede for us before the throne of God.

from the desk of Theresa Gilmore

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The Loss of a Child is Never Forgotten. **Wednesday, November 2nd at 7 PM**, St. Monica (Berwyn, PA) Parish Community along with the Parish Elizabeth Ministry invite you and your family to join them for a Solemn Evening Mass. We especially welcome anyone who has lost a child to miscarriage, stillbirth, abortion, SIDS, illness, disease, accidental death or military service. Please bring a picture, memento or symbol of your child that we may honor and recognize them in a special way. If you have any questions please contact 610-644-0101 at the parish.

OPEN HOUSE & ENTRANCE EXAM

The Academy of Notre Dame de Namur will offer its 9th Grade Scholarship and Entrance Exam on **Saturday, November 5th and Sunday, November 14th**. Open House will be held on **Sunday, November 6th at 10:30 AM**. For more information, call 610-971-0498 or visit www.ndapa.org/admissions.

St. Joseph’s Preparatory School will have their Open House on **Sunday, November 6th at 11 AM**. Interested 8th grade boys should sit for the Scholarship/Entrance Exam on **Sunday, November 19th at 8:30 AM**. Students must be pre-registered. For additional information, please call 215-978-1954

SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Catechist for Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, November 6, 2011
9:30 AM Mass – Frances Krouse

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Tuesday, November 1, 2011 – All Saint’s Day
12:05 PM - M. Bevenour, L. Puco
7:30 PM – M. Pedlow, J. Walsh
Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – All Soul’s Day
7:00 PM Remembrance Mass - F. LaPenna, A. Yates
Saturday, November 5, 2011
5:15 PM Mass – R. DeSpirito, R. DeSpirito,
 S. DeFrancesco, R. Fenlon, M. McDevitt, M. McDevitt,
 MA. O’Brien, E. Ritter

Sunday, November 6, 2011

7:30 AM Mass - S. Angelucci, T. Fox, C. Hill, T. McCuch, E. Shea, S. Strahle, R. White, M. White

9:30 AM Mass - T. Boyle, J. Copp, B. Ferguson, T. Gerardi, R. Scannapieco, H. Trainor, C. Traister, T. Traister

11:30 AM Mass - B. Dugary, J. Faustman, C. Faustman, A. Garrity, J. Garrity, M. Houston, V. Limongelli, J. Lloyd

Lectors

Tuesday, November 1, 2011 – All Saint’s Day

12:05 PM – V. Limongelli

7:30 PM – C. Crowley

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – All Soul’s Day

7:00 PM Remembrance Mass – C. DeMaria, L. Sebastian

Saturday, November 5, 2011

5:15 PM Mass - N. Olson

Sunday, November 6, 2011

7:30 AM Mass - J. Fox

9:30 AM Mass - G. Maskarinec

11:30 AM Mass - J. Olexy

Altar Servers

Monday, October 31, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – E. Campbell, L. Nigro

Tuesday, November 1, 2011- All Saints Day

8:00 AM Mass - E. Campbell, L. Nigro

12:05 PM Mass – M. Bevenour, J. Rajasekaran, A. Splendore

7:30 PM Mass – M. DeFrancesco, H. Mazzilli, AJ. Tiglaio

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – All Souls Day

8:00 AM Mass - E. Campbell, L. Nigro

7:00 PM Mass Remembrance Mass – A. Bristowe, M. Bristowe, E. McConnell

Thursday, November 3, 2011

8:00 AM Mass - E. Campbell, L. Nigro

Friday, November 4, 2011

8:00 AM Mass - E. Campbell, L. Nigro

Saturday, November 5, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – K. Burns, M. DeFrancesco

5:15 PM Mass – K. Abreu, C. Bullock, C. Dollarton

Sunday, November 6, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – C. Anderson, R. Boyle, J. O’Brien

9:30 AM Mass - J. Mangan, J. Mangan, L. Nigro

11:30 AM Mass – A. Acchione, L. Galban, S. Lloyd, A. Monaco

Altar Society Cleaning Team

Wednesday, November 2, 2011

M. Dallas, A. Prusacki

Altar Society Linen Preparation

Sunday, November 6, 2011

S. McCuch

SCHEDULES FOR SCRIP SELLERS

Monday, October 31, 2011 – 3:00 – 3:30

M. Bevenour

Tuesday, November 1, 2011 – 8:30 – 9:00

M. Mangan

Wednesday, November 2, 2011 – 3:00-3:30

M. Bevenour

Thursday, November 3, 2011 8:30 - 9:00

K. Bristowe

Friday November 4, 2011 – 11:30 – 12:00 Noon

J. Lloyd

Saturday, November 5, 2011

5:15 PM Mass – L. Mazzilli, K. Pedano

Sunday, November 6, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – P. Valenti

9:30 AM Mass – B. Gerardi, J. Nigro

11:30 AM Mass – S. Dugary

SCRIP NEWS

What is scrip?

Scrip is a term that means “substitute money”. When you purchase scrip, you are purchasing gift cards that can be used just like cash. You can use scrip to purchase every expensed like food, clothing, and other essentials. With every purchase, you earn revenue for yourself and for MDP!

How Does it Work

Great Lakes Scrip Center acts on behalf of non profit organizations to purchase large amounts of scrip from grocery stores, department stores and other participating retailers. Because the scrip is purchased up front with cash, the retailers offer a substantial discount. MDP then buys the scrip from Great Lakes and re-sells for full face value. The discount of 2% to 15% or more is then split between you, the purchaser, and MDP. For instance, Acme offers 5% discount. Therefore 2.5% profit goes to the purchaser and 2.5% goes to MDP.

Scrip Is Shopping Cart Fundraising

Scrip is a popular choice because families like yourselves don’t have to sell anything. You produce revenue by making regular household purchases you would make anyway. Groceries, clothing, toys, gifts, and even gasoline can be purchased with scrip!

Time to Find Out More

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