

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."

PARISH DIRECTORY

CLERGY

Rev. Martin T. Cioppi, Ed. D. - *Pastor*
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Deacon Mark H. Dillon - *Permanent Deacon*

PASTORAL STAFF

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

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 9:00 PM
Friday: 8:30 AM - 8:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM
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
26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 25, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – Joseph Cioppi

9:30 AM Mass – For the People of the Parish

11:30 AM Mass – Benedict Capacio

Monday, September 26, 2011

9:00 AM Mass – Joseph Cioppi

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Joseph Cioppi

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Robert Linsinbigler

Thursday, September 29, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Thomas Halley

Friday, September 30, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Joseph Cioppi

Saturday October 1, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – Joseph Cioppi

5:15 PM Mass – Nick Scintilla



ALTAR SERVERS

You may recall that last spring the servers were refreshed in their Daily Mass skills, it is now time to address their service for Sunday Masses. Deacon Mark Dillon will meet with all servers on **Sunday, September 25th from 12:45 to 1:30 PM** for this purpose. All servers are asked to attend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

We look forward to seeing all of the children in Grades Pre-Kindergarten through 2nd for the Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9:30 AM Mass.

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 9/18/11 totaled \$15,508.20

The collection for 9/19/10 totaled \$15,038.50

SANCTUARY FUND

We continue to maintain a wish list of items (vestments, linens and sanctuary appointments) which can be purchased in memory of deceased loved ones. Please call the Parish Offices for more information.

MDP MASS ENROLLMENTS

Mass is offered on the first weekend 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,

Where does the time go? I am still waiting for the celebration of the Fourth of July, but alas, I am filled with autumnal bliss!!

Today's second reading proclaims the central message of all the readings as well as the reality of the life of every disciple. Saint Paul says, "Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus." To say 'yes' to Christ one in effect must say 'yes' to suffering and death in the sense that my life is longer mine but Christ's! "Christ became obedient even to the point of death." WOW, this heavy stuff! And yet, some of us were born into this reality. Certainly all of us were re-born in to the death of Christ at Baptism, and now share with Him the potential for eternal life, peace and joy. This is the very mystery we celebrate in the Sacrifice of the Mass every Sunday. This is the very mystery that holds us up and sustains us in the marketplace of our lives.

If we can unite our suffering, our anxieties, worries and personal conundrums, we will find Christ Who is generous in His compassion, mercy and justice. Let us pray for each other that we find Jesus in the hearts of all people and that we can respond to His presence in them with charity and in faith.

Father Cioppi

CATECHESIS FOR THE THIRD TRANSLATION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL

Changes in the People's Parts: PRESENT TEXT & NEW TEXT

Part 1: Greeting Commentary

At the beginning of Mass, immediately after the Sign of the Cross, the celebrant extends one of three different liturgical greetings to the people. The one that is perhaps most commonly used is "The Lord be with you." It is a familiar line that will remain unchanged with the new translation.

However, our new response will be the first major change in the Order of Mass. Instead of "And also with you," we will now be saying, "And with your spirit." This new response will also be made at the four other times during Mass when this dialogue occurs: at the reading of the Gospel, at the beginning of the Eucharistic Prayer, during the Sign of Peace (when the priest says, "The peace of the Lord be with you always"), and at the conclusion of Mass.

Why the change? At the most basic level, "And with your spirit" is the proper translation of the original Latin text: "Et cum spiritu tuo." By correctly expressing this dialogue in English, we are actually aligning our translation with that of all the other major language groups, which have long been translating the Latin

properly. For example, in Spanish, the response is "Y con tu espíritu."

But even beyond the linguistic, the recovery of the word "spirit" also carries Scriptural meaning. One form or other of "The Lord be with you" appears multiple times in the Bible, including the greeting given by the Archangel Gabriel to Mary at the Annunciation: "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you" (Lk 1:28). Then, in the Pauline epistles, multiple variations of "The Lord be with your spirit" are employed as parting words to different church communities. Understood together, this liturgical dialogue in the Mass is an exchange whereby all present – both Priest and congregation – ask that the Holy Spirit (whom we call "the Lord, the giver of life" in the Nicene Creed) establish a stronger communion among us.

In addition, for the congregation to answer the Priest, "And with your spirit," is actually a theological statement about what we Catholics believe regarding ordained ministers. No. 367 of the Catechism of the Catholic Church speaks of how "spirit" can refer to an elevation of the soul, whereby the soul "is raised beyond all it deserves to communion with God." Through Holy Orders, Christ has forever configured the Priest's soul to Himself in a special way, by the power of the Holy Spirit. By specifically referencing the Priest's spirit, we can affirm this transformation and pray for his ministry.

This new response of "And with your spirit" will be a difficult change to remember – perhaps one of the most difficult for us laity. However, it will not take long to grow accustomed to the new wording, especially given its frequency. Above all, we should reflect on how it conveys the content of Sacred Scripture, as well as the work of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

Present translation:

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And also with you.

New translation:

Priest: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

IN OUR PARISH

MONTE CARLO NIGHT



On Saturday, October 1st, after the 5:15 PM Mass, our parish is sponsoring a Monte Carlo Night in the Parish Center. We invite you to join us for an incredible evening of casino games, great food and of course, the Palio. Be sure to check our website for a video and full description of the Palio. Father Cioppi will be featured as a jockey in the second of our two live horse races. See a full listing of our jockeys at the bottom of this section.

Our Monte Carlo Night will feature your opportunity to play craps, blackjack, poker and roulette. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served all night catered by Wild Blue Catering. Our night will also feature an open bar with beer, wine and a specialty drink as well as a plentiful dessert bar. Tickets are only \$40 which include your initial \$50 worth of gambling chips. Please contact the Parish Offices or Monica Pedano at 610-842-2760 for ticket information.

MONTE CARLO PALIO HORSE RACE

Listed below are the jockeys that you will be able to bet on during our live horse races. The region of Palio Sienna is listed after their names and will serve as the name of their horse.

- 1st Race – 8 PM -
 Carlos Medina, Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus – “Civetta”
 Talia Urquhart, MDP Home & School – “Drago”
 Chip Lloyd – Capital Campaign Chair – “Tartuco”
 Bet Ferguson – Why Catholic Leader – “Onda”

- 2nd Race – 9:30 PM
 Father Cioppi, Pastor – “Nicchio”
 Veronica Rose, Asst. Principal – “Selva”
 Brian McCann, CYO Coach – “Pantera”
 Brandon Rotrovato, Young Adults Group – “Oca”

A BIG THANK YOU



On behalf of the Athletic Association, we would like to thank all those that attended the inaugural MDP Athletic Association Golf Classic. The day was filled with tons of sun, laughter and some

great golf shots! Congratulations to the winning team of Jerry Schuebel, Bill Bruni, Mike Maio and Jim Fenlon for winning the event and taking home the golf gift baskets. Congratulations also our other winners: Long Drive on #5 Jon Heath, Closest to Pin on #8 John Custer- 10'5" and Closest to the Pin on #12 Jim Fenlon- 11'11".

Congratulations to over 15 winners of a prize in our raffle.

Thank you for your support – we look forward to seeing you all again next year!

MDP YOUTH GROUP

The MDP Youth Group will meet on **Sunday, October 2nd** at 7 PM for a half hour Eucharistic Adoration in Church accompanied by guitar.



Then, from 7:30 PM to 9 PM we will move to the gym for our Youth Group Meeting, Pizza and Dodgeball. All 7th – 12th grade are welcome to attend! For more information, please email us at youthgroup@mdpparish.com.



THE 11TH ANNUAL MDP CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR AND BAZAAR
CALLING ALL CRAFTERS



Christmas Craft Fair & Bazaar

The 11th Annual MDP Craft Show and Bazaar is scheduled for Saturday, **November 19th from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**. There are still some spaces remaining for those talented Individuals who would like to be a part of this wonderful event and sell their hand made items. For more information, and to register,

please contact Jayne Lloyd at 610-337-1701. Tables range from \$25-\$30 per space.

“ONE OF A KIND BOOTH”

The Christmas Craft Fair and Bazaar is coming soon ! It is time to make your special craft for the “One of a Kind Booth”. All proceeds will go directly to the Parish. If you have any questions, please call Shirley McCuch at 610-525-3801.

TOMBOLA DONATIONS

As usual, our craft fair and bazaar cannot be a success without your help! At this time we are in need of your generous contributions to fill theme baskets for the tombola. Any **new or never used** items will be accepted, or if you're feeling “crafty” you might consider assembling your own completed theme basket for donation. We are also in great need this year of large baskets and rolls of unused ribbon. Clearly mark your donations “TOMBOLA” and leave them in the rear of church after Mass beginning **October 1st through October 16th**. PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF DONATIONS, BEFORE THIS DATE. **STORAGE SPACE IS VERY LIMITED.** We will announce the collection of other items in the near future.

If you do not have any items to donate, please consider a monetary or gift card donation (in a marked envelope through the collection basket) which will be used as a filler item or to purchase filler items and supplies for assembling the baskets. Donating a gift card purchased from the scrip program is a win-win for all.



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 **October 9, November 6, and December 4**. To RSVP or if you have any questions, please contact Annie Eadie at annie.eadie@gmail.com



PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN WORKSHOPS AT MDP

Saturday, October 8, 2011 – 8:45 AM – 11:30 AM

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.

This is a great opportunity for everyone, including parents, to learn the warning signs exhibited by predators and what to do when you see them. Our children are a precious gift from God. It is the responsibility of **ALL** of us to ensure they are safe no matter whom they are with or where they are.

Please call Simone at 610-337-2173 or email simone.angelucci@mdpschool.com to register for one of the workshops being held in **Room 24 in the School** on Thursday, September 22nd or Saturday, October 8th. Everyone 18 or older is welcome.

WORKCAMP

Would you like to have fun and make new friends from across the country by serving others through completing home repair projects? Does experiencing high-energy, interactive worship programs with music, scripture, video, drama, stories and hands-on activities sound like fun. **Then WORKCAMP is for you.** Come to Providence Hall on **Sunday, September 25th at 7 PM** to talk to some of our past workcampers. Our week long mission trip/retreat will take place in New Haven, CT., from July 22-28, 2012. We need both adult and youth volunteers. The youth must be in 9th grade or higher by fall of 2012. If you have any questions, please call Donna Michalko at 610-265-7492.

PRE-CANA REGISTRATION

The next session of our Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Program for engaged couples will be held on **Saturday, October 29, 2011** 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.



PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY



Lord, Jesus, Savior of the world and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of our Country especially: **Lt. Col. Eric Grace, Sgt. David Michael Koch, Captain Patrick Neher, A1C Aaron Stoner, 1st Lieut. Adam Bouvier, 2nd Lieut. Troy (Bouvier) Gondela, Lieut. William Gondela, Lieut. Thomas Morgan, PFC Shannon Spencer Simpson, Sgt. Brian Simpson, Anthony Muro, Lance Corporal Kathryn Mannion, GySgt. Joseph Renner, Tech. Sgt. Amber Saienni, Master Sgt. Martin Saienni, A1C Tawnya Smyrk, Commander Carolyn McMonigle, Captain John Gillis, Col. John Drolet, 2nd Lieut. Aaron Oswald, Chief Petty Officer Russell Thompson, and Capt. Terry Wilkin.** Protect them from the physical and moral dangers of military life. Keep them close to You and help them live the Commandments. Lord, Jesus, give them courage to serve their Country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthening them when they face hardships. And Lord, grant that, when their service is finished, they may return to us sound in mind, body and soul. In particular, we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their fellow man and Country. Amen. **You are invited to submit your loved one's name to the Parish Offices or email Rosemarie DeRosa at rderosa@mdpparish.com**

UPCOMING MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Legion of Mary will meet on Sunday, September 25th at 12:30 PM in McGrory Hall.

There will be a **Work Camp Information Night** on Sunday, September 25th at 7 PM in Providence Hall.

Women's Walk will meet on Monday, September 26th at 9:30 AM in the Parish Offices Building.

The Charismatic Prayer Group will meet on Monday, September 26th at 7:30 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

The **Contemporary Guitar Group** will meet on Tuesday, September 27th at 6:45 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

The **Final Meeting for the Monte Carlo Night** will be held on Tuesday, September 27th at 7 PM in the Parish Offices Building

There will be a **Food Addicts Meeting** on Tuesday, September 27th at 7 PM in McGrory Hall.

The **Intercessory Prayer Group** will meet on Wednesday, September 28th at 9 AM in the Church.

The **Why Catholic? Evening Session** will start on Wednesday, September 28th at 7 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

There will be a **Respect Life Committee Meeting** on Thursday, September 29th at 7 PM in the Parish Offices Building.

Boy Scout Troop # 481 will meet on Thursday, September 29th at 7 PM in Providence Hall.

The **Choir** will practice on Thursday, September 29th at 7:30 PM in the Church.

CYO ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

SCREWBALL'S GOLF OUTING

The 4th Annual Screwball's Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, October 8th at Gilbertsville Golf Club. Screwballs generously sponsors this golf outing for the benefit of the MDP Athletic Association. Come on out, enjoy a great time and help support MDP Athletics! Dinner and awards will be held immediately following at Screwball's Sports Bar. If you are interested in playing or want to sponsor a hole at the outing, please contact Monica Pedano at 610-842-2760.

MDP'S SOFTBALL/ BASEBALL



Intramurals start on **Monday, October 10th at Heuser Park** and continue on **October 17th and 24th.**

Children in Kindergarten and 1st grade will start at 6:15pm and end at 7:00 pm. 2nd, 3rd and 4th grades will start at 7:00pm and play until 8:00pm. We also have separate coaches for baseball and softball! Equipment will be provided but if you have your own glove, please bring it with you. The MDP Intramurals program provides the younger children in our parish community the opportunity to experience all of the sports available to them at MDP, plus more! You pay \$10.00 (for the entire year!!) Mini Panthers t-shirts and snacks will be provided for all who participate.

ONLINE Registration is required. To register, go to www.wagdogs.com. **Participants must SIGN IN BEFORE starting the clinic then they will receive a nametag. At least one parent must remain on site. The success of the program depends upon parental involvement.** Any parent interested in

coaching or participating please contact Brian McConnell at 484-326-7370 or by email at steelavengers@yahoo.com. (*All volunteers need to have the required clearances*).

ATTENTION ALL MDP BASKETBALL PLAYERS !



Registrations for MDP Basketball will be open starting October 1st. MDP offers basketball for boys and girls from 4th grade through High School who attend MDP School or MDP Parish. The season runs November 2, 2011 through February 29, 2012. Cost: Varsity & JV - \$75; High School -\$60 and 4th grade - \$45. Children MUST be registered on www.wagdogs.com before attending their first practice. For more information, contact Patti Hutchinson, MDP AA via email at mphutch@msn.com or 610-213-6016.

PARISH SERVICES

PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE IN WASHINGTON



Registration for the Mother of Divine Providence Parish pilgrimage to Washington is due no later than October 4. Please register early to be sure of a seat on our bus. Flyers may be found at the doors of the church.

MDP SENIORS

Our next scheduled meeting for the MDP Seniors is **Tuesday, October 4 at 11 A.M.** We will learn about the ABCD's of Medicare at this meeting. Please be sure to join us for this informative meeting.



MASS WITH THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK



Mother of Divine Providence Parish will have the Mass with the Anointing of the Sick on **Sunday, October 9** at 2 P.M. This Mass will take place in our parish center. The Sacrament of the Sick is for people who suffer from a chronic illness, are preparing for surgery or who are in need of healing in some way in body, mind or spirit.

WHAT HAVE YOU SEEN THIS WEEK?

On September 8th, I had the privilege of being present at the Cathedral for the installation of our new Archbishop Charles Chaput. There is really only one word that I can use to describe it and that is **awesome**. For me, it is good to experience all of that pomp in

liturgy once in a while. It takes a lot of energy to pray like that.

This is a new era for us in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. It is really hard to describe this experience, The Cathedral was electric – you could feel the excitement and the love of the Church as we moved through the Liturgy. If you would like to get a feel for this installation, go to Whispers in the Loggia on your computer and you should be able to find the homily given by the Archbishop “live”. Take the time to listen and look. Once you do this, you may know why I am at a loss for words. Let us pray for him as he begins his time with us. What have you seen this week?

from the desk of Sr. Veronica

CATECHETICAL FORMATION

PREPARING ADULTS TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTS



Adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church and the process of becoming a Catholic and Catholics who have not received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation, are invited to contact

Theresa Gilmore at: theresa.gilmore@mdpschool.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION



It was wonderful to see the smiles on the faces of all the children as they were greeted by their 'on fire' catechists and catechist assistants last Wednesday evening in the gym. We are off to a great start this year and ask God's blessings on our teaching and learning. Please pray for the children and their families as we embark on this faith-filled year.

Any family who still wishes to register their child in our program is asked to contact Theresa Gilmore.

from the desk of Theresa Gilmore, DRE

NEWS FROM OUR PARISH SCHOOL

School News

<http://mdpschool.com>

Free computer course for adults ... The next COMMTECH computer training class begins on **Thursday October 6th**, and runs for 8 weeks from 3:45 – 5:15 PM. Instruction is provided by MDP

teachers & assisted by student coaches. Each guest receives a complete binder of instruction modules and a complimentary flash drive. Topics include: Basic computer operation; Microsoft Word and features (letter writing, invitations, flyers); Email and attachments; File storage and Flash drives; Browsers/Search Engines; Digital camera downloads; Photo-editing; and Facebook social network. Register now (610-265-2323) and invite friends and neighbors to join, too. Participants do not need to be from the parish. Our students are looking forward to sharing their skills with you.



- 9/26 Mon. – Student Council drive for *Birthright* - accepting clothes, diapers and supplies
- 9/29 Thurs. – School closed for Faculty In-service
- 9/30 Fri. – *Panther Walk*, Walk-a-thon to raise money for MDP School Endowment Fund (some funds for roof replacement/repair). We are grateful to anyone who may be able to sponsor a student or make a donation to MDP School Endowment Fund.

from the desk of Theresa Garvin, Principal

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

SPECIAL NEEDS PREP

Do you have a child or know of a child or young person who could benefit from a religious education program where faith and fun are shared with similar friends? Our staff is experienced and aware of the requirements and demands of youngsters with special needs. Our program encompasses pre-sacramental training through continuing religious education for young adults. You are welcome to visit on a Wednesday evening from 7 PM to 8 PM in the Our Lady of Victory Regional School building on St. Paul Church property in East Norriton. We serve youngsters with various special needs and prepare them for reception of their sacraments and with their parents nurture in them the seeds of faith that flourish in a lifetime relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Our Special Needs PREP begins on **Wednesday, October 5th** at 7 PM. Call Joan Schaediger, Coordinator at 215-616-2402.

ST. THERESE TRIDUUM

The Triduum will be held **September 29th, 30th and October 1st** at the Carmelite Monastery, 1400 66th Ave. and Old York Road in Philadelphia. Vespers and Benediction will be at 4 PM, Rosary and Litany at 6:45 PM and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 7:30 PM.

A BABY'S BREATH

A Volunteer Open House will be held **October 3rd** at 7 PM in the Jeffersonville Center, 2118 W. Main Street. We are a non-profit pro-life crisis pregnancy center run by volunteers. We advocate for women and accept donations of new and clean baby and toddler clothes, strollers, car seats, diapers, baby shampoo, etc. We are recruiting volunteers for Intake Person, Advocates, Baby Store Workers, Parenting Class Speakers, and Office Positions. Please contact us at www.ababysbreath.org or 610-630-9630.

SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Catechist for Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, October 2, 2011

9:30 AM Mass – Lisa Matics

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, October 1, 2011

5:15 PM Mass – M. A. O'Brien, S. DeFrancesco, M. A. Houston, M. B. Pedlow, J. Marx, R. O'Hara, J. Walsh, L. Pucio

Sunday, October 2, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – S. Angelucci, B. White, G. DeFusco, T. McCuch, D. Dy, S. Griffith, M.A. Marchese, E. Shea
9:30 AM Mass - V. Lewandowski, S. Gibbons, R. Scannapieco, P. Hawk, A. O'Hara, J. Wolen, L. Wolen, A. Gerardi

11:30 AM Mass – V. Limongelli, F. LaPenna, D. Cichowicz, E. Buchwald, J. Faustman, C. Faustman, E. Lindsay, P. Kroll

Lectors

Saturday, October 1, 2011

5:15 PM Mass – M. Sullivan

Sunday, October 2, 2011

7:30 AM Mass - J. McCabe

9:30 AM Mass – T. Boyle

11:30 AM Mass – A. Kroll

Altar Servers

Monday, September 26, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – J. O'Brien, B. Donovan

Tuesday, September 27, 2011

8:00 AM Mass - J. O'Brien, B. Donovan

Wednesday, September 28, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – J. O'Brien, B. Donovan

Thursday, September 29, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – J. O'Brien, B. Donovan

Friday, September 30, 2011

8:00 AM Mass - J. O'Brien, B. Donovan

Saturday, October 1, 2011

8:00 AM Mass – C. Mulgrew, S. Mulgrew

2:00 PM Wedding Mass – S. McGeehan, J. Fratoni

5:15 PM Mass – C. Bullock, M. DeFrancesco, C.

Dollarton

Sunday, October 2, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – C. Cirafesi, E. Cirafesi, C. Anderson

9:30 AM Mass – J.T. Tiglao, A.J. Tiglao, N.

Lewandowski

11:30 AM Mass - J. Berretone,III, M. Bevenour, A. Monaco, M. Hopson

Altar Society Cleaning Team

Wednesday, September 28, 2011 – L. McGroarty

Altar Society Linen Preparation

Sunday, October 2, 2011 – D. Michalko, M. Michalko

SCHEDULES FOR SCRIP SELLERS

Monday, September 26, 2011 – 3:00-3:30

NO SALES

Tuesday, September 27, 2011 – 8:30 – 9 AM

L. Wisniewski

Wednesday, September 28, 2011 – 3:00 – 3:30 PM

P. Campbell

Thursday, September 29, 2011 - 8:30 - 9:00

L. Splendore

Friday, September 30, 2011 – 11:30 – 12:00 Noon

J. Lloyd

Saturday, October 1, 2011

5:15 PM Mass – C. O'Hara, D. Custer

Sunday, October 2, 2011

7:30 AM Mass – P. Valenti

9:30 AM Mass - L. Mazzilli, L. Gibbons

11:30 AM Mass – J. Nigro

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