Mother of Divine Providence Church

333 Allendale Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406 www.mdpparish.com

January 23, 2022

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

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CLERGY

Reverend Martin T. Cioppi, Ed. D. - Pastor

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PASTORAL STAFF

Mrs. Jenna McAndrew - Director of Parish Services jmcandrew@mdpparish.com

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday:8:30 AM - 8:30 PMFriday:8:30 AM - 12:30 PMSaturday:ClosedSunday :Closed

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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PARISH DEVOTIONS

MASSES

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM Monday through Saturday: 8:00 AM Holydays and Holidays: as announced

Rosary

After morning Mass. (Monday through Saturday)

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA PRAYERS After Saturday morning Mass.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

(SERVANTS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT) After 8:00 AM Mass until 7:00 PM each Tuesday.

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.

OUTREACH

CARE MINISTERS

Our Care Ministers are parishioners dedicated to assisting fellow parishioners in times of sickness or bereavement and visiting the homebound. Contact the Parish Offices for details.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE CASSEROLE PROGRAM

Casseroles are due on the second Wednesday of every month no later than 9:00 AM. Pans and recipes are available in the vestibule of the Church. For delivery address and more information, please contact the Parish Offices.

ST. JOHN'S HOSPICE TOILETRIES

Toiletries, such as tooth brushes, deodorant, tooth paste, etc., can be left in the labeled basket in the vestibule of the church.

<u>GIFT OF SIGHT</u>

Prescription eye glasses can be left in the marked box in the vestibule of the church. They will be donated to be refurnished and given to those in need of glasses.

NORRISTOWN FOOD CUPBOARD

Non-perishable items can be left in the blue bins in the vestibule of church at any time. The items are collected on Mondays after Mass and donated to Catholic Social Service's Food Pantry. The pantry is most in need of feminine hygiene products.

SACRAMENTS

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BAPTISM

Celebrated every other Sunday of the month at 12:00 PM. Call the Parish Offices to schedule.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS

Pre-Jordan is held monthly in the Parish Office. Please call Parish Office to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 PM to 3:45 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 EUCHARIST

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 <u>before</u> the surgery.

PREPARING ADULTS TO RECEIVE SACRAMENTS

All adults interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments should please call the Parish Office. All are welcome.

EDUCATING OUR CHILDREN IN THE FAITH Children not attending the Parish School are educated in the faith through our Religious Education Program. Various class options are available during the school year. Contact the Parish Office for details.

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PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Jennifer Cottini Elliot Crowley Bet Ferguson Frances Krouse Chip Lloyd

ini Cliff Lucas y Jeannette Medina Lauren Nigro Ise Hap Trainor Tom Traister Kathleen Yates

Ex Officio: Deacon Mark Dillon Jenna McAndrew Alexandra LaMastra

FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ed Campbell Phil Fogli Steve Gibbons Michael McDevitt Rich Nigro

Consultant to Finance Council: Marianne Houston

Worship God first above all things, and then "go out and make disciples"! Parish Mission Statement

Let's say 'Yes' to life and 'No' to death.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE FOR COMPLETE CONTACT

INFORMATION AT WWW.MDPPARISH.COM

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- BIBLE STUDIES
- RCIA–RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
- WOMEN'S MINISTRIES
- MEN'S MINISTRIES

ALTAR SOCIETY

- LINEN PREPARATION
- SANCTUARY CLEANING

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

- **BOY SCOUTS**
- CARE MINISTERS

CARNIVAL

- CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
- CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD
- CHOIR AND CANTORS

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR

CYO ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

EUCH. ADORATION / SERV. BL. SACRAMENT

GREETERS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LAY LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

- EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY
 COMMUNION
- LECTORS
- ALTAR SERVERS
- LEGION OF MARY
- 55 & OVER CLUB

MTC REGIONAL SCHOOL

- NFP/NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING
- PARISH HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE
- PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY
- PREP/CCD/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
- **RESPECT LIFE GROUP**
- SCRIP PROGRAM
- **TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY**
- YOUNG ADULT GROUP
- YOUTH GROUP

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 23, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Elizabeth Boyle 10:30 AM Mass - Joseph McCormick

Monday, January 24, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Kathleen Lachowicz

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - H. Donald Pasquale

Wednesday, January 26, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Pete Baylor

Thursday, January 27, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Anastasia & Wasyl Maruszczak

Friday, January 28, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Kathleen Lachowicz

Saturday, January 29, 2022 8:00 AM Mass - Deceased Members of McCuch Family 4:00 PM Mass - Ben Capacio



<u>January 16, 2022</u>	
Sunday collection basket	\$ 5,284.00
Sunday donations received via mail	\$ 5,641.00
Parish Giving (on-line)	<u>\$ 4,025.50</u>
Total	\$14,950.50

The second collection for Catholic Relief Services totaled \$1,308.00.

The second collection this weekend is for the Endowment Fund for Catholic Education.

As of January 16, 2022, donations to the Christmas Collection totaled \$45,068.00.

Thank you for your faithful giving to Mother of Divine Providence!



Dear Friends,

Ezra proclaims in the first reading "Today is holy to our Lord."

In the Gospel, Jesus announces that the prophecies of glad tidings to the poor, liberty to captives, and freedom for the oppressed are fulfilled in His presence.

What an astonishing claim! If we listen to Scripture attentively, we will come to realize that we are inheritors of this profound legacy of God's Word. As we continue to be built up into the image of Christ, realize too that we are sharers in His mission.

Let us go from this holy place and with gladness announce what Christ brings to the world: hope, joy and peace in Him, Who is the Prince of Peace!

With prayers for you, your family and friends,

Father Cioppi



MDP SHORE UP THE FUTURE

As of January 18, 2022, we have received \$160,850.50 in donations from 221 families for our 2020 Year 3 Challenge – renovations to the Parish Offices and creation of our Family and Youth Center. Thank you for your generosity to Mother of Divine Providence Parish!

IN OUR PARISH



We are happy to welcome our newest parishioners to the parish. It is our hope that you find our parish community to be warm. We are happy that you have found a home here with us!

Bill & Virginia Bennett

Jackson Family – Ahmad, Jennifer, AJ & Adrianna

Thank you to those who contributed to our MDP parishioner who was recently diagnosed with Stage IV pancreatic cancer and her family. We received over \$30,500 in donations, including a \$10,000 gift. The family is extremely grateful.

A meal train has been established for the family. Sign up to drop off a meal at: www.mealtrain.com/trains/wz14me

DONATION STATEMENTS

2021 Donation Statements were sent out to all parishioners whose email we have on file. If you did not receive your statement, please contact Samantha at sroberts@mdpparish.com and we will resend it. Thank you for your generous contributions to MDP!

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE CHURCH Youth Group For 8th-12th Graders Gatherings are the last Tuesday of the month. Next gathering: **Tues. January 25th**

Contact DRE Alexandra LaMastra to join in the fun! Registration required. ALaMastraemdpparish.com

at 6:30 PM

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE CHURCH

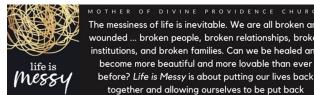


Our next meeting is

Thurs. Ian. 27th at 7:00 PM

Location TBD; Possibly virtual

All are welcome! Contact Jenna McAndrew: jmcandrew@mdpparish.com



The messiness of life is inevitable. We are all broken and wounded ... broken people, broken relationships, broken institutions, and broken families. Can we be healed and become more beautiful and more lovable than ever before? *Life is Messy* is about putting our lives back together and allowing ourselves to be put back together when life doesn't turn out as we expected it to.

Join the MDP Men's Group in reading *Life is Messy* Monday Jan 31, Feb 14, Feb 28 6:30 AM - 7:45 AM in the MDP Parish Offices

Contact Deacon Greg with questions: gmaskarinec@mdpparish.com or 610-265-4178

Note: Additional reading groups for all parishioners will be offered during Lent.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Candlemas Wednesday, February 2 8:00 AM Mass

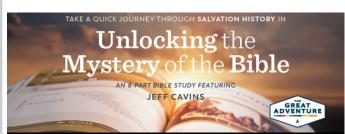
Bring the candles from your home and place them on the St. Joseph altar before Mass begins, and they will be blessed during Mass.

Blessing of Throats

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

AT THE 8:00 AM MASS IN HONOR OF THE MEMORIAL OF

SAINT BLAISE



Thursdays February 3rd - March 31st 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM OR 7:00 - 8:30 PM in the MDP Parish Offices

Contact Deacon Greg to register: gmaskarinec@mdpparish.com or 610-265-4178 Purchase Study Set at www.ascensionpress.com



TRANSPORTATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are seeking volunteers with daytime availability to transport our non-driving parishioners to medical appointments or the grocery store. Background check and driving quiz are required.

If interested, please contact Jenna McAndrew: JMcAndrew@mdpparish.com or 610-265-4178.



Hosted by the MDP Respect Life Group

Saturday, February 5th at 8:30 AM in Church

> Please bring a rosary. All are welcome!



Greeters needed.

Help us welcome our parishioners and visitors into church on Sundays. Contact Jenna McAndrew if interested: JMcAndrew@mdpparish.com or 610-265-4178.

Welcome

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE CHURCH Have you experienced the loss of a spouse, child, friend, or family member? Have you experienced miscarriage or infertility? Have you experienced a loss such as that of a job or your health? We invite you to be a part of our

Grief Support Group

Wednesday, February 9th at 1:30 PM

in the Parish Offices All are welcome.

RSVP appreciated but not required: JMcAndrew@mdpparish.com



Free Bedroom Furniture

Best Western Hotel, located at 127 S. Gulph Road in King of Prussia, is renovating many of their rooms and looking to donate the following items to anyone who may need it: -beds -night stands

-bureaus -armoires -night stands -lamps -mini-fridges

These items can be picked up beginning the <u>second</u> <u>week of February</u>. If interested, please contact Peter, General Manager: pcampanini@bwkop.com or 774-408-0155.



SAVE THE DATE:

The annual MTC golf outing at St. David's Country Club will be held on Monday, April 25th, 2022. Please save the date and get your foursome ready. If you are interested in sponsoring or playing in the golf outing, please contact Drew Heinerichs at 610-724-6481 or heinera@lmsd.org

KNIGHT AT THE RACES

Saturday, April 2nd 6:00 - 10:00 PM

MDP Parish Center: 333 Allendale Road, King of Prussia Benefitting the Gianna Center of Philadelphia www.phgiannacenter.org

\$30/per horse; Price includes admittance, buffet, and wine/beer. Ages 21+. Owner of the winning horse wins **\$50/race**. **50/50**, raffle, and money wheel also available!

For more information or to purchase horses, contact Mark Kochanowsky: KofC3327@zoominternet.net or 484-883-9409. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus District 21



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: SSG Richard J. Ditlow, III, SWO Matt Gibson, SSgt. Peter Zielinski, Pvt. Sean Powell, Comm. Brian Connett, Capt. Tom Figgatt, David W. Bogle, 2nd Lt. Gregory Greenaway, Lt. Col. Eric Grace, 1st Lieut. Adam Bouvier, 2nd Lieut. Troy (Bouvier) Gondela, Lieut. William Gondela, Lieut. Thomas Morgan, Anthony Muro, Master Sgt. Amber Smyrk Saienni, 2nd Lieut. Aaron Oswald, Chief Petty Officer Russell Thompson, Major Terry Wilkin, Captain Peter Hamill, Jr., Capt. Julia T. Valenti, 1st Lt. Jak Kramer, Capt. John E. Orendorff, LCpl. Bobby Landmesser, SN Clay Greenaway, Capt. Doug Cichowicz, Capt. Amanda Cichowicz, Capt. Denise Campbell, LTC. Jen Kennedy, Capt. Brendan J. McKenna, JAG USMC., Cadet Christopher Ferarrio, USAF, STSSA Jordan Lewiski, Major Carl Schreier, Capt. Bryan V. Egner, USAF, Lt. Brian Powers, USN, SSgt. Michael Petras, 2nd Lieut. James O'Brien, CMSgt. Patricia Ann Ottinger.

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, 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 Carol Murray at <u>cmurray@mdpparish.com</u>.



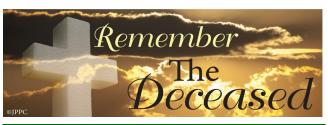


As you pray this week please remember those in our community and families who are in need of our prayers for God's healing touch, especially:

Tracy Marx Margaret Algeo Golden Joseph Maro Lisa Hahn Nick & Tony Marinaccio **Adrianne Montgomery Joseph Gow** Karen Manneke Rosario Fajardo **Regina** Campbell Marie Rovner **Gale Mahonev** Karen Pedano **Crystal Hsing** Jim McCarthy Fr. Tom McGann Kathleen Geier Loretta Belz **Michaela Noble Robert Rudzinski** Marie Finnin **Bill Stead** Luis Sanches **Bonnie Watkinson** Albert Rossetti Joe Faith Philip Rothenburge **Richard Brzezicki** Joan Brzezicki **Roseann DeSpirito Rita Walsh Aaron Dowd** Sandra Scott Susan Dugary **Bill Dugary** Mary Lou Tucker

Bob Tucker Bill McOuaid Bill Sherwin Theresa Sherwin Rita McNally Dave Auxer Maureen Aiken **Ursula Degonda Chrissy Strovink** Joseph Dugary III Michelle Ritrovato **Steve Stasuk** Jack Faude **Jim Carroll Kathy Walsh Cindy Hornvak Roy Cony** Amy Dytky Clark **Gloria** Colunga **James Gilligan Kristine Nolan** Bridget Róisín Nolan **Colleen Áine Nolan** Leona Ruddy **Kathryn Stone** Julia Whalon **Kvle Sheahan** Andrea Pedano **Denyse Groth Rita Carnev** Louise Cirelli Anna Mae Cipollini **Bob Fenlon** Mary De Maria Joan Venezia **James Walton Betty Ray**

If you would like to add someone to the sick list please email Carol Murray at <u>cmurray@mdpparish.com</u> or call the office at 610-265-4178. Thank you.



Please also remember those who have died in the hope of rising again, and for those who mourn their passing and are in need of God's healing and strength:

Rosemary Wiggins

Those who have died from the Coronavirus

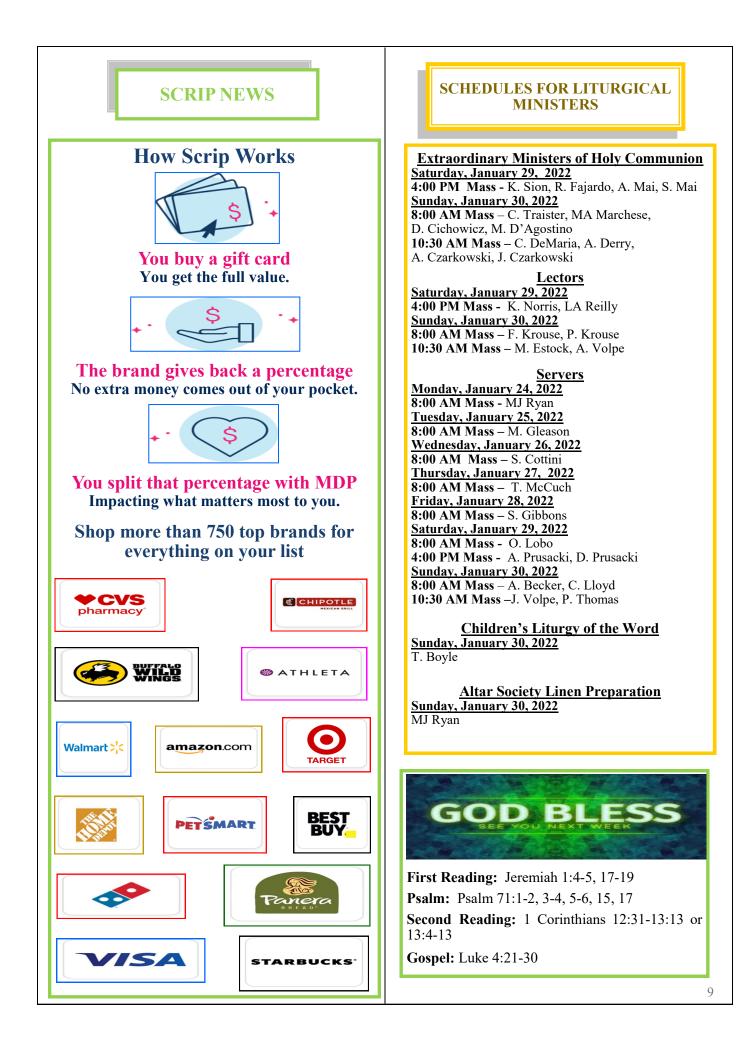


Come Spend Time with Jesus



The Church is open for quiet prayer during Eucharistic Adoration Every Tuesday --8:30 am - 7 pm

January 25 – That the faith and devotion of all Christians will be strengthened by reading and studying the Word of God, present in Sacred Scripture.



SCHOOL NEWS



AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Part-time Province Development Administrative Assistant, USA Province for the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, 616 Coopertown Road, Haverford, PA 19041. This position facilitates management of organizational tasks including updating donor databases, office communications, managing social media channels (including Facebook, website Instagram, Event software, Province (www.acjusa.org), and email campaigns.), and record The position reports to the Provincial, USA keeping. Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please respond to: Kathleen Regele, acjusaprovdev@gmail.com 610-642-5715

<u>"TALKING SERIOUSLY ABOUT SERIOUS</u> <u>INDULGENCES"</u> Seriously Misunderstood and Seriously Undervalued

Offered by Msgr. F. X. Schmidt, Pastor Emeritus of St. Bridgeport. ZOOM Augustine, An exclusive PRESENTATION of two one-hour sessions. Thursdays Feb. 10th & 17th (7 PM). This seminar calls us to a special concern about our loved ones in Purgatory and how to respond powerfully. Join to be better informed, surprised and inspired! Registration deadline: Jan. 30th! No fees! 16 and up! Email Mary Jo Blake Ages at mioblake@gmail.com or phone 610-357-1725 and leave message. Or call Msgr. at 610-513-2038 and leave message.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Specially designed for families and caregivers. If you are caring for someone with dementia, **who is caring for you?** You are not alone. This informational, supportive group will help you to learn more about the disease as well as understand their feelings about the changes dementia has made on their daily lives. Support groups can also help you: learn practical caregiving information; get mutual support; learn about your local community resources; find solutions to challenging behaviors. Every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the Month. Feb. 10 & 24, March 10 & 24, April 14 & 28, 10:30am to 11:30 am. Arden Courts Promedica Memory Care, 779 W. County Line Road, Hatboro, PA 19040. RSVP; 215-957-5182 or Warminster@arden-courts.com.

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit **www.HelpOurMarriage.org** or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

ST. HELENA'S YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Invites all young adults to an evening of adoration and worship! Wednesday, February 23 from 7-8pm at St Helena's Church. Holy Hour with reflection and confessions. Come worship Jesus in the Eucharist and meet fellow young adults from the area. No RSVP - just show up and pray! Fr. Brian Connolly, Parochial Vicar of St. Helena, will be exposing the Blessed Sacrament, offering a reflection and hearing confessions. Contact Christian Thompson (610-930-0349, <u>cthompson@sainthelenachurch.org</u>) for questions or comments.

BRIDGEPORT-UPPER MERION LITTLE LEAGUE

Baseball season is quickly approaching, sign up for Bridgeport-Upper Merion Little League. Ages 4-18.

REGISTER AT bu-ll.org





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