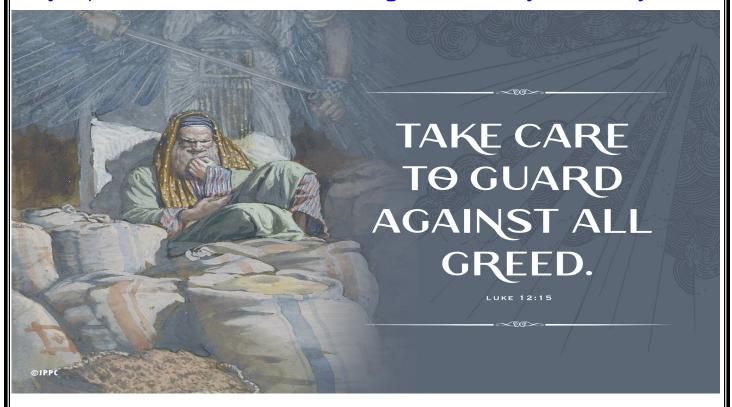
Mother of Divine Providence Church

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July 31, 2022

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Office Phone: 610-265-4178

CLERGY

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 8:30 PM Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Saturday: Closed Sunday: Closed

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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 ADDRATION

(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.

GIFT OF SIGHT

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

SACRAMENT OF 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 before 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

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Consultant to Finance Council:

Marianne Houston

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

Parish Mission Statement

"When one lives attached to money, pride or power, it is impossible to be truly happy." ~Pope Francis~

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE FOR COMPLETE CONTACT INFORMATION AT WWW.MDPPARISH.COM

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YOUTH GROUP

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 31, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Barbara Homsher 10:30 AM Mass - Gregory J. Koch

Monday, August 1, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Edward Cregan

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Edward Cregan

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Paul Schnupp

Thursday, August 4, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - John O'Brien

Friday, August 5, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - John Russo

Saturday, August 6, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Thomas Banas

4:00 PM Mass - Dolores Fenlon

Sunday, August 7, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - Michael Tarsia 10:30 AM Mass - Mark Sheperdson





Sunday collection basket \$ 5,925.00 Sunday donations received via mail \$ 4,246.00 Parish Giving (on-line) \$ 4,041.00 Total \$14,212.00

July 24, 2022

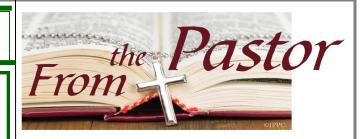
 Sunday collection basket
 \$ 4,903.00

 Parish Giving (on-line)
 \$ 2,368.00

 Total
 \$ 7,271.00

The second collection this weekend is for the Mission Co-Op. Back in early June, Father Linus Nangwele spoke to us about the Donkarkrom Vicariate in Ghana. At that time, we did not take up a collection for this missionary group. The Mission Co-Op envelope is in the current bi-monthly envelope mailing. Please be generous.

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



Dear Friends,

Today's readings are a wonderful antidote to our culture's attitude that the accumulation of material wealth should be everyone's goal. "Vanity of Vanities," this notion is, for what guarantee is there that you will be able to enjoy all the wealth you worked for? Greed is idolatry, Jesus points out in the Gospel, the rich man is a fool for thinking he can control the rest of his life through wealth.

We all know that the most challenging point of conversion for those seeking a deeper relationship with the Lord has to do with how we handle material wealth. Let us pray for each other, that as we go forth from this holy place, we will realize how much we long for the day when we will remain in His Presence forever!

May God's peace reign in your hearts. May it burst forth into your families and neighborhoods, so that others may come to know Him better, in the Breaking of the Bread,

Father Cioppi



MDP SHORE UP THE FUTURE

As of July 25, 2022, we have received \$185,450.50 in donations from 226 families for our 2020 Year 3 Challenge – renovations to the Parish Offices and creation of our Family and Youth Center. WE ARE VERY GRATEFUL TO THE MDP KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #14454, WHO RECENTLY MADE A \$6,000.00 DONATION TO THIS FUND. We thank all those who continue to contribute to this Appeal. Thank you for your generosity to Mother of Divine Providence Parish!

FROM OUR SEMINARIAN CHIKE

For Eight weeks now we have been on a discussion. A MISSIONARY DISCIPLE WITH APOSTOLIC ZEAL that is DUI (DISCIPLE UNDER INFLUENCE) of JESUS and applying PPP (PERSISTENCE IN PERSONAL PRAYER). SUMMARIZED AS God and relationship.

Within the Eight weeks we have had major STOPS BEGINNING WITH THE TRINITY, SACRED HEART, AND CORPUS CHRISTI. There is a movement here: the Holy Spirit is leading us on a journey of self-discovery and the communication of God's heart for all of us. This is awareness of the importance that God places on relationship and the extent of His passion to Encounter us. You will discover that possibility in God's love in pursuit of us in the person of Jesus Christ.

God is chasing after you. He is a God who is relationship. His purpose is clear - He has made you in His likeness; to announce Him, reflect His character and to rule the world He created for you. But in the mission to rule the world we let the world rule us. Freedom of choice is a vital part of God's relationship.

We choose to reject God's direction and follow a different path. This change in direction comes in different shades: Greed, Sloth, Idolatry, Materialism, and sins of all sorts. Above all, God does not move away from those He created; rather we move away from Him. God is always reaching out and embracing humanity, but sin creates a chasm that separates them. For man to bridge this gulf of separation is impossible, but God had a plan in pursuit of relationship to bridge the gulf. The plan is Jesus. Jesus coming in the flesh reveals the true heart of God toward us.

Jesus expunged every legal violation on our record and overrides the old arrest warrant that indicted us. He crossed out our sins and our stained souls, permanently beyond retrieval. This is the power of love and the persistence of God to be in relationship with you.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO STAYED WITH ME IN THIS EIGHT WEEKS OF THEOLOGICAL REFLECTION AS A PREREQUISITE TO MY PURSUIT OF HOLINESS. THIS IS OUR LAST REFLECTION FOR THE SEASON OF THE SUMMER. MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.

CHIKE



IN OUR PARISH

Transportation Ministry

We are in need of more transportation ministry volunteers!

As a Parish, we offer transportation to medical appointments for our homebound parishioners. Getting signed up is quick and easy, but we need help!

If you are interested email Claire at cpinto@mdpparish.com or call the office at 610-265-4178 and ask for Claire.



SPECIAL KNIGHTS MASS



We would like to invite all of the parish community to a Special Knights Mass on Aug 13, where all the past members of our council will be remembered. We will also have an exemplification ceremony immediately following the mass and all are also invited to attend. This is

where we will initiate new members to our council. This new ceremony is open to all.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Registration is open for the 2022-2023 School Year for Levels 1-7!

Returning Families: please check your email to log onto your Parish Giving Account to register for next year

For additional information, please contact Alexandra LaMastra, DRE at alamastra@mdpparish.com.

New Families: If you are new to PREP at MDP, please contact Alexandra LaMastra, DRE, for a link to register for Religious Education this year.

Children Attending Catholic School: If your child attends Catholic School (Grades 2 or 7) and you are a member of MDP, please contact Alexandra LaMastra, DRE for Sacrament information and registration.

Are you called to be a Catechist?

MDP's Religious Education Team is seeking some additional volunteers to assist with the Religious Education programs this year! We welcome volunteers to assist with students ranging from 1st Grade through 7th Grade as both Catechists and Aides in the Classroom! We are also seeking enthusiastic and faith-filled adults to help volunteer with our Youth Group! Please contact Alexandra at alamastra@mdpparish.com for additional information or if you have questions!

MEN'S GROUP

The MDP Men's Group will meet on August 8th and August 22nd. from 6:45-7:45 AM in the Parish Offices. The discussion will primarily focus on the readings for the upcoming Sunday. More dates coming soon!

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

Our next meeting is

Wednesday, August 10th at 1:30 PM

in the Parish Offices

All are welcome.

RSVP appreciated but not required: cpinto@mdpparish.com

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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 cmurray@mdpparish.com.



SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, August 6, 2022

4:00 PM Mass - A. Czarkowski, P. Campbell,

R. Dillon, S. Mai

Sunday, August 7, 2022

8:00 AM Mass – M. White, R. White, C. Traister,

MA Marchese

10:30 AM Mass - D. Bonifanti, J. DeMaria,

S. Gibbons, R. Hammond

Lectors

Saturday, August 6, 2022

4:00 PM Mass - T. Nguyen, J. Czarkowski

Sunday, August 7, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - K. Kiczula, TBD

10:30 AM Mass - T. Brophy, K. Mindock

Servers

Monday, August 1, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - MJ Ryan

Tuesday, August 2, 2022

8:00 AM Mass – M. Gleason

Wednesday, August 3, 2022

8:00 AM Mass – C. Egbufoama

Thursday, August 4, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - T. McCuch

Friday, August 5, 2022

8:00 AM - S. Gibbons

Saturday, August 6, 2022

8:00 AM Mass - O. Lobo

4:00 PM Mass - R. Meneses, L. Romero

Sunday, August 7, 2022

8:00 AM Mass – J. Herman, R. Herman

10:30 AM Mass - P. Thomas, L. Bonifanti, G. Fichera,

S. Dsouza

Altar Society Linen Preparation

Sunday, August 7, 2022

S. McCuch



First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9

Psalm: Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2,

8-12

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Please P P For the sick of our parish and their caregivers

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 Joseph Dugary III Michelle Ritrovato Margaret Algeo Golden Joseph Maro Steve Stasuk Kathy Walsh Lisa Hahn Nick & Tony **Rov Conv** Marinaccio Bridget Róisín Nolan **Adrianne Montgomery** Colleen Áine Nolan Joseph Gow Leona Ruddy Karen Manneke **Kathryn Stone** Rosario Fajardo Julia Whalon **Kyle Sheahan** Regina Campbell Marie Rovner **Denvse Groth** Gale Mahonev Rita Carnev Louise Cirelli Karen Pedano **Crystal Hsing Bob Fenlon** Jim McCarthy Mary De Maria Fr. Tom McGann Joan Venezia James Walton Kathleen Geier **Betty Ray** Loretta Belz Judy Dowd Michaela Noble Marie Finnin **Brooke Penny** Sandra Scott **Bill Stead Luis Sanches** Paul Carney, Sr. **Bonnie Watkinson** Kait Hagan **Betty Phillips** Joe Faith Philip Rothenburge Frank Casev Richard Brzezicki Helen Rosetti Joan Brzezicki Rose LaSala **Roseann DeSpirito** Joseph Siciliano Ted Quillen Rita Walsh **Betty Short** Sandra Scott **Susan Dugary** Jesaniel Marrero **Bill Dugary** Anna Dobra Mary Lou Tucker Rosa Maissen Bob Tucker Mary Faude Bill McQuaid Marie Jackson Lisa Shendge **Bill Sherwin** Theresa Sherwin Marie Cinalli Rita McNally Bill Gribbin **Dave Auxer** Michael Cerato Maureen Aiken Richard Kline Danielle McClam Ursula Degonda

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

Chrissy Strovink



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:

Robert James Wilson

Susan Villanova

Gloria Colunga (mother of Jeannette Medina)

Gabriel Augustine



Come Spend Time with Jesus



The Church is open for quiet prayer during Eucharistic Adoration

Every Tuesday -- 8:30 am - 7 pm

August 2 – For small businesses in the midst of economic and social crisis; may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities. (Papal intention for August)

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JOB OPPORTUNITY

Upper Merion Area School District is seeking Substitute and Part-Time Cafeteria/Playground Aides. Hours 10:15am to 1:45pm only. For additional information and application process, please contact the Human Resources Department (personnel@umasd.org or 610-205-6406).

FEAST OF ST. PHILOMENA

The Feast of Saint Philomena is Thursday, August 11, 2022 at the National Center of the Universal Archconfraternity of St. Philomena Holy Martyrs Catholic Church, 120 Allison Road Oreland, Pa. Mass at 8:30 am followed by Novena Prayers and Blessing with the Relic of St. Philomena. The Rosary is prayed at 8:00 am. The Exposition of over 150 Sacred Relics will be open until 12:00 noon. A light breakfast will be available in the Father Szal Conference Room. Religious Goods and St. Philomena sacramentals are available at the Shrine in the Church and on the website www.philomenafamilyusa.com. For more information contact the Parish Office 215-884-8575

BISHOP KENRICK CLASS OF 1966 REUNION

Bishop Kenrick High School Class of 1966 55th Year Reunion. September 24, 2022. Contact ASAP: John Vuotto 215-882-1770 or Barbara(Yenco) MacIntyre 484-213-6558.

"GOLFING FOR GIANNA" - IN SUPPORT OF <u>CATHOLIC, PRO-LIFE HEALTH CARE!</u> Monday, Aug 15th, 2022

Come out in the fresh air and swing your irons on this gorgeous, well-loved Bobby Weed course, nestled in the serene horse country of Malvern, PA. This professional event gives much-needed support for the Gianna Center of Philadelphia, which is dedicated to providing authentically Catholic, Pro-Life Health Care that honors the sanctity of life, the dignity of women, and the integrity of marriage. Over 60% of the Gianna Center's income comes from supporters like you who believe in our cause. Location: White Manor Country Club, 831 Providence Road, Malvern, PA 19355. Be assured of many levels of Sponsorship opportunities that include the display of your business information on our event signage, program booklet, and Gianna's Monthly Newsletter. Gianna Center of Philadelphia: For more info about this life-saving work, Visit: www.phGiannaCenter.org. Questions contact: admin@phGiannaCenter.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 August 19 - 21 and October 14 - 16 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.

YOUNG CHURCH, ARISE! (EVENT FOR TEENS) Saturday, August 20, 2022 – 6 PM

An evening of Adoration with Live music, Reflection, Confessions, Prayer Teams and more! Location: St. Matthew Parish, Conshohocken. More info, flyers and registrations: phillyym.org/event/arise.

A MEN'S WEEKEND WITH FRIENDS & JESUS TOO!

Since 1999 I have enjoyed the company of a fine and friendly group of men and Jesus Christ too during the first weekend after Labor Day at the Malvern Retreat House. I look forward to this weekend every year as an ideal way to wind down summer, kick off fall and get closer to myself by getting closer to God. So what I offer to you is the opportunity to share with me and my Malvern friends this special experience by joining us on Sept 9th-11th for the annual Nativity BVM retreat. Go to: https://www.malvernretreat.com/events/nativity-bvm-6/ to join us or call me, Jack Warnock, for more info at 610.722.2673 (leave VM please). See you at Malvern!



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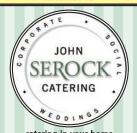
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