

MASS INTENTIONS FOR MAR 2nd THRU MAR 5th

Thurs – 8:00 am – People of the parish
 Fri – 8:00 am – Souls in Purgatory
 Sat – 4:30 pm – Mary Wernsman

Sun – 8:00 am – Souls in Purgatory
 Sun – 10:30 am – Patterson Family
 Sun – 5:00 pm – Bill Harralson
 Sun – 7:00 pm – People of the Parish

Collection for 2/19/2017

Regular \$12,424.64 Towards Christ Building Campaign \$695.00



Divine Mercy Parish
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DIVINE MERCY PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Location: 555 West Main, Gardner, Kansas 66030, 913-856-7781
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OFFICE HOURS: Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm – Go to the West door to ring bell
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DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ITEMS: TUESDAY by 9:00am

BOY SCOUTS: Contact Kenny Spiller 913-706-2271 or Christine O'Connor 913-269-4042
CEMETERY: Edgerton – St. Columbine: Mike Norris 913-579-1166 or Dan McCarthy 913-244-1264
Gardner – St. Columbia: Keith Tinsley 913-515-1874
CHURCH HALL USE: Gardner or Edgerton: Contact Roger at the office 913-856-7781
CONFESSION: Thirty Minutes Before Each Weekend Mass or as requested
DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA: Meet 3rd Monday at 6:45pm – Rosary, 7:00 pm Meeting at CFC
 Contact Deacon Dan Peterson 913-938-8025 or Mary Ellen Ridgley 913-221-6755
GIFT SHOP: Contact Cathy Johnson 913-856-4527
HELPING HANDS: Contact Shirley Spiller 913-856-6081 or email: luckybuttercup@yahoo.com
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HOME BLESSINGS: Contact Ray Hess 913-856-5043 or email: kocrhess71@aol.com
HOME SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP: Contact Celeste Edwards 913-592-3214
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: 4th Monday at 6:45pm-Rosary-7:00pm Meeting at CFC
 Contact Dave Warthen 913-638-2899 or email: dwarthen@centurylink.net
LEGION OF MARY: Contact Kathy Henehan 913-856-8334 or Larry Demaree 913-206-1352
MASS INTENTIONS: Contact the Office 913-856-7781
MILITARY CARE PACKAGES: Contact Tammy Finlen 913-485-4004 or email: tjfinlen@yahoo.com
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Contact Donna Goss 913-884-2171
PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Anna Welch 913-856-7459
RCIA DIRECTOR: Contact Laura Warthen 913-634-2899 or email: laura@divinemercuryks.org
RELIGIOUS ED/DIRECTOR: Contact Maria Lopeman 913-219-4833 or maria@divinemercuryks.org
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: 1st and 2nd Sunday of the Month. Please see the website for information or contact the office at 913-856-7781
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE – ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE 6 MONTHS IN ADVANCE WITH THE PASTOR. No date may be set before meeting with Father. Reception hall CANNOT be reserved until meeting with Father.
SACRAMENT OF THE SICK: PLEASE CALL FR. JOE ANYTIME, DAY OR NIGHT at 913-856-7780
ST. ANNE'S SEWING CIRCLE: For information contact Shirley Kissell 913-856-7483

YOUTH MINISTER: Contact Emma Jehanno 617-980-1981 or email: youthminister@divinemercuryks.org

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| <p>Sunday 2/26</p> <p>8th Sunday in Ordinary time</p> <p>8:00 am Mass 9:15 am Rel Ed (K-6) and RCIA 10:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Mass – Edg 5:00-6:45 pm Youth Group (9-12 gr) 5:30-6:45 pm Rel Ed (7-8 gr) 7:00 pm Mass</p> | <p>Monday 2/27</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Father Joe's Day Off</p> | <p>Tuesday 2/28</p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer</p> <p>5:00 pm - Communion Service - MC 5:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions –MC 6:00 pm Legion of Mary –CFC</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Father Joe's Day Off</p> | <p>Wednesday 3/1</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ASH WEDNESDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">☩</p> <p>Fast and Abstinence</p> <p>7:00 am Mass-MC 9am-2pm – No Quilting Group – CFC 12:00 pm Mass- MC 7:00 pm – Mass- MC</p> |
| <p>Thursday 3/2</p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer 8:00 am Mass</p> | <p>Friday 3/3</p> <p>St. Katharine Drexel First Friday World Day Of Prayer</p> <p style="text-align: center;">☩</p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer 8:00 am Mass</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OFFICE CLOSED</p> | <p>Saturday 3/4</p> <p>St. Casimir First Saturday</p> <p>4:30 pm Mass</p> | <p>Sunday 3/5</p> <p>1st Sunday of Lent</p> <p>8:00 am Mass 9:15 am Rel Ed (K-6) and RCIA 10:30 am Mass 5:00 pm Mass – Edg 5:00-6:45 pm Youth Group (9-12 gr) 5:30-6:45 pm Rel Ed (7-8 gr) 7:00 pm Mass</p> |

BIRTHDAYS

Feb 26 – Adam Brenner, Eden Lang, Patricia Huelsman, Taylor Adkinson, Andrea Kleinsorge, Michael Toplikar, Jarmel Leggett, Nicholas Gilliland, Vicki Winters, Linda Hugo, Ava Tallman, Ian Lockhause , Aubrey Pillow

Feb 27 – David Adamson, Amy Bruce, Lily Byard, Paige crider Mikayla Douglas, Kayli Fitzmaurice, lane Gilner, Joseph Harris, Molly Keehn, Kenneth Krings, Briseida Lopez, Anna McCracken, Levi McQueen, Robert O’Neill, Dana Reeves, Jeffrey Snell, Steven Warthen

Feb 28 – Genevieve Anderson, Melissa Behrens, Michael Berberick, Banessa Dominguez , Tammy Fritz, Tom Grannell, Sarah Hudson, Quincy Jackson, Aimee Keohane, Brody Kratzberg, Kellen Kueser, Kiel Lasswell, Cooper Levin, Ethan Platt, Lisa Ramsour, Angela Tomas, Rodney Ulses, Dresden Wilbur

Mar 1 – James Belcher , William Biggs, Erin Christensen, Andrew Colbert, Georgia Livingston, Jackson Mayuga, Timothy McGill, Rachel Raney, Merritt Swanson, Curtis Wolverton

Mar 2 – Laura Castillo, , Emma Draves, Ryan Holton, Edward Jurado, Peter Lovetere, Marissa Manbeck, Dennis Miskec, Larry Moody, Joy Moss, Alexia Straub, Matthew Thrasher

Mar 3 – Joseph Burger, Brian Butash, Ann Christie, Melvin Freeman, Angelica Gutierrez, Stacey Henson, Aidan Hyskell, Marta Kolbeck, Ryan Mentzer, Sarah Munsey, Jared Niehues, Linda Prock, Al Rolf, Bonnie Scott, Freddie Thomas, Kylee Tillery

Mar 4 – Catherine Belcher, Brody Bremerman, Jennifer Fast, Kennedy Schmitt, Scott Hilboldt, Collin Jacobs, Nickolas Perkins, Mary Rhodes, Kennedy Schmitt

50/50 CLUB

There was a winner in the 50/50 drawing for the week of Feb. 19th.

Number #400 was drawn. The balance in the account was \$15,235.00. Registered parishioners may enter the weekly drawing by putting \$5.00 in the 50/50 envelope from your packet.

Please note: if you are including payments towards future 50/50 envelopes or regular envelopes, be sure to put regular collection and 50/50 collections their separate envelopes to insure proper credit is given to the appropriate dates being used for.

CATHOLIC FAITH TRIVIA

New this Week

1. Where is the basic place for learning moral values? (a) the family (b) the school (c) the church?
2. What commandment requires the good stewardship of the earth’s animals, plants, and other resources?
3. Were the psalmist’s words usually spoken or sung?
4. According to the scriptures, Jesus often prayed_____.
(a) in public (b) in solitude (c) before meals (d) in the Temple
5. What is it that creates a natural obligation for generosity among people? (a) differences of talent (b) equality (c) sense of the good

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### Last Week’s Answers

1. What does the term “RCIA” refer to? **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**
2. What is the special prayer invoking the Holy Spirit on the baptismal water called? (a) prayer of epiclesis (b) consecratory prayer (c) intercessory prayer **(a) prayer of epiclesis**
3. What is the name given to the newly baptized? (a) the elect (b) catechumens (c) neophytes **(c) neophytes**
4. Baptism can be repeated. True or False **False**
5. At what other time is chrism oil used to consecrate besides at baptism and confirmation? (a) anointing of the sick (b) ordination (c) marriage **(b) ordination**

## **WORLD DAY OF PRAYER HOSTED BY FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

The First Presbyterian Church in Gardner is hosting the World Day Of Prayer on Friday, March 3rd at 1 pm. It was here last year. Everyone is welcome to come and join in.

## **LECTORS, USHERS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS, AND NEW VOLUNTEERS**

If you need changes or would like to be added to the schedule for April and May, please contact Donna Goss at 913-884-2171 no later than March 6th. New schedules should be ready to pick up in the ushers room by March 25th, or review on the website by March 29th.

We are in need of new volunteers for ushering at all Mass times, and lectors for Saturday evening, 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Sunday Masses. Please give it some prayerful consideration and call if we can add you to our volunteer list.

## **BAPTISM INFORMATION**

No parish baptisms are celebrated during the season of Lent (March-April). If you are seeking Baptism for your new addition, please go online to [www.divinemercuryks.org](http://www.divinemercuryks.org). Click on Sacraments, then choose Baptism, and complete the online form. When your form is submitted, you will be contacted within 48 hours with further instruction. The next Baptism Class will be held on Sunday, April 9th after 10:30 a.m. Mass. We are currently scheduling baptisms for May.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY

Starting March 3rd, the Knights of Columbus are hosting a fish fry each Friday of Lent in the Christian Formation Center. Dinner begins at 5pm and will be served through 7pm. Choices include: baked or fried fish, boiled shrimp, hush puppies, grilled cheese & tomato soup, salad, vegetables, dessert. Each dinner is \$10 a plate. Children 10 and under are \$5.

WOMEN'S DAY OF LENTEN PRAYER

A Women's Day of Lenten Prayer is a retreat sponsored by the Cathedral of St. Peter Altar Society. It will take place on Saturday, March 4, 2017, from 8:00 am to Noon, at Cathedral of St. Peter Church, 409 N. 15th St., Kansas City, Kansas, 66102. For questions or to register, please contact Mary Anne Kierl: flifesecc@archkk.org / or Diane Hentges: 913-708-5323.

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY HOSPICE

Catholic Community Hospice, a ministry of the Archdiocese of Kansas City in Kansas, is the only Catholic hospice in the Kansas City area. Guided by the Ethical and Religious directives for Catholic Health Care, we provide compassionate, end of life care to support the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of patients and their families. If you or a loved one is facing a terminal illness, please or visit catholiccommunityhospice.com or call 913-621-5090 to learn more.

*Jesus...was lead by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.
Luke 4:1-2*

WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

Women's Day of Reflection will be Saturday April 1st 8am till Noon.

All women are invited to come and be a part of this opportunity to pray, listen and reflect on: "*The Dignity of Women ~ The Role of Our Blessed Mother*" with guest speakers Sr. Marie Hesed and Sr. Anne Marie Walsh of The Society of Our Lady of the Most Holy Trinity (SOLT). Program begins with Mass at 8:00am followed by Breakfast & Presentation with closing remarks at noon. Sponsored by the Daughters of Isabella Circle 421 and will take place at Holy Trinity Church, Lenexa, Kansas. Register early! Only \$10 per person until 3/24 (then \$15 at the door) Register by sending your Name, email address, and phone number along with your check (made out to: *Daughters of Isabella*) to: Pat Wineland - 8914 Rene / Lenexa / KS / 66215. Questions? Call Kathleen 913.269.5369

St. JOSEPH TABLE & PASTA DINNER

The 25th annual St. Joseph Table and pasta dinner at St. Joseph Church in Shawnee is scheduled for Sunday, March 5 in McDevitt Hall (church basement) St. Joseph Church, 11311 Johnson Drive, Shawnee, Kansas.

Fr. Mike Hawken, Pastor, will bless the table at 8:30am; viewing will be until 2:00pm. The table will feature home-baked breads, cookies, pies and cakes, candies, fruit, wine, floral arrangements, and religious articles.

A pasta dinner will be served from 11:00am to 3:00pm. The cost to attend the dinner is a free-will donation. All proceeds from the Table and dinner will benefit the needy in the community. Questions may be directed to Christine Marion, 268-6677.

*I have come that they may have life, and have it more abundantly, says the Lord. John
10:10*

Parents of Faith

SHARING – COMPASSION - FELLOWSHIP

Parents of Faith is a faith based group devoted to providing support to individuals traveling through the ups and downs involved with the loss of a child. As parents who have lost children through miscarriage, stillbirth, premature birth, accidents, illness, Cancer, unexplained death, and suicide, we have each experienced the many challenges that come with such a loss. This support manifests itself:

- In our Christian belief that in time we will meet our loved ones again in Heaven.
- In the sharing of our connection with our loved one through the Holy Spirit and God's promise that they are not gone, but with us.
- In support groups as we share our struggles and triumphs.
- In social hours spent together remembering and sharing about those we love.
- In continued support, we will help you with some of the difficult things you may encounter.

2017 Meeting Schedule

7:00 – Parish Center Conference Room

January 2nd

March 6th

May 1st

July 10th

September 4th

November 6th

WHAT CAN I DO DURING LENT?

During Lent, the Church asks us to surrender ourselves to prayer and to the reading of Scripture, to fasting and to giving alms. It is through these actions that we allow God to be more present in our every moment and we allow the space in our lives to hear Him more clearly and see His work in us more vividly. Divine Mercy Parish is offering the following opportunities for an encounter with Christ each week during Lent.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES FOOD DRIVE

Thank you for the generosity of Divine Mercy Parish. This last weekend we were able to collect 415 bags of groceries (2,491 pounds!) and \$1,800.00 in donations. Thank you to everyone that was able to contribute. Your kindness and generosity is appreciated by all.

PARISH INFORMATION

Bulletin notices will be only run for a two week period of time, in most cases. Flyers for parish events may not be posted on glass doors or windows for security reasons. They obscure the vision of police checking the premises. All flyers posted on parish grounds should be cleared through Father Joe. Please bring them to the office before posting.

Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

RECONCILIATION: Each Wednesday from 6-7 pm during Lent and Communal Penance Service on Thursday April 6th at 7 pm. Catholics are encouraged to make going to confession a significant part of their spiritual lives during Lent. In the sacrament of Reconciliation, also called confession, we meet the Lord, who wants to grant forgiveness and the grace to live a renewed life in Him. In this sacrament, He prepares us to receive Him free of serious sin, with a lively faith, earnest hope and sacrificial love in the Eucharist. The Church sees confession as so important that she requires that every Catholic go at least once a year. The Church also encourages frequent confession in order to grow closer to Christ Jesus and His body, the Church. By the grace of the Holy Spirit, we seek forgiveness and repentance, let go of patterns of sin, grow in the life of virtue and witness to a joyful conversion.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Each Friday at 7pm during Lent. The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every Catholic Church. Join us each Friday during Lent for this powerful devotion.

REGULATIONS

All Catholics, in good health, 14 years of age and older are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, March 1st, and all of the Fridays of Lent. Catholics 18 to 59 years of age are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday - a fast consisting of one normal meal and two lesser meals, with no eating in between. It is also recommended that Catholics find opportunities throughout Lent to complement their fasts with prayer, reception of the sacraments of reconciliation and the Eucharist, and positive works of charity. Lent is a perfect time to deepen our personal relationship with the Lord.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

February

- 24 - 5/6th grade Winter Social
- 26- 8a-5p Year 1 conf MS Retreat at Prairie Stat Ranch
 - 9:15a K-6 Class
 - 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
 - 5:30p Confirmation

March

- 4 - 5th grade Lent Retreat
- 5 - 9:15 a K-6 Class
 - 6th Grade host 10:30 Mass
 - 4-7 Confirmation Parent meeting /rehearsal
(5 pm Confession with Father Joe)
 - 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
 - 5:30p Year 1 Confirmation
- 12 - No Class – Spring Break
- 19 –No Class – Spring Break
- 23 – Confirmation @ 7p
- 26 – 9:15 a K-6 Class (Confession with Father Joe)
 - 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
 - 5:30p Confirmation Service Day

MILITARY SUPPLIES NEEDED

“We Care” Military Supplies Needed

Please consider donating goods for military personnel currently deployed to war zones. Suggested items include: Individually wrapped candy, cookies, gum, trail mix, breakfast bars, tootsie rolls, mints, powdered drink mix, life savers, nuts, Slim Jims/beef jerky, tuna pouches, ‘just add hot water’ oatmeal or mac & cheese. Personal wipes, deodorant, air fresheners, hand warmers, hot/cold packs, tooth paste, ear buds, white socks, eye drops, lip balm, disposable razors, or medicated powder. As always, donate money buys postage and needed supplies. Thank you cards from you or your children are also very nice. Please: No liquids, playing cards, toothbrushes, or expired foods.

****Place all donations in the “We Care” container located in the usher’s room. Monetary donations should be in an envelope marked “We Care Donation”.****

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TURNSTYLES

Catholic Charities TurnStyles thrift stores serves as an affordable shopping destination. Merchandise includes clothes, shoes, furniture, toys and house wares offered at discounted prices. Proceeds support the programs and services offered by Catholic Charities throughout 21 counties.

QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY WEA LEGO DAY

Queen of the Holy Rosary Wea, Catholic School and Preschool Invites you to Lego Day. It will be Saturday, March 4, 2017, from 10:00 am to Noon. The School is located at 22705 Metcalf, Bucyrus, KS. 66013. All Ages Are Welcome. Contact stsmith@qhrwea.org for more information.