

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR JAN 12th THRU DEC 15th**

Thurs – 8:00 am – Special Intentions  
 Fri – 8:00 am – People of the Parish  
 Sat – 4:30 pm – Bill Norris

Sun – 8:00 am – Special Intentions  
 Sun – 10:30 am – Chuck Wise  
 Sun – 5:00 pm – Bill Harralson  
 Sun – 7:00 pm – Virginia Frey

**Collection for 1/08/2017**

Regular \$11,305.22

Towards Christ Building Campaign \$2,034.00



**Divine Mercy Parish**  
 Fr. Joseph Cramer  
 Deacon Daniel Peterson  
 Deacon Art O'Connor  
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**DIVINE MERCY PARISH CONTACT INFORMATION**

**Church Location:** 555 West Main, Gardner, Kansas 66030, 913-856-7781  
**Mailing Address:** P.O. Box 267, Gardner, Kansas 66030  
**Web Site:** [www.divinemercuryks.org](http://www.divinemercuryks.org)  
**OFFICE HOURS:** Monday thru Thursday 8:30 am to 2:30 pm – Go to the West door to ring bell  
**OFFICE email address:** [secretary@divinemercuryks.org](mailto:secretary@divinemercuryks.org)  
**FR. JOE'S email address:** [frjoec@divinemercuryks.org](mailto:frjoec@divinemercuryks.org)  
**DEACON DAN'S email address:** [danielpeterson913@comcast.net](mailto:danielpeterson913@comcast.net)  
 Walk in office hours-Thursday 8:30-11:30am. Appointments available upon request. Call 913-938-8025  
**DEACON ART'S email address:** [aoc1937@gmail.com](mailto:aoc1937@gmail.com)

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:luckybuttercup@yahoo.com)  
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**HOME BLESSINGS:** Contact Ray Hess 913-856-5043 or email: [kocrhess71@aol.com](mailto:kocrhess71@aol.com)  
**HOME SCHOOL SUPPORT GROUP:** Contact Celeste Edwards 913-592-3214  
**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** 4<sup>th</sup> Monday at 6:45pm-Rosary-7:00pm Meeting at CFC  
 Contact Dave Warthen 913-638-2899 or email: [dwarthen@centurylink.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:laura@divinemercuryks.org)  
**RELIGIOUS ED/DIRECTOR:** Contact Maria Lopeman 913-219-4833 or [maria@divinemercuryks.org](mailto: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](mailto:youthminister@divinemercuryks.org)

<p><b>Sunday 1/15</b></p> <p><b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary time</b></p> <p>8:00 am Mass                  9:15 am Rel Ed (K-6) and RCIA                  10:30 am Mass                  2:00 pm to 3:30 pm Adoration                  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><b>Monday 1/16</b></p> <p><b>MLK Holiday</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Father Joe's Day Off</b></p>	<p><b>Tuesday 1/17</b></p> <p><b>St. Anthony</b></p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer</p> <p>5:00 pm - Communion Service - MC                  6:30 pm - Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions –MC                  6:45 pm Legion of Mary –CFC</p> <p align="center"><b>Father Joe's Day Off</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday 1/18</b></p> <p><b>Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January (18-25)</b></p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer                  9:00 am-2:00 pm – Quilting Group – CFC                  5:30-6:30 pm – Youth Choir Practice – MC                  6:30to7:30pm RCIA                  7:00 pm - Music Practice - MC</p>
<p><b>Thursday 1/19</b></p> <p><b>Julian Calendar Theophany (Epiphany)</b></p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer                  8:00 am Mass</p>	<p><b>Friday 1/20</b></p> <p><b>St. Fabian St. Sebastian Inauguration Day</b></p> <p>7:30 am Morning Prayer                  8:00 am Mass</p> <p align="center"><b>OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday 1/21</b></p> <p><b>St. Agnes</b></p> <p>4:30 pm Mass</p>	<p><b>Sunday 1/22</b></p> <p><b>4th Sunday in ordinary time</b></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>

## CATHOLIC FAITH TRIVIA

### BIRTHDAYS

**Jan 15** – Doug Burk, Luke Colby, Bernadette Ezeilo, Jennifer Fleming, Ariana Gallagher, Jamie George, Andrew Goldsmith, Joyce Schranz, Joseph Strick, Lanny Turner, Kouomeni Ngakin

**Jan 16** – Julian Carlton, Brian Haselwood, Brittni Krumm, Amy Ducker, Julia Fitzpatrick, Gilbert Ponce, Londyn Robertson, Michael Schauf

**Jan 17**– Anna Fitzgibbons, Josephine Gurney, Brandi Leggett, Grant Poznich, Joel Morris, Ashley Priest, Kelli Fuester, Michael Runyon, Sarah King, Linda Wallock, Kassandra Wise

**Jan 18**– Beverly Betlach, Mary Cox, Jason Camis, David Dilner, Frederick Dudzinski, Christen Sola, Erica Robertson, Mark Bowman, Frank Mackey, Diana Rader, Taylor Snell, Theresa Zawacki

**Jan 19**– Charlene Newman, Drew Nelson, Carole Stricker, Bradley Acinelli, Jeffrey Riedinger, John Ernst, Jon Anderson, Edward Reschke, Darby O’Sullivan, Massimo Perreca, Byron Moore, Jr., Emily Echeverry, James Brock, Denise Adkinson

**Jan 20**– Timothy Mabry, Ethan Rohr, Audrienne Runyon, Olivia Green, Melinda Ulses, Collins Stirling, Timothy Carson, Travis Acinelli, Wyatt Strausbaugh, Abigale Harper

**Jan 21**– Kionda Dunham, Nicholas Merfen, Jovie Parks, Libby VanRheen

### 50/50 CLUB

There was not a winner in the 50/50 drawing for the week of Jan. 08th. Number #61 was drawn. The balance in the account was \$7,397.00. 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.

### New this Week

1. What was Mary’s final response to the angel’s announcement that she would give birth to a son?
2. Grave sin not only ruptures our relationship with God, but also harms our communion with the church. True or false?
3. Reconciliation includes the desire to change one’s life. True or false?
4. Marriage is a sacrament because?  
(a) It is a sign of the covenant (b) it is difficult (c) it is wonderful
5. The place where God’s law is written in our very self is called the what?  
(a) imagination (b) conscience (c) the will

### Last Week’s Answers

1. Name three corporal works of mercy. ***Feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, cloth the naked, visit the sick and imprisoned, and bury the dead.***
2. How did Jesus begin his prayer when he addressed the Father?  
(a) with thanksgiving (b) with anger (c) with sorrow ***(a) with thanksgiving***
3. Which angel announced the birth of Jesus? (a) Rafael (b) Michael (c) Gabriel ***(c) Gabriel***
4. Who was the Roman emperor at the time of the birth of Jesus?  
(a) Pontius Pilate (b) Caesar Augustus (c) Tiberius ***(b) Caesar Augustus***
5. What action must one perform after confession to make amends for sins? (a) act of contrition (b) act of penance (c) act of faith ***(b)act of penance***

## **VALENTINE DINNER/DANCE**

The Knights of Columbus and Daughters of Isabella will be sponsoring a Divine Mercy Parish Valentine Dinner & Dance on February 4th, at 6:00 pm in the Christian Formation Center. Tickets will be available before and after mass this weekend until January 29th. The tickets will be \$20.00 per person.

## **JOIN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

The Knights of Columbus are looking for men to join us. All men 18 and older that are practicing Catholics are eligible to join the Knights of Columbus. We are hosting a first degree ceremony, Monday, January 23rd, in the Christian Formation Center at 7:00 pm. What do the Knights do? We help the Special Olympics, sponsor scholarships for kids in college and catholic school, support religious education, pro-life, and seminarians. We sponsor our community garden, collect and distribute food and necessary items to Catholic Charities, support our parish, and much more, and we have fun doing it. Come join us if you are interested in contributing to our parish community. If you have any further questions, please call Chris Youngers 913-378-3247.

## **WINTER WEATHER ALERT**

If the weather is bad (snow, ice, sleet) and if the schools are closed, there will be no daily Mass and the office will be closed. Edgerton will not have Mass if the weather is bad. Mass intentions will be rescheduled. Religious Ed information will be sent via email, text and also noted on the website.

## **HELP NEEDED**

Each year there are thousands of teens leaving the Catholic Church. Statistically, 85% no longer attend mass after they leave high school. This is a crisis that only we can solve together. At Divine Mercy we are working on building our High School Youth Ministry program so that when kids leave confirmation, they enter into a program that continues to challenge them to be Disciples of Christ through charity, prayer, community, and leadership. One of the ways we help to form their community is that we serve the teens a meal before Life Teen every Sunday night. Although this is not a huge expense, these costs still add up. It costs approximately \$40 to feed our teens each week. This is where we need your help! Please consider donating the cost of a meal. Any size donation is greatly appreciated. To donate place a check in the collection basket and in the memo line write youth group food. Thank you!

## **CATHOLIC CHARITIES FINANCIAL MENTORING**

Catholic Charities is seeking volunteers interested in our Financial Mentoring Program. This program matches volunteers one-on-one with participants who attend financial budgeting classes. Please join us for an open house to learn about mentor program and visit with current and past volunteer mentors.

We are hosting two Open Houses for Potential Volunteer Financial Mentors:

When: Tuesday, January 24, 2017 at 5:30pm or Friday, January 27, at 9:30am

Where: Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas

9808 West 87th Street

Overland Park, KS. 66212

For more information on how you can get involved, please contact Michelle Carlstedt at 913-433-2080 or [mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org](mailto:mcarlstedt@catholiccharitiesks.org).



## GAME NIGHT JANUARY SOCIAL

Bring your skill and luck and join your friends for Game Night! We will have prizes, food and fun! It will be Saturday, January 21st from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Here at Divine Mercy in the CFC. If you last name begins with the letter A-G bring a Salty Snack (bag of chips), If H-N bring a Sweet Snack, If O-Z bring a 2 Liter of Soda. RSVP By using the following link to sign up genius: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0549afac29a02-game>.

### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

#### January

- 8 - 9:15a K-6 Class
- 3:00p Year 1 Confirmation Retreat
- 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
- 5:30p Year 2 Confirmation
- 15 - 9:15a K-6 Class
- 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
- 5:30p Confirmation
- 21 - 7/8 grade JANUARY SOCIAL
- 6th grade Mass retreat beginning at 4:15pm
- 22 - 9:15a K-6 Class
- 2nd grade tour of church
- 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
- NO CONFIRMATION CLASS**
- 29 - 9:15a K-6 Class
- 5:00p YG Life Night and Mass
- 5:30p Confirmation

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a few adult volunteers to help with our Confirmation Class. Volunteers are part of our Confirmation team. Members of these teams are not responsible for planning lessons and leading the large group. Your primary job would be to assist our lead teacher by leading small group discussion when needed. If you are interested in helping our confirmation class please contact Maria Lopeman at, 913-2194833 or [maria@divinemercuryks.org](mailto:maria@divinemercuryks.org).

Sept. 29 (St. Faustina's Diary #1707) "On my way to the veranda, I went into the chapel for a moment. My heart was plunged in profound adoration, praising God's incomprehensible goodness and His mercy. Then I heard these words in my soul: 'I am and will be for you such as you praise Me for being. You shall experience My goodness, already in this life and then, to the full, in the life to come.'"