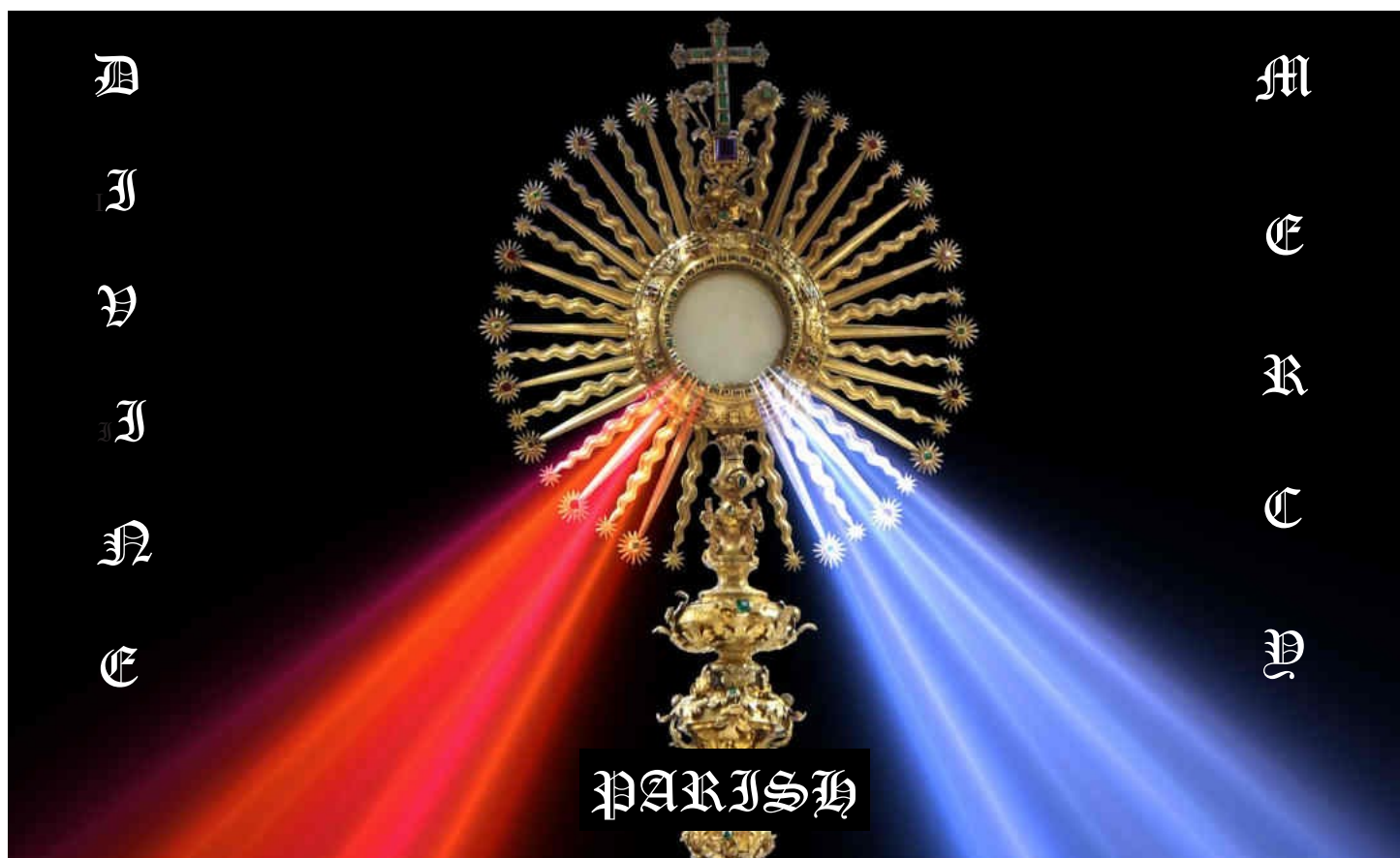


DIVINE MERCY PARISH
Sunday, May 17, 2020
Sixth Sunday of Easter



Established on January 6, 2020, and rooted in Catholic Tradition and Faith, Divine Mercy Parish, made up of the former parishioners of Saint Benedict the Moor, Church of the Epiphany and Saint Mary of Mercy, is located in the heart of the Diocese of Pittsburgh. As such, we aim to root ourselves as a Eucharistic Center, devoted to offering spiritual and physical nourishment to a diverse community, both parishioners and non-parishioners alike. In the coming months, we look forward to building a parish rooted in Christ that will offer an opportunity to encounter Jesus and one another in vibrant Liturgies, frequent confession times offered, time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Catholic Speaker Series, events for youth and young adults, encounters with and for the most vulnerable, outreach ministry, multicultural encounters, and so much more. We are very excited that the Lord has graced us with the protection of His Divine Mercy and look forward to serving you and serving alongside you in the coming weeks, months and years.

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Mass Intentions

To request a Mass intention, please call or email the Parish Office at office@divinemercypgh.org or visit divinemercypgh.org to complete an online form.

Join our Parish Family

Visit our website at www.divinemercypgh.org or call the parish office.

Bulletin Requests

If you would like to have information included in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Office at office@divinemercypgh.org.

Schedule a Meeting

To make an appointment with Fr. Chris contact Cindy at cagoetz@divinemercypgh.org

Join us on Flocknote



Stay up to date with announcements and news or receive weekly videos, by choosing a group to join on Flocknote! Sign up at www.divinemercypgh.org or text DivineMercyPgh to 84576 to join.

SAINT BENEDICT THE MOOR CHURCH

91 Crawford Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

EPIPHANY CHURCH

164 Washington Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

SAINT MARY OF MERCY CHURCH

202 Stanwix Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15222

CONFESSIONS

Location: Epiphany Church, Upper Parking Lot

Day: Monday through Friday

Time: 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm

ADORATION

Location: Epiphany Church, Administrative Office Parking Lot

Day: Everyday, Sunday through Saturday

Time: 7:30 am to 7:30 pm

Although all public Masses have been suspended at this time. Masses will still be said for the following scheduled Mass intentions through the private prayer of our priests.

Frank and Anna Gajdosik + (B. Gajdosik)
Catherine A Weiss (Daughter)
Mildred Koritsky + (Lisa Koritsky)
Maria Battaglia+ (Battaglia Family)
David Klasnick + (7:30AM Mass)
Claudette Brearley (Eileen and Joe Sisca)
Marie Muehlbauer + (David Muehlbauer)
Carmella, Frank and Deanna Fera + (theresa Bronowicz)
Beverly Sughrue+ (Stephanie and Jim Baumgartner)
Charles LeClaire Jr. + (Son and Wife)
Kocian and Hartman Family + (Family)
Peter Koritsky + (Lisa Koritsky)
Kenny Zuccarelli + (Sam and Madilyn Manfredi)



eGiving with Faith Direct

Divine Mercy Parish needs your support now more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to Divine Mercy Parish. Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Sign up today by visiting our website, www.divinemeracyphg.org, or text 'Enroll' to (412) 415-7067.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless,

Father Chris

Sixth Sunday of Easter



Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honor of the risen Lord, and that what we relieve in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Readings

First Reading Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Second Reading 1 Peter 3:15-18

Gospel John 14:15-21

Mass Intentions

We are still taking Mass intentions. All priests in our parish will continue to celebrate private Masses and offering them up for particular Mass intentions. To request a Mass, visit our website, request by mail, or email office@divinemercypgh.org

*Blessed be God, who hath
not turned away my
prayer, nor his mercy
from me.*

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen

Mass and Prayer

Although all Masses and services in the Diocese of Pittsburgh have been cancelled, the daily 12:00 pm Mass at Saint Mary of Mercy Church can be live streamed or viewed on demand, seven days a week on Comcast channel 95 in the Greater Pittsburgh area or at www.christianassociatestv.org. Pittsburgh's Faith and Family channel 40.9 also carries it Monday through Saturday.

Mass can also be accessed through our website at www.divinemercypgh.org, along with more resources for prayer.

Every day at 3:00 PM, join the Sisters of Merciful Jesus in prayer, as they live stream an Hour of Mercy on Facebook, where they will be praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet and the rosary for the end of COVID-19. Visit www.facebook.com/DivineMercyPgh to be directed to their page.

Saint Anthony Chapel will live stream the Holy Rosary, Monday through Saturday at 12:00 PM and Stations of the Cross, Sunday at 3:00 PM and Friday at 7:00 PM.

PARISH NEWS

African American History

In 1875, Oliver Lewis became the first jockey to win the Kentucky Derby, America's longest continuous sporting event. He was only 19 years old when he entered the first Kentucky Derby held on May 17, 1875. Out of the fifteen jockeys in the field, at this first Kentucky Derby, thirteen of them were African American. With that victory, Lewis became the first jockey to win the Kentucky Derby. Later that season, Lewis came in second in the Belmont Stakes in New York and won three more races at the Louisville Jockey Club, riding the same horse in each race. He married and together, the couple had six children. Oliver Lewis died in Lexington, Kentucky in 1924 at the age of 68.

BlackFacts.com. "Lewis, Oliver (1856-1924)." *Blackfacts.com*, blackfacts.com/fact/lewis-oliver-1856-1924.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Mary Curiale 5/17	Joyce Williams 5/20
Brian Gruendl 5/17	Erin Copeland 5/21
Tracey Livsey 5/18	William Lewis 5/21
Mary Jane Metzger 5/18	Melinda Suzensky 5/21
Reece Williams 5/18	Charles Davis 5/22
Joan Moran 5/19	Kathleen Gallagher 5/22
Richard Gobbie 5/20	Zitz Iwuolha 5/22
P.K. Kasemsap 5/20	Joyce Payne 5/22

To be included in the weekly parishioner birthday list, please email your birthday to office@divinemerccypgh.org

Welcome to Our Divine Mercy Parish Family

Mr. Aaron Marcario	Mr. Joseph Nlgro
Ms. Casey Walsh	Dr. Siobhan McDonagh
Mr. Dylan Brewington	Mr. Noah Pepmeyer
Ms. Rose Mary Weprich	Ms. Kimberly Weprich
Mr. Jonathan and Mrs. Julia Moritz, Mr. David Moritz	
Mr. Kenneth and Mrs. Renee Konias, Mr. Kenneth Konias Jr.	

Divine Mercy Parish Prayer Board

Betty Bell, Edward Davis, Dolores Denton, Carol Derewcz, Grace Dixon-Kizzie, Patricia Ellis, Debra Foster, Woody Frazier, Ann Fultz, Richard Gazzam, Janet Glass, Brenda Glenn, Mary Graham, Helena Harris, Harold G. Heim, Jr., Osaruyi Osasere Igbineweka, Billy Jenkins, Sandra Johnson, Sean Kraus, Tiffany Livsey, Aisha Lado, Toni Long, Andrew Lyke, Ruth McCartney, Sager McDill FMM, DMK, Sherry McGinnis, Todd Mattei, Betty Muse, Josephine O'Connor, Ira Ritter, Sr. Mary Samuels, Genevieve Sanford, Debbie Sturm, Vincent Tucker, Lyle Williams, Margaret, Leslie Wilson, Regina Zelik, Jerry Barry, Laurie Bozik, Robert Dougherty, William Egger, Richard Gazzam, Katherine Gross, Margaret Hurney, Marva Josie, D.M.K., Barbara Kuhn, F.M.M., Jessie Marsh, Patricia Morra, Daniel Murphy, Dennis Murphy, Justin Murphy, Jean O'Hanlon, Mary Ann Pacini, Clara Jane Roy, Marianne Wisdom Oines, C.Z.R., Sr. Mary Ann Troup, Elsie Urban, Bill Vergot, Derrick Gardener, Leah Lindenfelser, Diane and Jim Foley, Elizabeth Kochin Donna Bradley, Larry Sobek Mary Jane Metz and victims of abuse.

To add a name to our prayer board, please email office@divinemerccypgh.org

Contribution Totals

First Collection	\$4,740.00
PARISH SHARE	\$215.00
CARE FOR THE POOR	\$450.00
CHURCH BUILDING UPKEEP	\$230.00
TV MINISTRY	\$35.00
HOLY THURSDAY	\$10.00
GOOD FRIDAY	\$10.00
EASTER	\$110.00
RED DOOR	\$5,569.00
ASCENSION OF THE LORD	\$20.00
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES EASTERN EUROPE AND LATIN AMERICA	\$50.00
DONATIONS	\$150.00
TOTAL	\$11,589.00

*Videos of encouragement and prayer from Father Joe Freedy and Father Chris Donley can be found on Flocknotes, Facebook, and through our website.

ATTENTION!

Please be aware of emails claiming to be from Father Chris Donley and Father Joe Freedy. These messages are part of a phishing campaign. If you receive such an email, for your safety, please do not give your information or comply with their requests. Any emails from Father Chris or Father Joe will either come from an @divinemerccypgh or @diopitt email account.



On April 25, 2020, Pope Francis released a letter to the faithful for the month of May 2020 asking them to express their love for the Blessed Mother in May by praying the rosary as a family.

MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY, PRAY FOR US!

Saint Benedict the Moor Food Pantry



Saint Benedict the Moor Food Pantry will be open to all Divine Mercy parishioners and residents of the lower Hill District from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the following dates:

May 12th and 26th
June 10th and 25th
July 10th and 24th.

We look forward to seeing you there!

May 17th is the feast day of Saint Paschal Baylon, patron of Eucharistic congresses and associations.

Paschal was born to a poor family and worked as a shepherd alongside his father. At the age of 24, he joined the Friars Minor, where he developed a great reputation for his charity to the poor and for his humility.

Paschal was devoted to the Eucharist and spent his spare time praying before the Blessed Sacrament.

He died on the feast of Pentecost.



Red Door Ministry: Those in need can receive a bagged lunch Monday through Saturday from **10:30 AM-11:30 AM**

The actual Red Door is located on the Boulevard of the Allies. New Hours Tuesday - Friday 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM and Saturday 8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Mother Teresa Conference: Please contact us at 412-204-7446 or svdpstteresaPGH@gmail.com for assistance in the Pittsburgh 15219 & 15222 areas with available social services and other resources. **VOLUNTEERS:** Hearts ready to serve the Lord by aiding our Friends in Need are urgently needed. Please join us as we pray and learn together how to be the face of Christ to those in need through home visits and available social services .