Mother of Divine Providence Church

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

September 24, 2023

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Parish Office Phone: 610-265-4178

CLERGY

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Monday - Thursday:	8:30 AM - 8:30 PM
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Saturday:	Closed
Sunday :	Closed

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

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Jennifer Cottini Elliot Crowley Bet Ferguson Frances Krouse Chip Lloyd

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FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ed Campbell Phil Fogli Steve Gibbons Michael McDevitt Rich Nigro Sue Saraceni

Consultant to Finance Council: Marianne Houston

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

Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward & learning to enjoy whatever life has and this requires transforming greed to gratitude.

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
- MEN'S EARLY MORNING GROUP

ALTAR SOCIETY

BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

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

PARISH HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

PREP/CCD/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RESPECT LIFE GROUP

SCRIP PROGRAM

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

YOUTH GROUP

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

<u>Rosary</u>

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

Due to a slow decline over the past year St. John's needed to take us off of their pick-up route temporarily! This program is being put on hold. Will keep you updated.

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<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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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 24, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Luigi Giggino Bifulco 10:30 AM Mass - Adriana Naga

Monday, September 25, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - End to the war in Ukraine

<u>Tuesday, September 26, 2023</u> 8:00 AM Mass - Living & deceased members of the Hall Family

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Deceased members of the Wisniewski Family

Thursday, September 28, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Therese & Walt Wisniewski

Friday, September 29, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Dominic & Nancy Toscani

Saturday, September 30, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Lurene Dillon Sweeny 4:00 PM Mass - For the People of the Parish & Benefactors

Sunday, October 1, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - Gloria Colunga 10:30 AM Mass - Denyse Groth



September 17, 2023 Sunday collection basket	\$ 5,034.00
Sunday donations received via mail	\$ 2,108.00
Parish Giving (on-line)	<u>\$ 4,703.00</u>
Total	\$11,845.00

The second collection for the Parish Fund totaled \$1,721.00.

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

Archbishop Perez has appointed Father Marc Capizzi to be the Parochial Administrator of Mother of Divine Providence Parish effective Monday, October 2, 2023. Since 2019 the policy of the Archdiocese has been that a priest serves one year as Parochial Administrator before being named Pastor.

Father Capizzi was ordained in 2006. Father has had various assignments as Parochial Vicar, Faculty and School Minister of two Archdiocesan High Schools and presently has been serving as Parochial Vicar of Saint Andrew Parish, Newtown for the past 6 years.

The Archbishop knows that the past two months since the sudden passing of Father Cioppi has been a time of great sadness and loss for our Parish community. He is confident that Father Capizzi's generous and priestly heart will be a source of consolation to this Parish community. I ask that you join me in praying for Father Capizzi during this time of transition.



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Carnival so successful. We could not have done it without you. This event is about community and that is exactly what was represented. We hope everyone enjoyed the event as much as we did. If anyone was kind enough to display a carnival sign please return it to the back of the church at your earliest convenience or call the office with your location and we will pick it up. From, the Carnival Committee

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COMMUNITY CARNIVAL SPONSORS

Carnival Sponsors:

Anonymous **Brosnan Family** Dave & Helena Camarda Dorothy & Edward Carter William Derry Foundation Doan's Auto Center The Errin Family Phil & Michaelene Fogli Dick, Carolyn and John Paul Hammond The Hartung Family Mr & Mrs J Kurcik Tom and Barbara McElvogue In memory of Dick Mich from Anna Marie, Rick, Terri and Stephen MTC School Susan Ostroski Bob and Sally Smith Bernadette Wesler

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Respect Life Month Events

The **National Prayer Chain** is taking place on Sunday, **October 1st from 2 - 2:30** pm at Planned Parenthood, which is located at 1221 Powell Street in Norristown. Please join if you are able to attend!

In addition, we will be praying outside that same facility for the **40 Days for Life** campaign on **Tuesday, October 3rd from 8 am to 5 pm.** Our parish is joining with Sacred Heart Parish (Bridgeport/Swedesburg) as we did in the Spring. All you need to do is spend one hour praying peacefully outside the PP in Norristown. We will provide signs and you will not be alone. Let us know if you are able to commit to one hour. Never underestimate the power of Prayer!

Last, but not least, the **Pennsylvania March for Life** is taking place on **Monday**, **October 16th in Harrisburg**. It is only about an hour and a half ride and the march itself is only about one mile. Please let us know if you would like to go, so we can set up a carpool.

Please email Barb Albert with any questions: barbmalbert@verizon.net



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 **Regina Campbell** Marie Rovner **Gale Mahonev** Karen Pedano Jim McCarthy Fr. Tom McGann Kathleen Geier Loretta Belz Michaela Noble **Bill Stead** Luis Sanches **Bonnie Watkinson** Joe Faith Philip Rothenburge **Richard Brzezicki** Joan Brzezicki **Bill McOuaid Bill Sherwin** Theresa Sherwin **Rita McNally Dave Auxer** Ursula Degonda **Chrissy Strovink** Michelle Ritrovato Kathy Walsh **Rov** Conv Bridget Řóisín Nolan Colleen Áine Nolan Leona Ruddy Kathryn Stone Julia Whalon **Kyle Sheahan**

Rita Carney Louise Cirelli **Bob Fenlon** Mary De Maria Joan Venezia **James Walton Brooke Penny** Paul Carney, Sr. Kait Hagan Frank Casey **Helen Rosetti Ted Ouillen** Betty Short Jesaniel Marrero Anna Dobra Mary Faude Lisa Shendge Marie Cinalli **Bill Gribbin Richard Kline Danielle McClam** Bravden John Leonard **Rose DiDonna Matthew Aprile Dolores DiSanto Elizabeth Finnin Ornella Rhvne Steven Garnek Dorothy Schnupp** John Quigg Jenna McAndrew **Rich Ritter** Joseph Galdi, Jr. **Melinda Hines Barbara** Pupek Virginia Berwick **Greg Kealey Michelle Peduto** Mary Kirkner

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.



Come Spend Time with Jesus



The Church is open for quiet prayer during Eucharistic Adoration

> Every Tuesday --8:30 am - 7 pm

September 26 – That our adoration time with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament may strengthen our love for all in need.



First Reading: Ezekiel 18:25-28 Psalm: Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Second Reading: Philippians 2:1-11 or 2:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

A PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



God our Father, who wills that all men be saved and come to the knowledge of Your Truth: We beg You to send Laborers into Your harvest, and grant them grace to speak Your Word with all boldness; so that Your Word may spread and be glorified, and all nations may know You, the only God, and Him whom You have sent, Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord. Amen.

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE CHURCH Are you retired or have some free time on your hands? Are you looking to get out of the house or make new friends? We invite you to be a part of our

55 & Over Group

Our next meeting will be

Tuesday, October 2nd at 12:30 PM

At Peppers by Amedeo's Restaurant and Bar

175 Town Center Road, King of Prussia, PA 19406 Please RSVP by Tuesday, August 29th by emailing Claire: cpinto@mdpparish.com

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SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday, September 30, 2023
4:00 PM Mass - P. Campbell, S. Mai, A. Mai, D. Bonifanti
Sunday, October 1, 2023
8:00 AM Mass - B. Ferguson, H. Trainor, MA Marchese, K. Sion
10:30 AM Mass - M. Acosta, R. Hammond, C. Hammond, J. DeMaria

Lectors

Saturday, September 30, 2023 4:00 PM Mass - K. Norris, T. McCuch Sunday, October 1, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - V. Nguyen, T. Brophy 10:30 AM Mass - S. Wildemann, A. Volpe

<u>Servers</u>

Monday, September 25, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - S. Dsouza, M. Bonkoski Tuesday, September 26, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - AJ Kazanjian, M. Kazanjian Wednesday, September 27, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - S. Cottini, C. Cottini Thursday, September 28, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - L. Plechner, M. Bonkoski Friday, September 29, 2023 8:00 AM - P. Crowley, M. Bonkoski Saturday, September 30, 2023 8:00 AM Mass - MJ Ryan 4:00 PM Mass - C. Lloyd, J. DeSimone Sunday, October 1, 2023 8:00 AM Mass -T. Nolan, A. Becker, D. Prusacki, A. Prusacki 10:30 AM Mass - J. Volpe, M. Varano, V. Varano, L. Derry

<u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u> <u>Sunday, October 1, 2023</u> T. Boyle, J. Cottini

Altar Society Linen Preparation Sunday, October 1, 2023 M. Maskarinec





Religious Education News

Religious Education (Grades 1-7) Registration for 2023-2024 is now open. Returning families will receive an email prompting them to log in to their parish giving account to register for PREP in the fall. New PREP families should contact the Office of Religious Education. Please contact Alexandra LaMastra, DRE at alamastra@mdpparish.com, 610-337-2173 for additional information.

Highschool Students (Grades 8-12) are invited to join MDP's Youth Group which will be starting up this fall! Meetings will be held once a month in the parish office – join us for games, fellowship, and faith discussions! Please contact Alexandra LaMastra for additional information and registration!

Children Attending Catholic Schools

If your child attends a Catholic school (Grade 2 or Grade 7) and you are parishioners at MDP, please reach out to Alexandra LaMastra (<u>alamastra@mdpparish.com</u>) for additional information and registration requirements.

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 <u>alamastra@mdpparish.com</u> for additional information or if you have questions!

SCHOOL NEWS



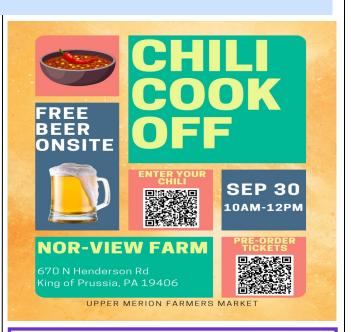
MTC is looking for preschool teacher assistants. Hours are 8 AM to 3 PM. Please email Christine Pagan at <u>Christine.pagan@mtcschool.org</u> or call 610-265-2323.

Mother Teresa Regional is hiring for our after school program. Hours are 3pm-6pm. If interested, please contact Christine Pagan at <u>christine.pagan@mtcschool.org</u> or 610-265-2323. No experience or degree is necessary.



THE EUCHARIST IS EVERYTHING: A SPECIAL EUCHARISTIC EVENT FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Join us, on Sunday October 1st, 4:00-8:00 PM, for this opportunity to worship Jesus in the Eucharist and *meet Mrs. Antonia Acutis, the mother of Blessed Carlo Acutis.* Please see the flyer below for the program schedule and details. **Location:** "The Field" at Malvern Retreat House



RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE

Some couples feel lonely, frustrated, or angry in their marriage, often feeling shut off from one another. Other couples experience severe conflict and never-ending arguments. Retrouvaille offers hope for all these marriages by teaching couples to communicate in a deeper, more meaningful way, healing hurts and rebuilding trust and intimacy. No relationship is beyond help. The next program will be held October 6 - 8, 2023 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.



