Mother of Divine Providence Church

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January 7, 2024

The Epiphany of the Lord



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<u>CLERGY</u>

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Friday:	8:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Saturday:	Closed
Sunday :	Closed

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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

Let God guide your spiritual journey.

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

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- EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY
 COMMUNION
- LECTORS
- ALTAR SERVERS

LEGION OF MARY

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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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THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 7, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Art Foster 10:30 AM Mass - Eleanor Keller

Monday, January 8, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Richard Miller

Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Deceased Members of the Maskarinec & DiNunzio Family

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Wasyl & Anastasia Maruszczak

Thursday, January 11, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Debbie Egner

Friday, January 12, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Roseann DiSpirito

Saturday, January 13, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Ray Pilewski 4:00 PM Mass - Angela Nigro

Sunday, January 14, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - Rosario Fajardo 10:30 AM Mass - Colleen Trempe



IN OUR PARISH

Father Capizzi is happy to announce that Maria Pisano has joined the MDP Staff as fulltime Director of Religious Education. Ms. Pisano has worked in various positions with several Catholic Institutions since graduating from Immaculata College in January 2019. She is currently studying at St Charles Seminary to earn a Masters Degree in Theology. We are pleased to welcome her to Mother of Divine Providence and hope that you will introduce yourself and welcome her as well.



December 24, 2023 Sunday collection basket	\$ 8,954.00	
Sunday donations received via mail	\$ 9,140.00	
Parish Giving (on-line)	\$ 2,763.00	
Total	\$20,857.00	
December 25, 2023 - December 29, 2023 Christmas collection basket \$28,784.00		
Christmas donations received via mail	\$ 7,845.00	
Parish Giving (on-line)	<u>\$ 300.00</u>	
Total	\$36,929.00	
December 31, 2023		
Sunday collection basket	\$ 6,124.00	
Sunday donations received via mail	\$ 3,630.00	
Parish Giving (on-line)	<u>\$ 3,773.00</u>	
Total	\$13,527.00	

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



SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 2024

HOLY WATER & BLESSED CHALK FOR HOME BLESSINGS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED AT 4:00 PM VIGIL, 8:00 AM, & 10:30 AM MASSES



Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit coming to MDP!

A Eucharistic miracle is a miracle in which the Eucharist no longer appears under the form of bread and wine, but takes on the biological qualities of human flesh or blood or both. An exhibit of the Eucharistic Miracles occurring throughout the world and documented by Blessed Carlo Acutis will be coming to Mother of Divine Providence Parish on January 16, 17, and 18. The exhibit will be located in the parish office building during the following times:

Tuesday, January 16, 2024

1:00 PM to 8:00 PM (A reception with light refreshments will be provided on Tuesday from 1 -2 PM and again from 6 - 7 PM) Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the daily 8:00 AM Mass until 7:00 pm, ending with Benediction.

> Wednesday, January 17, 2024 8:30 AM to 8:00 PM

Thursday, January 18, 2024 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM



Come join the "Millions of Monicas" prayer group on Tuesday evenings in the Church at 6:15pm.

We pray a rosary & St. Monica prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament for our children who are struggling with faith or have left the church.

This is not a support group, but an encounter with God through prayer from the heart for our children.

Contact Mary Mangan at 610-220-4273.



Catechism in a Year Discussion Group

Many of you have been reading through the Catechism of the Catholic Church using Fr. Mike Schmitz's podcast "The Catechism in a Year". We invite you to join other parishioners to discuss and share insights and experiences of reading through the Final Section, Part Four: Christian Prayer. The discussion will take place in the parish office building on:

The discussion will take place: •Thursday, January 11th from 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM •Parish office building

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Greg at gmaskarinec@mdpparish.com.

Feeling a need to contribute? Would you like to feel fulfilled?

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.

Pare Ministers Needed Responsibilities include

Assisting with friendly visits to our homebound, helping with holiday ministry with our homebound, and acting as an occasional aid/companion as needed for homebound.

> Contact Claire Pinto if interested: cpinto@mdpparish.com or 610-265-4178



MEN OF MDP PARISH – COME AS YOU ARE

Are you looking for some time away from the stresses and activities of everyday life? Could you use some time to refocus and strengthen your relationship with God? Then come join approximately 30 other men from MDP at the Malvern Retreat House on February 23^{rd} to 25^{th} for a weekend of prayer, reflections, recommitment, and camaraderie. Check out the retreat site at www.malvernretreat.com. Feel free to contact Chris Welde cwelde@lowermerion.org / 610 645-6141 for additional information or to register for the weekend.



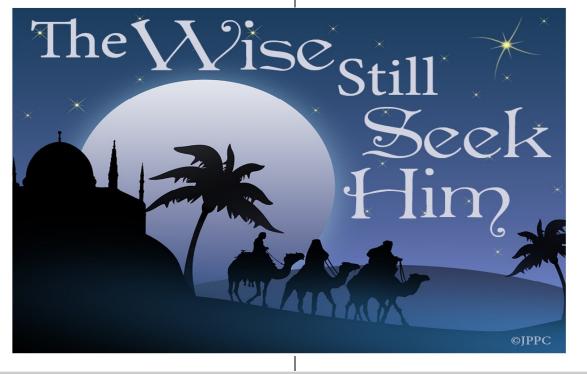
MDP JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the MDP JV Girls Parish Basketball Team who won the championship in the Saint Teresa of Calcutta Holiday JV girls basketball tournament. The team is coached by Alexa Augustine and Meghan Bonkoski. The members of the team are Courtney McMahon, Ellery Sia, Blake Voris, Leah Fedorchak, Bridgett Bonkoski, Morgan Gibes, Victoria Yucha, Jolie Russell, Alice Chiarella, Rose Maile. The girls went 3-0 in the tournament and beat Visitation in the championship to take home the trophy.



First Reading: 1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19 Psalm: Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Gospel: John 1:35-42







As you pray this week please remember those in our community and families who are in need our prayers for God's healing touch, of especially:

Tracy Marx Margaret Algeo Golden Lisa Hahn Nick & Tony Marinaccio **Adrianne Montgomery Joseph Gow** Karen Manneke **Regina Campbell** Marie Rovner **Gale Mahonev** Karen Pedano Jim McCarthv 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 Róisín Nolan **Colleen Áine Nolan** Leona Ruddy Kathryn Stone Julia Whalon Kyle Sheahan **Rita Carney** Louise Cirelli **Bob Fenlon**

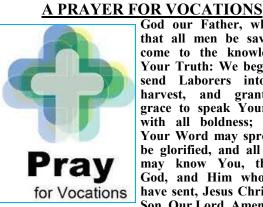
Mary De Maria Joan Venezia **James Walton Brooke Penny** Paul Carney, Sr. Kait Hagan Frank Casey **Helen Rosetti Ted Quillen Betty Short** Jesaniel Marrero Anna Dobra **Mary Faude** Lisa Shendge Marie Cinalli **Bill Gribbin Richard Kline Danielle McClam** Bravden John Leonard **Rose DiDonna Matthew Aprile Dolores DiSanto Elizabeth Finnin Ornella Rhvne Steven Garnek** John Quigg Jenna McAndrew **Rich Ritter** Joseph Galdi, Jr. **Melinda Hines Barbara** Pupek Virginia Berwick **Greg Kealey Michelle Peduto Mary Kirkner Nicholas DeSpirito Richard Stiles** Sue Murphy Norma Tropiano Anna Gobbo **Cindy Hornyak** Jim Mahar

If you would like to add someone to the sick list please email Carol Murrav at cmurray@mdpparish.com 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:

Rita McNally



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.

HARISTIC ADORATION

Come Spend Time with Jesus



The Church is open for quiet prayer during **Eucharistic Adoration**

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

January 9 – May all Christians rekindle the graces they received at their baptism and come to share in God's promise of everlasting life.

THE MOP PARISH LIBRARY IS NOW OPEN! BE SURE TO VISIT THE PARISH LIBRARY NOW LOCATED IN THE ROOM NEAREST TO THE HANDICAP BATHROOM IN THE MAIN VESTIBULE OF THE CHURCH. AND DON'T FORGET TO SIGN OUT YOUR BOOKS!

SCHOOL NEWS



MTC is looking for preschool teacher assistants. Hours are 8 AM to 3 PM. Please email Christine Pagan at Christine.pagan@mtcschool.org 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.

Mother Teresa Regional is in need of daily subs. Please email Christine Pagan at <u>christine.pagan@mtcschool.org</u> or call 610-265-2323.



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SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Saturday, January 13, 2024

4:00 PM Mass - MA O'Brien, S. Angelucci, R. Sheetz, H. Trainor **Sunday, January 14, 2024**

8:00 AM Mass – K. Sion, M. Mangan, S. Gibbons, C. Traister

10:30 AM Mass - J. DeMaria, C. Hammond, D. Bonifanti, T. Hoover

Lectors

Saturday, January 13, 2024 4:00 PM Mass - M. Houston, T. McCuch Sunday, January 14, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - F. Krouse, P. Krouse 10:30 AM Mass - A. Volpe, S. Wildemann

<u>Servers</u>

Monday, January 8, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - L. Plechner, M. Bonkoski Tuesday, January 9, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - L. Plechner, M. Bonkoski Wednesday, January 10, 2024 8:00 AM Mass – C. Cottini, S. Cottini Thursday, January 11, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - M. Bonkoski, L. Plechner Friday, January 12, 2024 8:00 AM - P. Crowley, L. Plechner Saturday, January 13, 2024 8:00 AM Mass - MJ Ryan 4:00 PM Mass - D. Prusacki, A. Prusacki Sunday, January 14, 2024 8:00 AM Mass – C. Herman, R. Herman, J. Herman, A. Becker 10:30 AM Mass - L. Derry, J. Volpe, V. Varano, M. Varano

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sunday, January 14, 2024 A. Derry, C. Molchany

<u>Altar Society Linen Preparation</u> Sunday, January 14, 2024 M. Maskarinec

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

PATRICIANS SOCIETY

"And I say to thee: That thou art Peter; and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not against it." Matthew prevail 16:18 -St. Peter, known as 'Prince of the Apostles,' was the first in an unbroken line of Popes of the Catholic Church. What does Scripture tell us about him, and what is his significance for us today? Please join us to learn more! The next meeting of the Patricians Society will be held on Wednesday, January 17th from 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, 502 Ford St., Bridgeport, PA. (We meet in the coffee hour room -enter from the Ford St parking lot.) The Society of the Patricians is an informal group of Catholic adults who meet monthly under the direction of Fr. Sam Keyes to learn more about the Catholic Faith so that we can better share it with others. Please come, and bring a friend! Refreshments will be served and free literature will be available. The program is sponsored by the Legion of Mary. More info: r.edel.lukens@gmail.com or 610-256-7125. (Note: This topic was originally scheduled for November 2023 but was postponed due to illness.)

THE CAMINO, A WALKING JOURNEY FOR THE SOUL TOUR

April 7, 2024 through April 17, 2024 Land starting at \$2984 per person based on double occupancy. An \$850 per person deposit is required to hold your space.

The history of the Camino de Santiago goes back to the 9th Century, when the tomb of the evangelical apostle St. James was discovered in what is today Santiago de Compostela. Since then, pilgrims from all over the world have walked St. James' Way, originally seeking forgiveness for their sins, and nowadays often just to spend time on a journey of personal growth. Mass services are available every evening at each overnight town/ village. In Santiago de Compostela, celebrate your personal achievement attending the Pilgrim Mass. Call Catholic Cruises and Tours at 1-860-399-1785 for more information and to make your reservation.

ST. PATRICK'S ALL YEAR REUNION

Reunion will take place on March 23, 2024 6 to 10 PM at the Embassy Room, 1489 DeKalb Pike, Blue Bell, PA. \$50 per person includes roast beef, meatballs, penne, dessert, beer and soda. Bring your own wine! Reserve your ticket <u>Santangelob1@verizon.net</u>. Mail checks to Barbara Santangelo, 1202 W. Elm St., Norristown, PA



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