Mother of Divine Providence Church

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

July 20, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mary has chosen the better part.

Luke 10:42

CLERGY

Reverend Thomas J. Gardner, MDiv - Pastor frgardner@mdpparish.com

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday: Friday: Saturday: Sunday :

8:30 AM - 8:30 PM 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Closed Closed

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FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ed Campbell Phil Fogli Steve Gibbons Michael McDevitt Sue Saraceni

Consultant to Finance Council: Marianne Houston

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

"Great is my weakness, but God is all-powerful; I place all my trust in Him alone." ~St. Francis Xavier

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PLEASE VISIT OUR PARISH WEBSITE FOR COMPLETE CONTACT

INFORMATION AT WWW.MDPPARISH.COM

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- BIBLE STUDIES
- OCIA–ORDER 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

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LAY LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

- EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY
 COMMUNION
- LECTORS
- ALTAR SERVERS (SCHOOL & ADULT)

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 Office 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 Office to schedule.

BAPTISMAL INSTRUCTIONS

Pre-Jordan is held monthly in the Parish Office. Please call the 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

A priest will gladly come to the homebound 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.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, July 20, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - Intentions of Albert Godlewski 10:30 AM Mass - Michelina Capriotti

Monday, July 21, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - Eva & Filip Zolondek

Tuesday, July 22, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - Paul Venezia

Wednesday, July 23, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - Margaret Roos

Thursday, July 24, 2025 8:00 AM - Anna Mardi

Friday, July 25, 2025 8:00 AM - Lee Ruddy

Saturday, July 26, 2025 8:00 AM - Donald Buchwald 4:00 PM - Stephanie Macaluso

Sunday, July 27, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - Dan Paciello 10:30 AM Mass - Ronald Urbanski

Acekly Collection

<u>July 13, 2025</u>	
Sunday collection basket	\$ 5,333.00
Parish Giving (on-line)	\$ 9,107.00
ACH payments for the month of July	\$ 8,259.99
Parish Giving (on-line)	<u>\$ 4,247.00</u>
Total	\$26,946.99

The second collection for the Campaign for Human Development totaled \$1,028.00

There is NO second collection next weekend July 19/20. Your envelope for the Mission Co-op collection should be saved until the weekend of August 2 & 3. Thank you.

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

MISSION CO-OP COLLECTION

The annual Mission Co-op Appeal will take place at Mother of Divine Providence on the weekend of August 2 & 3, 2025. This year's mission appeal is for the Diocese of Ondo, situated in the southwestern part of Nigeria. Ondo Diocese is the home diocese of Father Fidelis Olokunboro, who will speak at all of the Masses on that weekend. Please note that your Mission Co-op Appeal envelope, although found for this weekend, should be used on the weekend of August 2nd & 3rd, when Father Fidelis will speak to us about his home diocese.

MANNA BAG COLLECTION

Benefiting Catholic Social Services' Martha's Choice Food Pantry

Brown Bags are available in the Vestibule of church for the Manna Bag Collection. We ask that you return them by <u>Sunday, July 27th.</u> Please leave bags in or near the blue bins at the main entrance of church. Paper bags will be available in the vestibule to take

home.

For the Manna Bags, Martha's Choice Food Pantry would greatly appreciate the following canned proteins along with other non-perishable food items:

-canned black beans

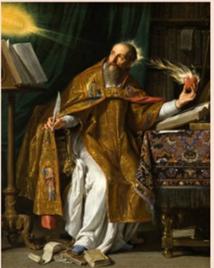
-canned garbanzo beans/chickpeas -canned/pouch tuna or salmon -canned/pouch chicken

The pantry is not able to accept expired items, dented cans, open packaging, or items without labels.

The Study of One's Soul in St. Augustine's Confessions

Many readers of St. Augustine's *Confessions* can see his attention to the inner dynamics of the soul and the mind. It is with such attention that Augustine helps us reflect on who we are and who we are supposed to be. Such reflection could lead us to peace of mind, where our soul rests in God. However, the forgetfulness of who we are and/or who we are supposed to be, together with our daily distractions, challenge our souls and peace.

To learn from St. Augustine the process of remembering who we are and the process of Christian therapy to enjoy God's peace, we shall study and analyze his *Confessions*, especially Book I, Chapter 1, and Book X, Chapters 5-10, 23.



hilippe de Champaigne - Los Angeles County Museum of Art: online database: entry 171584

Date: Thursday, July 24

Time: 7 PM

Location: MDP Parish Office Led by Father Fidelis

MOP Summer Choir Schedule

As we move into the summer season, the MDP Choir will take a short break from our week<mark>ly</mark> Thursday rehearsals. Here's what to expect:

> Summer rehearsals (both at 7:00 PM): Thursday, July 17 Thursday, August 14

Weekly rehearsals resume: Thursday, September 11 at 7:00 PM

Thinking about joining the choir?

Summer is a wonderful time to get involved! Whether you're a confident singer or simply someone who wants to "pray twice," you're warmly invited to sing with us. Regular rehearsal attendance is encouraged but not required.

Please enter through the side doors from the parking lot.

If you're interested or have any questions, contact Dave Snyder at dsnyder@mdpparish.com. You can also email to be added to our choir mailing list.

Catechists Needed. MDP is looking for some enthusiastic PREP Catechists to share the faith with the youth of MDP this school year! We are specifically looking for a 1st or 5th grade Catechist and various aides with time commitments ranging from once/month to twice/month at 6:30-7:30 PM on Wednesdays. We are also in need of an Ignite 1 Catechist, which is twice a

month on Sunday evenings at 6:30 PM. If you are interested in learning more, please contact the MDP Parish Office.

MOTHER OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE CHURCH

SAVE THE DATE SEPT 4-7, 2025

Committee Planning Meeting

Wednesday, July 30th, at 7:00PM

in the Parish offices.

All interested in helping to plan this year's carnival and new volunteers are welcome!

The Office for the New Evangelization and Mother of Divine Providence Parish present



An Introductory Training in Missionary Discipleship

Join us for a powerful and practical training in the habits and skills of missionary discipleship. This course will help you deepen your personal friendship with Jesus and acquire relational skills to encounter and accompany others into Christ's love.

9:00 AM-12:00 PM Mass available at 8:00 AM

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

Friendship with God

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 Skills for Accompanying Others to Faith

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

How to Share the Gospel

Participants attend all three sessions. Questions? Contact Meghan Cokeley, mcokeley@archphila.org or Claire Pinto, cpinto@mdpparish.com Mother of Divine Providence Parish Center 333 Allendale Road King of Prussia, PA 19406

FACILITATORS

Meghan Cokeley, Director Chris Massaro, Missionary Discipleship Facilitator Office for the New Evangelization

REGISTRATION

General admission \$25; MDP parishioners \$15, using discount code MDP2025 (all caps). Includes coffee, snacks & guidebook for all 3 sessions. Please register at:

PHILLYEVANG.ORG/EVENTS

If you know of an MDP Parishioner who is homebound, sick, in the hospital, or otherwise unable to make it to church, we would greatly appreciate if you would let the Parish Office Staff know.

Our goal is to be able to support our whole community, including those who are unable to make it to church at this time, but we need everyone's help in order to be aware of these individuals!

You can call the Parish Office at 610-265-4178 or email Claire Pinto at <u>cpinto@mdpparish.org</u> with any questions or information.





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

Ursula Degonda Marie Cinalli **Rose DiDonna** Anna Marie Mich **Debbie Elsenbeck** Helen Cook **Mary Botley Barbara** Pupek Luis Bernardo **James Walton** Lisa Hahn **Aurora Concepcion Mary Faude Christine Breese** Maryann Klady Louise Cirelli Julio Edenburg Diane Kelsh Marv Lee Tom McCuch Jim Mahar Kathleen Lloyd David Kalb

Rita Joann Ferguson George Tradosh Mary Jane McKenna Sheila Cheri **Travis Larrison** Tom Boyle, Sr. **Cvnthia Hornvak Rich Ritter** Patrick Henry Joan Brzezicki **Richard Brzezicki Chrissy Strovink** Henry Wahls Mary Lou Tucker Yinka Olokunboro Al Cornish Alice Cornish **Irene Pinto** Bernadette Wesler **Dot Morio Tony Angelucci Dorothy Anoia** Marc Marine

If you would like to add someone to the sick list please email Carol Murray at cmurray@mdpparish.com or call the office at 610-265-4178. Thank you.



Come Spend Time with Jesus

The Church is open for quiet prayer during Eucharistic Adoration



Every Tuesday -- 8:30 am - 7 pm

Legion of Mary prays rosary after 8am Mass

St. Monica's Prayer Group at 6:15pm

July 22nd - For those facing difficult decisions, that they may seek and find God's guidance.



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.



PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY

Lord, Jesus, Savior of the world and King of Peace, watch over our sons and daughters in the service of our Country especially: SSG Richard J. Ditlow, III, SWO Matt Gibson, SSgt. Peter Zielinski, Pvt. Sean Powell, Comm. Brian Connett, Capt. Tom Figgatt, David W. Bogle, 2nd Lt. Gregory Greenaway, Lt. Col. Eric Grace, 1st Lieut. Adam Bouvier, 2nd Lieut. Troy (Bouvier) Gondela, Lieut. William Gondela, Lieut. Thomas Morgan, Anthony Muro, 2nd Lieut. Aaron Oswald, Chief Petty Officer Russell Thompson, LTC. Terry Wilkin, Captain Peter Hamill, Jr., Capt. Julia T. Valenti, 1st Lt. Jak Kramer, Capt. John E. LCpl. Bobby Landmesser, SN Clay Orendorff, Greenaway, Capt. Doug Cichowicz, Capt. Amanda Cichowicz, Capt. Denise Campbell, Col. Jen Kennedy, Capt. Brendan J. McKenna, JAG USMC., Cadet Christopher Ferarrio, USAF, STSSA Jordan Lewiski, Major Carl Schreier, Capt. Bryan V. Egner, USAF, Lt. Brian Powers, USN, SSgt. Michael Petras, 2nd Lieut. James O'Brien, CMSgt. Patricia Ann Ottinger. Protect them from the physical and moral dangers of military life. Keep them close to You and help them live the Commandments. Lord, Jesus, give them courage to serve their Country with honor and dignity. Be with them when they are in danger; strengthening them when they face hardships. And Lord, grant that, when their service is finished, they may return to us sound in mind, body, soul. In particular, we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to their fellow man and Country. Amen.

You are invited to submit your loved one's name to the Parish Offices or email Carol Murray at cmurray@mdpparish.com.

SCHEDULES FOR LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Saturday, July 26, 2025

4:00 PM Mass - S. Angelucci, R. Sheetz, M. Bevenour, R. Dillon, J. Czarkowski
Sunday, July 27, 2025
8:00 AM Mass - D. Cichowicz, L. Palma, P. Michener, S. Gibbons, H. Trainor
10:30 AM Mass - K. Mindock, C. Hammond, D. Hammond, F. Krouse, P. Krouse

Lectors

<u>Saturday, July 26, 2025</u> 4:00 PM Mass - T. Nguyen, M. Houston <u>Sunday, July 27, 2025</u> 8:00 AM Mass - T. Brophy, T. Anderson 10:30 AM Mass - M. Estock, C. Errin

Servers

Monday, July 21, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - MJ Ryan Tuesday, July 22, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - M. Gleason Wednesday, July 23, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - M. Gleason Thursday, July 24, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - N. Venezia Friday, July 25, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - M. Gleason Saturday, July 26, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - MJ Ryan 4:00 PM Mass - R. Meneses, G. Familia, J. Familia Sunday, July 27, 2025 8:00 AM Mass - T. Anstock, H. Nolan 10:30 AM Mass- M. Varano, V. Varano, J. Volpe, L. Derry

Altar Society Linen Preparation

Sunday, July 27, 2025 E. Buchwald





Come join the Saint Monica's Prayer Group 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.





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See You next Sunday!

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

A Baby's Breath offers free help to those experiencing a crisis pregnancy before, during and after. We provide counseling, classes, material assistance, ultrasounds and housing for moms. We also offer a financial assistance program to our clients who are working through their crises. If you have a couple of hours each week, you could help our mission. Please consider signing up through our website. Volunteering Opportunities - A Baby's Breath



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