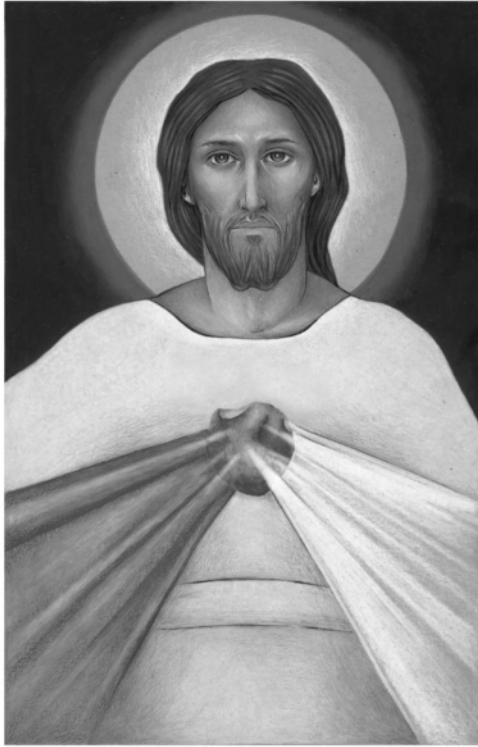


DIVINE MERCY PARISH

PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA
DECEMBER 9, 2018



SCHOOL
St. Barnabas School
64th Street and Buist Avenue
(215) 729-3603

RECTORY AND PARISH CHURCH

6667 Chester Avenue

(215) 727-8300

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ST. IRENAEUS CHURCH (Alternate Worship Site)

7200 Grovers Avenue

PASTOR

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Weekday Masses - 8:00 AM Monday, through Saturday at Chester Avenue
Sunday Masses - 4:00 PM (Saturday evening) and 8:30 A.M. (Viet) , 11:00 AM at Chester Avenue
9:00 AM at Grovers Avenue
Holyday Masses - 9:00 AM - Grovers Avenue; 7:00 PM - Chester Avenue

Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday, 3:00-3:45 PM at Chester Avenue; Sunday, 8:30 AM at Grovers Avenue.; and anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism - Baptisms are celebrated at 12:00 PM every second, third and fourth Sunday, immediately following the 11:00 AM Mass. Parents must meet with Father Quinn before the child is baptized. Please call the Rectory Office to make an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage - Please call Father Quinn at least six months before your wedding to begin preparations.

Sacrament of the Sick - Please call the Rectory at anytime for emergencies. The homebound are visited regularly by Father Quinn and the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. If you or a family member is hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the Rectory. Please call the Rectory, also, if you would like to be anointed before you are hospitalized.

Letters of Eligibility - Prior to your being a godparent at Baptism or a sponsor at Confirmation, you must receive a Letter of Eligibility from Divine Mercy Parish. You must be a registered parishioner who is at least 16 years of age, who has already received Confirmation, who comes to Mass on Sundays and Holydays, and, if married, is married in the Church. Please call the Rectory to arrange to meet with Father Quinn when you need a Letter of Eligibility.



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AWAITING THE SALVATION OF GOD

The world does not seem big enough to contain the jubilation of the first reading. In the Gospel reading, the Roman empire isn't big enough, either. The great powers of Rome are named and made to stand waiting for the arrival of God's salvation. And we find Paul meditating joyfully on what really matters.

According to Baruch, the city of Jerusalem is like a person standing on tiptoe looking for God's salvation, which is coming from the east. Those who were led away on foot, heads down, now come back, a proud people. Why, the very way is smoothed out. The path is lined with fragrant, lush trees.

It can't get any better than this, can it? Well, yes, it can. For a voice calls out in the desert. Here is the beginning of the salvation of God.

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Your Sacrificial Offering

DECEMBER 1 & 2, 2018

First Collection	\$ 2,264.00
Religious Retirement	\$ 344.00
Candles	\$ 129.00
Poor Box	\$ 42.00

Thank you for generously supporting your parish!!
Your extra sacrifices are greatly appreciated



PRAY FOR . . .

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| Sandy Collazzo | Lawrence Benson |
| Joseph Stewart | Thomas Powers |
| Thomas Ransome | Rosalinde T. Mascuilli |
| Edward Beckett | Michael Rusinko |
| Omni Kendall | Philip Bearse |
| Mary Grace Rossi | Vince and Angie Dida |
| Angelo Giudecca | Christina McClain |
| Peter John Enders, | Joan Vole, |
| John Dacca | Mary Parisi |
| Joan Felucca, | Theresa Haraburda |
| Christie Cellucci Miller | Anita Iannacone |
| Christopher Gray | Angela Gray |
| Sotonius Quinn | Zofia Richmond |
| Chibuikem Chukwa | Abran Barnes |
| Kathy Boris | Jamie Puglese |
| Robert Kasam | Gloria Shafman |
| Karen Mink | Steve Tregar |
| Lurline Witherspoon | Juanita Pinckney |
| Marcus Newsome | Brendon Tobin |
| Sheila Kendall | Elaine Spielman |
| Edward Missimo | Jim Finnegan |
| Robert Brown | Louise Covotta |
| Frank Chor | Bob Winkler |
| Michelle Parisi | Jacqueline Redmond |
| Margaret & Neil Doherty | Sheila Kendal |
| Ounir Kendal | Margaret Tocco |
| Louis Guidici | Tom Finnegan |
| Carl Schaff III | Andrea Bailey |
| Gladys Scott | Sandy Mcclees |
| Thomas Dahn | |

Mass Intentions



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Saturday	December 8th 4:00 P.M.	Phu Tran
Sunday	December 9th 9:00 A.M.	Family of Gambardello & Yorklew
	11:00 A.M.	Hackett & Bones Family
Monday	December 10th 8:00 A.M.	Bill Tobin 10th Anniv. & 80th Birthday
Tuesday	December 11th 8:00 A.M.	Mary
Wednesday	December 12th 8:00 A.M.	Daniel Feighery
Thursday	December 13th 8:00 A. M.	People of the Parish
Friday	December 14th 8:00 A.M.	Philip Davis
Saturday	December 15th 8:00 A. M.	Father Quinn Intention

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

2019 MASS BOOK

Our Mass Book for 2019 is officially open.. Masses will be reserved on a first-come, first-served basis. Masses can be requested at the rectory during normal business hours (9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.). The donation for an announced Mass is \$10.00.

SAINT RITA'S CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On Thursday, December 20th at 7:30 pm, the National Shrine of Saint Rita of Cascia will host their Annual Christmas Concert! This celebration will showcase The Collegiate Choir of Philadelphia under the direction of Mr. Michael Sheerin. All are welcome to attend! For more information, please call 215-546-8333, ext. 10.

2019 CALENDARS

We thank Marvil Funeral Home, 1110 Main Street, Darby, Pa. who is so generous to provide calendars again this year for our parish. Please take one home or to a shut-in. Calendars are in the back of church May God bless their family and business.

SHOP RITE RECEIPTS

Shop Rite Brown at Island Ave. and any Brown Shop Rite give to the parish Half of 1% of your receipt. So if you go to Shop Rite, please save your receipts and give to us. You may put them in box in front of the church (Irenaeus) or inside the church (Divine Mercy) near the Coin Container. Many thanks to Tony who spent a lot of time to add up all the receipts. **This month we got \$28.22**
Only Shop Rite Brown gives to us half of 1%. **DO NOT BRING ANY OTHER RECEIPT.**

MEN'S GROUP AT ST. RITA'S

A Men's Group has begun at Saint Rita's, that will meet each Monday evening from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. This is a great opportunity for men of all ages to receive support and assistance as they grow toward a chaste and joyful Christian life. The group is geared toward men struggling with pornography use, infidelity, and other temptations. Men of all ages are welcome. For more information, please call Fr. Jim at 215-546-

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 9, 2018

God has commanded

that every lofty mountain be made low.

— *Baruch 5:7*

The staff at Divine Mercy wish you a blessed season of Advent.

RICHES

Riches are the instrument of all vices, because they render us capable of putting even our worst desires into execution.

—St. Ambrose

OFFICE HOURS

Monday Thru Wednesday: from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
(Thursday From 9:00 am to 1:00 pm)
Office closes on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
Office phone: (215) 727-8300

HALL RENTAL

Our Hall is so beautiful. Big Parking lot, air conditioned hall, newly renovated bathrooms, clean floor and kitchen area. Rental fee is \$1600.00. This fee includes cleaning, security, chaperon men, and dumpster. Insurance from the diocese now \$94.00. An extra security deposit of \$250.00 for any violation. it will be returned to the renter in full or minus violation's fee. If anyone wants to rent it, please call the rectory. For more information, please call the rectory at (215) 727-8300 Monday thru Wednesday 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. and Thursday from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P. M..

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YET TO DO

One never notices what has been done; one can only see what remains to be done.

—Marie Curie

BULLETIN NEWS IN VIETNAMESE

* Hôm nay là chủ nhật thứ 2 mùa vọng. Chúng ta lắng nghe lời Thánh Gioan Tẩy Giả kêu mời ăn năn thống hối, đi tham dự ngày cầu nguyện và xưng tội mùa Giáng Sinh, thứ năm 13 tháng 12 lúc 7:00 giờ tối.

*Thánh John Neumann ban rất nhiều ơn lạ cho các người tới cầu khẩn. Tôi đã đưa tượng của người vào đền khẩn Đức Mẹ ở bên hông phải nhà thờ. Hãy tin tưởng và cầu xin ngài.

* Ý Cầu Nguyện: Sau mấy tháng chúng ta cầu nguyện cả tuần cho các ý khẩn ghi trong Rô Khẩn, mỗi tuần có mấy người tạ ơn Chúa. Anh chị em VN chúng ta nên ghi ý nguyện bỏ vào rổ.

Chúng ta càng tin tưởng, với lời cầu nguyện của cả giáo xứ, Chúa càng ban ơn.

* Nếu quý vị đi chợ Shoprite và có hoá đơn (receipts), xin gửi cho giáo xứ khi đi lễ. Shoprite sẽ tặng lại cho giáo xứ .05% hoá đơn. (Cứ 100.00 thì giáo xứ được \$.50 cents). Hóa đơn chỉ có giá trị 5 tháng. Vậy xin cho càng sớm càng tốt. Cám ơn quý vị ủng hộ.

LOOSE COIN FOR THE PARISH

Please save your coin and put in the container when you go to the church.

The parish appreciated your effort and sacrifice. **Coin of this time is about \$248.00** Thanks to all who participated in this program.

ONE FAMILY, ONE PEOPLE



BREAD AND WINE

Bread and Wine will be donated the week of Sunday, December 9, 2018 by Theresa Tobin and in memory of Bill Tobin 10th Anniversary.

PARISH DAY OF SANCTIFICATION (DECEMBER 13, 7:00PM - 8:00PM)

Fr. Peter Quan Trinh will be a retreat master for our parish sanctification night, Thursday December 13, 2018, 7:00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Retreat talk (bilingual), Novena (English), Adoration and Reconciliation after benediction. 3 priests for confession.

All are encouraged to attend and reconcile with the Lord.

BREAD AND WINE

In many parishes, there is a custom that someone may donate for the cost of Bread and Wine with their intention. **It was suggested to me that the donation is about \$20.00 per week. If you want to donate to parish, please call Agnes (215) 727-8300.**

ST. JOHN NEUMANN

Do you know where St. John Neumann statue in Divine Mercy main church is?

Probably most of you don't know. Since he has been put out of the way at one side corner of the church.

You know that St. John listens to our prayers especially prayer for the healing of the children. He made numerous miracles.

Do you want him to help you out?

There is a petition box in that shrine. Please write your intention and put it in box.

Come to St. J. Neumann for help.

Come to Our Lady and to Our Beloved St. Neumann for help.

Hãy chạy đến khăn Đức Mẹ và khăn thánh Neumann

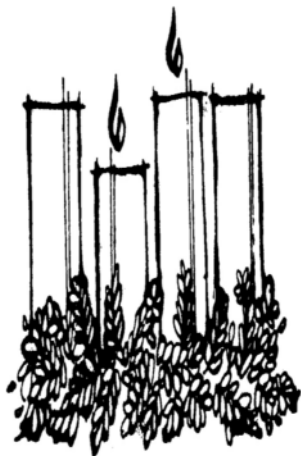
NEW LITURGICAL YEAR

The New liturgical year will begin with First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2018. Advent will last for 4 Sundays and Christmas will be on Tuesday December 25.

The Sunday readings will be in Year of CYCLE C.

Week day masses' readings will be in odd Year (2019) or year 1

**** Please pick up Advent Program to join with the parish to pray and prepare ourselves for Christmas.



UNITED IN FAITH



John the Baptist!

The Gospel of Luke tells us about St. John's infancy. It introduces him as the son of Zechariah, an old man, and his wife Elizabeth, who was barren. John the Baptist was an itinerant preacher and a major religious figure mentioned in the Canonical gospels. He is described in the Gospel of Luke as a relative of Jesus who led a movement of baptism at the Jordan River. John baptized Jesus at "Bethany beyond the Jordan. John anticipated a messianic figure who would be greater than himself, and, in the New Testament, Jesus is the one whose coming John foretold. Christians commonly refer to John as the precursor of Jesus, since John announces Jesus' coming.

St. John, using the prophecy of Isaiah, claims himself as the voice in the desert to prepare the way for the mighty one who comes after him:" A voice of one, crying out in the desert: prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low. The winding roads shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

If St. John the Baptist were among us, he would ask us to repent, to prepare ourselves for the Lord. The Church uses St. John's statement and works to encourage us to repent.

Will you try to make a Christmas Resolution to be an evangelizer within your family and for yourself to bring them and yourself back to the Lord?

Father Quinn

READINGS OF THE WEEK

If You cannot go to the church, you may read the readings of the day to pray the word of God.

Sun. December 9	Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-11; Lk. 3:1-6
Mon. December 10	Isaiah 35:1-10; Lk. 5:17-26
Tues. December 11	Isaiah 40:1-11; Mt. 18:12-14
Wed. December 12:	Revelation 11:19, 12:1-10; Lk. 1:39-47
Thur. December 13	Isaiah 41:13-20; Mt. 11:11-15
Friday December 14	Isaiah 48:17-19; Mt. 11:16-19
Sat. December 15	Sirach 48:1-11; Mt. 17:9-13

DECISION FOR EACH WEEK

Each member of the parish prays to the Lord **once a day**:
Lord Jesus, reconcile us to the Father.

INTENTION IN PRAYER BASKET

I thank the many people who pray for the intentions of our parishioners on Sundays and weekdays.

Each week we have some people who thank God for their prayers which are answered. Please check the thanksgiving basket to see if it is true.

Do not hesitate to put your intentions in the basket.

You could feel the power of God in this ministry.

COVER SHEET

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