

GiveCentral Electronic Giving

Please Register to Donate Weekly to Divine Mercy Parish Via Give Central

On account of the recent pandemic we continue to struggle through the havoc created in our society. This has also affected our finances. Obviously, many people are suffering for a loss or lack of work. Please know that our parish understands. Give what you can. However, if the Lord has been good to you—please make every effort to keep up on your weekly donations to the parish. FYI, I make it my custom to give my weekly donations—once a month in one lump sum, it's easier that way for me. It also makes things easier for me to keep track of and I am also helping the church to maintain itself. Please continue your generosity to Divine Mercy Parish. Following is information as to how you may register with GiveCentral:

1. Visit: <https://www.givecentral.org> and click “Find Your Charity”

Enter **DIVINE MERCY** in the search box, click on the image for our Parish and you will be taken to the home giving page.

2. Select Your Donation You will note various “Ways to Support Divine Mercy” – Annual Catholic Appeal, Sunday Offering, Holy Days of Obligation, etc. Click on the fund you wish to donate to and complete the requested information. You may set up a one-time donation or a recurring donation (e.g., Sunday Offering). For a recurring donation, you will be asked for the following information:

Amount This is the amount you wish to give each week, month, year, etc.

First Payment Date You can schedule your donations to begin on any date in the future or have them begin immediately. If you do not choose a future date, the "default" is the current date and your first donation will be processed the same day. Recurring gifts will occur based on the “First Payment Date” entered. For Sunday Offering, *you can set your offering to process every Sunday by entering the next available Sunday into the “First Payment Date” box.*

Frequency Do you want to make your donations weekly, bi-weekly, monthly, quarterly, or annually? You have the option to set the frequency of your donations.

End Date Type You can elect to make an “ongoing” gift that will not expire until you revisit Give Central and make a change to end your donation or you may make a “custom” one time gift. You have the option to set a specific date on which you wish to stop making your donation. Some people prefer to "set it and forget it," while others like to review their giving on a yearly basis. Your giving pattern is entirely up to you and can be modified at any time.

Now that you have made your selections, click "Add to My Gift Basket." Your Gift Basket will store your donations like an online shopping cart until you are ready to "Checkout." If you wish to make additional donations, you can do so all at once rather than completing the process multiple times. When you are ready, click "My Gift Basket" in the upper-right corner of your screen. This will show you a summary of the gifts you have selected. Take a moment to review that the details are correct, and click "Continue."

3. Confirm Your Donation This is where you will complete your GiveCentral profile and register. On the “My Gift Basket” page, verify that your information is correct and then click “Continue”. On the next page, click the "Complete Profile" button on the right side of the screen, under "Sign Up." Then complete the online profile form. *Please note that your address should match the billing address on your credit card or bank statement to make sure your gifts are processed correctly.* Click "Register and Confirm Gift" to complete your profile.

4. You Are Registered Take a moment to review your profile and confirm that all details were entered correctly. Check out all the features of GiveCentral like printing a record of your donations for tax purposes. Be sure to *remember the username and password you have selected so that you may log in to adjust your giving at any time.*

Help is always available via the “Support” tab in the menu bar, or you can do a quick search of our “FAQ” by clicking the blue “Help” button in the lower right corner of your screen. Thank you for giving!

A Message from Fr. Tom

Our readings of today are rich in meaning. There are many elements of symbolic meaning for us—the wind, the water, the mountain, the boat to say nothing of the role of Peter and the disciples. And in case we missed it, we have the ever present reality of confronting our own fears in following the example and call of Jesus.

The Christian is invited to do the same things that Jesus does. Jesus asks us to trust in him and have faith and so be assured of God's presence when we do so. We are not only subjects of God's authority, love and mercy, but also called to be collaborators in His Kingdom. Doing this requires faith and trust. Our gatherings each Mass are opportunities to receive God's grace to follow him with greater faith and trust.

The Spiritual Works of Mercy

Many Christians ask themselves what they should do in response to the demanding call to trust in Jesus and follow him. There is indeed much we can do with the help of God's grace. Our Catholic Tradition gives us the Spiritual Works of Mercy as a guide. These are the traditional seven forms of Christian charity in favor of the soul or spirit of one's neighbor, in contrast with the corporal works of mercy that minister to people's bodily needs."

The seven Spiritual Works of Mercy are:

- Converting the sinner
- Instructing the ignorant
- Counseling the doubtful
- Comforting the sorrowful
- Bearing wrongs patiently
- Forgiving injuries
- Praying for the living and the dead.

The needs of the body are important but those of the soul are even more important. Why? Because the experience of life teaches us that sin is the gravest slavery. This time of pandemic and social distancing presents us an opportunity to reflect upon the people around us and how we might tend to their spiritual needs. We understand from this Sunday's Gospel that faith and trust—spiritual virtues—are essential to follow Jesus.

Let us take the opportunity to live our faith and trust by taking the trouble to reflect upon how we might bring to light these seven works in our own lives.

On Wednesday, August 5th, 2020

12 noon to 7:00pm

In St. Francis of Paola Auditorium We gathered in Support for our Local Precincts 94th & 90th of the NYPD

We are deeply grateful to the many businesses that supported our gesture of support for our local cops. In particular we thank the members of the Our Lady of the Snow Society and the following businesses:

- Anthony's Panini
- Carmine's Pizzeria
- Da Francesco Restaurant
- Emily's Pork Store
- Fortunato Brothers Pasticceria
- Frost Italian Restaurant
- La Locanda Restaurant

Attention Trustees, Members of the Financial and Pastoral Councils

We will have another meeting via Zoom Monday, August 10th at 7:30pm. You will be contacted by email with the direction to participate.

Thank you. Fr. Tom V.

Trustee, Finance & Pastoral Council Meeting Via Zoom

of Monday, July 27th 7:00pm

COVID Response in Our Churches

- Please wear a mask at all times when you are in Church.
- During the celebration of Holy Mass, ushers will invite those in the back pews to come up for Holy Communion first, with those in the front pews invited up last.
- The Priests will remind parishioners to lower their masks only for the reception of Holy Communion.
- The Priests are mindful of the safety precautions that must be observed prior to the distribution of Holy Communion. The Eucharist may be received in the hand or on the tongue.
- All three churches may be open for limited hours, or remain closed throughout the week to ensure the health and safety of parishioners and staff. The decision to keep the churches closed will be made on an ongoing basis. Please stay tuned.

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Support of Our Local Precincts, Meal offered in Saint Francis Auditorium on August 5th

- Following the 10:30 A.M. Mass on the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Snows, (August 5th), we will offer our gratitude to our local law enforcement officers of the 90th and 94th precincts by providing them with a meal and our thanks.
- Saint Francis Auditorium will be open from 12-7 P.M. to provide this meal to our local police officers.
- Rosaries and Saint Michael medals will be available for all law enforcement
- If you would like to help with logistics, greet our police officers, or help serve food, please contact MaryAnn in the rectory at 718-387-0256.
- If you are unable to volunteer that day, please offer your prayers for the safety of our police officers and for peace in our city and our nation.

QRCA Closure

- The closure of Queen of the Rosary Catholic Academy is a deep loss to our parish community.
- Father Tom has met with our academy families and the principal in the aftermath of this decision from the Diocese.
- There are no plans to lease or sell the QRCA building on Catherine Street.
- Furthermore, **none** of our parish buildings have been sold. Several buildings in our parish have been leased in order to cover the parish's operating expenses. These leases have enabled us to restore the beauty of our churches and ensure the financial security of our parish. **None** of the seventeen buildings in Divine Mercy Parish have been sold.

Catholic Homeschooling Association A Catholic Homeschooling Association is forming in Divine Mercy Parish to facilitate the education of children within our parish and beyond. Please stay tuned for more details.

Thinking of becoming a Catholic?

If you or someone you know is thinking of this, then the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the right step for you to take. Call the parish office for more information 718-387-0256.

**Mass Intentions for the Week
St. Francis of Paola Church**

Saturday, August 8, 2020

5:00pm Rose & Michael Torro by Grandchildren

Sunday, August 9, 2020

8:00am For the People of Divine Mercy Parish

11:30am Sarah Porcelli by Anthony Porcelli & the Porcelli Family

Monday, August 10 2020

7:45am Maryann Napolitano by Friend

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

7:45am Anna Scibilia by Marie Perrotto

Wednesday, August 12, 2020

7:45am Danny J. Ihne by Diana Ihne Altadonna

Thursday, August 13, 2020

7:45am Cono Babino by Concetta Manzolillo

Friday, August 14, 2020

7:45am Rose Pellegrino by Rose DeMarino & Family

Saturday, August 15, 2020

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:45am Carol Ann Fagan by Diana Ihne Altadonna

5:00pm Ralph Pastena by Medici Family

Sunday, August 16, 2020

8:00am Genaro "Jerry" Meliso by Sciangula Family

11:30am Vincenza & Francesco Federico by Angela & Ralph Federico

St. Francis of Paola Church

Memorial Gifts – August 9, 2020

BREAD & WINE

Eleanor O'Hare by Annette Marino

ALTAR CANDLES

Gennaro Adamo by Carlotta

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BLESSED MOTHER CANDLES

Marie Martello by Annette & John D'Arienzo

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AUGUST 9, 2020

Mass Intentions for the Week St. Nicholas Church

Sunday, August 9, 2020

10:30am Marisa Munoz
Jose Benitez
Aracelis Santa María de Gutiérrez by
Castro Family

Wednesday, August 12, 2020

7:00pm QRCA Class of 2020 by Alumni
Committee

Friday, August 14, 2020

7:00 pm Vigil Mass: Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary

Sunday, August 16, 2020

10:30am Marisa Munoz
All the Souls in Purgatory

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Delores Mulcahey, Anna Scibilia, Valarie Bruno, Msgr.
Francis Manzo, Carmen Valderrama, Ciro Savino,
Louise Buono, Aracelis Santa Maria de Gutierrez

Please pray for the sick

Pamela Stemberg, Dominick D'Amato, Alicia Bojarska

Why do Catholics Honor Mary the Mother of Jesus?

Enter any Catholic Church and you will typically see on the left side of the altar an image of the Blessed Virgin Mary. She is at Jesus' right hand as Jesus faces us. Catholics honor and venerate Mary for her unique place in salvation history. She is the woman who unties the knot of Original Sin in the Garden of Eden. Mary is the first Tabernacle and the first Disciple. She is the first to say to God's invitation "Be it done to me according to thy Word." And so, it is right for Catholics to uphold Mary as the paragon of discipleship. She is the one who hears God's word, believes and acts upon it.

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Vigil Mass: Friday, August 14, 2020
7:00 pm Mass at St. Nicholas Church
Solemnity of the Assumption Sat. August 15, 2020
7:45 am Mass at St. Francis of Paola
8:30 am Mass at St. Cecilia

Mass Intentions for the Week St. Cecilia Church

Sunday, August 9, 2020

9:30am Margaret Rossi
Angie & Barney Cavallo
Lucy & Pete La Veglia
Gelski Family
President Donald Trump: Living
Intention
Mary Jane Del Vicario: Living Intention
Happy Birthday
7:00pm Anna Scibilia

Monday, August 10, 2020

8:30am Anna Scibilia

Tuesday, August 11, 2020

8:30am Carmen Valderrama

Wednesday, August 12, 2020

8:30am Margaret Rossi

Thursday, August 13, 2020

8:30am Rev. James Krische: Living Intention

Friday, August 14, 2020

8:30am Anna Scibilia

Saturday, August 15, 2020

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:30am In Honor of St. Anthony

Sunday, August 16, 2020

9:30am For the People of Divine Mercy Parish
7:00pm Open Intention

St. Cecilia Church

Memorial Gifts - August 9, 2020

Bread & Wine

Margaret Rossi

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

2020 Parish Goal:	\$42,432.00
Donors to Date:	48
Pledged:	\$17,736.00
Received:	\$9,194.00

If you have not made a commitment to this appeal, I ask you to please do so. You will find a dedicated information table in each of our Churches with commitment forms and progress reports.

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Lay Baptismal Ministry

We are looking for couples to begin a Lay Baptismal Ministry here in Divine Mercy. The couples will be trained to facilitate Pre Baptismal preparation and post baptismal encounters for families who are seeking the sacrament of baptism or have recently baptized in our parish Community. Please contact our parish office to register. The Pastor, Priests and Baptismal Ministry will work together as partners in this important endeavor.

Receive Our Parish Bulletin Electronically

Would you like to receive our parish bulletin electronically days before everyone else? Then log on to "Parishesonline.com" to register. In a few simple steps you can receive our parish bulletin and more easily stay on top of parish events and other important parish information.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things and I desire to receive you in my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you.

Never permit me to be separated from you.
