



CHURCH OF THE DIVINE CHILD

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ADVENT

Peace

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths.

Luke 3:4



**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 5, 2021**

*The
Infant*

PASTOR

Rev. Robert J. McCabe

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. David Pellican

Rev. John Dudek

PERMANENT DEACON

Rev. Mr. Robert Calleja

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday: 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM

Saturday: Vigil Mass: 4:30 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,

11:00 AM and 12:30 PM

Holy Day: 6:30, 8:30 AM and 7:00 PM

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

And after the 4:30pm Mass

Tuesday: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday

9:00am to 5:00pm

Closed for lunch 12pm - 1pm

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*The Church is the work of God
initiated by Christ and held
together by the Holy Spirit.*

*Divine Child is a Catholic Parish
entrusted with the responsibility of
bringing people to the Lord and
answering the call to holiness.*

Mass Intentions



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2021 - Second Sunday of Advent
 8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish
 7:00pm Night Prayer
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2021 - St. Nicholas
 6:30am Mary Van Houten, by DC Parish Council
 8:30am Henry & Chesterine Drabicki, by The Drabicki Family
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2021
 6:30am John Ninkovich, by The McCarthy Family
 8:30am John & Maria Zmudzki, by Daughter
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2021 - Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 6:30am People of the DC Parish
 8:30am Holy Day Mass
 7:00pm Holy Day Mass
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2021
 6:30am Helen Piwowar, by Dennis & Mary Urban
 8:30am Edward Kerr, by Mike & Michelle Fisher and Family
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2021
 6:30am Eddie Jaminski, by DC Rectory Staff
 8:30am Edward Tracz, by Family
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2021
 8:30am Helen Piwowar, by Dennis & Mary Urban
 1:00pm Wedding - Patrick Seuryneck & Pilar Furlong
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021 - Third Sunday of Advent
 8:00am People of the Divine Child Parish

MASSES TO THE MISSIONS

Dec 07: (Spec. Int.) Fr. Tom Urban, by Parishioners for Priests
 Dec 08: (Spec. Int.) Msgr. Todd Lajiness, by Parishioners for Priests

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS

- **LIVESTREAM MASS - SUNDAYS AT 8:00AM:** A recording of the 4:30pm Mass will be posted on our website every Sunday at 8:00am. Go to DivineChild.org and click on *Live Masses*.
- **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Tuesday Exposition in the Church from 11am to 7pm. **JESUS IS WAITING FOR YOU!**
- **OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:** Tuesdays at 7:00pm in the Church. Let us join together in prayer, asking the Blessed Virgin Mary for her intercessional aid.
- **ADORATION CHAPEL:** Please visit our Lord anytime! It is open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- **ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Every first Saturday of the month following the 4:30pm Mass.
- **PARISHIONERS FOR PRIESTS HOLY HOUR:** Every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Adoration Chapel.
- **WEEKLY HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:** Fridays at 3pm in the Church. Contact Tim at 313-363-7124 or email at tabailey@mac.com.
- **INTERCESSORY PRAYER TEAM:** First and third Friday of every month at 9:30am, in the Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Perhaps, God is calling you to join this beautiful ministry of intercession. Please prayerfully consider joining us to pray for the intentions of the parish and the needs of others.
- **OUR LADY OF FATIMA TRAVELING STATUE:** Our Lady of Fatima Pilgrim Statue has been in the parish since the 1970s. If you would like to request a visit from the Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady of Fatima, please contact Laurie Lundblad at 313-320-3127 or Llundbl@aol.com.
- **SPANISH PRAYER GROUP:** Wednesdays we meet at 7pm through Skype. If you would like to join or are interested, please contact Maria Teresa Garcia at 313-229-1058.



Please Pray For Our Sick

Meghan Salter
 Aidan Morrow
 Chuck Reinhardt

Rest in Peace

Walt Matysiak
 Mother of Kevin Kennedy



*“Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.”
 (Matthew 5:5)*

Monthly Canned Food Collection

Please remember that this weekend, December 4 & 5 is set aside for our monthly canned food collection for the truly poor in Detroit’s inner city and St. Vincent de Paul at St. Sebastian. Please leave your donations in the Gathering Space.
God bless you for your generosity!



Baptisms - November 28, 2021

Samuel James Farrugia
 Son of Andrew & Sarah (Detweiler) Farrugia



Altar Server Schedule

Saturday, December 11
 4:30pm R. Vicary, E. Vicary
Sunday, December 12
 8:00am C. Dougherty, L. Dougherty
 9:30am L. Hansen, N. Hansen
 11:00am L. Moore, C. Moore
 12:30pm W. Meehan, B. Corak



Reader Schedule

Saturday, December 11
 4:30pm J. Szpytman
Sunday, December 12
 8:00am C. Cruz
 9:30am E. Stratton
 11:00am M. Stawarz
 12:30pm M. Van Houten



Coordinator Schedule

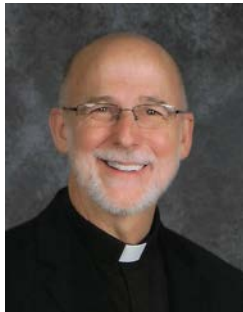
Saturday, December 11
 4:30pm C. Salmonson, S. Dluzynski, E. Ziaja, M. O'Brien
Sunday, December 12
 8:00am J. Garrity, J. Eddy, J. Pierce, T. Ciarelli
 9:30am G. Vitale, S. Doyle, E. Bridgnanan, S. Wygonik
 11:00am M. Redmon, D. Rich, B. Sadler, F. Gatto
 12:30pm S. Lentz, C. Hancock, A. Senerpida, M. Senerpida

Eucharistic Ministers

Saturday, December 11
 4:30pm M. Hughes, W. Grysko
Sunday, December 12
 8:00am Y. Kertesz, J. Pierce
 9:30am C. Basala, D. Dean
 11:00am S. Camardo, A. Martin
 12:30pm 2 EMHC's needed



The Big Picture with Fr. Bob



Dear Friends,

Next weekend, we have our collection to aid the Retired Religious. I am reminded of the first nun to make an impression on me. Let's go back. Let's go way back to 1957 and 1958 when I was four/five years old.

My mom brought my younger brother Terry and I to daily Mass at St. Frances Cabrini in Allen Park. These were the days when the entire school, grades 1-12 attended daily Mass. We would sit in the second to last pew. The principal of the grade school, Sr. Richard, would always sit right behind me.

How many hundreds of times over a year or two did I look up at her and she would smile down at me. Those were tender moments I will never forget. What a beautiful introduction to the special vocation of religious women.

I must admit the following year I thought I was going to have it "made in the shade" when I entered first grade. After all, I had an "in" with the principal. Or so I thought.

It was with a sense of foreboding that I learned that Sr. Richard had been transferred and we were to have a new principal. The new principal was a fine person, but it wasn't the same.

Well, as years passed, I would reminisce to my mom about those happy memories and wonder if I would ever bump into Sr. Richard. Especially when I entered the seminary and later became a priest, I thought it would be fun to update Sr. Richard on my faith journey.

Well, about 13 years after my ordination, I was in a funeral home and as I was walking into a room, I nearly bumped into a nun. With a good deal of enthusiasm she said, "Oh, you're a priest, where are you from?" I mentioned that I grew up in Allen Park and she replied, "I was the first principal of the grade school at Cabrini." Stunned, I asked, "And what is your name?" She replied, "Sr. Richard." I said, "Sister, come over here and sit down, we need to have a long talk!"

Well, that conversation was a joy, and the over 60-year-old memories still bring joy to my heart. May we express our gratitude to all the vowed religious men and women for what they have done for us and all of God's people. Thank you for generously supporting our Retirement Fund for Religious.

God's Peace and Joy,
Fr. Bob



Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
A Holy Day of Obligation

Masses on
Wednesday, December 8
6:30am, 8:30am & 7:00pm

Please join us this Advent for our weekly Night Prayer. Every Sunday at 7:00pm in the Church!



2022 Calendars and Christmas Wafers (Oplatki) will be available this weekend for a small donation.

Christmas Flower Fund Collection will also be this weekend! God bless you for your generosity!

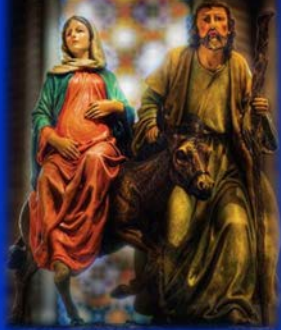
Las Posada Advent Celebration

**Sunday, December 12, 2021
at 5:30 PM
Church of the Divine Child**



Please join the Knights of Columbus for a **family event** as we gather together, as a community of faith, to follow the Journey of Mary and Joseph to the Inn. All families are welcome to take part in the journey that begins in the church.

JOURNEY TO THE INN:
AN ADVENT CELEBRATION



A piñata and refreshments will be served



Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give generously to the upcoming collection.



Visit retiredreligious.org/2021photos to meet the religious pictured.
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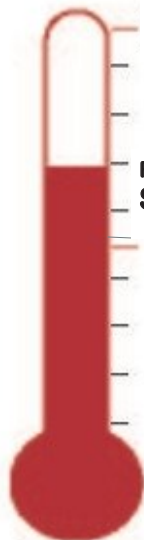
Give in gratitude. A donor to the Retirement Fund for Religious writes, "I still remember the lessons the sisters gave us and how they instilled in us the love of our faith." Show your thanks for the prayerful service of elderly Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift to next week's collection helps provide care, medicine and more. Please be generous and make your checks out to the parish, *Divine Child.*

FUEL THE MISSION



OUR GOAL
\$233,857

FUNDS RAISED
\$172,215



WAYS TO GIVE | CSA

1. Give online at www.givecsa.org
Select *Divine Child Parish* as your home
2. Mail payment with your CSA donor card to:
Archdiocese of Detroit
PO Box 6047
Albert Lea, MN 56007-6647
Make checks payable to: Archdiocese of Detroit - CSA
3. Drop off your donation to the rectory.
Parishioners are asked to indicate "Divine Child Parish" as your home parish on your check's memo line. If you received a CSA donor card in the mail, please use it to accompany your donation.

Advent & Christmas Schedule 2021



HS Band & Choral Concert
Sunday, December 5
at 2:00 PM

ES Band & Choral Concert
Tuesday, December 7
at 7:00 PM



Saturday, December 11
8:30 AM Mass for Our Lady of Guadalupe, followed by a celebration.

Sunday, December 12
Las Posadas Advent Celebration
5:30 PM in the Church



Night Prayer - 7:00 PM

Sundays: December 5, 12, 19

Private Confessions Schedule

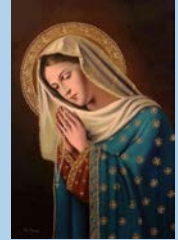
Saturdays: December 4, 11, & 18
2:30 - 4:00 PM and 5:30 PM until all are heard
(No Confessions on Christmas Day)

Tuesdays: December 7, 14 & 21
6:00 PM to 6:55 PM



Christmas Flower Fund Collection 2022 Calendars and Oplatki

will be available for a small donation after all the Masses on December 4 & 5



Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday, December 8
Holy Day of Obligation

Masses:
6:30 & 8:30 AM,
and 7:00 PM



Christmas Eve Friday, December 24

**4:00 PM (+Livestream), 7:00 PM,
9:30 PM and Midnight Mass**

Christmas Day Saturday, December 25

9:00 AM and 12:00 PM

No 4:30 PM Vigil Mass on Saturday, December 25

Sunday, December 26

**8:00 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM
and 12:30 PM**



Advent Grocery Gift Card Collection

November 27 - December 12

Christmas Gifts for the Needy

Saturday & Sunday
December 11 & 12

Divine Child Church
Invites you to join us to celebrate the Feast Day
of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Saturday, December 11, 2021

8:30 am
Holy Mass
(Bilingual)

8:30am
Santa misa
(Bilingüe)

We will have a
small reception
in the gathering
space after Mass

Tendremos una
pequeña recepción
en el espacio de
reuniones después
de la misa.

**Acompáñanos a celebrar la fiesta
de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe**
Sábado, Diciembre 11, 2021

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Our Lady of Guadalupe Bilingual Mass

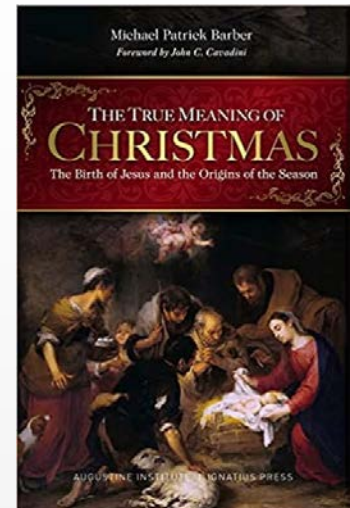
Divine Child Church and the Hispanic prayer group invite you to join us for the celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe and to know a little more about this beautiful tradition celebrated since many years ago, when she with her tender words "Do not let your heart be sad... Am I not here, who am your Mother?" tried to comfort a grieving Juan Diego, and she did it! And not only him! Our Lady's words console us too, pilgrims in this world. They remind us that we have nothing to fear, because Our Mother always protects us. Therefore, we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe, Empress of America and Patroness of the unborn. Mary of Guadalupe is an irrefutable sign of how much God loves His children.

La iglesia de Divine Child y el grupo de oración hispano te invita a acompañarnos para la celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe y a conocer un poco más sobre esta hermosa tradición celebrada desde hace muchos años, cuando ella con sus tiernas palabras "No se entristezca tu corazón... ¿Acaso no estoy yo aquí, que soy tu Madre?". intentó consolar a un afligido Juan Diego, ¡Y vaya que lo hizo! ¡Y no solo a él! Las palabras de la Virgen nos consuelan también a nosotros, peregrinos en este mundo. Ellas nos recuerdan que nada hay que temer, porque Nuestra Madre siempre nos protege. Por eso, celebramos a la Virgen de Guadalupe, Emperatriz de América y Patrona de los no nacidos. María de Guadalupe es señal irrefutable de cuánto Dios ama a sus hijos.



The Divine Child Book Group presents...

What does the Bible really say about the birth of Jesus? How did the celebration of Christmas become associated with things like Santa Claus and decorated trees? What is the mysterious Christmas star? How did December 25th become the date of Christmas?



In *The True Meaning of Christmas: The Birth of Jesus and the Origins of the Season*, biblical scholar Michael Patrick Barber offers an inspiring look at the Bible's accounts of Jesus' birth and the development of the Christmas season.

As Dr. Barber will show, to find our way "home" at Christmas, we need to first return to Christmas' home in the story of the Bible. Only by carefully reflecting on the stories of Jesus' birth can we hope to celebrate Christmas in the way it is meant to be celebrated and discover the real joy it promises!

Available in the church
gathering space for only
\$2 while supplies last!



DECEMBER



Please join us for our next
ROSARY RALLY
Saturday, Dec. 11 at 12:00pm
Divine Child Marian Shrine
 (outside in front of the high school)

Please join us as we all come together, while keeping socially distant, and pray the Rosary in public to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother.
 Rain or shine!

Upcoming Rosary dates: Jan. 8 and Feb. 12

If you have questions, please contact Virginia May at 734-748-4442 or Linda Wielkopolan at 313-563-2427.

Celebrating the Sacraments



Congratulations Mario Thomas Mastroianni who celebrated the Sacrament of Baptism on **November 21** at Divine Child Catholic Church. Parents are **Michael & Ashley (Loftus) Mastroianni** with siblings **Liliana, Angelena and Marco.**
God bless you, Mario!

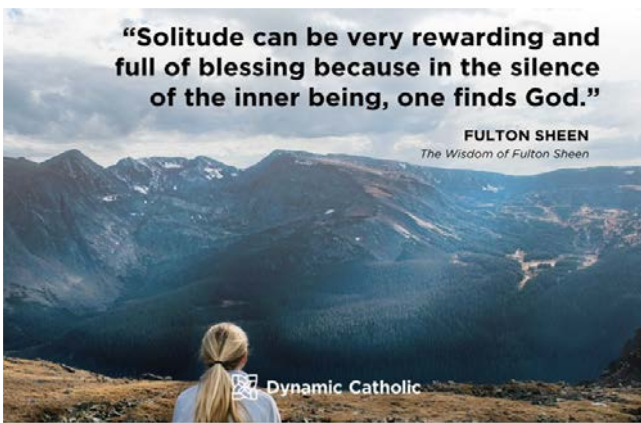


*To our homebound brothers and sisters, please know that even though you're not in our pews right now, you remain in our thoughts and prayers!
 Please pray for us, too!*

Your Divine Child parish family

"Solitude can be very rewarding and full of blessing because in the silence of the inner being, one finds God."

FULTON SHEEN
The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen



Expecting a baby?

Start planning now for the most significant event of your child's life – receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. You will be forever enriched by your child, yet free time and sleep are two things you go without (for a while anyways). Therefore, we encourage you to **complete the required Baptism preparation class during your pregnancy.** This class is an on-demand program from online FORMED platform.



To get a Baptism information packet and sign up for preparation class or select a Baptism date, call the Rectory Office or Jodi Ann, the parish Baptism coordinator, at 313-277-3110, ext. 222.

"It is better to be a child of God, than king of the whole world." St. Aloysius Gonzaga

"Let your door stand open to receive him, unlock your soul to him, offer him a welcome in your mind, and then you will see the riches of simplicity, the treasures of peace, the joy of grace. Throw wide the gate of your heart, stand before the sun of the everlasting light that shines on every man... It is the soul that has its door, its gates. Christ comes to this door and knocks; he knocks at these gates. Open to him; he wants to enter, to find his bride waiting and watching."

(St. Ambrose of Milan, Bishop and Doctor of the Church, from An Exposition of Psalm 118)



**CHRISTMAS PRESENT DRIVE
DECEMBER 11 & 12
FOR THOSE IN NEED**

- This is one of our parish’s longest standing service traditions! During the weekend of December 11-12, please bring a gift for a child (newborn-18), and drop it off in the Gathering Space. The gift should be New and Unwrapped.
- If you like, you may also provide a roll of Christmas wrapping paper, ribbon, etc.
- The gifts will be distributed to several parishes located in Detroit, which will provide the gifts to needy parents, so that their children may have the joy of opening a present on Christmas morning. When you give to this collection, you are really sharing the joy of Jesus’ birth twice – first, by giving a gift to an in-need parent (think of St. Joseph and St. Mary, in the stable), and second, to the child!

Thank you in advance for your generosity to Detroit’s truly poor.



**CHRISTMAS FOOD
FOR THOSE IN NEED**

Divine Child will continue its long-standing Advent tradition of providing the gift of a Christmas Food Basket to the needy in our own community.

For the safety of everyone, we will not be requesting food donations. Instead, we are asking that you take an envelope from our *Giving Tree* in the Gathering Space next weekend, and return the envelope with a donation no later than Sunday, December 12. We will be purchasing Kroger gift cards with the funds we collect and distributing them to needy families.

The envelopes may be placed in the offertory basket in the Gathering Space after Mass, or dropped off at the Rectory Office. Please make your checks payable to Divine Child.

If you know of a family or individual who could benefit from receiving the gift of a Christmas Food Basket (gift card), please contact Mary at (313) 408-2452, by Sunday, December 12.



Thank you in advance for your generosity and for sharing Christ’s love with our neighbors this Christmas.

The DCHS Music Department
Invites you to our annual
Christmas Concert
Sunday December 5, 2021
2:00 pm in the DCHS Auditorium
Featuring:
The DCHS Jazz Band
The DCHS Choirs
The DCHS Symphonic Band



**Honey Baked Ham Company Fundraiser
for the DCHS Class of 2022!**

This year, the seniors are selling Honey Baked Ham Gift Certificates. They are delivered right to the buyer either electronically or by mail. The sale will run through December 13.

To order your gift certificates, visit this website at:
https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/2022_senior_lock-in_honeybaked_ham_gc

Thank you for your continued support!!

Everything is a gift, but not necessarily gift wrapped.



A BIG THANK-YOU to the following parishioners who graciously assisted Matt Simpson last weekend, by removing the old missals and inserting the new ones in the church. God bless you all!!

Tim & Kathy Bailey
Rosemary & John Cassisa
Ruth Nimbuco
Carol LaPalm
Mary Tomilo
Susan Tesorero

Photo by Roberta Kulpa

Daily Advent Reflections
with Dr. Tim Gray

Grow closer to our Lord in the manger this Advent season with Dr. Gray as he leads you through the Mass readings every day during **Advent** and **Christmas**.



Sign up for free at DAILY.FORMED.ORG

What Is the True Meaning of Christmas?
with Dr. Michael Patrick Barber

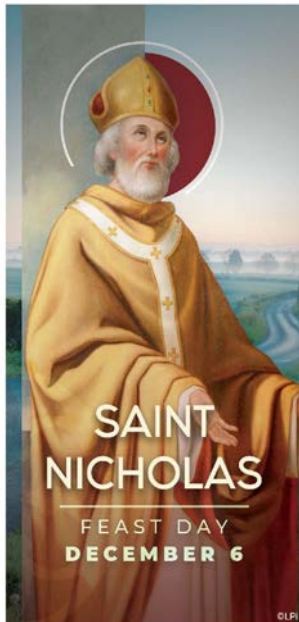


Do you love Christmas traditions but don't know where they come from? Tune in for Dr. Michael Patrick Barber's Advent reflections called "The True Meaning of Christmas" and learn the meaning behind your favorite Christmas pastimes. To go deeper, be sure to get his accompanying book, *The True Meaning of Christmas*, available on CatholicMarket.

Featured on FORMED every day of Advent



An offering from the  AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE and  gracitas press



SAINT OF THE WEEK

St. Nicholas of Bari (March 15, 270 - Dec. 6, 343), the bishop of Myra in the fourth century, is the saint that Santa Claus is modeled after. Known for his kindness and generosity to the poor, the story has it that St. Nicholas once tossed bags of gold through the open window of a poor man's house to help his daughters avoid a life of prostitution.

According to legend, the gold landed in stockings dangling on the corners of the beds, which is why many of us celebrate St. Nicholas Day by hanging stockings and filling them with candy, fruit, and small toys.

Not much else is known about this beloved saint, but regardless, his reputation as a generous man continues today.



Teen STAR

A Human Sexuality Course for Teens!

Teen STAR is a Catholic formation program on human sexuality for teens. By learning about their changing bodies, teens are guided to integrate this knowledge while considering all aspects of who they are, made in God's image (social, emotional, intellectual, physical, and spiritual) with the goal of living a virtuous life. This course will be 10 to 12 weeks long and meet once a week for an hour starting in January. The girls will be in a class with Lauren Vitale, BSN, RN and the boys will be with Giovanni Vitale, MA, LLP. Teen STAR is approved by the Archdiocese of Detroit.

Teen STAR has opened the door for me to talk with my daughter about topics that we would probably not have discussed otherwise. It has empowered her with knowledge about her body and, best of all, she is now firmly committed to be chaste and to waiting until she is married to have sex. I wish that I would have had a program like this when I was in 8th grade!

Mother of 8th Grade Young Woman

I was surprised by how much fun Teen STAR actually is. It's not awkward or scary asking questions or talking. You learn things that will carry you through your whole life.

Teen, Age 13

All teens in high school are welcome to sign up. Space will be limited. Join us for a parent meeting on December 9th at 7pm in the Divine Child All-Purpose Room.

To sign up or request more information, email Giovanni and Lauren Vitale at info@mmnfp.com



EARLY BULLETIN DEADLINES

Monday, December 13 - Christmas bulletin articles are due.

Tuesday, December 21 - January 2 bulletin articles due.

Questions? Please email marilyn@divinechild.org.

6th Annual DC Hall of Fame. Celebrating the lifetime achievements of **Mike Opiela '72, Patty Poirier, Wes Wishart & Guido Madaleno†**







HONORING OUR DECEASED FOLEY KNIGHTS MEMORIAL MASS

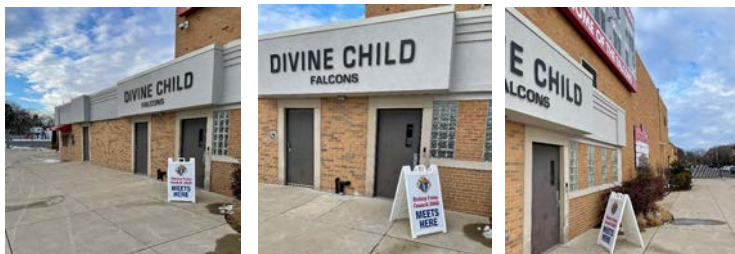
About 20 Foley Knights and family members gathered for a Memorial Mass on Saturday, November 13th to honor our deceased Knights. We prayed for all the Foley Knights of Columbus who passed into eternal life over the past year, especially for **Reverend Michael N. Cooney, Clarence M. O’Leary, Gregory Schimizzi, Andrew S. Konkoly, and James E. Pease, our Council’s Former District Deputy.** We were blessed to have **Fr. David** as the celebrant and **Fr. Bob** as a concelebrant. A special thanks goes out to **John Pierce** for serving as an altar server. The fellowship continued with breakfast at Leon’s Restaurant. We are always thankful to be together and build our fraternity.



Become a 3rd Degree Knight of Columbus
Wednesday, December 8th, 2021

5:30 PM – NEW Exemplification Begins
 Please arrive no later than 5:15 PM

Where: Divine Child Elementary School Activities Room
 25001 Herbert Weier Drive, Dearborn, MI 48128
 Enter the Building through the Stadium Door at the
 “Bishop Foley KofC Meets Here” Sign



Attire: Business Casual
You Must Preregister to attend this event
Please Contact Foley Grand Knight for more information:
Steve Lentz at GK2660@mikofc.org or call/text/leave message at 313-949-5162



St. Vincent de Paul

Make "Tree of Lights" Bright!

The St. Vincent de Paul's "Tree of Lights" initiative needs you! This tradition is brimming with the love you show for your loved one. Whether it's in "honor of" or "in memory of," it is a heart-warming gesture.

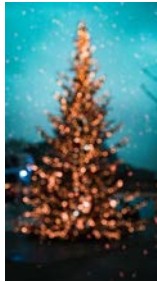
We have worked tirelessly to creatively craft a "Pinecone Angel," which we *gift you* for your donation of \$10 or more. Your name will later appear in our Tree of Lights Sponsor List at the close of the initiative.

"Tree of Lights" provides the perfect opportunity to have an even more significant impact on the lives of the children and families who reside within our church's geographic perimeters. Annually, "Tree of Lights" has brightened lives who desperately need saving. Each light, shining bright, represents a spirit of our close-knit community as well as optimism and hope and faith for making a difference in those who happen to find their circumstances bordering on the precipice of marginality.

You, as donors, give Vincentians the strength to address and mitigate a life...a life worth saving.

"Tree of Lights" will grow brighter and brighter as donations roll in. Equally important is the basic tenet of taking time to reflect, acknowledge, and honor a loved one of whom you hold dear to your heart. Please join us in our annual tradition and make bright the needy who receives our "CARE."

May God bless you, thereby receiving the ultimate gift full of awe and wonder...His birth.



~Mindy Delano

**St. Vincent de Paul
Divine Child & Sacred Heart**



2021 Tree of Lights Advent Project
**Sponsored by Sacred Heart-Divine Child
St. Vincent de Paul**

*100% of all monies directly help our
"needy neighbors."*

Please pray for the poor.

The Tree of Lights project is an opportunity for parishioners from both parishes to honor special people in your life, living or deceased. For a \$10 donation per name, lights shine on a parish evergreen throughout the holidays, beginning the 4th Sunday of Advent through the Feast of Baptism of the Lord. The Tree of Lights evergreen is located near the outdoor gathering space behind Sacred Heart Church (Military side). If requested, we will provide you with an ornament as a remembrance, or to present in honor of your \$10 donation.

All persons honored will also be listed in both churches' bulletins (Sacred Heart's Guardian and Divine Child's Infant) toward the end of the holiday season.

Enclose the bottom of this flyer, along with cash or your check written to SVdP Sacred Heart/Divine Child into an envelope marked "**Tree of Lights.**" For convenience, place envelope into collection basket during Mass, or you may deliver your envelope in person to the parish office, or mail to: *Sacred Heart Parish Office, Tree of Lights, 912 S. Military, Dearborn, MI 48124*

() *In Honor* () *In Memory of*

() *Send me an acknowledgment & ornament (Pinecone Angel or Holy Family) Please underline choice*

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Fiber Arts Ministry

All fiber art enthusiasts are welcome to join us on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of the month.

**Next Session: Thursday, December 16
7:00 PM in the High School APR**

Members will be able to work on their own projects, create items for charity or seek assistance from other crafters. If you have an interest in learning a new craft, this is the place! Bring a project you are working on - Knitting, crocheting, embroidery, weaving, quilting, etc. No fiber will be turned away! Bring a friend, too! Good conversation and laughter are guaranteed.

For questions, please contact Anne Parisot at agp13261@gmail.com or 313-274-4237, or Barbara Lucas at blucas531@aol.com or 313-277-1935.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Dec. 5 - Dec. 11, 2021



12/05 Sunday

2nd Sunday of Advent

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection

Flower Fund Collection

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Advent Gift Card Collection



2:00 PM HS Christmas Concert - HS Auditorium

7:00 PM Night Prayer - Church

12/06 Monday

St. Nicholas

6:15 PM Religious Ed. Classes - ES Classrooms

7:00 PM Worship Commission Meeting - St. Teresa

12/07 Tuesday

St. Ambrose

11:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration - Church

7:00 PM Novena - Church

7:00 PM ES Band & Choral Concert - HS Auditorium

12/08 Wednesday

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Day of Obligation

6:30 AM Holy Day Mass

8:30 AM Holy Day Mass

6:30 PM **Parishioners for Priests Holy Hour** - Chapel

6:00 PM KofC Meeting - ES Activities Room

7:00 PM Holy Day Mass



12/09 Thursday

St. Juan Diego

6:00 PM Falcon Athletic Club Meeting - St. Teresa Room

6:30 PM RCIA Church Tour - Church

7:00 PM Teen Star Program Info Night - HS APR

12/10 Friday

Our Lady of Loreto

3:00 PM Holy Hour - Adoration Chapel



12/11 Saturday

Christmas Gift Collection

Advent Gift Card Collection

8:30 AM Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass & Reception

2:30 PM Confessions - Church

5:30 PM Confessions - Church

WIDOWED FRIENDS

Tuesday, December 14

Late Morning Movie with lunch following. Phoenix Laurel Park, 17310 N. Laurel Park, Livonia. Call Elaine 734-717-0303

Wednesday, December 15

5:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Dinner/Support/Games at Corsi's Italian Restaurant 27910 W. Seven Mile Road in Livonia. \$18 Includes buffet, beverage, dessert, tax and tip. Donations to our homeless veterans can include shampoo, toothpaste and brushes, deodorant and slightly-used, clean clothing. Call Cookie 248-346-7126, Laura 313-274-2950 or Chet 734-459-4316 by Dec. 12

COMMUNITY NEWS

RIGHT-TO-LIFE CHRISTMAS CARDS

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Please let us know if you have a loved one who is serving in the military and we will acknowledge them in our weekly column. Please share the good news with us when one of the above soldiers returns home!

Please pray for this young man who is discerning God’s call to the religious life.

Joseph Lennon, a DC Parishioner & 2017 St. Frances Cabrini HS graduate, is in formation for the priesthood at Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit.



PRAY FOR THOSE IN NEED:

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~ Blessing of St. Francis

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In order to keep this list current, names will be kept on the list for one month only. Please call 313-277-3110 to keep a loved one on the list. Thank you.

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LIFESPAN Christmas Cards are for sale now. Christmas Card sales are a key annual fundraiser that help to fund chapter outreach activities. Thank you kindly to those who sponsored sales as well as to those who purchased cards. If your church does not participate, Christmas Cards are directly available to you at our office. Please call 734-422-6230 or email wcd@rtl-lifespan.org to place an order. Small cards are \$7 for a pack of 10 and Large cards are \$15 for a box of 20. Our office is located at 32540 Schoolcraft Rd., Suite 210 Livonia, MI 48150.



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Catholic TV - 7:00pm and 11:30pm Saturday
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Readings For This Week:

Sun: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6
Mon: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26
Tue: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14
Wed: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Thur: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab; Mt 11:11-15
Fri: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Mt 11:16-19
Sat: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sun: Zep 3:14-18a; Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6; Phil 4:4-7; Lk 3:10-18

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Please contact the Rectory Office with updates to your street address, phone or email.

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Bulletin articles are due by noon on Friday, or nine days before you want them to appear in the bulletin.

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Baptisms

Arrangements must be made in advance and parents must attend a **Baptism class** prior to the Baptism. The Church requires that at least one of the parents and one of the godparents/sponsors be practicing Catholics; that is, they attend Mass each weekend.

Marriages

One person of the couple must be an active, registered parishioner of Divine Child for at least 6 months. (Exceptions are made for DC alumni.) The Church requires a minimum of 6 months for marriage preparation. Potential wedding date is not confirmed until couple meets with a Divine Child priest. The celebrant will be a Divine Child priest unless the couple has someone close to them who is a Catholic priest. Music for the liturgy must be coordinated with our Director of Music Ministry, Mr. Matthew Simpson.

Funerals

Arrangements are made in conjunction with the funeral home. Eulogies must be given at the funeral home or at the funeral luncheon; no eulogies at the funeral Mass, please. Memorial Masses are scheduled Monday-Friday only.

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