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**PALM
Sunday**

April 13, 2025 | Palm Sunday

PASTOR

Rev. Robert J. McCabe

ASSOCIATE PASTORS

Rev. Jeremy Schupbach

Rev. John Shi

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, 10:00 AM
and 12:30 PM*

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

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Saturday: 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM

And after the 4:30 PM Mass

Tuesday: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

*First Friday of the Month:
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM*

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

*Closed for lunch between
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM*

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.*

*The
Infant*



Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025 - Palm Sunday

8:00am Ken Gauci, by Marie Pierson
10:00am People of the Divine Child Parish
12:30pm Patrick Bruen, by Vicky & Neil Lezotte
7:00pm Night Prayer

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025

6:30am Debbie Habermas, by Family
8:30am Daily Communicants, by DC Parishioner

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2025

6:30am Richard & Audrey Adamian, by The Lindback Family
8:30am (Spec. Int.) Alyssa Ferracciolo, by DC Women of Worth Ministry

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025

6:30am Robert Babcock, by Denise Malsack
8:30am Mary Muscat, by Tom Muscat

HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2025

7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
8:30pm - 11:45pm Eucharistic Adoration
11:45pm Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 2025

12:00pm Stations of the Cross
12:45pm The Seven Last Words of Christ
1:30pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion
3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025

1:00pm Blessing of Easter Baskets
1:30pm Easter Egg Hunt

8:30pm Easter Vigil Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025 - The Resurrection of the Lord

MASSSES TO THE MISSIONS

Apr 13: (Spec. Int.) Chris DeWitt, by Mindy
Apr 14: (Spec. Int.) Bilak Family, by The Schultz Family
Apr 15: (Spec. Int.) Fr. Jim Bilot, by Parishioners for Priests
Apr 16: (Spec. Int.) Msgr. Todd Lajiness, by Parishioners for Priests



DEVOTIONS AT DIVINE CHILD

- **MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND - SUNDAYS AT 8:00AM:** For homebound parishioners unable to attend Mass physically because of illness or other reasons, we invite you to watch our recorded Sunday Mass each week. The 4:30pm Mass will be posted on our website every Sunday at 8:00am. Go to ChurchoftheDivineChild.org and click on *Live Masses*.
- **ROSARY:** The Rosary is recited at 7:45am, Monday - Friday and Saturdays after the 8:30am Mass.
- **ANOIDING OF THE SICK:** Every first Saturday of the month following the 4:30pm Mass.
- **FIRST FRIDAY CONFESSIONS:** 7:00am - 8:00am
- **FIRST FRIDAY PRAYER SERVICE FOR HEALING:** 7:00pm in the Church
- **FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** 7:30am Rosary with Special devotions to The Blessed Virgin Mary.
- **EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Tuesday Exposition in the Church from 11am to 7pm. **JESUS IS WAITING FOR YOU!**
- **MOTHER 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.
- **WEEKLY HOLY HOUR OF REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:** Fridays at 3pm in the Church.
- **PARISHIONERS FOR PRIESTS HOLY HOUR:** Every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Adoration Chapel.
- **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:** On Mondays, we meet at 7pm through Skype. If you would like to join or are interested, please contact Maria Teresa Garcia at 313-229-1058.

Register to Give Online through our eGiving program: Faith Direct

Faith Direct is our parish's online giving platform used for making online contributions to the weekly offertory easy! By electing to use Faith Direct, you can give to any collection, schedule recurring eGifts, or make a one-time donation. Scan the QR Code below or visit bit.ly/DivineChild-FaithDirect.

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Please consider a gift to Divine Child in your estate planning, to ensure the preservation of our parish and schools for future generations!

Make a bequest to Divine Child and leave a legacy!
Charitable Bequests in Wills/Trusts • Gifts of Life Insurance •
Gifts of Retirement Account Assets
• Gifts of Marketable Securities • Gifts of Retained Income
• Gifts of Cash

For more information, contact Colleen Johnson at the Advancement Office at 313-216-0893 or cjohnson@divinechild.org.

"Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in Heaven." -Matthew 5:16



Please Pray for Our Sick

Arnie Wilson
Patricia Rodriguez
Owen Gibbons

Rest in Peace

Bill Moylan, husband of Andrea Ketten



**Don't forget to bring your
Rice Bowls
to Church this weekend!**



The Gist with Fr. Jeremy



The Good Thief

Today, on Palm Sunday, and on Good Friday we hear the Passion narrative proclaimed in church. Besides making us stand a little longer than normal for the Gospel, these readings also lead us to recall and spiritually relive the most tragic occurrence of all time: the murder of God. The words of the Gospel narratives that recall this horrific episode make a deep impression upon the listener. Speaking about the Passion narratives, G.K. Chesterton wrote, “The grinding power of the plain words of the Gospel story is like the power of millstones; and those who can read them simply enough will feel as if rocks had been rolled upon them... As the High Priest asked what further need he had of witnesses, we might well ask what further need we have of words.”

Part of what makes these accounts so memorable is the inclusion of a large cast of secondary characters who have powerful interactions with Christ. Who can forget about the High Priest’s slave whose ear was cut off, but was healed by Christ? Who can forget the part about Peter’s betrayal? Who can forget the detail about Simon of Cyrene being forced to carry the cross against his will?

These vivid moments lead us to ask the question, “What would it be like to be that person?” What would it be like to be Barabbas, chosen to go free instead of Jesus? What was it like to be the centurion who stabbed Jesus’ side with a spear? (That centurion actually became a saint, and is my confirmation saint – St. Longinus!) In this way, the secondary characters are kind of like gateways by which we can step into the story ourselves and allow it to become more real for us.

One secondary character is only mentioned in the Passion Narrative of the Gospel of Luke, which we read this weekend, and that is the Good Thief. I would like to share two reflections that emerge from considering the perspective of the Good Thief.

1. The Good Thief must have been acutely aware that the timing of Jesus’ death worked out very providentially for him. Because Jesus was crucified in that spot at that time, He happened to be there at the same time as the Good Thief, and if He had not been there, the Good Thief would probably have died unrepentant, and he certainly would not have heard the words, “This day you will be with Me in paradise.” Jesus certainly died to save the whole world, but the Good Thief could hardly help feeling that there was a special way in which Jesus chose that time and that place *so that He could save him singularly*. Thus, the Good Thief represents the powerful truth that Jesus did not die to save a faceless mass of humanity. He died to save individuals, and that His death had the same degree of intentionality for you that it had for this thief.
2. The conversation between Jesus and the Good Thief occurs after a long string of mockery. First the Scribes and Pharisees mock Jesus as He hangs on the cross, then passers-by, then the Roman soldiers. The ultimate insult comes when even the other crucified criminal starts mocking Jesus. It is precisely at this moment that the Good Thief steps in, and by his words – but even more importantly, by his repentance – he offers comfort and succor to Jesus. The Good Thief made himself a friend of Jesus at exactly

the moment when Jesus was probably most mocked, scorned, and alone in His whole life. We too have the option of making ourselves friends of Jesus in His time of intense trial, and we do that by our reverent participation in the Sacred Triduum. By attending the Mass of the Lord’s Supper on Holy Thursday, by praying at the Altar of Repose on Holy Thursday night, by attending the Liturgy of the Lord’s Passion on Good Friday, by keeping a fast and a prayerful spirit during these sacred times running from Thursday night until Easter, and lastly by attending the Easter Vigil. All of these constitute a decision to walk alongside Jesus during His death and Resurrection. At every step of the way, we make ourselves His friends and bring Him consolation as He undertakes the labor of giving up His life to save our souls.



NO MORNING MASSES ON:

Holy Thursday, April 17

Good Friday, April 18

Holy Saturday, April 19

**NO Confessions and NO 4:30pm
Mass on Saturday, April 19**

**See page 5 for the
Holy Week schedule.**

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Holy Thursday - 9AM-Noon

Good Friday - Closed

Monday, April 21 - Closed



GOOD FRIDAY: A DAY OF FASTING & ABSTINENCE:

- ◆ Every person **14 years of age or older** must abstain from meat (and items made with meat) on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and every Friday during Lent.
- ◆ Every person between the **ages of 18 and 59** (beginning of 60th year) must **fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. When **fasting**, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal, according to Canon law & the U.S. Bishops.



WEEK AT A GLANCE April 13 - 19, 2025

**4/13 Sunday
Palm Sunday**

**K of C Tootsie Roll Drive
Rice Bowl Collection**



11:00 AM GIFT Program - ES Cafeteria

7:00 PM Lent Night Prayer - Church

4/14 Monday

6:00 PM Religious Ed Classes - ES Classrooms

4/15 Tuesday

11:15 AM Eucharistic Adoration - Church

6:00 PM Confessions - Church

7:00 PM Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions - Church

7:30 PM Exodus 90 Meeting - Gathering Space



4/16 Wednesday

6:30 PM Parishioners for Priests Holy Hour - Chapel

4/17 HOLY THURSDAY

Rectory Office Closes at 12pm

No morning Masses

7:00 PM Mass of the Lord's Supper

8:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

11:45 PM Night Prayer



4/18 GOOD FRIDAY

Day of Fast & Abstinence

Rectory Office Closed

No morning Masses

12:00PM Stations of the Cross

12:45 PM The Seven Last Words of Christ

1:30 PM Celebration of the Lord's Passion

3:00 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet



4/19 HOLY SATURDAY

No morning Masses, Confessions or 4:30pm Mass

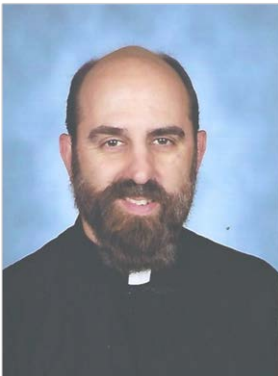
1:00 PM Blessing of Easter Food Baskets - Outside

1:30 PM G.I.F.T. Easter Egg Hunt

8:30 PM EASTER VIGIL - CHURCH



Birthday Blessings!



Happy Birthday, Deacon Bob!

As you celebrate another year
on this beautiful earth, may
God bless you abundantly with
peace and joy!

You are a blessing to our
parish and to our community.

Happy Birthday!

*By Your holy cross,
You have redeemed
the world.*



Bring your family to the Good Friday
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion
April 18th
12:00pm - 3:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY

LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



FAITH IN ACTION

FAMILY

GIFT
Growing In Faith Together

**Lent with Little Ones
Walking Through Holy Week**

Young families with children ages 2yrs through 1st grade
are invited to join us for Divine Child's Young Families Ministry



- Enjoy:
- Getting to know other families with young children.
 - Asking & answering questions about the faith.
 - Seeing Jesus through the eyes of little ones.

Sharing Your
Faith With
Your Child is
a GIFT!

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Following the 10:00am Mass
Divine Child Elementary School Cafeteria



Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
RSVP to Dawn Dwyer at 313-562-8667.

Holy Week Schedule



Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion April 13

Masses: Saturday 4:30 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:30 PM
Night Prayer at 7:00 PM

Monday, April 14

Masses at 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM

Tuesday, April 15

Masses at 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM
Eucharistic Adoration 11AM - 7PM
Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions at 7:00 PM

Wednesday, April 16

Masses at 6:30 AM and 8:30 AM

Holy Thursday, April 17

NO morning Masses
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM
Seven Churches Pilgrimage - 8:00 PM
Eucharist Adoration 8:30 PM - 11:45 PM
Night Prayer 11:45 PM

Good Friday, April 18 **(Day of Fasting/Abstinence)**

NO morning Masses
Stations of the Cross 12:00 PM
The Seven Last Words of Christ 12:45 PM
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 1:30 PM
Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:00 PM - 3:15 PM

Holy Saturday, April 19

NO 8:30AM or 4:30 PM Masses or Confessions
Blessing of Food Baskets 1:00 PM Outside in front of the church
Easter Egg Hunt 1:30 PM
Easter Vigil - 8:30 PM



EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20

The Resurrection of the Lord

Masses at 8:00 AM (*No Incense*),
10:00 AM, and 12:30 PM

Monday, April 21:

6:30 AM and 8:30 AM Masses

**Holy Week Triduum Services will be in Church and livestreamed.
Please visit www.divinechild.org for details.**

2025



DC Flashback - Church Dedication

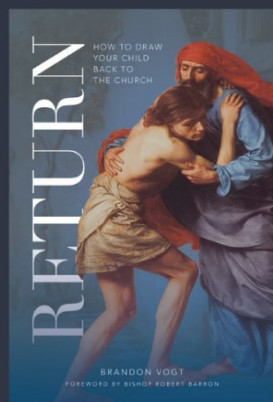
Dedication ceremonies were held at 10am on Saturday, June 22, 1963. The ceremony began with Archbishop John Francis Dearden blessing the exterior of the building, followed by a procession of 1,700 people entering the church, 300 of whom had to remain outside the building. The Altars were all consecrated the day before the dedication.

Assisting Archbishop Dearden were Msgr. Herbert F. Weier, Msgr. Carroll F. Deady, pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Plymouth, Associate Pastor Fr. Kucyk, and former Associate Pastors Fr. Maurice Decker and Fr. Charles Cushing.

Our church from our altar to the exit doors (not counting the gathering space) is a 107ft. long. In the front of the church, from side to side is 110ft. wide and in the rear, it is a 150ft. The capacity of the church is fifteen hundred and there are only twenty five rows of pews. This, of course, makes everybody as close as possible to the altar. The foundation took three months to build and is comprised of five tunnels that used to control the temperature of the building. The Marble on the walls were purchased from the vacant Kerns Department Store in Detroit and also from Italy via the Wolverine Marble Company.



Stations of the Cross came from Rome. They are unique, carved wooden Stations of the Cross. A friend of Msgr. Weier gave him \$5,000 to purchase them. A convert friend of Msgr. Weier, gave him \$6,000 to purchase the Pulpit, and the Marble Altar Railing was also donated to Msgr. Weier which also cost \$6,000. The Sacred Heart of Jesus and St. Anne wood statues, for the side altars, arrived in September of 1963 and were installed shortly after.



CHURCH OF THE
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RETURN

HOW TO DRAW YOUR
CHILD BACK TO THE
CHURCH

THURSDAYS
MAY 1ST - JUNE 5TH, 2025
EVENING SESSIONS FROM 7:00-8:30PM

This 6 week book study is intended for:
Moms, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles or any
family members of beloved fallen away Catholics.

The passive wait-and-see approach is no longer an option.
We need a different strategy. We need to understand the
real reasons why our young people drift away, and we need
a game plan to bring them home. We need Return.



"If your son or daughter has
left the faith, I encourage you not
to give up hope and to learn from the
advice in this book. *Return* will serve
as an essential resource for the Church's
evangelization efforts and a true game-changer
for desperate parents everywhere."

— Bishop Robert Barron, from the foreword

FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER
CALL OR SCAN THIS QR CODE.

MIKE CHAMBERLAND
313.277.3220 X-4224



SCAN ME



The Archdiocese of Detroit Disabilities Ministry Leadership Council is
partnering with the Church of the Divine Child and
the Knights of Columbus Bishop Foley Council to sponsor a

Mass for People with Disabilities

Sunday, May 4, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
Church of the Divine Child

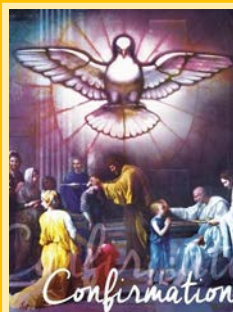
Additional Information:

- Additional handicapped parking available at the church with "helpers" to assist; Divine Child Church is handicapped accessible
- Members of the special needs community will serve as various Mass ministers
- Coffee & donuts reception will be provided after Mass
- Bishop Monforton from the AOD will concelebrate the Mass with Father Bob

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www.churchofthedivinechild.org



AOD Disabilities Ministry Leadership Council
www.allbelongaod.org



It's not too late for you to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation

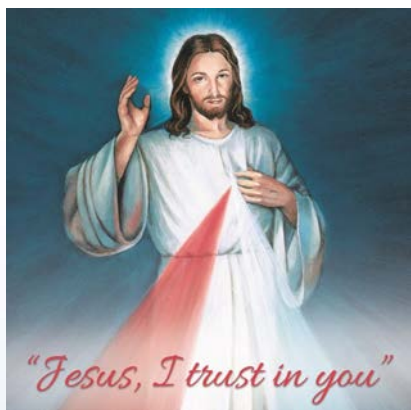
Adult Confirmation preparation is for
Catholic adults and teens who are
baptized, and have received the
Sacrament of First Eucharist, but for
various reasons were not able to
celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation
as a youth.

These Adult Confirmation sessions focus
on a refamiliarization of all of the Catholic sacraments with
special emphasis on the Sacrament of Confirmation, as well as
topics such as the Church and living a life of faith, hope and love
with the special strength of the Holy Spirit!

When? Five weekly sessions on Wednesdays, May 7 thru June
4, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM at Divine Child High School. There is no
cost.

Completing these preparation sessions will prepare you to
receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday,
June 8, 11:00 AM at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed
Sacrament in Detroit.

**For more information or to register, contact Jodi Ann
Micallef, OCIA Coordinator at 1-313-277-3110, ext. 4222
or jamicallef@divinechild.org.**



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA AND CHAPLET BEGINS ON GOOD FRIDAY!

Please join us in praying the Divine Mercy Novena & Chaplet beginning on Good Friday, April 18 at 3:00 PM.

Jesus promises great graces through this image and these prayers below, said on Rosary beads.

- **Opening Prayer:** *O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You! (Say 3 times).*
- **Pray on Rosary beads.** *Our Father, Hail Mary, The Creed.*
- **On the Our Father beads, pray:** *Eternal Father, I offer You the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your dearly beloved Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.*
- **On the Hail Mary beads, pray:** *For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*
- **In conclusion, pray three times:** *Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world.*

This weekend, please stop by the Divine Mercy table in the Gathering Space. Information is available along with images, gifts & books for purchase/donation.

"Being poor in spirit and pure in heart may not win you a lot of money, but it will give you something even more precious, peace of heart. -Takashi Nagai, writing to his children. From the book *A Song for Nagasaki*



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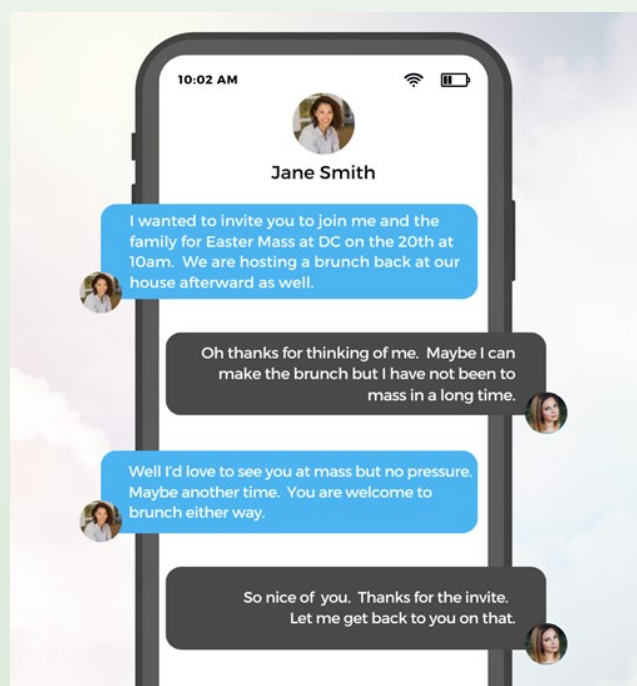


EASTER EDITION

Many of us truly desire a stronger, more vibrant faith. To achieve this, we often consider how to "double down" on prayer or Mass attendance. But have you ever considered that a strong faith isn't so much about your own willpower but more about how you allow God to work in you? Giving God permission to heal you and operate through you is the classic response from the spiritual masters.

But what does that look like? How can we allow God to operate through us? We love. And one of the most loving things we can do is to share God (the best thing in the universe) with others. How do I do that without being annoying, or Bible-thumping, or pompous? You simply invite. St. Pope Paul VI had this wonderful quote, "The faith becomes real when shared." In order to have real faith, authentic faith, biblical faith it must be shared with others. Unfortunately sharing the faith (evangelization) has not always been modeled in the best ways to us.

What if you choose to strengthen your faith this Easter by simply inviting someone to attend Mass with you? Ask God to place someone on your heart. Someone you already know and love but who is maybe struggling to practice the faith or struggling in other ways. Consider inviting them to join you. The image below is what that could look like.



**Only 2 more slots are available!
Sign up before they are all taken!**



Prayers for Dcn. Pat Bruen St. John Vianney Traveling Statue

Please join us in praying for Dcn. Pat Bruen as he prepares for his priestly ordination in June 2025. Families are invited to take home a statue of St. John Vianney for one week and commit to daily prayers for Dcn. Pat's peace and joy during this time.

Instructions to sign up for the traveling statue to pray for Deacon Pat:

1. Sign up with the QR code above or online at: bit.ly/Dcn-Pat
2. Pick up the box, containing the statue, from the priest sacristy the weekend you signed up for. Prayers will be included in the box.
3. Return the statue the following Saturday, **BEFORE 4:30PM** Mass, for the next family/parishioner to pick up.
4. Please submit a photo with you and/or your family with the statue, so we can post in the bulletin.
5. Questions? Please contact the Parish Office at 313-277-3110.



GIFT: Growing in Faith Together

Easter Egg Hunt

Holy Saturday, April 19, 2025
Meet at Divine Child
Elementary School Cafeteria by 1:30pm

Families with children ages 2 years to 1st grade are invited!

In order for us to have adequate supplies, please *RSVP* to Dawn Dwyer with number of children, at 313-562-8667.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian

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Did You Know?

Msgr. Weier wanted the name of our new church to be the Divine Infant of Prague, the Infant Jesus Parish, but Edward Cardinal Mooney, former Archbishop of Detroit, said no. He told Msgr. Weier, "You're an athlete. You're a ball player. You'll have ball teams." The other teams are going say, 'We are going to play the Infant Jesus' team and that isn't going to sound right.' Because of the danger of irreverence of the Holy Name of Jesus, he told Msgr. Weier to pick out another name. And so he picked out the name Divine Child. The Cardinal okayed that.

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YEARS on MISSION

Sunday, June 29, 2025 | Anniversary Mass – 12:30pm
Parish Picnic – 2pm-5pm

JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR PARISH'S 75TH ANNIVERSARY!

All parishioners (past and present), former associates, and friends of the Church of the Divine Child are warmly invited to join us on Sunday, June 29 as we celebrate 75 years of mission and ministry. Enjoy a special Mass followed by a parish picnic filled with food, fun, and fellowship. See you there!

RSVP

bit.ly/DC-75

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sacred Heart/Divine Child Conference

As we approach the end of the season of Lent, many of us are reflecting on how the disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving have impacted our lives. Perhaps we've experienced true growth or maybe we feel we've fallen short in our initial plans. Regardless of how we judge our Lenten promises, now is not the time to let down. Now is the time to recommit ourselves even more to growing as disciples of Jesus.

In one of his weekly updates in March, John Berry, national president of SVdP USA, wrote about recent changes in government funding that will directly impact so many of the neighbors that SVdP serves. Mr. Berry points to the recent U.S. Department of Agriculture's decision to eliminate \$1.5 billion in food purchase programs for schools and food banks. The elimination of these programs is creating a massive gap that nonprofit organizations like SVdP cannot possibly fill.

Many of those in leadership of these nonprofits are organizing to ask for a hearing from the USDA to share their perspectives and experiences in keeping our neighbors fed. As Vincentians know only too well, food insecurity can easily lead to homelessness. The working poor who struggle to feed their families may find themselves unable to pay next month's rent.

Our SVdP conference anticipates the number of those needing help will continue to grow in the near future. To respond to the increasing need of our neighbors, we are asking for your prayers and financial support. If your Lenten practices have deepened your understanding of our neighbors in need as our brothers and sisters in Christ, we are grateful for your donations. What extras are you willing to sacrifice so that we can help those less fortunate put food on the table?

As we prepare to celebrate our faith in the Resurrection of our Lord, may we recognize His Face in the faces of all those who need our help. May we be a source of hope for a better tomorrow.

Peace and Every Good to you and your loved ones in the remaining days of Lent and in the Easter season!



ROSARY RALLY Saturday, May 10 at 12:00pm

Divine Child Marian Shrine
(outside in front of the high school)
Upcoming Dates: June 14, August 9,
September 13, October 11, November 8
and December 13

We all come together and pray the Rosary in public to honor Mary, our Blessed Mother. Rain or shine!

If you have questions, please contact Virginia May at 1-734-748-4442 or Linda Wielkopolan at 1-313-563-2427.



**WELCOME HOME,
CPT. CHRISTIAN
MINNICK!!**

Christian is back home safe and sound. Thank you for your service to our country.
God bless you!



April is Child Abuse Prevention Month



**Increase awareness,
communicate concerns,
report abuse, and save lives**

It is up to us as caring adults and parents, all of us, to identify risks, and to guide and protect the most vulnerable. Together, we can do this!

www.virtus.org

Easter Triduum



Catholic Treasures

Faith stories shared by Divine Child Parishioners

"For where your treasure is there also will your heart be." ~Mt 6:21

Friends, these articles will highlight our many Catholic Treasures in our parish. We will do this through sharing accounts of our personal faith experiences. Father Bob encourages us to share our "elevator stories," or "God-incidence stories." This will be done anonymously to highlight the Catholic treasure, such as the True Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

If you would like to submit your Catholic Treasure Story, please email it to catholictreasuresDC@divinechild.org. We will not post your name, only your story.



Under DC Auction



Photos courtesy of Mary Jo Lindback and Carl Salmonson



Good Friday, April 18th, 2025

The Foley Knights encourage all Divine Child Parish Families to attend the Good Friday Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion

Take time with your family to participate in Holy Week, especially Good Friday services. During this day of fasting and abstinence, no Masses are celebrated. Instead, we remember Christ's greatest sacrifice when He took our sins upon Himself. Bring your family to church or watch the live broadcast from home. Now more than ever, we need to pray with our families and be reminded of the suffering Jesus endured through His Passion, Death, and Resurrection, thereby, opening the gates of Heaven for each of us.

Stations of the Cross - 12:00 PM
The Seven Last Words of Christ - 12:45 PM
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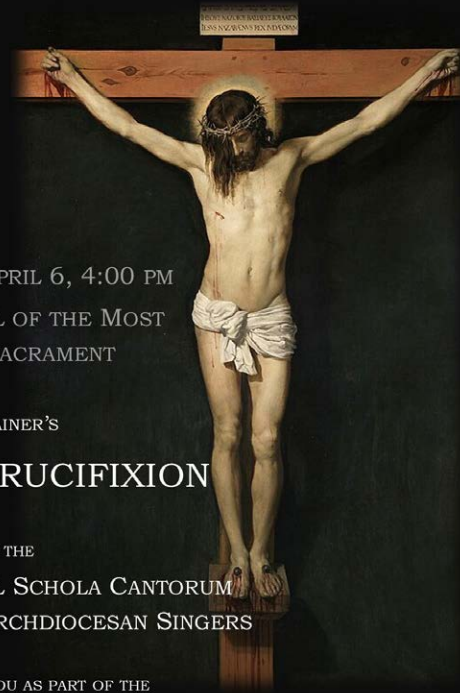


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Detroit Catholic Campus Ministry's Mission Night

Detroit Catholic Campus Ministry serves the students at Wayne State University, University of Michigan-Dearborn and the surrounding campuses. DCCM invites you to their third annual Mission Night on May 8 at the Colony Club!

This year's theme is the Universal Call to Holiness. Join them for dinner, drinks, and an invitation to invest deeply in future saints of the Church. To register, learn about sponsorships, or donate online, visit detroitcatholiccampusministry.org/mn.



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**Saturday, May 17, 2025
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**Location: Riverside Park
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Thirteenth Annual Święconka (Polish Easter meal) and Divine Mercy Devotions

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Please pray for these men who are discerning God's call to the priesthood.

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

Deacon Patrick Bruen, a DC Parishioner studying at Pope Saint John XXIII National Seminary in Boston, Massachusetts.



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.

Right to Life – LIFESPAN**Last Call for Celebration of Life Dinner**

This is the last call to attend or support LIFESPAN's **2025 Celebration of Life Dinner & Silent Auction** as it approaches on **Tuesday, May 6** at San Marino Club in Troy. Our exciting and prominent speaker is **Rachel Campos-Duffy**. Rachel appeared on MTV's *The Real World* and currently co-hosts *Fox & Friends Weekend*. She is married to current U.S. Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy and mother of 9 children. Rachel's youngest has Down syndrome and she is an outspoken pro-life advocate. Attendance is **FREE** but limited to 800 guests, so **call 248-816-1546 to reserve your seat today!** Cannot attend, but want to support the cause? Call this week to put a patron or business ad in the **2025 LIFESPAN Resource Book** or to donate an auction item.

**Preparing for Your Child's Baptism**

Start planning now for the most significant event of your child's life – receiving the Sacrament of Baptism. Before a child's Baptism date is scheduled, both parents are required to attend an in-person orientation session on the Baptism preparation process. Sessions are held once a month. To register for the orientation, please call the parish office at 313-277-3110, ext. 4222.

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

Readings for the week of April 13, 2025

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 (2a)/Phil 2:6-11/Lk 22:14—23:56 or 23:1-49
Monday: Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wed: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25
Thursday: *Chrim Mass*: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:21-22, 25 and 27/Rv 1:5-8/Lk 4:16-21
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15
Friday: Is 52:13—53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 (Lk 23:46)/Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/Jn 18:1—19:42
Saturday: *Easter Vigil*: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 (5b)/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 (1)/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 (1b)/Is 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 (2a)/Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (3)/Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/Ps 19:8-11 (Jn 6:68c)/Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 (12a)/Rom 6:3-11/Lk 24:1-12
Next Sun: Acts 10:34a, 37-43/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8/Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

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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.

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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. All weddings will take place at Divine Child Parish and the celebrant will be one of our priests.

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.

Ministry Schedules - April 19 & 20

EMHC/Reader Schedule

Saturday, April 19

8:30pm V. Micallef, A. Lapshan, R. Day

Readers: M. Stawarz, C. Stratton, M. Van Houten

Sunday, April 20

8:00am: K. Escamilla, G. Allen, M. Wiggins

Readers: K & E. Miazgowiec

10:00am G. Delgado, J. Gigliotti, B. Blazo, M. Tomilo, C. Buchanan

Readers: C. Buchanan, M. Kosch

12:30pm M. Manchell, S. Franchina, B. Franchina

Readers: M. Munie, K. Crombie

Solanus Ushers - Greeters

Saturday, April 19

8:30pm J. Micallef, L. Haas, M. Haas

Sunday, April 20

8:00am M. Siepierski, J. Eddy, E. Kaliszczak, St. Gibb

10:00am G. Delgado, T. Gorski, B. Mincel, P. Mincel, A. Peters, S. Doyle

Livestream: T. O'Brien

12:30pm M. O'Brien, T. Schramek



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Saturday, April 19

8:30pm Z. Vitale, L. Vitale, P. Celani, A. Celani, O. Fisher, S. Fisher, A. Wilkerson, J. Wilkerson, B. St. Andrew

Sunday, April 20

8:00am T. Ciarelli, C. Wieckowski, R. Whalen, F. Whalen

10:00am J. Toloday, D. Reifenberg, M. Reifenberg, T. Jackett, M. Jewell, J. Adamkiewicz

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