Divine Mercy Parish

Weekend Masses
Saturday Vigil 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Masses - 7:30 a.m.
Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday

Saint Rita Church
1620 Whitney Avenue
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Website: **Divinemercyhamden.com**
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OFFICE HOURS
St. Rita Rectory
Monday to Thursday
8:30 a.m.– 3:00 p.m.
Friday
8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy Parish
Mission Statement 2020

We, the Catholic Family of Divine Mercy Parish, united in our love for Christ by the Eucharist, recognize His presence in everyone we meet.

The Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy guide us to live our faith in the fullest possible way.
We build a vibrant faith community on the pillars of worship, education and service with an enthusiastic YES!

April 04, 2021

Reverend Monsignor Joseph V. DiSciacca, Pastor
Deacon Joseph Ryzewski

NEW PARISHIONERS: Welcome! Please introduce yourself to us and visit our parish office to register.

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Congratulations! Please call the parish office at 203-248-5513 or 203-288-6439 to register for pre-Baptism class.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Confessions Saturday 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. and by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Best Wishes! Please call the parish office at 203-248-5513 at least six months prior to wedding date to begin sacramental preparation.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 3rd-Easter Vigil
8:00 PM For Parishioners of Divine Mercy
Sunday, April 4th Easter
9:00AM Larry DeLeo requested by wife Patricia
11:30AM Anniv. William Miller requested by family

Monday, April 5th
7:30AM Jim Lamberti, Jr. requestd by family
Tuesday, April 6th
7:30AM Anniv. Fr. Brendan Smyth requested by family
Wednesday, April 7th
7:30AM Henry W. O'Brien
Friday, April 9th
7:30AM Jim Eves requested by Nancy Kelly

Saturday, April 10th
4:00 PM Mary Villano requested by sister
Sunday, April 11th
9:00AM Gabriel Zurolo requested by family
11:30AM Linda Capuano requested by Mary McKiernan

Book of Life

Readings for the week of April 04, 2021
Sunday: Acts 10:34-43; Psalm 118; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9 or Mark 16:1-7
Monday: Acts 2:14-33; Psalm 16; Matthew 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Psalm 33; John 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Psalm 105; Luke 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Psalm 8; Luke 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Psalm 118; John 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Psalm 118; Mark 16:9-15
Next Sunday: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 118; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-3

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers those in our parish family who are home-bound, sick or suffering.

ANGEL PRAYER LINE: If you have or know of someone with a special intention call 203-288-0436.

When Men Pray!
Men of the parish and friends are invited to pray the Rosary Saturday mornings at 7:30 AM in St. Rita Chapel.

DIVINE MERCY PARISH

Weekly Financial Report March 28, 2021

Weekly	**$ 5,527.00**
Online	**867.00**
Total	**$ 6,394.00**
Monthly	**$ 425.00**
Online	**575.00**
Total	**$ 1,000.00**

St. Rita School $ 1,179.00

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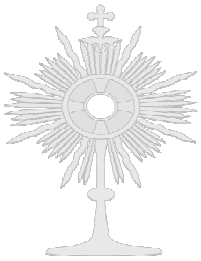

Eucharistic Adoration every Monday 8AM to 4PM
First Friday Adoration 10AM-7PM

Please remember all who have died from the coronavirus and their families in your prayers.

Let us also pray for Church vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, vowed religious life and lay ministry in the Church.

Happy Easter! Alleluia! He is Risen!

We celebrate today the Resurrection of the Lord, Jesus Christ. Jesus, the Son of God, the Word of God, has taken upon himself our humanity. He has become one with us, one of us, without losing his divinity. He suffered the ignominious death of crucifixion, but has risen, as he said. This is a joyous day for all Christian followers of Jesus, the Christ.

Even though we still experience the isolating effects of the coronavirus pandemic, we will have more of an Easter celebration than we did last year. Many people felt comfortable enough to come to church last weekend for Palm Sunday which is a good thing. We hope that many will also celebrate with us Easter Sunday morning.

While people will wear new and the finest Easter outfits, smiles will be hidden behind masks. For some it will be an Easter without a loved one lost to the coronavirus. Many will be cautious not taking unnecessary risks, just in case.

But I encourage you to be a person of hope. Be strong in faith. The Risen Lord, Jesus Christ, is with us.

Be serious about the situation, do not be foolhardy. Be vigilant, wear a mask and maintain social distance. Be connected in safe and meaningful ways.

As things begin to open up and the number of people fully vaccinated rises, let us be grateful for first responders, nurses, doctors and scientists. We honor teachers and grocery store employees who have served us so well. We have come a long way together. With heavy hearts remember those who have died and pray that the God of Life and Peace bring them to the fullness of Christ's Resurrection.

The celebration of Easter will be filled with mixed emotions this year. May the joy of Easter be a firm grounding in faith for us all.

Msgr. Joe

2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to the parish families who have made a gift of pledge commitment to the 2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

If you have not yet had the opportunity, please consider prayerfully supporting the many "Good Works" of the Archdiocese. Every gift will be gratefully received and is sincerely appreciated.

Easter Sunday

HAPPY EASTER! We prayed, fasted and gave alms—and now we rejoice because Christ is risen! Our Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl challenges us as we begin the Easter season to share the joy of having a loving God that is alive and accompanies us always. Let's do the same by being present to our global family by caring for their material and spiritual needs.

Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl at Divine Mercy image near the church candle rack over the next two weeks

CRS RICE BOWL
CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Good Friday, April 2nd to Saturday, April 10th

Each day of the Novena has a different prayer request. Each prayer request seeks the Mercy of God.

We encourage you to pray the Novena prayers on your own Friday, Saturday and Sunday April 2, 3, 4. Beginning Monday, April 5th we will pray the prayers following 7:30 morning Mass.

1st Day *Bring to Me all of humanity*

2nd Day *Bring to Me the souls of priests, deacons and religious*

3rd Day *Bing to Me devout and faithful souls*

4th Day *Bring to Me those who do not believe or know Me*

5th Day *Bring to Me the souls who are separated from the Church*

6th Day *Bring to Me the souls of meek and humble children*

7th Day *Bring to Me the souls who venerate and glorify My Mercy*

8th Day *Bring to Me those in purgatory*

9th Day *Bing to Me the souls who are lukewarm*

We pray, "Immerse them in My Mercy."

Weekly Schedule

Monday, April 5th
- **Adoration 8:00a.m. to 4:00p.m.**

Tuesday, April 6th
- **Scripture on zoom 6:30p.m.**
  dcn.ryzewski@aohct.org

Saturday, April 10th
- **7:30a.m. When Men pray….**
- **Food Pantry next Saturday, April 17th 10-11a.m.**

Divine Mercy Council will conduct a membership drive after each Mass on 4/17-4/18.

Divine Mercy Sunday
April 11, 2021

This year our celebration of **Divine Mercy Sunday** will be adjusted because of covid restrictions.

2:00 p.m. Confessions in Chapel

3:00 p.m. Holy Hour in Church with singing of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction

Unfortunately, we will not be able to have a procession nor refreshments.

Please join us. Masks and social distance required.

Jesus, I trust in You.

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