### Lenten Schedule

#### PARISH MISSION

Sunday, February 23rd - Tuesday, February 25th  
6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  
Casting Nets Ministries

#### ASH WEDNESDAY—FEBRUARY 26th

8:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 6:30 p.m.—Mass & Ashes  
12:15 p.m. - Liturgy of the Word with Ashes

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP AND BREAD

6:00 p.m. in the Church followed by Soup and Bread in the Dome  
- February 28  
- March 6*  
- March 13  
- March 20  
- March 27 *  

**April 3 - NO SOUP OR STATIONS**  
*No soup only stations

### Mission Statement

We, the community of Divine Mercy Parish, profess and proclaim Christ crucified, risen and alive in His Church. We invite all to a life of discipleship through worship, ongoing formation, merciful witness, and service which actively builds the Kingdom of God here on earth and by which we journey towards the eternal Kingdom in Heaven.
READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:
Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday:
Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday:
Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab, 5; Mk 8:22-26

Thursday:
Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk 8:27-33

Friday:
Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday:
1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19

Sunday:
Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

Dear Friends in Christ,

Our Catholic Appeal weekend for 2020 is this weekend, February 15th and 16th. All parishes and missions in the diocese are participating. This is our time to support Bishop Noonan in his ministry as our bishop. He has quite a lot in his scope of responsibilities: safety, formation of deacons and priests, instruction and teaching, and maintaining all ministries in our 9 county area. Last year we had 54% of our parishioners participate, which put us in the top 5 of the parishes in our area for participation! Every gift counts. We want to set out to beat our numbers from last year. Our goal is 100% participation, and with everyone’s help I am confident we can reach it!

Let us trust that God will take care of us and then we can be generous in returning a portion of what God has given us to our Diocesan Catholic Appeal. Let us pray for a successful campaign. I thank you for your participation.

Sincerely Yours in Christ,

Fr. Matt

DIVINE MERCY COMMUNITY PRAYER CHAIN
Please call Julie Dunn at (321) 459-3469 for special prayer requests.

Please pray for our parishioners who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing homes, and for those whose names we do not have.

This week we remember in prayer: Charlene Kroll, Barbara Smedley, Perry Lewis, Karen Barnhart, Marge Capriotti, Carmen Hernandez, Gerry Botyos, Darlene Seberry, and Daniel Rebeor.

Online giving is available on our website. Click “Online Giving” at the top and follow the directions! You can now also choose to give to the Special Diocesan Collections.

Please pray for the souls of our Parish Family who have gone home to the Lord and for their families who are mourning:

Manuel LaMonica
Passed on 2/6/20

If you are an adult interested in becoming Catholic please contact Mary Frances Coburn in the Parish Office.
MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 17th
8:30 AM †The Joyce Family
†Brian Holmes

Tuesday, February 18th
8:30 AM †Drew Mello

Wednesday, February 19th
8:30 AM †Brian Holmes

Thursday, February 20th
8:30 AM †Marilyn Barrett
†Magaly Chadwick
†Gloria Laura Vanderbilt

Friday, February 21st
8:30 AM †Ellen Van Etten
†Horton Van Etten
†John Van Etten

Saturday, February 22nd
All living and deceased members of Divine Mercy Parish and:
4:30 PM †Michael Hopkins
†June Lasala
†Bernard Capozzi
Penelope LaFreniere

Sunday, February 23rd
All living and deceased members of Divine Mercy Parish and:
8:00 AM †John W. Kurtz
†Lynn Riley
9:30 AM †Sr. Mary Divilly
†Estelle & Joseph Sverchek
†John Glenn Kovalchik
†John & Marleen Kovalchik
11:30 AM †Louis Venuti
Thao Ngo

We Need YOU!
We are looking for volunteers to join our Ministers of Hospitality (Ushers). We are especially in need for our 4:30 Mass. This ministry does require fingerprinting. If interested please reach out to Robin Lake in the parish office (321) 452-5955 ext 108 or volunteers@divinemercychurch.org

 Calling All Divine Mercy Lectors
A Workshop for All Proclaimers of the Word is scheduled for Saturday, March 14, 2020 8:30 am to 1:00 pm at Divine Mercy Catholic Church Special Guest Speakers: Father Blake Britton Lydia Britton RSVP: Vera Stenger by March 4, 2020 @ veramstenger@gmail.com Phone: 321-349-0119

Lector Workshop Speakers
Fr. Blake Britton was born and raised in the Diocese of Orlando, Florida, the oldest of four children. After studying opera in middle and high school, he applied for the seminary at the age of 18 where he earned both a Bachelor’s Degree in Philosophy as well as a Master’s Degree in Divinity. Father Blake has served as parochial vicar at St. Mary Catholic Church & School in Rockledge, Florida since 2018.

Lydia Britton is the Catechetical Leader and Liturgy & Music Director of Holy Cross Catholic Church in Orlando, Florida. She has been married for nearly 30 years and is the mother of four children, one of which is Father Blake Britton. Lydia has worked within the Diocese of Orlando since 1997 and currently serves on the Diocesan Liturgical Committee as well as chairperson for the Diocesan Music Committee. She holds a Bachelor’s Degree in Education from the University of Central Florida and a Master’s Degree in Theology and Christian Ministry from the Franciscan University of Steubenville.
WHAT’S GOING ON IN THE PARISH

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Offertory
This weekend marks the beginning of Our Catholic Appeal.

Casting Nets—Our Parish Mission
Our Parish Mission is being conducted this year by Casting Nets Ministries. Be sure to join us for this exciting program based on our role as disciples. The Mission will take place from 6:30 to 8:00 in the evenings of Feb. 23 – 26 (Sunday through Tuesday). CHILDCARE WILL BE AVAILABLE: Sign up in the narthex!!!!

Fr. Farrell’s 50th Anniversary
Join us in celebrating Fr. Farrell’s Golden Jubilee on Saturday, March 7 at the 4:30 Mass followed by a reception in the dome catered by The Tulip. Tickets are now available for purchase at the Information Kiosk, Parish Office, or by visiting the church website. Seating is limited and tickets are $40 each.

Steubenville Retreat in Orlando
For the youth planning to attend the Steubenville Conference in Orlando this summer, deposits are due to Mrs. Gayle by March 1st.

Pilgrimage with Fr. Matt
Join Fr. Matt Mello and others on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Italy. “Jerusalem* Nazareth* Bethlehem* Galilee* Capernaum* Rome* Tuscany* Florence* Assisi* Venice* The trip will be taken from November 2-15, 2020. The cost is only $4,899 per person and includes flights, all breakfasts and dinners, guided tours and tour fees, hotel stays and more. For more information please contact Lee Earley (321) 453-2809 or (321) 626-8124 –cell phone

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
HELPLINE: (321) 459-2060
Office open:
Monday, Wednesday, Friday
from 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

"If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one." St. Teresa of Calcutta. One box of cereal, one package of pasta, one jar of peanut butter, one can of soup – no gift is too small. Your one dollar or one can of soup, when combined with others, will make a difference for the family that is just making it and needs help to get by this month. Thank you for your continued generosity to the food chest and poor box.

Food Requests: Pasta and Tomato Sauce, Baked Beans
Reminder: When donating food items, please check expiration dates and be sure food is current.

First Communion
Saturday, May 2 at 10:00 AM
First Communion Preparation Sessions:
Sunday February 23 | 9:30 – 11:00 in the Meeting House
Sunday April 19 | 9:30 – 11:00 in the Meeting House
First Communion Enrollment at the 11:30 Mass – April 19
Rehearsal in the church on Tuesday, April 28 at 6:00 PM

Confirmation
Friday, April 3 at 7:00 PM
Confirmation Rehearsal:
Tuesday, March 31 at 6:00 PM in the Church
For information contact Mary Frances Coburn, Director of Faith Formation maryfrances@divinemercychurch.org

OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS WE HAVE PRAYED ABOUT, THOUGHT ABOUT AND TALKED ABOUT THE MINISTRIES SUPPORTED BY OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL. NOW IT IS TIME FOR ALL OF US TO SHARE A PORTION OF OUR TREASURE SO THESE MINISTRIES CAN CONTINUE. IF YOU RECEIVED YOUR 2020 OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL PACKET IN THE MAIL AND MADE YOUR PLEDGE, THANK YOU. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET MADE YOUR PLEDGE PLEASE CONSIDER DOING SO TODAY. BY SUPPORTING THE MINISTRIES OF OUR DIOCESE, EVERY PARISH, INCLUDING OUR OWN, IS BETTER EQUIPPED TO CARRY OUT THE WORK OF CHRIST. OUR PARISH GOAL IS $191,404. ONCE WE ACHIEVE OUR GOAL THE MAJORITY OF THE ADDITIONAL FUNDS WILL BE RETURNED TO OUR PARISH TO SUPPORT OUR OWN SPECIAL NEEDS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERFUL CONSIDERATION AND GENEROUS RESPONSE.
OUR CATHOLIC APPEAL
The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida

Your Generosity Supports the Following in

BREVARD COUNTY

Forming Disciples of Christ
5,487 adults, youth and children in faith formation with 930 catechists

Sanctifying with Grace
1,181 adults, youth and children experiencing one or more Sacraments (not including Reconciliation)

Building God’s Kingdom
66 parish and school construction, design and maintenance projects

Addressing Food Insecurity
More than 1,030 people were provided fresh and healthy food through mission markets and mobile food pantries

Answering the Call
4 seminarians and 32 permanent deacons

Educating and Deepening Faith
More than 2,314 Catholic school students

Your support also funds:
- Annual Workshops and Trainings for Parish/School Staff
- Human Resources Services: Parish, School and Diocesan
- Tribunal support for Annulments, Advocate Training and Dispensations
  More than 475 cases last year diocesan wide
- Retreats and Events through San Pedro Spiritual Development Center

Visit www.cfof.org/oca to learn more about the ministries made possible through Our Catholic Appeal.
To make your pledge online, please visit www.cfof.org/oca/give

What God has prepared for those who love Him.
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK 2020!
Lighting the Way at DMCA

“A Salute to Broadway” Dinner!
Drinks! Dancing! Silent Auction!
Gala tickets are on sale now! The Gala will be held on Saturday, March 28 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dome. Tickets can be purchased individually or Table Sponsorships are available as well. Tickets can be purchased in the school office or by visiting the school or church websites!