



# Divine Mercy Parish

## The Mission of Saint Bernadette



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THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> & SEPTEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>

### Parish Staff

**Reverend Christopher Seibt**

*Pastor*

**Deacon Mark Berube**

*Business Administrator* ☪

*Parish Deacon*

**Kathy Yahner**

*Administrative Assistant*

**Jennifer Brown**

*Youth Minister*

**Bonnie Merkel**

*GROW Coordinator*

**Dominick Corbacio**

*Divine Mercy Music Minister*

**Jim McCarthy**

*Saint Bernadette Music Minister*

**Rebecca Waterman**

*Facilities Manager*

*Communications Coordinator*



## 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? ... In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." - Lk 14:28, 33

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### Office Hours

Monday—Thursday, 9:00 AM—3:00 PM

### Chapel at D|M|P

Open 24 hours every day for prayer.

Door code 1225#

*Any temporary changes to mass times or hours will be posted within the bulletin.*

Weekend Mass times		Weekday Mass at DM		Confession at DM		Sacraments
Saturday at DM	4:00 PM	Monday	5:00 PM	Wednesday	6:30-7:15 PM	Baptism
Saturday at SB	6:00 PM	Tuesday	8:00 AM	Saturday	3:00-3:45 PM	Matrimony
Sunday at DM	8:30 AM	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Adoration at DM		Anointing of the Sick
Sunday at DM	10:30 AM	Thursday	8:00 AM	Wednesday	6:30-7:15 PM	Contact the parish office for more information.
		Friday	8:00 AM	Benediction	7:15 PM	



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## FROM FATHER SEIBT

Greetings in the Lord!

**When it comes to following Christ, it is all or nothing.** We must be detached.

We must also be totally committed. And we must let nothing stand in the way (Lk

14:25-33). Sound extreme? It is. And it must be in the face of the extraordinary claim that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, the Savior of the World. In the face of this life-giving and life-saving claim, we have a serious decision to make. Are we going to follow the crowd to find happiness? Or are we going to follow the only one who can bring us true joy now and lead us to unending happiness in the life to come?

We had a wonderful **Volunteer Appreciation Event** this past Monday. Many and deep thanks to all who make our parish a vibrant place to live the Christian life.

As we observe **Labor Day**, let us give thanks to God for the gift of human work; let us ask him for the grace to work hard for what really matters – our salvation in Christ; and let us ask him to “give success to the work of our hands” (Psalm 90).

It is hard to believe that it is time for students and teachers to go **back to school**. Let us keep them in our prayers, that they may

have a safe, productive, and blessed year.

Check out the wonderful programs that our parish offers for **family catechesis** and **youth ministry** on the flap of this bulletin. These programs provide formation in our faith. Every child in grades K-12 should be signed up to participate. Otherwise, how will they come to know and encounter Christ in and through his Body, the Church? Spread the word and sign up today! Parents or guardians are asked to come to the meetings scheduled for this Thursday.

Get ready for our annual **Parish Picnic** on Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup> immediately following the 10:30 AM Mass. As always, we will have great food and entertainment, and we will kick-off our GROW family catechesis and youth ministry programs with fun activities. Join us as together we continue to grow in faith and fellowship!

The annual **Hope Appeal** will begin next weekend. It is a great opportunity for all of us to take part in the mission of the Church of Syracuse. Thank you, in advance, for your generosity and support!

I have a wedding out of town next Saturday, **September 10<sup>th</sup>**. We welcome Father Gerry McKeon, S.J., who will hear confessions and offer both anticipated Masses.

**Prayers** for a blessed and restful summer!

## STEWARDSHIP

### D|M|P

**August 20<sup>th</sup> & August 21<sup>st</sup>**

Offertory \$5,085.00

Online Giving \$2,083.89

### M.S.B.

**August 20<sup>th</sup> & August 21<sup>st</sup>**

Offertory \$860.00

Online Giving \$30.00

### Online giving is easy!

Scan the code,  
or Text the word  
“GIVE” to

315-330-8300 and fill  
out the online form.



## Pray For...

**Matthew Ahlstrand**

**Sue Aksterowicz**

**Marilyn Alt**

**Arnold Berube**

**Diana Blount**

**James Brooks**

**Nicholas Callahan**

**Luella Castonguay**

**The Clarkson Family**

**Dianne Cone**

**Michael Cottrell**

**Maureen Davison**

**Nancy DeGilormo**

**Andrew Doolittle**

**Shannon Enders**

**Julie Farrell**

**Jim Fitzgerald**

**Greg Foster**

**John Gersbacher**

**Ronald Graves**

**Laurel Haller**

**Elizabeth Harrington**

**Richard Hart**

**Phyllis Henry**

**Debbie Herholtz**

**Rebecca Hogle**

**Shirley Hopper**

**Alicia Kohlway**

**Weston Kurzban**

**Michael Leduc**

**Darrick Lindsley**

**Johnny Mason**

**Mike McElwain**

**Shannon McMullen**

**John Mearon**

**Clark Mosher**

**Robert Nesbitt**

**Bette O'Hern**

**Jay O'Hern**

**TJ Parks, Jr.**

**Denise Phelps**

**Donna Proulx**

**Dorey Roland-Savio**

**Cindy Rosa**

**Barbara Ross**

**Jane Sheeden**

**Jeffrey Slater**

**Mark Smitt**

**Joseph & Brittany**

**Snyder**

**Dianne Steinbach**

**Gary Thompson**

**Cheryl Turo**

**Rick Warner**

**Kathy Weinheimer**

**Barbara Wells**

**Deborah Wood**

**Pat Yerton**



# THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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## September

5<sup>th</sup>

**Labor Day**

The office is closed

6<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM H.O.P.E. Bereavement Group

6:00 PM Choir Practice

8<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM Senior Luncheon

6:00 PM GROW Parent Meeting

7:00 PM Confirmation Parent Meeting

9<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM Jesus, Mary, & "Joe"

11<sup>th</sup>

11:30 AM *Parish Picnic*

### Meditate on the Word

The Readings for the Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

I Timothy 1:12-17

Luke 15:1-32

## H.O.P.E.

Healing through Openness,  
Prayer, and Encouragement

**Bereavement Group**

**Tuesday, 6:00 PM**

### The Vocations committee is excited to begin our **Parish Traveling Vocation Crucifix!**

The Cross and prayer kit will start traveling, with the families of GROW, on September 11, 2022! The Vocation Cross will be available to travel from home to home for one-week intervals. During that week the host family will be asked to make a special effort to pray together with emphasis on an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life, as well as a clear understanding as to the vocation Christ is calling each family member. A binder of prayers and Holy water will accompany the cross. GROW families can sign up to host the crucifix at either the Welcome Center at Divine Mercy Parish or the Welcome Area at the Mission of Saint Bernadette.

Please join us as we begin this beautiful mission with our parish family!



Prayerful  
congratulations  
for your baptism

**Blake O'Mara**

August 28, 2022

Welcome Child of God

*Choir practice!*  
Tuesday at 6:00 PM



Join us as we Kick-Off GROW Family  
Catechesis and Youth Ministry Programs

at our annual

## Parish Picnic

**Sunday, September 11, 2022**

11:30 AM – 1:30 PM

Rain or shine

Bring your own chair and drink

Hot dogs, cones, hamburgers and sides provided

Inflatables and games for kids

Entertainment for adults

Ice cream truck treat

50/50 raffle

Register by calling the parish office (315-676-2898)



### ***RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (R.C.I.A.)***

Are you searching for "something more?" Are you seeking answers to life's deepest questions? Are you wanting to belong? Then, the R.C.I.A. is perfect for you! It is a journey that will lead you to that "something more," namely, God. It is a process of discovery that provides answers to life's deepest questions. And it is a place where we come to belong to Jesus Christ and his Church.

The R.C.I.A. is for those who are either not baptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition. It is also for those who are Catholic, but have not received Confirmation and/or Holy Communion. And, it is for anyone, including Catholics who are merely interested in exploring more about the faith.

Weekly "no obligation" inquiry sessions start **September 19<sup>th</sup>** in the parish hall at Divine Mercy at **6:00 PM**. For more information, please contact Deacon Mark Berube (315-560-9246; mberube@syrdio.org).

## THE 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### GROW FAMILY CATECHESIS

The family is the context in which our faith is received, lived, and handed on. Family Catechesis is for families with children in grades K-5. Weekly gatherings include attending the 10:30

AM Sunday Mass, a twenty-minute lesson on the Gospel proclaimed at Mass and the various aspects of our faith that pertain to it, fellowship, and fun! Parent meeting: Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Kickoff: Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at the parish picnic. Contact Bonnie Merkel for more information ([divinemeracygrow@gmail.com](mailto:divinemeracygrow@gmail.com)).



### YOUTH MINISTRY

EDGE Middle school youth ministry (grades 6-8) and Life Teen high school youth ministry (grades 9-12) provide a safe and fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith, and, most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Kickoff: Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at the parish picnic.

Contact Jennifer Brown for more information ([jbrown@syrdio.org](mailto:jbrown@syrdio.org)).

### PREPARATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION

The Eucharist is the "source and summit" of the Christian life! Children in second grade are blessed to receive Holy Communion for the first time. Preparation begins in first grade through GROW and includes four additional sessions in second grade. Contact

Bonnie Merkel for more information ([divinemeracygrow@gmail.com](mailto:divinemeracygrow@gmail.com)).

### PREPARATION FOR CONFIRMATION

The Sacrament of Confirmation strengthens the grace and gift of the Holy Spirit received at Baptism and sends us forth on mission. Youth celebrate this sacrament in tenth grade. Preparation begins in ninth grade and includes faith formation sessions on Sunday mornings, service hours, retreats, direct preparation sessions, etc.

Candidates are also encouraged to be part of our parish youth ministry. Parent meeting for candidates in years one and two: Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Contact Jennifer Brown for more information ([jbrown@syrdio.org](mailto:jbrown@syrdio.org)).

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>

4:00 PM—Dorothy Marks by Paul & Jean Postell

6:00 PM—Jane Phelps by John & Joy Metzger

Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM—The People of Divine Mercy Parish  
& the Mission of Saint Bernadette

10:30 AM—Nancy Jenner by Deacon Don & Donna Mula

Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>

5:00 PM—Ed Essel by John & Jane Phippen

Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM—Bernadette Costello by Paul & Nona Holst  
—Cindy McPherson by Maureen Davison

Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM—John & Janette Suchecki by the Suchecki Family

Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM—Maureen Lowe by Deacon Don & Donna Mula  
—Hugh Martin by wife, Martha

Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

8:00 AM—Richard Shanahan  
by Maureen Davison & family

Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>

4:00 PM—The People of Divine Mercy Parish  
& the Mission of Saint Bernadette

6:00 PM—Henry Wolf by Dave & Linda Wolf

Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>

8:30 AM—Gerald & Marianne Wood by Jim  
& Connie Gibbons

10:30 AM—Frank Harrington by Divine Mercy Parish  
& the Mission of Saint Bernadette

### SEPTEMBER MEMORIAL CANDLES

#### Divine Mercy

Hugh Martin by his wife, Martha Martin

#### John Paul II Chapel

Beryl & Josephine Baldwin/Birthdays  
by Gary & Linda House

#### The Mission of Saint Bernadette

Carolyn Waterman by Rebecca Waterman

**POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II CHAPEL**

Open 24/7 for prayer, door code: 1225#