

## St. Dorothy Parish Directory

### Religious Items

#### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Every Monday from 1 PM to 7 PM

#### **BAPTISM**

The Sacrament is celebrated on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month immediately following the 11:30 Mass.

Baptismal information envelopes must be obtained at the rectory prior to the baptism and returned with the requested data and documents to the rectory at least one week before the chosen date of baptism. Parents having their first child baptized are required to attend a Pre-Jordan Baptismal Preparation Class (45 minutes) held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month in the school library located in the church basement immediately following the 10:00 Mass.

#### **CONFESSION**

Priests are available each Saturday of the year from 4 PM to 4:30 PM in the church for individual confessions. Face to face reconciliation is available in the rectory by appointment. There are Parish Communal Penance Services in preparation for Christmas and Easter. First Penance is made in the early spring by children at the second grade level.

#### **CONFIRMATION**

The Sacrament of Confirmation is administered in the fall each year to children at the sixth grade level. Preparation of Confirmation begins at the fifth grade level. Adult Confirmation is administered once a year in the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul by the Cardinal Archbishop.

#### **FIRST EUCHARIST**

The Sacrament is received by children at the second grade level in the late Spring (April/May). There is the option to make First Communion either at weekend Parish Liturgies during the Easter Season or at a Communion class Mass celebrated on a designated Sunday.

#### **SACRAMENT OF THE SICK**

In October each year we celebrate a special Sunday afternoon Liturgy in which those suffering from illness are anointed with Holy Oil, and God's healing power is invoked. To receive this Sacrament one need not be in danger of death. It may be received periodically by those who suffer from chronic ailments. If you are anticipating a surgical procedure, please do not hesitate to arrange with a priest to administer the Sacrament before you enter the hospital. A priest should be called in urgent emergency situations.

#### **COMMUNION CALLS**

Every 2 months, the priests bring Communion to those unable to attend Church. Should you or someone you know desire the monthly visit, please call the rectory. You are notified by phone

the day prior to the priest's intended visit. Also Eucharist Ministers are available to bring Communion on Sundays, if you do desire.

**DAILY ROSARY**

Public recitation of the Rosary takes place immediately following the 8:00 Am Mass. Monday through Saturday, in front of the Blessed Virgin Mary Shrine.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Public praying of the Stations is conducted regularly during the Season of Lent.

## **Alphabetical Program Guide**

### **ALTAR SERVERS**

Girls and boys of the parish in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades who assist at the altar for Eucharistic and other Liturgical celebrations.

### **ALTAR SOCIETY**

Parish volunteers who care for the vestments, altar linens, decorations, and environment of the Church.

### **ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION**

Promotes, sponsors and directs a variety of sports (varsity, junior varsity, and intramural) for young parishioners in grades 4 through 8.

### **CANTORS**

Teenagers and adults of the parish who facilitate the musical dimension of our Liturgical celebrations by leading the worshipping community in song.

### **CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Youngsters of the parish (grade levels 2 through 8) who sing at Church Liturgies on a regular basis.

### **CHOIR**

Teenagers and adults who accompany liturgical and Para liturgical celebrations on a regular basis.

### **CLOTHING DRIVE**

Volunteers who assist with the semi-annual St. Vincent de Paul Society collection of clothing for the needy in the Archdiocese.

### **COMMUNITY FOOD DISTRIBUTION**

Volunteers who assist in packaging and delivering collected non-perishable food goods for the hungry and needy within the parish and the jurisdiction of the Catholic Social Services for Delaware County.

### **ECUMENISM**

Parishioners interested in participating in Archdiocesan programs to foster relationships with other local faith communities.

### **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Parish members who assist with the distribution of Communion at Liturgy and bring the Eucharist to shut-ins.

**EVANGELIZATION COMMITTEE**

A group of parishioners devoted to the development and implementation of ways to spread the Gospel Message with the parish community.

**FAMILY LIFE**

A committee devoted to prompting care and respect for human life in all its forms: family, the disabled, the unborn, the aged, the persecuted.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Parishioners who counsel the pastor regarding fiscal matters of the parish.

**FORENSICS**

A program open to young parishioners (grade levels 7 and 8), which seeks to develop a child's appreciation of literature and to instill personal confidence through public speaking.

**GREETERS**

Teenagers and adults who welcome their fellow parishioners at the entrances to Church before each of our weekend Eucharistic celebrations.

**HEALTH CABINET**

An advisory board to the Parish Nurse which surfaces the health related needs of our parishioners establishes priorities and suggests approaches to meeting needs.

**HOME AND SCHOOL**

An association of parish school parents dedicated to aiding and supporting the goals of academic excellence and active Catholicism.

**H.O.P.E.**

A volunteer organization formed to Help Our People in Emergency situations by providing transportation and running errands.

**HOSPITALITY**

Parish volunteers who set up and serve coffee and donuts after the 10:00 Sunday Mass once a month and make home visits to welcome new parishioners.

**LANDINGS**

Parishioners who facilitate the return to the Church of those who, for various reasons, have gotten away from practicing their faith.

**LECTORS**

Those who minister to the parish community by proclaiming the Word of God at the celebration of Liturgy.

**LITURGY COMMITTEE**

An advisory board to the Director of Liturgy and Music which studies and suggests effective ways to enhance the Worship Life of the Parish.

**PARISH NURSE MINISTRY**

Parishioners who volunteer their time and talent to assist the parish nurse in meeting the health related needs of our parishioners.

**PASTORAL COUNCIL**

An Advisory Board commissioned to surface and study the various strengths, weaknesses and needs of the parish and to make referrals for action to the appropriate parish organizations.

**PRAYER COMMUNITY**

Parishioners who gather weekly for Charismatic Praise and Faith Sharing.

**PRE-CANA**

Married couples of the parish who prepare engaged couples for the Sacrament of Matrimony. A day-long workshop is offered in the fall and the spring each year.

**PRE-JORDAN**

Parents who present an instructional session once a month on the Sacrament of Baptism and the spiritual responsibilities of parenting. Those who are having their first child baptized are required to attend.

**RCIA**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults is open to those considering entering into the Catholic Church as well as to those who wish to expand their understanding of the Faith. Members of the parish serve as sponsors for potential candidates.

**RECTORY VOLUNTEERS**

Parishioners who offer their time and talent to assist with clerical and receptionist tasks associated with the administration of the parish.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

The Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) offers instruction and formation in the Catholic Faith to youngsters attending public schools. Our program extends from k through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**SCHOOL**

St. Dorothy Parish School offers a complete accredited educational program for youngsters from 5 through 8<sup>th</sup> grade

**SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**

Parents of school children supporting in a variety of ways our educational program by serving as lunch monitors, classroom aides, and clerical assistants.

**SCOUTING**

“Cubs” for boys and “Brownies” for girls grades 1 through 4.

**SOCIAL CLUB**

An organization which provides a variety of interesting and worthwhile activities for men and women over 50 years of age and for their friends and neighbors regardless of their religious affiliations.

**USHERS**

Adult volunteers who assist at Liturgy by seating parishioners and collecting the Offertory Gift.

**WEDDING CONSULTANTS**

Parishioners who conduct ceremony practice with wedding parties prior to the marriage.

**YOUTH GROUP**

An organization for high school age parishioners who wish to participate in a variety of activities in one or more of the following areas; spiritual, cultural, service, social, athletic.

**Parish Staff Contacts**

Rev. Michael D. Murphy, Pastor	610-789-7788
Rev. Daniel J. Dougherty, Retired Resident	610-789-7788
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Sr. Alice Gray, RSM, Evangelization	610-853-1499
Sr. Thomasina Marie, RSM, Liturgy & Music	610-853-3602
Sr. Martina Lavin, RSM, Visitation	610-789-4112
Mrs. Mary Gallagher, RN, Parish Nursing	610-789-9914
Mrs. Louise Sheehan, School Principal	610-789-4100
Mrs. Elizabeth Spinelli, School Secretary	610-789-4100
Mrs. Karen Buechele, Rectory Secretary	610-789-7788
Joe & Kathie McGongial, Youth Ministers	610-328-0390

**Parish Organization Contacts**

Adult Choir	Sr. Thomasina Marie	610-853-3602
Altar Servers	Sr. Thomasina Marie	610-853-3602
Altar Society	Marye Krempa	610-446-8502
Athletic Association	Robert Liberatore	610-446-4007
Cantors	Sr. Thomasina Marie	610-853-3602
Children's Choir	Sr. Thomasina Marie	610-853-3602
Community Food Distribution	John & Julia Donnelly	610-446-0182
Eucharistic Ministers	Judy Curtosi	610-328-0460
Evangelization Committee	Sr. Alice Gray	610-853-1499
Family Life	Lori Cotterall	610-328-3826
Finance Committee	Nick Caramanico	610-446-3528
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Home & School	Nancy Barton	610-789-6909
Health Cabinet	Mary Gallagher	610-789-9914
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Hospitality	Joanne Montie	610-853-4527
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Liturgy Musicians	Sr. Thomasina Marie	610-853-3602
Parish Visitation	Sr. Martina Lavin	610-789-7788
Parish Nurse Ministries	Mary Gallagher	610-789-9914
Pastoral Council	Rev. Michael D. Murphy	610-789-7788
Prayer Community	Tom Kennedy	610-543-2718
Pre-Cana	Debbie Funchion	610-853-5645
Pre-Jordan	Mary Porth	610-449-6950
RCIA	Sr. Alice Gray	610-853-1499
Religious Education	Sr. Alice Gray	610-853-1499
School	Mrs. Louise Sheehan	610-789-4100
School Volunteers	Mrs. Louise Sheehan	610-789-4100
Social Club	Bea Lenz	610-789-1758
Ushers	Jack Ruffenach	610-449-0655
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