



*On Mission*  
**Ministry Booklet**

**Worship  
Evangelization  
Service**



*Two Parishes, One Family*

## **Sacred Heart**

8229 Brewerton Rd.  
Cicero, NY 13039  
315-699-2752 | sh-dm.org

## **Divine Mercy**

592 S. Main St.  
Central Square, NY 13036  
315-676-2898 | sh-dm.org

### **Weekend Masses**

#### **Saturday**

4:00 PM at Divine Mercy  
5:15 PM at Sacred Heart

#### **Sunday**

7:00 AM at Sacred Heart  
8:30 AM at Divine Mercy  
10:00 AM at Sacred Heart  
11:30 AM at Divine Mercy

### **Weekday Masses**

#### **Monday, Wednesday, Friday**

8:00 AM at Sacred Heart

#### **Tuesday, Thursday**

8:00 AM at Divine Mercy

### **Adoration and Confession**

#### **Tuesday**

4:30 - 5:00 PM at Sacred Heart

#### **Thursday**

4:30 - 5:00 PM at Divine Mercy

### **Chapels (available 24/7)**

**Sacred Heart:** door code 8229#

**Divine Mercy:** door code 1225#

### **Office Hours**

### **Sacred Heart and Divine Mercy**

#### **Monday - Thursday**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

### **Anna's Food Pantry**

#### **Monday, Friday**

1:00 - 3:00 PM at Sacred Heart

### **Food Pantry**

#### **Tuesday, Thursday**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Divine Mercy

### **Scotty Thrift Shop**

#### **Tuesday, Thursday**

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM at Divine Mercy

#### **Wednesday**

4:00 - 6:00 PM at Divine Mercy

### **Professional Counseling Services**

Available by appointment on Mondays  
at Sacred Heart

#### *NOTE:*

*Schedules are subject to change.  
Check the bulletin for updates.*

"SH" - at Sacred Heart  
"DM" - at Divine Mercy

# SACRAMENTS

## Baptism

Baptism incorporates us into Christ and his Church. Preparation for Baptism for parents and godparents of children (under the age of 7) takes place monthly. Baptisms of children can be scheduled on the second Sunday of each month at Sacred Heart and the fourth Sunday of each month at Divine Mercy. Preparation for adults (7 years old and older) takes place through the OCIA program. Candidates for godparents must be qualified. Contact the parish office to begin the process.

## Confirmation

Confirmation strengthens the graces received at Baptism with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and sends us out on mission. Preparation for Confirmation for youth is a two-year process that begins in seventh grade. It involves participation in the life of the Church (Mass, prayer, etc.), catechetical sessions, and service. Candidates for sponsors must be qualified. Contact the director of Youth Ministry to begin the process.

## Eucharist

Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Preparation for first Holy Communion is a two-year process that typically begins in first grade. It involves participation in the life of the Church (Mass, prayer, etc.), Family Faith Formation, and sacramental preparation sessions. Contact the director of Family Faith Formation to begin the process.



**First Communion**

## Penance

Penance or Reconciliation (“Confession”) forgives sins committed after Baptism. Opportunities to go to confession are available each week and by appointment. Resources are provided to help make a good confession. Contact the parish office for more information. Preparation for first Penance is included in preparation for first Holy Communion. Contact the director of family faith formation to begin the process.

## Anointing of the Sick

Anointing of the Sick brings Christ’s healing, peace, and strength to those who are seriously ill or weakened by age. One should not wait until moments before death to celebrate this sacrament. Yearly Masses of Anointing are offered. Individual appointments to be anointed can be scheduled by contacting the parish office. \*If you or someone you know is homebound, in a facility, admitted to the hospital, etc., contact the parish office to receive pastoral care.\*

## Matrimony

Marriage is a communion of life and love between a husband and wife for their good and the procreation and education of children. Preparation for marriage takes six months. It involves learning God’s plan for marriage, developing the skills needed to live this plan, and planning the wedding liturgy. Contact the parish office to set up an appointment to begin the process. \*Marriages not recognized by the Church (civil, divorced and remarried, etc.) may be able to be validated and blessed. Contact the parish office to inquire about your situation.\*

## Holy Orders

Through holy orders (deacon, priest, bishop), a man is configured to Christ for service to his Church. If you feel that God is calling you to be a deacon or priest, contact the Diocese of Syracuse Office of Vocations as well as the parish clergy.

## Funerals

The Church prays for those who have “gone before us marked with the sign of faith.” At the vigil (wake), we keep watch with the family of the deceased in prayer, offering comfort. At the funeral liturgy (Mass of Christian Burial) we commend the deceased to the Lord. At the committal (burial), we lay the body of the deceased to rest. Contact the parish office for assistance in planning the funeral rites according to the liturgical norms and pastoral guidelines of the Church.

# CHARISMS

Charisms are spiritual gifts from the Holy Spirit. They are given to us to help share Christ's love and build up the Church. Discover your charisms with our Spiritual Gifts Assessment—a simple tool to help you see how God is calling you to serve.

Scan the QR code or visit:  
[tinyurl.com/SH-DMcharisms](https://tinyurl.com/SH-DMcharisms)  
to take the Spiritual Gifts Assessment.



**Administration** Administration helps organize and coordinate people, resources, and tasks efficiently. Those with this charism can guide ministries so that they run smoothly and effectively.

**Celibacy** Celibacy empowers a Christian to be most fulfilled and spiritually fruitful by remaining unmarried and celibate for the sake of the Kingdom.

**Craftsmanship** Craftsmanship is the skill to create, build, or repair things with excellence and attention to detail. This charism is valuable for enhancing ministry spaces and projects.

**Encouragement** Encouragement gives hope and confidence to others. People with this gift uplift, strengthen, and motivate those around them.

**Evangelism** Evangelism is the ability to share the Good News of Jesus Christ effectively. This charism draws others into faith and inspires them to follow Christ.

**Faith** Faith is a confident trust in God's power, promises, and guidance. Those with this gift inspire others to rely on God in all circumstances.

**Giving** Giving is the cheerful giving of time, talent, or treasure. This charism enables ministries to flourish through selfless contributions.

**Healing** Healing is the gift to restore wholeness physically, emotionally, or spiritually. Those with this charism bring comfort and hope to the sick and hurting.

**Helps** The charism of helps is a readiness to assist and support others in practical ways. People with this gift enable ministries to function smoothly behind the scenes.

**Hospitality** Hospitality is the ability to warmly welcome and care for guests and strangers. Those with this gift create a sense of belonging and community.

**Intercessory Prayer**

Intercessory Prayer is the calling to pray fervently on behalf of others. People with this charism seek God's guidance, protection, and blessings for those in need.

**Knowledge**

Knowledge is the ability to understand and apply God's truth to situations and decisions. This charism helps make informed, wise choices.

**Leadership**

Leadership is the ability to guide, inspire, and organize others toward a common goal. People with this gift help others stay focused and effective.

**Mercy**

Mercy is the compassionate response to suffering and injustice. Those with this gift show God's love by comforting, forgiving, and caring for others.

**Missionary**

Missionary helps take the Gospel to new people and places. Those with this gift bring faith to communities that have not yet encountered Christ.

**Music**

Music is the ability to glorify God and inspire worship through song. This charism enhances prayer and draws people into the presence of God.

**Pastoring**

Pastoring is the gift to shepherd, guide, and nurture a community of faith. People with this charism care for the spiritual growth and well-being of others.

**Prophecy**

Prophecy is the ability to speak God's truth boldly and clearly. Those with this gift encourage, correct, and challenge the community according to God's will.

**Service**

Service is the willingness to meet practical needs joyfully and faithfully. This charism helps support others in humble ways.

**Teaching**

Teaching is the gift to explain God's Word and truths effectively. People with this charism help others grow in faith and understanding.

**Wisdom**

Wisdom is the ability to see situations from God's perspective and give sound guidance. Those with this gift help others make decisions rooted in truth and faith.

**Writing**

Writing empowers a Christian to be a channel of God's creativity by using words to create works of truth or beauty that reflect the fullness of human experience and bring glory to God.

**Voluntary Poverty**

Voluntary Poverty empowers a Christian to be a channel of God's loving presence by living a life of cheerful simplicity or poverty in order to identify with Jesus and the poor.



# MINISTRIES BY CHARISM

## Administration

Finance Council, Golf Tournament, Information Technology, Mailing Ministry, Money Counters, Safe Environment Coordinators

## Celibacy

*Vocational discernment for priesthood/consecrated life.*

## Craftsmanship

Altar Guild, Cemetery Grounds, Christmas Decorators, Christmas Pageant & Visit from St. Nick, Church Environment, Facility Helpers, Fall Festival, Gardeners, Prayer Shawl, Winterfest

## Encouragement

Bereavement Ministry, Blessed is She Women's Group, Buckley Landing Rosary, Card Ministry, Funeral Ministry, Greeters, Homebound Visitors, Men's Bible Study, Mercy Ministry, Prayer Shawl, "Priest, Prophet, and King" Men's Group, Seminarian Giving Tree, Seven Sisters Apostolate, Spiritual Bouquet for Religious, Women at the Well Group

## Evangelism

Communications Team, Confirmation Catechist, Edge/LifeTeen Youth Ministry, Family Faith Formation Catechist

## Faith

Adult Choir, Baptism Preparation, Blaze K-6 Youth Ministry, Blessed is She Women's Group, Buckley Landing Communion Service, Children's Choir, Confirmation Catechist, Edge/LifeTeen Youth Ministry, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Family Faith Formation Catechist, Guardians of the Eucharist, "Jesus, Mary, & Joe", Marriage Preparation, Men's Bible Study, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), Pastoral Council, "Priest, Prophet, and King" Men's Group, Readers, Rosary Bands, Seven Sisters Apostolate, Vocation Ministry, Women at the Well Group

## Giving

Anna's Food Pantry, Caring & Sharing, Christmas Giving Tree, Food Pantry at DM, Knights of Columbus Assembly, North Shore Christmas Program, Scotty Thrift Shop, Seminarian Giving Tree, Spiritual Bouquet for Religious

## Healing

Bereavement Ministry, Buckley Landing Communion Service, Buckley Landing Rosary, Funeral Ministry, Homebound Visitors, Mercy Ministry

## Helps

Altar Guild, Altar Linen Ministry, Altar Server, Cemetery Grounds, Christmas Decorators, Church Environment, Facility Helpers, Gardeners, Hospitality (senior luncheons, funeral luncheons), Hospitality (coffee hour), Mailing Ministry, Money Counters, Sacristan, Security Team, Ushers

## Hospitality

Christmas Pageant & Visit from St. Nick, Easter Meals for Those in Need, Easter Sweets & Treats, Fall Festival, Golf Tournament, Greeters, Holy Name Society, Hospitality (senior luncheons, funeral luncheons), Hospitality (coffee hour), Lenten Fish Frys, Parish Picnic, "Priest, Prophet, and King" Men's Group, Thanksgiving Meals for Those in Need, *Totus Tuus* Ambassadors, Ushers, Winterfest

## Intercessory Prayer

Blessed is She Women's Group, Buckley Landing Rosary, Card Ministry, Prayer Shawl, Rosary Bands, Seven Sisters Apostolate, Spiritual Bouquet for Religious, Vocation Ministry, Women at the Well Group

## Knowledge

Communications Team, Finance Council, Information Technology, Pastoral Council, Readers

## Leadership

Altar Server, Baptism Preparation, Blaze K-6 Youth Ministry, Confirmation Catechist, Edge/LifeTeen Youth Ministry, Family Faith Formation Catechist, Finance Council, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), Pastoral Council, Safe Environment Coordinators, Security Team,

## Mercy

Anna's Food Pantry, Bereavement Ministry, Buckley Landing Communion Service, Buckley Landing Rosary, Card Ministry, Caring & Sharing, Christmas Giving Tree, Easter Meals for Those in Need, Food Pantry at DM, Funeral Ministry, Homebound Visitors, Mercy Ministry, North Shore Christmas Program, Prayer Shawl, Sandwich Making, Scotty Thrift Shop, Thanksgiving Meals for Those in Need, Tuna Sandwich Making

## Missionary

Anna's Food Pantry, Caring & Sharing, Christmas Giving Tree at SH, Easter Meals for Those in Need, Food Pantry at DM, North Shore Christmas Program, Sandwich Making, Thanksgiving Meal for Those in Need, Tuna Sandwich Making

# MINISTRIES BY CHARISM

## (CONTINUED)

### Music

Adult Choir, Children's Choir

### Pastoring

Baptism Preparation, Funeral Ministry, Marriage Preparation, Vocations Ministry

### Prophecy

Confirmation Catechist, Family Faith Formation Catechist, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), Pastoral Council

### Service

Altar Server, Christmas Pageant & Visit from St. Nick, Easter Meals for Those in Need, Easter Sweets & Treats, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Fall Festival, Holy Name Society, Hospitality (senior luncheons, funeral luncheons), Hospitality (coffee hour), Knights of Columbus Assembly, Lenten Fish Frys, Parish Picnic, "Priest, Prophet, and King" Men's Group, Sandwich Making, Scotty Thrift Shop, Thanksgiving Meals for Those in Need, Tuna Sandwich Making, Ushers, Winterfest

### Teaching

Baptism Preparation, Blaze K-6 Youth Ministry, Communications Team, Confirmation Catechist, Family Faith Formation Catechist, "Jesus, Mary, & 'Joe'", Marriage Preparation, Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA), Safe Environment Coordinators, Youth Ministry

### Wisdom

Baptism Preparation, Funeral Ministry, "Jesus, Mary, & 'Joe'", Marriage Preparation, Men's Bible Study, Pastoral Council

### Writing

Card Ministry, Communications Team

### Voluntary Poverty

*Vocational discernment for priesthood/consecrated life.*

# WORSHIP

## ENCOUNTERING CHRIST IN WORD AND SACRAMENT.

### Adult Choir

The adult choir enhances the celebration of the Mass through the gift of sacred music, supporting the assembly in prayer and worship. Members rehearse and sing weekly September through June at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith & Music.

### Altar Guild

The Altar Guild oversees the preparation of the church and sanctuary (flowers, vessels, vestments, linens, etc.) for Mass and other liturgies, ensuring that our sacred spaces are reverent and beautifully arranged. Members meet regularly at SH & DM. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Altar Linen Ministry

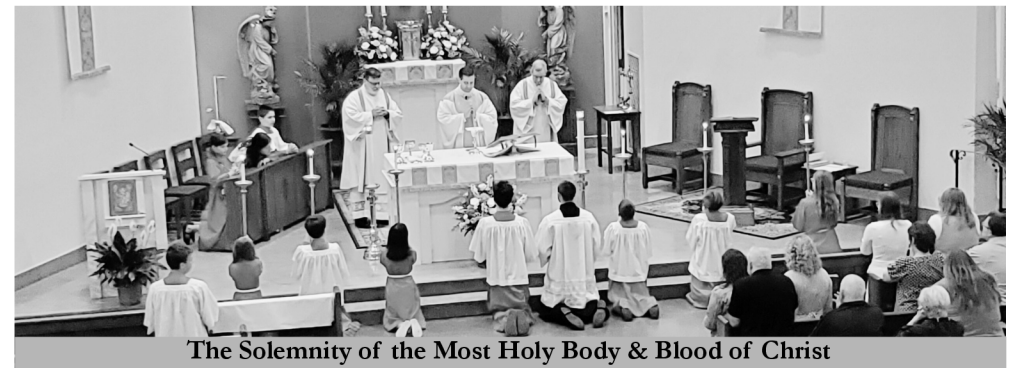
Members of this ministry work under the direction of the Altar Guild laundering and ironing the linens used in the liturgy (purificators, corporals, hand towels, amices, etc.). They are scheduled monthly at SH & DM. Charism: Helps.

### Altar Server

Altar servers assist the priest and deacon during Mass, helping the liturgy flow with reverence and order. Servers are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charisms: Helps, Leadership, Service.

### Baptism Preparation

This ministry guides parents and godparents in understanding the meaning and responsibilities of the Sacrament of Baptism. Members of this ministry provide instruction and support as they help families welcome new members into the life of the Church. They meet monthly at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Leadership, Pastoring, Teaching, & Wisdom.



The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

# WORSHIP

## (CONTINUED)

### Cemetery Grounds

Volunteers work under the direction of the parish facilities manager on a regular schedule throughout the year to help maintain Saint Mary's Cemetery in Cleveland (yard work, minor repairs, etc.). They meet as needed to accomplish their tasks. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Children's Choir

The children's choir leads the assembly in sacred song, nurturing their own faith while helping the parish worship God. Members rehearse and sing monthly September through June at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith & Music.

### Christmas Decorators

Members of this ministry work under the direction of the Altar Guild to order, arrange, maintain, and store Christmas decorations for the church sanctuaries and grounds. They meet as needed to accomplish their tasks at SH & DM. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Church Environment

Members of this ministry work under the direction of the Altar Guild to order, arrange, maintain, and store floral and other decorations for the various liturgical seasons and celebrations. They meet as needed to accomplish their tasks at SH & DM. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Ministers are faithful and active in living the Christian life. They assist as needed with the distribution of the Eucharist at Mass. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith & Service.

### Facility Helpers

Volunteers work under the direction of the parish facilities manager to assist with special projects (painting, yard work, small repairs, etc.). They are contacted as needed and according to ability at SH & DM. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Funeral Ministry

Members of this ministry accompany families with care and compassion as they prepare for the celebration of the Mass of Christian Burial for their loved ones. They help grieving families understand the funeral rites of the Church and select various available options (readings, music, etc.). They meet as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Healing, Mercy, Pastoring, & Wisdom.

### Gardeners

Volunteers plant, maintain, and harvest vegetables for the parish food pantries. They meet as needed at SH. Charisms: Craftsmanship & Helps.

### Greeters

Volunteers welcome parishioners and visitors to Mass, offering a friendly, hospitable, and knowledgeable presence at the Welcome Centers and other entrances. They also assist ushers as needed. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement & Hospitality.

### Guardians of the Eucharist

Ministers are faithful and active in living the Christian life. They assist as needed with their presence during adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during Lent, on Holy Thursday, and other special occasions. They sign up as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith.

### Marriage Preparation

This ministry guides engaged couples in understanding God's plan for marriage and family, the Sacrament of Matrimony, and the lifelong commitment it entails. Members provide instruction and support to assist couples in building a strong, faith-filled foundation for married life. They meet as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Pastoring, Teaching, & Wisdom.

### Money Counters

Volunteers carefully count and record financial contributions, ensuring transparency and accountability. They have the requisite experience and work in teams. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special occasions at SH & DM. Charisms: Administration & Helps.

### Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)

This ministry assists adults (ages 7 and older) in preparing to celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist), establishing a relationship with Christ and his Church. Faithful and active disciples accompany those in this process as they learn the faith we process, prepare to receive the sacraments we celebrate, embrace the moral life we live, and ground their journey of faith through the way we pray. Volunteers are available for the various components of the OCIA process, which is offered throughout the year at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Leadership, Prophecy, & Teaching.

### Readers

Readers are faithful and active in living the Christian life. They proclaim the Word of God during Mass. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith & Knowledge.

# WORSHIP

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### Rosary Bands

Members of this ministry pray one decade of the Most Holy Rosary daily. All the members praying together ensure that each day the Rosary is offered for special intentions. They sign up as needed at DM. Charisms: Faith & Intercessory Prayer.

### Sacristan

Members of this ministry work under the direction of the Altar Guild to ensure that all the requisites for Mass are prepared. They likewise ensure that the requisites for Mass are cleaned and properly stored. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charism: Helps.

### Seven Sisters Apostolate

This ministry is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is offered each day of the week for the intention of a specific priest or bishop. Members of this apostolate are scheduled to pray as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Faith, & Intercessory Prayer.

### Ushers

Volunteers assist the assembly during Mass by seating, facilitating the collection, helping maintain a prayerful and safe environment, and handing out bulletins and other materials. Through their attentive service, they help ensure that worship proceeds smoothly and reverently. They are scheduled based on their availability each week and for special liturgies at SH & DM. Charisms: Helps, Hospitality, & Service.



Altar Server Celebration

# EVANGELIZATION

LIVING AND SHARING THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S  
LOVE AND SALVATION IN CHRIST.

### Blessed is She Women's Group

This ministry is a community of Catholic women who grow together in faith through daily prayer, shared resources, and supportive sisterhood. Rooted in the teachings of Christ and the Church, they foster friendship and spiritual growth. They meet weekly at SH. Charisms: Encouragement, Faith, & Intercessory Prayer.

### Christmas Pageant & Visit from St. Nick

Volunteers help with preparing and serving refreshments, setting up, and cleaning up for this popular event. Children are encouraged to participate in the pageant, bringing the nativity story to life. Members of this ministry meet as needed at SH. Charisms: Craftsmanship, Hospitality, & Service.

### Communications Team

Volunteers support and promote the mission of the Church at our parishes by sharing news, updates, photographs, and events through various media platforms. They have the technological and organizational skills to help the community stay connected and share the Good News with all. They meet as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Evangelism, Knowledge, Teaching, & Writing.

### Confirmation Catechist

Faithful and active disciples guide young people as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. They lead regular sessions to help candidates grow in faith and understanding, equipping them to live the Christian life. They meet weekly during the school year and at other times to prepare at SH & DM. Charisms: Evangelism, Faith, Leadership, Prophecy, & Teaching.



Lenten Mission: *From Christendom to Apostolic Mission*



# EVANGELIZATION

## (CONTINUED)

### Easter Sweets & Treats

Volunteers help organize activities, prepare snacks, serve food, and assist with set up and clean up. Their efforts ensure a joyful and welcoming celebration of Easter for children and their families. Members of this ministry meet as needed at SH. Charisms: Hospitality & Service.

### Fall Festival

This popular event enhances community and supports family and youth programs. Volunteers assist with set up, games, parking, raffle tickets, the bake sale, vendors, promotion, cooking, and decorating, helping make this event a great success! Volunteers sign up as needed at SH. Charisms: Craftsmanship, Hospitality, & Service.

### Family Faith Formation Catechist

Faithful and active disciples guide children and their families as they worship and grow in their faith. Through short and engaging weekly presentations on the Gospel proclaimed at Mass, they help lay the foundation necessary to live the Christian life and prepare for first Penance and first Eucharist. They meet regularly during the school year and at other times to prepare at SH & DM. Charisms: Evangelism, Faith, Leadership, Prophecy, & Teaching.

### Finance Council

Parishioners with financial training and expertise assist the pastor with the proper management of parish resources. They ensure transparency, accountability, and responsible stewardship through regular reviews of the parish finances, the budgeting process, consideration of special projects related to mission, etc. Members are appointed by the pastor at the recommendation of parishioners and meet at least quarterly. They serve a term of three years at SH or DM. Charisms: Administration, Knowledge, & Leadership.

### Golf Tournament

This popular event enhances community and supports the building fund. Volunteers assist with planning, promoting, facilitating, and subsequent activity, helping make it both fun and successful! Volunteers sign up as needed at DM. Charisms: Administration & Hospitality.

### Hospitality (coffee hour)

Volunteers provide and serve baked goods or donuts with coffee after Mass once a month, fostering community and fellowship among parishioners. They sign up monthly for this event or as needed for other similar events at SH & DM. Charisms: Helps, Hospitality, & Service.

### Information Technology

Volunteers help maintain computers, networks, and digital systems. They assist with troubleshooting, updates, and technical needs to ensure smooth communication and efficient operations. They are called upon as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Administration & Knowledge.

### Jesus, Mary, & “Joe” Bible Study

This is a weekly gathering where participants read and discuss the upcoming Sunday Gospel with a deacon from our parish while enjoying a cup of “joe.” Members gather for weekly sessions on Thursday mornings after daily Mass at DM. Charisms: Faith, Teaching, & Wisdom.

### Lenten Fish Frys

This popular event helps people of faith and good will alike to abstain from meat during Lent. It supports capital improvements at both parishes. Volunteers set up, prepare meals, package dinners, serve tables or the takeout line, or assist with clean up. Their service strengthens the local community, promoting faith and fellowship. Volunteers sign up for specific jobs and dates before Lent begins at SH & DM. Charisms: Hospitality & Service.

### Mailing Ministry

Volunteers work behind the scenes to stuff envelopes with materials for bulk mailings, promoting the mission of the Church at our parishes. They are called upon as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Administration & Helps.

### Men’s Bible Study

Men gather weekly on Friday mornings at SH to strengthen their relationship with Christ, deepen their faith, and grow in virtue. They reflect on the Scripture readings that will be proclaimed at Sunday Mass. Charisms: Encouragement, Faith, & Wisdom.

# EVANGELIZATION

## (CONTINUED)

### Parish Picnic

This event brings our Two Parishes, One Family together each year in faith and fellowship. Volunteers prepare and serve food, assist with set up and clean up, play music, and organize games and activities, providing a great experience for parishioners and friends. Their work on this event takes place from August through September for SH & DM. Charisms: Hospitality & Service.

### Pastoral Council

Parishioners work with the pastor to promote and guide the mission of the Church at our parishes. They listen to the needs of parishioners, study parish life, and offer thoughtful recommendations. They also help set priorities, encourage participation in ministries, and foster communication and collaboration so the parish community can grow in faith and serve effectively as disciples of Christ. Members are appointed by the pastor at the recommendation of parishioners and meet at least quarterly. They serve a term of three years at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Leadership, Knowledge, Prophecy, & Wisdom.

### Prayer Shawl

Members of this ministry hand-crochet or knit shawls with care and prayer. Once completed, the shawls are blessed and given to those who are sick, elderly, grieving, or in need of comfort. The Divine Mercy group meets on the first and third Thursday of each month and the Sacred Heart group meets on the second Wednesday of each month. Charisms: Craftsmanship, Encouragement, Intercessory Prayer, & Mercy.

### Priest, Prophet, and King Men's Group

Men gather monthly for prayer and Scripture study to grow as men of faith. They also engage in service at the parish and beyond to share their gifts and talents with others. They meet on the second Saturday of each month at DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Faith, Hospitality, & Service.

### Totus Tuus Ambassadors

Volunteers provide housing and meals to the young adult missionaries of the summer youth program *Totus Tuus*. They host them for one week during the month of July. Charism: Hospitality.

### Vocation Ministry

Volunteers support and promote an awareness of God's call to the priesthood, consecrated life, diaconate, and marriage. Members pray, organize events and activities, and provide resources. In doing so, they foster a culture of openness to God's plan, helping individuals respond in faith. They meet as needed or as called upon at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Intercessory Prayer, & Pastoring.

### Winterfest

This popular event enhances community and supports family and youth programs. Volunteers assist with set up, decorating, cooking, serving meals, selling raffle tickets, coordinating games, monitoring firepits, and clean up, helping make this event a great success! Volunteers sign up as needed at DM. Charisms: Craftsmanship, Hospitality, & Service.

### Women at the Well Women's Group

Women gather for faith and fellowship to share life's challenges as well as stories of faith and hope. They enjoy light refreshments together. They meet monthly. Charisms: Encouragement, Faith, & Intercessory Prayer.

### Youth Ministry Edge/Lifeteen 7-12

Faithful and active disciples support parish youth ministry by planning programs, events, and activities that help young people live the Christian life. The team meets as needed to coordinate. They gather weekly during the school year at SH & DM. Charisms: Evangelism, Faith, Leadership, & Teaching.

### Youth Ministry Blaze K-6

A lively Catholic group for children in kindergarten through 6th grade. Volunteers help with games and activities, creating a fun, faith-filled environment. This group meets on the first Friday of each month at SH & DM. Charisms: Faith, Leadership, & Teaching.



Christmas Pageant

# SERVICE

## CARING FOR THOSE IN NEED.

### **Anna's Food Pantry at SH**

Volunteers in this ministry assist with organizing donations, stocking shelves, and distributing food to those in need. The pantry is open Monday and Friday 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Missionary.

### **Bereavement Ministry**

Members of this ministry offer comfort and companionship to those who are grieving the loss of a loved one through prayer, sharing, and mutual support. Bereavement groups meet monthly at each parish. Charisms: Encouragement, Healing, & Mercy.

### **Buckley Landing Communion Service**

Faithful and active disciples assist in bringing the Most Holy Eucharist to Catholic residents at Buckley Landing every Wednesday. They provide spiritual nourishment, comfort, and a connection to the parish for those unable to attend Mass. They are scheduled based on their availability at SH. Charisms: Faith, Healing, & Mercy.

### **Buckley Landing Rosary**

Faithful and active disciples gather with residents at Buckley Landing every Wednesday to pray the Most Holy Rosary, offering meditation on the mysteries of faith, peace, and companionship. They are scheduled based on their availability. Charisms: Encouragement, Healing, Intercessory Prayer, & Mercy.



*Totus Tuus Summer Youth Program*

### **Card Ministry**

Volunteers send greeting cards to the homebound and/or sick. They offer encouragement, care, and a reminder that they are part of our parish families. Cards are sent on a regular basis from DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Intercessory Prayer, Mercy, & Writing.

### **Caring & Sharing**

Volunteers organize and facilitate providing Christmas gifts and food to those in need in the Brewerton and Central Square area. They reach out to families to obtain wish lists, create tags for each item for the Nativity board, and organize and distribute gifts, sharing the love of the Lord at this joyful time of the year. They work on this project from September through December at DM. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Missionary.

### **Christmas Giving Tree**

Volunteers organize and facilitate providing Christmas gifts and food to those in need in the Cicero area. They reach out to families to obtain wish lists, create tags for each item for the giving trees, and organize and distribute gifts, sharing the love of the Lord at this joyful time of the year. They work on this project from September through December at SH. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Missionary.

### **Easter Meals for Those in Need**

Volunteers prepare, package, and serve a home cooked ham dinner for those in need, ensuring that individuals and families in the community can celebrate the joy of Easter. They sign up as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Hospitality, Mercy, Missionary, & Service.

### **Food Pantry at DM**

Volunteers in this ministry assist with organizing donations, stocking shelves, and distributing food to those in need. The pantry is open Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Missionary.

### **Holy Name Society**

This group for men dedicated to strengthening their faith through prayer, service, and community meets on the third Wednesday of the month for faith and fellowship at SH. Charisms: Hospitality & Service.

### **Homebound Visitors**

Faithful and active disciples visit the homes of those who are no longer able to come to Mass. They bring the Most Holy Eucharist. Their visits provide prayer, companionship, and a connection to our parish communities. Ministers visit homebound residents approximately once a month from SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Healing, & Mercy.

# SERVICE

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### Hospitality

(senior luncheons,  
funeral luncheons)

Volunteers help decorate the hall, prepare and serve food, and clean up, creating a welcoming and supportive environment. They are called upon by the coordinators of this ministry as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Helps, Hospitality, & Service.

### Knights of Columbus

**Assembly #2663 and Council #10904** A Catholic fraternal organization of men. The Knights carry out works of charity, including financial assistance to those in need as well as supporting Catholic education, seminarians, and pro-life causes. Meetings are held once a month at SH. Charisms: Giving & Service.

### Mercy Ministry

Volunteers coordinate funeral Masses with families, offering support during times of loss. They also visit the sick, homebound parishioners, and residents in local nursing homes, bringing the Most Holy Eucharist, the gift of prayer, companionship, and a connection to our parishes. They are scheduled as needed at SH. Charisms: Encouragement, Healing, & Mercy.

### North Shore

### Christmas Program

Volunteers from the North Shore Food Pantry prepare gift tags for parishioners to take to help those in need in the Constantia and Cleveland areas at Christmas. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Missionary.

### Safe Environment Coordinators

Volunteers provide instruction in the diocesan Safe Environment program, promoting the protection of children and vulnerable adults throughout our parish community. They offer two or more sessions each year at SH & DM. Charisms: Administration, Leadership, & Teaching.

### Sandwich Making

Volunteers prepare and provide sandwiches for the Catholic Charities Men's Shelter and Assumption Soup Kitchen, offering nourishment and care to those in need. They meet monthly at SH. Charisms: Mercy, Missionary, & Service.

### Scotty Thrift Shop

Volunteers receive donated items. They sort, arrange, display, and sell them at a low cost, ensuring a dignified shopping experience for those in need. They also clean and organize storage and retail spaces. They sign up to work when the Scotty is open (Tuesday / Thursday 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM; Wednesday 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM) at DM. Charisms: Giving, Mercy, & Service.

### Security Team

Volunteers with law enforcement, military, and other similar backgrounds work with coordinators to identify potential risks, develop a comprehensive plan, and enact protocols to provide a secure environment for worship and other parish activities. They meet regularly as a team and function weekly as assigned at SH & DM. Charisms: Helps & Leadership

### Seminarian Giving Tree

Parishioners purchase gift cards for seminarians to provide support during their formation for the priesthood, offering encouragement and assistance. Gift tags are prepared and put out by the Vocation Committee in November at SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement & Giving.

### Spiritual Bouquet for Religious

Parishioners pray the rosary, light a candle, or pray a holy hour for women in consecrated life. This spiritual bouquet offers them encouragement and support. Gift tags are prepared and put out by the Vocation Committee in January at SH & DM. Charisms: Encouragement, Giving, & Intercessory Prayer.

### Thanksgiving Meals for Those in Need

Volunteers prepare, package, and serve a home cooked turkey dinner for those in need, ensuring that individuals and families in the community can celebrate this season of gratitude. They sign up as needed at SH & DM. Charisms: Hospitality, Mercy, Missionary, & Service.

### Tuna Sandwich Making

Volunteers meet at DM the second Friday of the month to make tuna sandwiches for Assumption Soup Kitchen, providing nourishment and care for those in need. at DM. Charisms: Mercy, Missionary, & Service.



Senior Luncheon