

**December 30, 2018**

**The Holy Family of  
Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

**Schedule of Masses  
For New Year's Day**



**Monday, December 30<sup>st</sup> at 5:00pm**

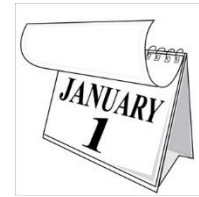
**Tuesday, January 1, 2019 at  
9:00am and 11:00am**

What better way to end a year and begin a new one, than to be with the Lord? Thank the Lord for His blessings in the past and to ask Him to bless you and your loved ones in the New Year!

Each year, as we celebrate the Holy Family we are reminded by Old and New Testament readings of the ideals of a good marriage and family life. But the Gospel show us always a moment of crisis for the Holy Family. This year, it is the incident when Jesus was 12 and taken to Jerusalem to the Temple. According to the custom of the time all the women traveled in one group; all the men in another. Mary and Joseph each thought Jesus was with the other. Every parent who has lost a child even for a few moments can imagine how Joseph and Mary felt. But Jesus said to them He had to be in "His Father's House!"



**May God look after our families  
throughout 2019 and give them the  
peace that only He can bring!**



**2019 PARISH CALENDARS**  
*will be available THIS weekend  
at all the exits of church.*

**ANNUAL ELECTION OF LAY TRUSTEES**

NEXT SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2019 there will be the annual election of Lay Trustees after the 9:00am Mass in the Church. This election is required by the laws of the State of Delaware. All adult members of the parish are eligible to participate.

**The Offertory Collection** for the weekend of 12/16 will be in the upcoming January bulletin. Thank you for your patience.

**Parish Social Ministry**

Christmas Blessings and a New Year filled with Peace to John Zakreski-who organized the Giving Tree project for 2018 and to Trish Horn, Kathleen DiCamilla, Diane Neary and Linda Deeney and Leslie Savage who provided assistance with the Giving Tree.

The kindness and compassion of the Gift Delivery volunteers was truly exceptional - Delivering in the rain!

A sincere gratitude is extended to Saint Helena's parishioners who give so generously toward the Giving Tree and to IHM Parish who donated funds for gifts and food cards. 22 families received gifts and food cards. 10 families received food cards.

## WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, December 29

5:00pm (SR) Mike Moore

### Sunday, December 30

#### Feast of the Holy Family

7:00am (SR) The People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) James Kelleher

11:00am (DV) Edward Rich, Sr.

### Monday, December 31-New Year's Eve

#### Vigil Mass for Mary, Mother of God

9:00am (SR) Dennis R. Harris

5:00pm (SR) People of the Parish

### Tuesday, January 1, 2019

9:00am (SR) Mary Ann & Leonard Kelleher

11:00am (WK) Dennis Harris

### Wednesday, January 2

No 7:00 am Mass

9:00am (SR) Dennis Harris

### Thursday, January 3

7:00am (SR) Mary Margaret Cupo

9:00am (WK) Anne Francia

### Friday, January 4

7:00am (Cap) Mass of Thanksgiving

9:00am (SR) Deena Panfile

### Saturday, January 5

9:00am (SR) Dennis Harris

5:00pm (SR) Louis Calvarese Jr.

### Sunday, January 6 -Epiphany of the Lord

7:00am (DV) The People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) Dora Amoroso

11:00am (SR) Margaret Mingo

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

**Meetings will resume Wed. Jan 9 and Jan 23, 2019.** Our members meet in the Convent every month on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at 7pm each meeting begins with recitation of the Chaplet of Mercy or the Rosary. Our members and parishioners create shawls and other lovely items which are blessed and brought to so many in need of comfort and caring. Materials are given freely and items can be made at home. Joining our dedicated ministry will make your life even more meaningful. Call Carmela on 762-9057 for more information or for questions about inclement weather.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR



### Sunday, December 30

#### The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

There is one collection today...

11:00am Children's Liturgy of the Word

### Monday, December 31-New Year's Eve

Masses: 5pm

Rectory is closed

### Tuesday, January 1, 2019

Holy Day Collection at all Masses

Mass is celebrated at 9am & 11am

Rectory is closed

### Wednesday, January 2

Rectory is re-opens

### Thursday, January 3

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

7:30pm Adult Choir-Church

### Friday, January 4

9:30am Adoration-Church

### Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Charles Brumbaugh, Patricia Darmanin, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Shirley Kosek, James Lafferty, Sue McLaughlin, Edward Mebs, Gay Meriggi, Dan Moley, Dora Pacitti, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, William Thomas, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Jacqueline Childs, Mary Gabel, Chris Molitor, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Sharon Dean, Janet Szubieolski, Geri Crockett, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spiden

## YOUNG AT HEART

Our next general meeting will be Jan 21, 7-9pm in Masci Hall featuring BINGO, followed by refreshments. Craft meetings will be held every Monday evening in January 2019 from 7-9pm in the Convent.



*-From all the members of Young at Heart*

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education Classes resumes Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Welcome back to the New Year!

Adult Scripture resumes Monday night January 7 in the Religious Education Office at 6:30pm.

*Happy New Year!  
From Hummy and Sue!*



## Catholic Charities Diaper Bank Needs Volunteers

Provide a helping hand to families struggling to keep their young children healthy, happy, clean, and dry by becoming a volunteer at Catholic Charities Diaper Bank. Opportunities are available for office assistants, data entry personnel, and distribution assistants. Day, evening, and weekend hours are available. Hours are flexible and can be adjusted to meet your schedule. For more information, contact the Catholic Charities Diaper Bank at 302-654-1184 or by email at [DiaperBank@ccwilm.org](mailto:DiaperBank@ccwilm.org). You can also visit Catholic Charities website, [www.cdow.org/charities](http://www.cdow.org/charities), to learn about other volunteer opportunities as well as express your interest in volunteering.

## Phillies Tickets Available



St. Helena's has reserved great seats in Section 310 for the game against the New York Mets on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased for only \$20 per seat and it will be the gift that keeps giving because \$10 will be donated to the Social Ministry for every ticket purchased! To reserve tickets an email to [JimClark.StHelenas@verizon.net](mailto:JimClark.StHelenas@verizon.net) with your name, phone number and the number of tickets you would like.



## BINGO

Every Thursday Evening  
In Masci Hall  
Doors open at 5:30pm  
Games begin at 7:00pm

Cookie Jar, Door Prizes, Food!



## Need a gift for New Years!

For \$35 you can buy a beautiful book celebrating the 150 years of Catholics in Delaware and Eastern Shore of Maryland. Pictures and stories of our parish and each of the churches of our Diocese. A \$15 cartoon style book for young people is also available. These books will be available at the Rectory

## MARCH FOR LIFE

St. Thomas the Apostle Knights of Columbus has chartered a bus for people of all ages, weather permitting, for the *March for Life* held on Friday, January 18th in Washington DC. There will be a stop at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception for those unable to make the March. Seats will be available on a first come basis. The only cost to the individual passenger is a tip for the bus driver. Brown bag lunch recommended. Please contact Jo Ann Van Heest at [12374Columbiettes@gmail.com](mailto:12374Columbiettes@gmail.com) or 302-239-0739 for details or to sign up. The theme for this year's March is "Unique from Day One"



Details: Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser for Padua's Musical Theater program  
When: Friday, January 11th, 2019  
Time: 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Cost: Adults \$15, Students \$10 (age 5 and under \$5)  
Includes salad, bread, spaghetti, meatball, drink, coffee and dessert and performances by the cast of "Anything Goes"  
Where: Padua Academy, 905 N. Broom St. Wilmington, DE 19806 (please enter the by the 10th and Broom St. doors)  
For more information contact Lisa Kowalski at [lkowalski@paduaacademy.org](mailto:lkowalski@paduaacademy.org)  
All proceeds benefit Padua Academy's Musical Theater Program

**Exercise Class for Seniors** -Tuesdays & Thursday 10-11am 8 week sessions-full time \$64-part time \$32. First ½ hour -Low Impact Aerobics Second ½ hour-Weight lifting, Stretching & balance.

No charge to come try a class to see if you like it. Call 478-6536 for info or just come!  
Hillcrest-Bellefonte United Methodist Church - 400 Hillcrest Ave. Parking lot Entrance.

## **OUTREACH**

Are you curious about what happens in the Outreach office?

You are invited to come and sit with us.

This would be any time Monday-Thursday 9am-noon. Please call Dorothy Medeiros at 302-764-7545

### Please Help the Food Closet

The food closet is in need of large jelly, small peanut butter (can be purchased at the dollar store), and Ramon noodles, tomato sauce, juice, juice boxes, soap-bar, and toilet paper. THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

### **THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

We have so much to learn from the Holy Family: Mary allows God's will to change her life; Joseph pays close attention to and follows the prompting of the angel; Jesus says to the Father "not my will, but Thine be done." What is the Father's will for *you*? Are you taking steps to find out? If you think God might be calling you to live out a religious vocation, call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org)). And check out our website: [www.cdow.org/vocations!](http://www.cdow.org/vocations!)

