

February 14, 2021
6th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Ash Wednesday, February 17, 2021

Masses will be celebrated at:

7:00am, 9:00am, Noon and 7:30pm

**Due to the restrictions concerning
Coronavirus, ashes are to be dropped over the
head of each person**

Daily Lenten Schedule

Masses Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday:

7am, and 9am

**Monday, Wednesday, & Saturday Morning
Mass at 9:00am ONLY**

Stations of the Cross

Lenten Friday evenings at 7:30pm

PLEASE NOTE

Due to the lower Mass attendance because of Coronavirus and the lack of priests available to help with celebration of daily Masses, we will not be able to have daily Noon Mass or 7am Mass on Monday and Wednesday. We have made every attempt to contact those who scheduled a Mass Intention for one of our Noon Masses; however, if we were unable to reach you and you have a Mass scheduled during Lent for 12 Noon, please give the office a call at 302-764-0325 x100 so we may reschedule your Intention. Thank you for your understanding.

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.sainthelenas.org>

Coronavirus News Important Update!

Friday Reflections with Msgr. Russell

Friday Reflections is a weekly check-in video with Msgr. Russell. Please visit our YouTube Channel to watch this week's video, and be sure to SUBSCRIBE to our channel. You can even arrange for YouTube to let you know every time we add a new video!

Reminder! We'll be broadcasting Mass on YouTube afterward for you to watch.

Lenten Guidelines

Prayer: We urge you to make the effort to participate in the daily Masses of Lent.

Penance: We are encouraged to do something difficult to strengthen our will power to resist sin and temptation.

Abstinence: All Catholics **from age 14 on** are expected to **abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.**

Fasting: All Catholics from **age 18 to 59** are expected to **fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.** This means **ONE** full meal a day: two other light meals, no snacks between meals. **These are the minimum expectations.** The church as our mother encourages us to do something so we can share the dying of Christ in order to rise with Him at Easter to New Life.

Works of Charity: We are challenged by the Church not only to open our hearts to God but to one another. Reach out to help the needy.

The Rice Bowl: This campaign of the American Catholic Church is an effort to help our hungry brothers and sisters. We are asked to have one simple meatless meal each week and give what we save to help the hungry.

Lent began as a time for the Church to prepare those who wished to join the body of Christ through the Easter Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Eucharist. Please pray for people throughout the world preparing to receive these sacraments in the Easter Season.

ROSARY RALLY

Saturday February 20, 2021 at 1pm

Here at St. Helena's Church near the Blessed Mother Statue (or from your car). Honor our Blessed Mother, the unborn, and all in need during these unprecedented times:

"Be Strong and take heart, all you who hope in the Lord" Psalm-31:24

If you have questions please contact Stephanie Bilinski talk or text 302-559-1275. In compliance with current state guidelines for outdoor gatherings.



WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, February 14

Happy Valentine's Day

The 2nd Collection: Black, Indian, & Home Missions

Monday, February 15 Presidents Day

Rectory Closed

Religious Ed Classes -Please see Calendar Revision

No Scripture Study

Wednesday, February 17 Ash Wednesday

Masses: 7, 9, Noon, 7:30pm

Friday, February 19

5:00pm Knights of Columbus -Fish Fry-Masci Hall

7:30pm Stations of the Cross-Church

Sunday, February 21

The 2nd Collection: Social Ministry

The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 1/31 was \$4,742.00 the on-line collection was \$1,812.00 for a total of \$6,554.00. Thank You!

Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Francis Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home Nicolas Childs, Alfred Palmer, Bridget Robinson, Fr. Charles Dillingham, Bill Thomas, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr, Carly Fedena, Susan Watkins, Judy Wilbank, Joan Morgan, Anna Mae Shewbrooks, Aliyah Miller, Theresa Kelleher Cassidy, Francis Salvatore



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Feb 13

5:00pm (SR) Michael Currin

Sunday, Feb 14

7:00am (SR) Anna Fedena (Anniversary)

9:00am (EF) Ed Ganster

11:00am (SR) People of the Parish

Monday, Feb 15

9:00am (SR) Edwin Blevins

Tuesday, Feb 16

7:00am (EF) George Hilary Seitz, III

9:00am (SR) Helen & John Lauer

Wednesday, Feb 17

7:00am (EF) Jimmy Steele & Johnny Beck

9:00am (SR) Joseph Luzzo

12:00pm (SR) Federick K.H. Hoeck

7:30pm (EF) Mary & Harold Frey

Thursday, Feb 18

7:00am (EF) Natalie & Bart Meriggi

9:00am (SR) Edwin Blevins

Friday, Feb 19

7:00am (EF) Jennie Brake

9:00am (SR) Anna & John Delfino

Saturday, Feb 20

9:00am (SR) Mary & Danny Paiano

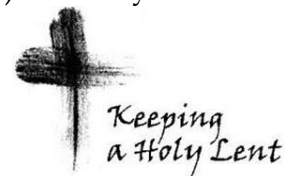
5:00pm (SR) Mary Ann & Leonard Kelleher

Sunday, Feb 21

7:00am (EF) People of the Parish

9:00am (SR) Joanne Reese

11:00am (SR) Anthony Cutrona



PLEASE NOTE

Because we need to follow procedures to help maintain a safe situation for all:

- No one can enter the Church if you are sick or have been exposed to someone with the virus within the last 14 days. Or if you will not wear a mask.
- Every other pew will be roped off to help social distancing.
- All MUST WEAR A MASK except children under 2.
- Please use hand sanitizer.

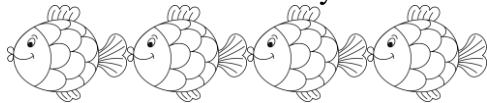
PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY



SOLIDARITY

We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they live. We are one human family, whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. Learning to practice the virtue of solidarity means learning that "loving our neighbor" has global dimensions in an interdependent world.

Knights of Columbus annual Friday Night Lenten Fish Fry Dinners begin Friday February 19. Dinners will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 PM in Masci Hall, subject to COVID restrictions, with limited socially distanced seating available for members of the same household. In addition to our usual take out dinners, limited contact curbside service will also be available. Credit card payments are accepted. Telephone orders will be accepted after 4:00 PM for pick up after 5:00 PM. Please call or text (302) 598-8685. Your prior support of these dinners has helped fund some of Christopher Council's charitable activities during the pandemic such as providing over sixteen thousand (16,000) lunches for the homeless and needy during the past year. By helping Christopher Council, you help support the food pantry, the Parish, feeding the homeless and needy, Special Olympics and many other charitable works. Thank you.



Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat for the Diocese of Wilmington. We are hosting a retreat May 14-16, 2021. The retreat weekend is a beautiful opportunity for emotional and spiritual healing for any woman or man who has struggled with abortion. For more info contact Nan Freeman at 302-463-7711 or visit rachelsvineyard.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CLASSES - REVISION TO CALENDAR

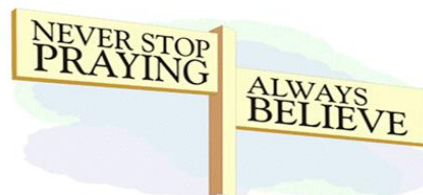
SECOND GRADERS AND OLDER CHILDREN PREPARING FOR FIRST EUCHARIST will be making up their class from Feb 1 tomorrow night (MONDAY) in Masci Hall at 6:30p until 7:30pm. I realize the original calendar shows this date as a holiday from Religious Education. It is very important that we meet with the First Eucharist candidates so they are prepared for reception of the Sacrament in May.

SIXTH, SEVENTH AND EIGHTH GRADE RS will be meeting every Monday night (OFF FEB 15 however) in DOUGHERTY HALL (the old gym) from 6:30 - 7:30p. Please remember your MASKS and your books.

Parents will be given a new calendar at the end of February regarding meeting in person. We need to see how the virus is coming and also the distribution of the vaccine. Thank you all for your patience.

LISTEN TO *CATHOLIC FORUM* every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, February 20th, tune in to hear an interview with Martin Joseph, author of the book, "Searching for Hope." Listen to *Catholic Forum* online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum..., or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" *Catholic Forum* on Facebook at [facebook.com/ CatholicForum..](https://facebook.com/CatholicForum..)

Pope Francis declared the time between December 8, 2020 and December 8, 2021 as the **Year of Saint Joseph**



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Give your relationship the gift of quality time during the pandemic! Join us from the comfort of your home via Zoom for eight sessions presented on Sunday and Wednesday evenings from January 20 to February 14. Make Valentine's Day 2021 extra special as you learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!! For more information visit our website at www.wwme-delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

RETRouvaille



Upcoming Retrouvaille Weekend...

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises.

The next program begins the weekend of February 12 - 14, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

*Happy
Valentine's
Day*

DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON CATECHETICAL DAY ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS!

This year *Catechetical Day* will be celebrated on March 20, 2021 from 9:00 m-12:30pm (virtually) with Bishop W. Francis Malooly. *Catechetical Day* honors and celebrates Catechists through prayer, recognition of their years of service to the Catechetical Ministry, in addition to spiritual and professional development.

All Clergy, Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education, and Catechists are warmly invited to attend this annual event hosted by the Office for Religious Education. Please share this invitation widely in your parish with those who serve in the Catechetical Ministry!

Catechetical Day - March 20, 2021 with Bishop W. Francis Malooly

- *All who serve in the Catechetical Ministry are welcome to attend!*

- Registration Packet:

cdow.org/fresh/wp-cont...

- Register Online:

cdowcym.wufoo.com/form...

- Registration deadline is February 26, 2021.
- *Some highlights of the day!*
- D/CREs and Catechists celebrating anniversary years of service will be honored via a live presentation.
- Award recipients are encouraged to upload their pictures for inclusion in the presentation. *Please note: certificates signed by the Bishop will be mailed to each recipient following Catechetical Day.*
- Bob McCarty, D. Min. is the keynote speaker and will lead participants in two spiritual and professional development sessions.
- A Young Adult Panel will share their real experiences of faith and discipleship.
- ***Office for Religious Education Contact Information***

Linda Jackson, Assistant to the Director, at LJackson@cdow.org or 302-573-3130.