

July 11, 2021

15<sup>h</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's first reading we hear Amos, the prophet describe himself as "a shepherd and a dresser of sycamore trees." God chose him to be a prophet to the northern kingdom of Israel. But he was a native of the southern kingdom of Judah. Amaziah the priest in the northern temple of Bethel tells him to shut up and go back to his southern kingdom. At the time Israel was enjoying great prosperity but not pleasing God. They did not like to hear Amos' call to repentance. Since they refused to listen to God's prophet, in the year 721, the kingdom of Israel was conquered by the Assyrians and many were taken into exile.

In today's Gospel, Jesus sends His apostles out to preach His Word and call people to believe in Him.

St. Paul today reminds us we have all been chosen by God to be holy, filled with His love and now He expects us to bring His Word and love to others.

**Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe**

This week our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation today helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this Collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Please be generous to the Collection today. For more information, please visit [www.usccb.org/ccee](http://www.usccb.org/ccee).

**The Offertory Collection**

For the weekend of 6/27 was \$3,981.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,892.00 for a total of \$5,873.00. Thank You.

CARNIVAL NEWS



For 2 years we have been unable to have our Spring Carnival. (In recent years, we have been able to realize a profit for the parish of \$100,000!) We have accepted the offer of Skelly's Amusement Rides to come Tuesday Sept 21<sup>st</sup> thru Saturday Sept 25<sup>th</sup> for a Mini Carnival. God willing, we will have the outdoor activities but not the activities usually held in the hall. We believe many of our young people will want to celebrate and many adults will welcome the opportunity to see friends and fellow parishioners. Mark your calendar! Obviously we can only do this if we have the help of many parishioners as volunteers. If you can help, then please call Sue or Doug Garrett (302-762-6568) or the Rectory (302-764-0325).

BROWN OUT

On Saturday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, our parish experienced low electric power from Delmarva Power. It lasted from about 8AM to 8PM and made it very difficult to celebrate the 9AM Mass, the viewing and funeral service and the 5PM Mass. At this writing we know it has affected two of the three air conditioning units in the Church, one of two units in Masci School Hall. Half of the lights in Dougherty Hall have to be replaced. Food to be prepared by volunteers for the poor and needy had to be thrown out. We know our insurance has a \$100,000 deductible. The generator on the Rectory provides power for the two rooms of the two priests and the kitchen and freezer areas only. Consequently the internet service was disrupted.

**2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL -  
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, WITNESSES OF  
HOPE**

\$56,566.21 has been received representing 89.79% of our parish's goal of our goal of \$63,000.00. To those who have already contributed to this year's campaign, please accept our sincere appreciation. If you have not yet offered your support, then we ask that you consider making a pledge or a one-time contribution today. For your convenience, Appeal envelopes are available at all the exits of church. If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal, then go to [www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal). **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

**SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION  
DISPENSATION LIFTED FOR  
CATHOLICS IN THE DIOCESE OF  
WILMINGTON**

Bishop Francis Malooly has lifted the dispensation regarding attendance at Saturday Vigil/Sunday Masses. He had granted the dispensation at the beginning of the response to the Covid-19 pandemic. With the declining numbers of people infected and the growing numbers who have been vaccinated, all the bishops of the Provinces of Baltimore and the Archdiocese of Washington have restored the obligation of Catholics to participate in the celebration of Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of obligation. "We welcome and encourage the faithful to return to full in- person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith."

**FOOD CLOSET**



At this time, the Parish Food Closet is NOT accepting CANNED GOODS or CEREAL.  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**

***Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners***

Ruth Bower, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sr. Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Francis Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home Nicolas Childs, Bridget Robinson, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr, Carly Fedena, Judy Wilbank, Aliyah Miller, Theresa Kelleher Cassidy, Nicole Miller, Karen Cheeseman, Sara Murphy, Antoinette Medeiros, Rose Marie Turcol



**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Saturday, July 10**

5:00pm (SR) People of the Parish

**Sunday, July 11**

7:00am (SR) Mary Lou Fox

9:00am (EF) Jerry & Al Moyer

11:00am (SR) Francis Grugan

**Monday, July 12**

9:00am (SR) James J. Phalan

**Tuesday, July 13**

7:00am (EF) Patricia Julian

9:00am (SR) James Chambers

**Wednesday, July 14**

9:00am (SR) Edwin Blevins

**Thursday, July 15**

7:00am (EF) Nancy McFadden

9:00am (SR) Ann McDonough

**Friday, July 16**

7:00am (EF) Frances & John Danchak

9:00am (SR) Lavina & Tony Luzzo

**Saturday, July 17**

9:00 am (SR) Thomas J. Kelly, Sr.

5:00pm (SR) Ruben Hopkins

**Sunday, July 18**

7:00am (EF) Linda James

9:00am (SR) Ann Raign

11:00am (SR) People of the Parish

## WEEKLY CALENDAR



**Sunday, July 11**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Church in Central & Eastern Europe**

**Thursday, July 15**

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

**Sunday, July 18**

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Social Ministry**

**BINGO**

Every Thursday Evening  
In Masci Hall

Doors open at 5:30pm  
Games begin at 7:00pm

### PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

Both Sunday Mass and Friday Reflections can be viewed at <https://www.sainthelenas.org/>

ALSO **Friday Reflections with Msgr. Russell** 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.

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

### PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

**National Human Trafficking Hotline:**

1-888-373-7888 SMS 233733 (Text "HELP" or "INFO") Hours: 24 hours seven days a week 200 or more languages Website: [humantrafficking.org](http://humantrafficking.org)

If you have any questions: Please call the Parish Social Ministry office-302-764-7545

**Sellers Senior Center** is looking for Pinochle Players. We play on Mondays and Tuesdays from 12:30 to 3:30pm. Available to non-vaccinated seniors with masks as of July 13. Vaccinated seniors do not have to wear a mask. Call 302-762-2050 for more information. We also offer Bunco, Bridge, Canasta and exercise programs.

## SUMMER STAGE AT URSULINE ACADEMY

Enjoy theater on the beautiful Ursuline campus under the direction of our very own music director, Joe Loudon. Students entering grades 3-9 are welcome!

Camp Dates:

Monday- Friday July 12th-July 16th 8:30am-3:30pm

Monday-Friday July 19th-July 23rd 8:30am-3:30pm

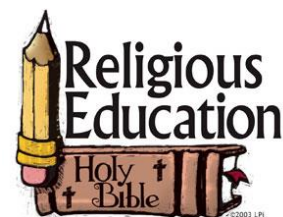
More information at

<https://www.summerstageatua.com/>



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

CATECHIST NEEDED for Second Grade for the coming school year. Our classes are on Monday nights from 6:30pm - 7:30pm beginning on September 13<sup>th</sup>. If you are a faith-filled person who would like to share your faith with young children, then please contact Ms Hummy at [hpennell@sainthelenas.org](mailto:hpennell@sainthelenas.org) or call 302-762-4280. This is a wonderful grade to teach because the children will be preparing for reception of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. We have a wonderful, loyal group of catechists and aides and I am sure someone would find this a wonderful experience. Thanking you in advance for your support!



**CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON  
MARIAN PILGRIMAGE**

With Bishop William Koenig at the  
Basilica of the National Shrine of the  
Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C.

**September 25, 2021, 10AM-4PM**

We Walk By Faith with Bishop William Koenig  
and Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington  
on pilgrimage to the nation's spiritual capital  
and Shrine of the Patroness of the United States,  
The Immaculate Conception

**Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage  
Basilica of the Immaculate Conception  
Washington, DC**

Saturday, September 25, 2021

IHM will have a bus depart at 7am

Cost \$35 (payable to IHM).

Reservation by Sept 15.

For more information, contact

Kathy Dunworth at 302-383-6452

**Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration At Immaculate  
Heart Of Mary Church**

All are welcome to adore Jesus in the Blessed  
Sacrament at IHM Church, 4701 Weldin Road,  
Wilmington, DE 19803.

As of June 1, 2021, hours are daily Sunday through  
Saturday.

For more information, contact Kathy Dunworth at  
302-383-6452 and [kdunworth@verizon.net](mailto:kdunworth@verizon.net)

**RETRouvaille: REDISCOVER THE LOVE  
IN YOUR MARRIAGE**

Tens of thousands of couples have healed their  
marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced  
Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could  
benefit from this program, then 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 August 13 - 15, 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.

**29TH ANNUAL CYO JOSEPH A. MCNESBY,  
JR. GOLF OUTING BENEFITTING THE  
WORK OF CATHOLIC YOUTH AND  
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY**

Wednesday, September 1, 2021 Deerfield Golf  
Club

**The Day's Events**

Registration: 10:30 am - 11:00 am

Lunch: 11:00 am - Noon

Shotgun Start: Noon

Auction/Dinner: 5:30 pm

For 29 years, individuals throughout Delaware  
and along the Eastern Shore of Maryland have  
been raising money to support programs and  
services that are organized and implemented  
by the Catholic Youth and Young Adult  
Ministry office. Along with supporting the  
endeavors of the Catholic athletic league,  
which serves over 5,000 youth members, this  
event also helps to sustain other youth  
activities, like service projects and a High  
School youth leadership program. Through the  
generous contributions of donors, the office of  
Catholic Youth and Young Adult Ministry is  
able to continue its mission, a mission fueled  
by the vision to provide youth and young  
adults the opportunity to learn to, love the  
faith and to live the faith. Questions: Please call  
302-658-3800 or email [catholicyouth@cdow.org](mailto:catholicyouth@cdow.org) to  
request more information or a tax letter for  
donations.



**VICTIMS ASSISTANCE  
DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON**

**If you have been sexually exploited or  
abused** by a priest, brother, sister or lay person  
employed by the Diocese of Wilmington or by a  
church volunteer in service to a parish or school  
or other church organization, then call the  
**Victims Assistance Coordinator** by telephone  
(302)656-0651 and report the incident to the  
**Delaware State Attorney Generals Office**  
(302)577-8310