

July 21, 2019

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hospitality was a very important virtue in the ancient world. When Abraham saw three strangers coming near his tent, he welcomed them and prepared a meal for them. One of the three promised in a year Abraham's aged wife, Sarah, would bear him a son. Abraham realized it was God who had visited him.

Jesus in the Gospel experienced the hospitality of Martha but when she complained to Jesus about her sister, Mary, Jesus made it clear that Mary in choosing to sit at His feet and listen to His words had chosen the better part.

Each year, the diocesan office of Safe Environments does an "audit" of each parish's Safe Environment files to insure the parish is in compliance with the Church's policy to assure safety especially for children. In May the audit was completed and all was found to be "in order and current." **Congratulations to our parish coordinator, Hummy Pennell.**

NEXT BREAKFAST BUFFET AUGUST 11
8:00AM TO 12:45PM

Leave the cooking to our Breakfast Crew for an all you care to eat Buffet on the 2nd Sunday of the month (**except July**). Each month we cook up a full buffet of breakfast faire, add a special dish or two and serve it up in a warm and festive atmosphere. For questions/reserve a table for 6 or more, please contact Nancy Cobb [302-598-8685 or Natiesmom@me.com].



2019 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal was conducted in all diocesan parishes the weekend of April 6 & 7. St. Helena's is truly blessed with many generous people, who, despite many economic challenges, have supported this year's campaign with their pledges and gifts. To date, \$59,736 has been received representing 94.8% of our parish's \$63,000 goal. If you have given to this year's campaign, please know that your participation is gratefully appreciated. If you have not yet done so, please consider supporting this important effort with a pledge or one-time contribution. It is never too late to participate. The diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal provides financial support that enables more than thirty-five ministries throughout our diocese to bring a glimpse of God into the lives of many. The Appeal is an effective way for the diocese to advance the mission of Christ: to feed and house the poor; to minister to the sick and discouraged; to educate our young; and encourage strong, healthy families. If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal, go to www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal.

May God bless you for your goodness!

The Offertory Collection for the weekend 7/1 was \$5,676.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,640.00 for a total of \$8,316.00.

*Thank
you*

"It is He whom we proclaim." Are you being called to proclaim Christ and the word of God? Call Fr. Norm Carroll 302-573-3113 vocations@cdow.org.

PARISH MINISTRY

2019 Pacem In Terris Film Series: "The Hate U Give" - An opportunity to learn how a young girl decide to stand up for what's right. Film is free and open to the public. St. Stephen's Lutheran Church-1301 N. Broom Street. Discussant: Shane Cannon. For more information or if you need a ride, please call Dorothy Medeiros at 302-764-0325 x104.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

To ALL of our Religious Education Families: Registration for 2019-2020 Religious Education year will be emailed to all present families by the beginning of August. If you have a child who is entering first grade in a public school, please give the office a call at 762-4280 or email Ms Hummy at hpennell@sainthelenas.org to register.

THE CATHEDRAL OF SAINT PETER IS IN NEED OF OUR HELP.

The weekend of August 17 & 18, a special collection for the maintenance and preservation of the Cathedral of Saint Peter will be taken up in all parishes in our diocese. Please be as generous as you can. For more information about the Cathedral, please visit the Cathedral's website at www.cathedralofstpeter.com. For a video tour of the Cathedral, and a tour of the Cathedral's 100 year-old pipe organ, visit the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/cathedral. Together, we can help assure that our Cathedral will remain a place of beauty and prayer for generations to come.

Would you like to know how to bring your loved ones back to the Catholic Faith? Please join us in praying for our families and friends on the Feast of St. Monica on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at St. Joseph on the Brandywine Church, 10 Old Church Road, Greenville, Delaware. We will be praying together to bring back all those who have fallen away from the Church at our special Devotional Event. Holy Hour with Rosary will begin at 5:00PM, and Mass will begin at 6:00PM. For more information email: 12374columbiettes@gmail.com

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, 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, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Chris Molitor, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Sharon Dean, Janet Szubieolski, Geri Crockett, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Viola Zappacosta, Jane Parsons, Bill Hufnell, Nicholas Childs, Antoinette Medeiros, Nathan Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home



BINGO

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

Doors open at 5:30pm

Games begin at 7:00pm

Cookië Jar, Door Prizes, Food!

PUBLIC PRAYER VIGIL- On Monday, August 19th, from 12 noon-1pm, the same date and time of the 4th Apparition of Fatima, a public Prayer Vigil will be held for our Bishop, ourselves, and Holy Mother Church. Following the Prayer Vigil, Bishop Malooly will re-consecrate our Diocese to Mary's Immaculate Heart, as he has done at recent diocesan Marian events in the past. This special event will take place near Our Lady of Peace Statue outside of Holy Spirit parish in New Castle. Everyone, please come.

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, July 21

The 2nd Collection: Social Ministry

12:30pm Baptism-Church

Thursday, July 18

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

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

JESUS HOUSE IS CURRENTLY SEEKING A PART-TIME OFFICE MANAGER.

Duties are varied and include managing finances and the calendar and working with program and retreat presenters and the Jesus House Board. 20 hours a week, with the possibility of working some hours from home. Please send resume to info@jesushousecenter.org.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



You are invited to spend time with Our Lord at Immaculate Heart of Mary Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel. Spend a few minutes or a Holy Hour. If you can commit to spending an hour with Our Lord, please call Kathy Dunworth, Chapel Coordinator, at 302-383-6452

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 20

5:00pm (SR) Teresa Mattero

Sunday, July 21

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (WK) Jacinta Gracias

11:00am (SR) Patricia Austin

Monday, July 22

9:00pm (SR) John Deeney

Tuesday, July 23

7:00am (DV)

9:00am (SR) Jean & Joseph Grygo

Wednesday, July 24

9:00am (SR) Katherine Seitz

Thursday, July 25

7:00am (SR) Deceased Members of the Russell and Sullivan Families

9:00am (WK) Paul O. Knight

Friday, July 26

7:00am (CAP) Holy Souls in Purgatory

9:00am (SR) Bart & Natalie Meriggi

Saturday, July 27

9:00am (SR) Carrie Konitzer

5:00pm (SR) Gertrude Talarowski
(9th Anniversary)

Sunday, July 28

7:00am (DV) Walter Koval

9:00am (SR) People of the Parish

11:00am (SR) Judy Pelkey

BE CAREFUL! In a number of parishes some parishioners have received emails, texts or phone calls saying they need to buy gift cards to help their pastor. **DO NOT BE TAKEN BY THIS SCAM!** Do not respond to them but please call the Rectory to let us know how you have received such a message. Also please see the following Federal Trade Commission's article about identifying, avoiding and reporting email scams (which are called "phishing" because phony emails attempt to fish for information or money): <https://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0003-phishing>. **ADDITIONALLY** there is someone who has been sending fake emails from Msgr Russell. Please do not respond to these emails if you receive them. **ALSO** please see the Scam Alert Advisories on the bulletin boards by the Delaware State Police.

BISHOP'S 5K WILL BENEFIT CATHOLIC CHARITIES OUTREACH

Please join Catholic Charities for the Bishop's 5K Run/Walk, a totally adaptive event, at 9 am on Saturday, August 24, 2019, at Glasgow Regional Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway, Newark, DE 19702. Pre-register for the event by visiting Bishops5K.com. Registration is \$25 from July 1 to August 22 and \$30 until race day, plus an event fee of \$2.50. All registered runners/walkers will receive a t-shirt, and be in the running for prizes. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities outreach efforts. Call Catholic Charities at 302-655-9624 with any questions about the Bishop's 5K. Bishop Malooly will be at the starting line AND finish line of the 4th Catholic Charities Bishop's 5K Run/Walk - will you?

CATHOLIC CHARITIES TAKING APPLICATION FOR ENERGY ASSISTANCE

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), administered in Delaware by Catholic Charities, is now taking applications for the 2018-2019 heating season. This federally-funded program assists low-income Delawareans who need help in meeting home energy costs. LIHEAP makes payments directly to home energy suppliers. The LIHEAP benefit is based on a household's income, size, and type of fuel. You may be eligible for assistance if your total household income falls within income eligibility guidelines. For example, a household of 4 can have no more than \$50,325 in annual household income (before taxes). In order to qualify, you must make an appointment with a Catholic Charities office for a personal interview. Regular office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In Kent County, call (302) 674-1782. In New Castle County, call (302) 654-9295. In Sussex County, call (302) 856-6310. The application process runs from July 1, 2019 to March 31, 2020.

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE CHURCH IN LEWES, DE is hosting a trip of historic Berlin & Scenic Southern Poland, Sept 17-20 with Fr. Tom Flowers. Visit the Berlin Wall, the world's tallest statue of Christ (178 feet), the miraculous Eucharistic Host at St. Jacek in Legnica, the Basilica of Our Lady, Queen of Families, the shrine of the Black Madonna, the Nazi death camp at Auschwitz, a 1000-year old salt mine, and the inspiring wonders of Krakow & Zakopane. For a complete Itinerary, contact stjudelewes.org or call 302-644-7300

RETROUVAILLE- Tens of thousands of couples have healed their Marriages through Retrouvaille (Retro-VIE). If you know of anyone who could benefit from this program please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and rediscover intimacy. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. **Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA August 9 - 11.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

TRAVEL TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA

Please join the Diocesan Vocations Guild and Father Christopher Coffey on October 12, 2019 as we travel to The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa in Doylestown, Pa. There will be a tour of the Shrine by one of the Pauline Fathers, a fifteen minute movie about the Shrine, and time on your own to explore the grounds and visit the gift shop, etc. The cost of the pilgrimage is \$30.00 per person for the bus and \$15.00 for lunch. Or, you may brown bag your lunch. Please contact Mary Gaworski @ 302-438-6969 after 3 p.m. or email: mares7963@aol.com for more information.

St. Mary Magdalen Football

For 4th-5th graders

Space available

Please contact: coachmartyb@yahoo.com