

July 8, 2018
14th Sunday of Ordinary Time



Ezekiel the prophet heard the Lord God sending him to speak to Gods' people whether they listened or resisted his message. Jesus too met resistance from his own relatives and his own townspeople. Jesus "was amazed at their lack of faith."

In Case you missed it...
Carnival News
Great News!

With all the bills paid, we can announce this years' **Carnival made a record-breaking \$105,614.63 profit!** Thank you to Sue and Doug Garrett and the entire Carnival Committee, all of you who worked so hard and contributed so much to the success of the Carnival. We thank the good Lord who gave good weather. The profit will obviously help us to cover the deficit we have been facing all year.



The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 6/24 was \$4,262.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,762.50 for a total of \$6,024.50
Thank you!

BREAKFAST BUFFET TODAY, JULY 8
8:00AM TO 12:45PM
\$10/Adults ~ \$4/Children under 12

Leave the cooking to our Breakfast Crew for an all you care to eat Buffet on the 2nd Sunday of the month (except August). 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.

Future 2nd Sundays are:
September 9, October 14 and December 9

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, July 8

2nd Collection: Church in Central/Eastern Europe

8:00am Breakfast Buffet-Masci Hall

Thursday, July 5

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

BIRTHRIGHT OF DELAWARE
SAVE THE DATE

Birthright of Delaware will host a fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse located in **Bear, Delaware from 12 pm to 4 pm on August 4, 2018!** Please bring your family and friends out for lunch/dinner! A percentage of all meals will be given as a contribution to birthright Inc.

YOUNG AT HEART

Young at Heart's monthly meetings will resume on **Monday evening, 7pm, Sept 17, in Masci Hall.** Please plan on joining our club for fun and fellowship. We need new members with new ideas. Yearly dues are \$18.00 and due at that time.

Congratulations

St. Helena's Finance Council is happy to announce that Mike Chlada is the new Executive Officer.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, July 7

9:00 am (SR)

5:00pm (SR) Joseph Wierzbicki

Sunday, July 8

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

9:00 am (WK) John Fedena, Sr. and Rita Dusik

11:00 am (SR) Tommy Smith

Monday, July 9

No 7:00 am Mass

9:00am (SR) Judith Roberts

Tuesday, July 10

7:00am (DV)

9:00am (SR) Carolanne T. Kelly

Wednesday, July 11

No 7:00 am Mass

9:00am (SR)

Thursday, July 12

7:00am (SR)

9:00am (WK) Robert & Mary Smith

Friday, July 13

7:00am (Cap)

9:00am (SR) Stanley J. Russell, Sr.

Saturday, July 14

9:00 am (SR) Judith Ann Roberts

5:00pm (SR) Lavina Luzzo

Sunday, July 15

7:00 am (DV) Betty Nordquist

9:00 am (SR) The People of the Parish

11:00 am (SR) Ann McDonough

ANNUAL ST. JOSEPH PARISH CARNIVAL MIDDLETOWN

Join us for our 20th Anniversary celebration, July 17 thru July 21. Exciting rides, games and nightly entertainment under the big top! Special children's game area. **ONE NIGHT ONLY: July 17, Jungle John's Dino Show, 7-9 p.m.** MegaPass-ride all week \$45. July 17-18 are Family Nights: \$25/night/all rides! Nightly raffles! Delicious meals in our air-conditioned Parish Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday - Thursday. Outdoor dining, rides and games begin at 6:00 p.m. nightly. **FREE** admission and parking. More information, call Parish Office 302-378-5800 or www.stjosephmiddletown.com



Parish Social Ministry

A Catholic Commitment to Social Justice:

As disciples of Jesus, I/we pledge to:

*PRAY for greater justice and peace

*LEARN more about Catholic Social Teaching and its call to protect human life stand with the poor and care for creation.

*REACH across boundaries of religion, race, ethnicity, gender and disabling conditions.

*LIVE justly in family life, school, work and the marketplace, and the political arena.

*SERVE those who are poor and vulnerable, sharing more time and talent

*GIVE more generously to those in need at home and abroad

*ADVOCATE for public policies that protect human life, promote human dignity; preserve God's creation and build peace.

*ENCOURAGE others to work for greater charity, Justice and peace

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

For many years we have exposed the Blessed Sacrament on the altar on each First Friday at the end of 9am Mass. We have had to cut back on the hours we have Our Lord in the monstrance available for your private visits in prayer. We presently conclude the period of adoration at 11am. If you can commit to being present for some time between 10am and 11am please call the Rectory at 764-0325.

Please Help the Food Closet

The food closet is in need of canned meats, Ramon Noodles, used plastic grocery bags, small jar of peanut butter, toilet paper, tea bags juice boxes and bars of soap. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.**



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting during June, July or August, 2018. We will resume our usual schedule in September by meeting on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

If **anyone needs** information, would like to join us or would like instruction in knitting or crocheting, please call Dolly at 302-764-3465 or Carmela at 762-9057. Also, if you need materials, we provide it at no cost. Have a blessed summer.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registrations for Religious Education Classes held on Monday nights will be mailed out at the end of July and will also be online to fill out at the first Parent/Child Meeting scheduled for Monday, September 10, 2018.

Vacation Bible School

Shipwrecked: Rescued by Jesus is this year's Community Vacation Bible School theme. Bible school will be held July 22-26 at Presbyterian Church of the Covenant from 5:15 PM- 8:30 PM. Many adults are needed to serve as station leaders, station helpers and crew leaders. Our own Ms. Hummy will be a counselor once again for this Bible School and encourages all of our children to take advantage of this wonderful experience.

BINGO

Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall
Doors open at 5:30pm
Games begin at 7:00pm
Cookie Jar, Door Prizes,
Food!

VOX HUMANA

Vox Humana is an all-female vocal chamber choir based in Hockessin, DE (in residence at **Saint Mary of the Assumption**); we would like to invite any female singers of your parish to join us on tour in England and Scotland in the summer of 2019. Non-Singing parishioners are also welcome to join us. We are singing a Mass at Westminster Cathedral in London and performing a concert at Holy Trinity Church in Stratford upon Avon (Home of Shakespeare). Our tour concludes with a final concert performance in Edinburgh, Scotland at Greyfriars Kirk.

For more information or to register for the trip, please email us at voxhumanade@gmail.com or contact the Artistic Director.

RETRouvaille PROGRAM

Retrouvaille (retro-VIE) can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. **Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA: August 17-19.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

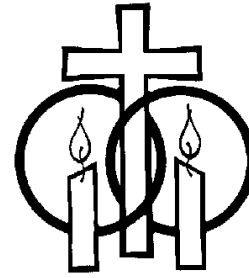
Anne Ambagis, Ruth Bower, Charles Brumbaugh, Joan Callaghan, Joseph Campanella, Jean Capodanno, Tony Cutrona, Patricia Darmanin, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Shirley Kosek, James Lafferty, Sue McLaughlin, Edward Mebs, Gay Meriggi, Dan Moley, Dora Pacitti, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Joseph Sacher, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, George Theiss, William Thomas, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Janice Tigani

THANK YOU FROM FR. NADOLSKI

Thank you, thank you, and thank you! I am so grateful to you, the community who became my spiritual home for the past six years as we prayed together, broke open the Word, and were fed at God's table. Thank you for the lovely and warm send-off you gave me. My family was mightily impressed. "What a great parish," each remarked. Thanks, too, for your kindness to my Mom. I was touched by the beautiful concert, outpouring of affection, delicious lunch, and the sheer delight of visiting with you one final time. I thank you for your trust, as we prayed and rejoiced in the Spirit who calls us to be women, men, and young people of gentleness, humility, and justice. St. Francis de Sales once said, "Those who go, stay. And, those who stay, go." He was trying to explain how when parties part, each takes something of the other with them. Please know that I will take your fine example of warmth, friendship, openness, and acceptance. You taught me well. Be assured of my prayers and rich esteem for you and St. Helena's Parish.

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WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER



Don't you and your spouse deserve a beautiful, romantic weekend away together? The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be November 2-4, 2018 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. 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. Don't Delay!

QUO VADIS 2018

July 26th - 29th

A time for young men of high school or college age interested in the vocation to the priesthood to gather, pray, have fun, and discern God's plan and calling for their life.

Location: Malvern Retreat House
315 S. Warren Ave., Malvern, PA

Begins: Thursday, July 26, 2018

5:00PM - 5:45PM - Check-in at St. Joseph Hall

Event Cost: Free

For more information and registration:

Online at www.cdow.org/vocations by Friday, July 6th

CAPE COD BUS EXCURSION

Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary St. Josephine Bakhita Court 383 is sponsoring a 5 day/4 night bus excursion to Cape Cod, September 10-14, 2018. Please consider vacationing with friends from the Diocese. It's an all-inclusive trip with a total cost of \$800. You can reserve your seat for \$200. Contact Deborah Robinson, 302-494-5709 or St. Joseph's Church, 302-658-4535 for more detail and to make your reservation.

