

September 12, 2021
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Who do you say that I am?” That was the question Jesus posed to the Apostles. St. Peter responded: “You are the Christ.” But Jesus knew what Peter and most Jews expected of the Messiah: a military political leader who would lead the Jews to establish the kingdom of Israel. In all three of the gospels that record this scene, Jesus begins to teach the Apostles that the Messiah “must suffer greatly and be rejected... be killed and rise after three days.” Peter did not like what he heard and tried to convince Jesus not to talk that way, but Jesus insisted and made clear anyone who wants to follow Jesus must also take up the cross and follow Him.

20TH ANNIVERSARY CONCERT OF 9-11 at St. Helena’s Catholic Church on Sunday, September 12th at 4PM. At 602 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, DE 19806. Professional orchestra, choir, and exceptional soloists come together to remember the lives of those lost and “honors the triumph of the human spirit.” Tickets for the event are \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students and can be purchased at requiem911tix.org

CARNIVAL NEWS UPDATE

With the resurgence of the Covid virus (Delta variant) and the uncertainties about what will have to be done to promote safe health conditions, we have decided to cancel plans for a mini-carnival in September. We thank all who have indicated their willingness to help us.

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL - DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, WITNESSES OF HOPE \$59,336.21 has been received representing 94.18% of our parish’s goal of our goal of \$63,000.00. 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. **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

Please Note

We appreciate your patience! We know that two chandeliers toward the rear of church have not been lit for some weeks. The part that we need to fix the control panel has been on order for weeks. As soon as it arrives from China, we will be able to fix the problem.

CLEANING HOUSE?

Your 2021 Attic Treasures Team is already hard at work for the November 6th Christmas Bazaar. Many thanks to those who have dropped off donations. However, we have lots of space to fill for our Attic Treasures Market and need items to fill our tables and shelves. Bring us your new or gently used items: Books, Household Goods, Kitchen and Garden items, Holiday Ornaments and Decorations, Decorative items, Small Furniture, Appliances/Electronics*, Accessories, Jewelry and Accent Pieces**

Please leave your donations in the closet next to the porch door of the convent. Donations will be accepted through Sunday, October 17th, but it really helps if you drop them off early. If you have large items or questions, then please contact Nancy Cobb (598-8685) or e-mail us at NatiesMom@me.com.

***Unfortunately**, we cannot accept televisions unless they are flat screens.

**Please no clothing or exercise equipment. Leather goods, handbags, accessories and jewelry are welcome.

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.

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, Friends at the Kutz Home Nicolas Childs, Bridget Robinson, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr, Carly Fedena, Judy Wilbank, Aliyah Miller, Theresa Kelleher Cassidy, Karen Cheeseman, Sara Murphy, Antoinette Medeiros, Rose Marie Turcol, Marie Luzzo, Charlie Lafferty, Stephanie Bidwell, Dawn Williams, Janice Tigani, Helen Rupnicki, William Lytle, Msgr. Joseph Rebman

The Offertory Collection

For the weekend of 8/29 was \$4,097.00 and the on-line collection was \$1,772.00 for a total of \$5,869.00. Thank You!

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, September 12

2:30pm 9-11 Remembrance Performance -Church

Monday, September 13

6:30pm Religious Ed Begin-Parents Only-Masci Hall

Tuesday, September 14

1:00pm- Young at Heart – 1st Meeting-Masci Hall
7:00pm Finance Council-Rectory

Thursday, September 16

5:30 pm Bingo-Masci Hall

Sunday, September 19

2nd Collection: Parish Social Ministry

12:30pm Baptism-Church



Every Thursday Evening
In Masci Hall

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

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept 11

5:00pm (EF) Gus Lotsis

Sunday, Sept 12

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (EF) Betty O' Connor

11:00am (SR) C. Natalie Meriggi
(34th Anniversary)

Monday, Sept 13

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

Tuesday, Sept 14

7:00am (EF) Paul O. Knight

9:00am (SR) Edwin Blevins

Wednesday, Sept 15

9:00am (SR) Elizabeth O'Connor

Thursday, Sept 16

7:00am (EF) Nancy McFadden

9:00am (SR) Special Intension (Living)

Friday, Sept 17

7:00am (EF) Harold Robinson & William Hufnell

9:00am (SR) Frank Owsiany & Jeanette Monaghan

Saturday, Sept 18

9:00 am (SR) Frances & John Danchak

5:00pm (SR) Dorothy Ragan

Sunday, Sept 19

7:00am (EF) Margaret Emerson (living)

9:00am (SR) People of the Parish

11:00am (SR) Ethel & John Pochmara

Please pray for our nation in this very difficult time. Prayer card is available at church entrances.

O Blessed Mother, Pray for the USA

*Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception,
Patroness of the United States of America,
please help our country.*

Help us to return to what is decent, right, and proper.

Help us to return to respect for ourselves and others, to truth in dealing with ourselves and others, to self-control and self-discipline, and especially, to a deep love for your Son and his teachings.

Protect us from those who would destroy us from within.

*Our Lady, we place ourselves and our country under your mantel, Pray for us and help us.
Amen.*

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will begin the school year with a PARENT ONLY meeting on this Monday, September 13th, at 6:30pm in Masci Hall. This is a very important meeting so please have one parent present. If you have not yet received your registration form in the mail, then you can fill one out at the meeting. Please email Ms Hummy, however, with the name and grade of the children being enrolled so we can prepare our class lists. Thank you.

YOUNG AT HEART

A pleasant hello to our YAH and Parish members. It's been an unusual time since last year and we hope everyone is doing well and getting back to normal.

Good News! The YAH group will be starting up again. Our general meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month beginning **Sept. 14th at 1pm in Masci Hall**. We will be collecting the annual dues of \$18.

We are planning on programs for each month, the Christmas Bazaar and our craft group. We will continue the Rosary devotion with time and dates to be discussed. Prayer Shawls are always available to those in need. So please contact Dawn Willams at 302-290-6613. Hope to see you there!

St. Helena's seeks a Director of Social Ministry to support Parish values and goals. The successful candidate will start in the Fall working flexible part-time hours (about 20 hrs /wk).

Responsibilities include: supervision of all Social Ministry activities and their volunteers; active participation in the analysis and decisions regarding support to Parish and local families and interaction with other support services in the area.

Requirements: excellent communication and interpersonal skills, proven ability to take charge in a compassionately caring way, experience coordinating multiple priorities, and background with computers (Email, Word, and preferably some Excel).

Contact: Business Manager (302) 764-0325 x-102

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 Blessed Virgin Mary of The Immaculate Conception.

Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage
Basilica of The Blessed Virgin Mary of The Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC

Saturday, September 25, 2021

IHM will have a bus depart at 7am

Cost \$35 (payable to IHM).

Make Reservation by Sept 15th.

For more information, contact
Kathy Dunworth at 302-383-6452

COATS For Kids 2021

The goal of the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids program is to ensure that no child in our community goes without a warm coat during the winter season. Donations are needed this year more than ever as we recover from the pandemic, more children are in need, and our fundraising efforts are just starting to get back on track. A monetary donation can be made online at <https://2021-coats4kids-christopher-council-3182.cheddarup.com> Or mail a check to Knights of Columbus #3182 c/o Coats for Kids, 135 Princeton Ave, Claymont, DE 19703. You may also donate NEW cold weather gear (coats, hats, gloves/mittens, scarfs) that can be dropped off at Holy Rosary or St. Helena Churches. Any questions please contact Tom Cassidy at 302-543-3076 or Neal Potts at 302-632-8436.



**BISHOP'S ANNUAL WEDDING
ANNIVERSARY MASS**

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at **2:00 PM on Sunday, October 17, 2021** at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 1:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 1:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required**. Please make your **reservations by September 30th**. This year, you can register by clicking on <https://cdow.coursetorm.com/course/annual-wedding-anniversary-mass> or by filling out the information below and returning it to the Office for Marriage and Family Life, 1626 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806, or by emailing ljackson@cdow.org.

**Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass
(Please print clearly)**

Last Name: _____
Husband's First Name: _____
Wife's First Name: _____
Street Address: _____

City: _____
State: _____
Zip Code: _____
Phone # () _____
Email Address: _____
Number of Years Married: 5__ 10__ 15__
20__ 25__ 30__ 35__ 40__ 45__ 50__ More
than 50? ____ Years
Parish: _____
Total number of persons attending (include
guests): _____

**Mail to: The Office for Marriage & Family Life
(Anniversary Mass) 1626 N. Union Street,
Wilmington, DE 19806
Or Email: ljackson@cdow.org**

St. Helena's Parish
Cordially invites you to the
60th Anniversary of Ordination to the
Priesthood
of Msgr. Stanley Russell
At 6:30pm on **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9,**
2021
In Masci Hall
\$30 per person
Wine and Beer included with dinner
(Cash bar available)
RSVP by September 27, 2021
Reservations required – seating is
limited

If you would like to attend, please fill in
the form below and return it with your
check to the rectory no later than
September 27, 2021. If you have any
questions, please email Ms Hummy
at hpennell@sainthelenas.org
Or call the rectory at 302-764-0325 ext.
106.

Msgr Russell's 60th Anniversary Dinner
Please respond by September 27, 2021

M _____
_____ will attend @ \$30 per person

Please make checks payable to St. Helena's and
drop off at the Rectory or call Ms Hummy at
302-598-1011.

**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