

September 19, 2021

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus in today's Gospel, was walking with His disciples. He was teaching them that He would have to suffer and die and rise again. Jesus overheard what the disciples were talking about. They were discussing "who was the greatest." Jesus told them: "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." We are all called to serve the Lord and one another.

**Today is Catechetical Sunday.** We pray for all the children participating in our Religious Education program, their parents and their catechists.

2021 Share in the Spirit Tuition Assistance Collection

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for many struggling Catholic families. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Since the Church has the mission to educate and this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education. I ask you to generously support next week's *Share in the Spirit* collection. God bless you for your ongoing goodness. To learn more about the *Share in the Spirit* collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at [www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html](http://www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html).

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](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal). **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

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 17<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto: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/> and 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 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.

### The Offertory Collection

For the weekend of 9/5 was \$5,570.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,302.00 for a total of \$7,872.00. Thank You!

### Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Susan Denis, 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

### WEEKLY CALENDAR



#### Sunday, September 19

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

12:30pm Baptism-Church

#### Tuesday, September 21

7:00pm Parish Council-Masci Hall

#### Sunday, September 26

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Share in the Spirit**

### WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

#### Saturday, Sept 18

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

#### Monday, Sept 20

9:00am (SR) Nancy McFadden

#### Tuesday, Sept 21

7:00am (EF) Joseph F. Meriggi

9:00am (SR) Mary & Bernard Fiore

#### Wednesday, Sept 22

9:00am (SR) Alex Piscicella

#### Thursday, Sept 23

7:00am (EF) Steve Fedena (Anniversary)

9:00am (SR) Joseph Luzzo (10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

#### Friday, Sept 24

7:00am (EF) Paul O. Knight

9:00am (SR) Nancy McFadden

#### Saturday, Sept 25

9:00 am (SR) Deceased Members of the

Russell and Sullivan Families

5:00pm (SR) Pauline & Ken Lauer (Living)

(60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

#### Sunday, Sept 26

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (EF) Baby Catherine Deeney

11:00am (SR) John Loudon

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.*

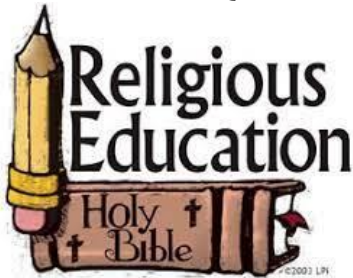
*Help us to return to respect for ourselves and others, to truth in dealing with ourselves and others, to self-control and self-discipline, and especially, to a deep love for your Son and his teachings.*

*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

Religious Ed classes for students begin Monday September 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. Students report to Masci Hall. Masks are REQUIRED.



# BINGO

Every Thursday Evening  
In Masci Hall

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

## PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

**An opportunity to reach out with care and compassion** to individuals and families who have many needs. Please consider volunteering to the Parish Outreach office with flexible schedule. Interviews are being conducted by phone only.

**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 15<sup>th</sup>.

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 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 35<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50<sup>th</sup>, 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 30<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto: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](mailto:ljackson@cdow.org)**

St. Helena's Parish  
Cordially invites you to the  
60<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:hpennell@sainthelenas.org)  
Or call the rectory at 302-764-0325 ext.  
106.

Msgr Russell's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner  
Please respond by September 27, 2021

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\_\_\_\_\_ 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.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**  
Looking for an in-person or virtual experience  
getting closer to your spouse? We have adapted  
to several formats so that we can meet everyone's  
comfort level! Learn tools to revitalize romance  
and deepen communication in your  
marriage!!!! For information, visit our website at  
[www.wwme-delmar.org](http://www.wwme-delmar.org) (also  
<https://wwme.org>) or to register, please call  
Tony and Linda Massino at 302-648-2228