

August 26, 2018

21 Sunday of Ordinary Time



“Does this shock you?” Jesus knew He was challenging the people before Him. They were challenging His words about people eating His flesh and drinking his blood. “As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied Him.” If Jesus really did not mean what He had said, shouldn’t He have called them back and said “come back! I did not really mean those words.” But Jesus let them leave. He even turned to the Apostles and asked if they wanted to leave. St. Peter spoke for them and said their act of faith: “Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God.” Peter did not know what Jesus would do. Perhaps at the Last Supper, the apostles remembered what Jesus had said when He took bread and the cup of wine and said the words we hear in every Mass.

The Offertory Collection for the weekend of 8/12 was \$4,611.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,392.50 for a total of \$7,003.50. Holy Day Assumption Collection (Aug 15) was \$783.00.

Thank You

THE SECULAR DISCALCED CARMELITES
(OCDS)

Is God calling you to a deeper prayer life and relationship with Him? The Secular Discalced Carmelites (OCDS) may be for you. We are a Catholic lay order of men and women undertaking to live an evangelical life of fraternity and contemplative prayer, according to the Carmelite Saints. We meet in Newark, DE on the 3rd Saturday of each month. To learn more, please contact Dan (302-252-8784) or Laurie (410-378-0010).

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting during 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, please call Dolly at 302-764-3465 or Carmela at 302-762-9057.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, August 26

7:00pm-Youth Group-REO

Thursday, August 30

5:30pm Bingo-Masci Hall

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, William Thomas, Catherine Thomson, James Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Jacqueline Childs, Mary Gabel, George Goldman, Chris Molitor

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 25

5:00pm (DV) Erin Lawes

Sunday, August 26

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

9:00 am (SR) William Schmidt

11:00 am (SR) Douglas E. Schauer

Monday, August 27

No 7:00 am Mass

9:00am (SR) Colleen Pfeil

Tuesday, August 28

7:00am (SR)

9:00am (WK) Intention of Thanksgiving (Living)

Wednesday, August 29

No 7:00 am Mass

9:00am (SR)

Thursday, August 30

7:00am (SR)

9:00am (WK)

Friday, August 31

7:00am (Cap) Elwood Steele

9:00am (SR) Charles Seitz

Saturday, September 1

9:00am (SR) Albert Minuti, Sr.

5:00pm (SR) Joseph Dumont

Sunday, September 2

7:00 am (SR) The Deceased Members of the
Lutcavage/Blaska Family

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

11:00 am (SR) Edward and Ann Dunn

BINGO

Evry Thursday Evzning
In Masci Hall

Doors open at 5:30pm

Games begin at 7:00pm

Cookie Jar, Door Prizes, Food!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Education registration forms have been emailed to parents. If you have not yet received yours, please call the office at 762-4280 or email Ms Hummy at hpennell@sainthelenas.org. Our first night of classes will be MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, at 6:30 pm in Masci Hall. This meeting is for both the STUDENT(s) and one PARENT.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY

It's time to plan for Christmas:

Parish Social Ministry is in need of a coordinator for the Giving Tree. The process already has a plan that can be utilized. Please call Dorothy at 302-764-0325 x104. God's Blessings be upon you.

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.

11TH ANNUAL WOMEN'S WELLNESS WEEKEND

The Sisters of St. Joseph Development Office will host the 11th Annual Women's Wellness Weekend at St. Mary's by-the-Sea in beautiful Cape May Point, New Jersey on **Sept. 7-9, 2018**. Included in the \$375 price, are meals, accommodations and the opportunity to participate in a variety of workshops. Email development@ssjphila.org or call 1-800-482-6510 with any questions.

Please join us for the 6th annual Day of Prayer for the Victims of Abortion on Saturday **September 8th at 9 a.m.** at Cathedral Cemetery 2400 Lancaster Ave. in Wilmington. Those attending will meet at the Queen of Apostles Chapel parking lot and walk to the grave of the unborn for a brief prayer service conducted by Rev. Roger DiBuo, pastor of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton. Attendants will be on duty to direct you to the chapel area. For more information go to abortionmemorials.com. If you are unable to attend please spend a few moments praying for all the innocent victims of abortion on this national day of remembrance. Cathedral Cemetery has been serving the local community for 140 years.

**ST. HELENA'S ANNUAL PARISH
PICNIC** is coming



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2018 (RAIN or SHINE) from NOON – 3PM. Come and join fellow parishioners for **FREE FOOD** provided by the Knights of Columbus and the members of Parish Council, Finance Council, Parish Life and Christian Formation. Our own “**YOUNG at HEART**” members provide delectable desserts to satisfy your sweet tooth! It is a wonderful time to reconnect with friends that you know and also to meet new parishioners in a fun and laid back atmosphere.

Saint Mark's High School
Important Admissions Dates:

- **8th Grade HSPT Prep Course** on Saturday, October 13th and November 10th
- **Fall Open House** on Sunday, October 28th from 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.
- **Spartan for a Day** for 8th Grade students, beginning October 2nd and offered Tuesday-Friday.
- **8th Grade HSPT at Saint Mark's**, December 1st at 8:30 a.m. or December 2nd at 12:00 p.m. **For a full list of admissions dates or to register for an event, visit the Saint Mark's Admissions web-page at www.stmarkshs.net/Admissions**

Ministry of Caring Millennials

3rd Annual Crab Fest!

September 8, 2018 2-6pm

Blue Diamond Park

765 Hamburg Rd

New Castle, DE 19720



PADRE PIO FESTIVAL



St. Bede the Venerable Parish in Holland, PA (Southampton, PA) invites you to join them for their Third Annual Padre Pio Festival. We have moved the date for our festival to the weekend of **Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 14, 15, 16, 2018**, in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of the death of St. Pio of Pietrelcina. Special Masses will be held on Saturday evening, September 15, and again on Sunday, September 16. A street procession and healing service, with confessions and blessing with relics, will follow the Sunday Mass. Buses welcome. Plenty of free parking, food vendors, live free entertainment, tents and tables. Visit padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com for more details, or simply call 215-357-5720.

St. Monica Tear Drop Devotional Mass

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, **Monday, August 27th**. All are welcome and come early to fill out a Tear Drop card for your loved ones and all who have fallen away from the church. The Rosary will start at 5:30 pm and a Holy Mass celebrated by Msgr. Hurley at 6:00 pm at St Thomas the Apostle Church, 301 N Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington, DE 19805.
email:12374columbiettes@gmail.com

CHOIR NEWS!!

Adult Choir begins on Thursday, September 13th at 7PM in the church. Youth Choir for grades 3-8 begins on Monday, September 10th at 5:45pm-6:30pm in the church.

THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

The *12th Annual Nun Run 5K* (it's a walk too!) is being held **Saturday September 15 at 9am**. The 5K walk/race begins and ends on the grounds of Jeanne Jugan Residence in Newark, and the Little Sisters join us for the run and all the fun! This is one of our major fundraisers and we are seeking your support. Last year, over 400 people came together to make our Nun Run a huge success!



Upcoming Events at Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center

Day of Reflection: Finding Tranquility in a Hectic Day. With Fr. Nicholas Amato
Wednesday, September 5, 9:30am-3:30pm

Learn ways to maintain the inner peace. Give yourself the treat of a day away to center and ground yourself and to find the tranquility you seek. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808. 302-995-6554. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch. Visit our website jesushousecenter.org. or call our office for more info or to register.

MASS AT THE SHRINE OF SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER

Bishop Francis Malooly will be the celebrant for Mass at St. Francis Xavier Church (Old Bohemia) in Warwick, MD on **Saturday, September 1 at 11:00 am** in conjunction with the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington 150th Anniversary Historic Churches Pilgrimage. Guided tours of the church and rectory will be offered at 9 am, 9:30 am and 10 am. The rectory museum and historic graveyard will be accessible for individual inspection and study. The Visitor Center and Gift Shop featuring religious articles will also be open. Contact Clarice Kwasnieski 302.545.2126 OldBohemiaHS@gmail.com if you have any questions.

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.



Please join the **Diocesan Vocations Guild on October 7, 2018** as we travel to the "**Shower of Roses**" celebration at the Carmelite Monastery, Coopersburg, PA. There will be Benediction of The Blessed Sacrament, Veneration of the Relic of St. Therese of Lisieux, and a solemn procession to the Blessed Mother's Statue in the yard, and each pilgrim receives a rose. Visit the incorrupt tomb of the foundress, Sr. Therese of the Child Jesus. Food will be available in the cafeteria. The cost of the pilgrimage is \$30.00 per person. Please contact Mary Gaworski @ 302-438-6969 or email: mares7963@aol.com for more information.

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.