

September 20, 2020
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways says the Lord.”

Our God reminds us He is generous and merciful in forgiving. It may not seem just to us in the Gospel parable that all the workers are paid the same daily wage.

Yes some people follow the Lord and His commands all through their lives. Others may turn away from a life of sin and turn to the Lord in their last days or hours. All are called by our merciful God into eternal life and peace!

SHARE IN THE SPIRIT COLLECTION

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for 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 that 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 since this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

It is in light of this reality that I ask you to consider supporting next week’s *Share in the Spirit* collection. God bless you for your goodness.

To learn more about the *Share in the Spirit* collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at www.cdown.org/sharespirit.html.

The Offertory Collections for the weekend 9/6 was \$4,339.00 and the on-line collection was \$2,857.00 for a total of \$7,196.00. Thank you.



MUSIC NEWS

We would like to invite you to a mini-concert on Sunday, September 27th at 4pm on the green behind our beautiful church. Please come and enjoy the sounds of our very own Alyssa (violin) and Joe (piano). Bring a chair and/or a blanket. The concert will be no more than 45 minutes in length. Stay tuned for more wonderful concerts being offered on our lovely grounds.

INTRODUCING FAITH STORIES!

We all have stories about our faith - what our faith means to each of us, a favorite religious song that has a special meaning, a time when faith saw you through life’s challenges, a moment when something happened that felt like a miracle, and the list goes on! Are you interested in telling a story about your faith? It doesn’t matter how you’d like to tell it - write it down, tell it aloud to other parishioners, record yourself telling it, etc. - we want to hear it! To learn more, send an email to Laura at hullinger@mac.com or call 302-791-0112 (a landline so texting will not work) and leave a voice message for Laura.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Parent meeting tomorrow night Monday, September 21 in Masci Hall at 6:30pm. This is an important information night to discuss the upcoming school year.

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal – Seeing Christ in the Faces of Others

To date, \$52,479 has been received representing 83.3% of our parish’s \$63,000 goal. THANK YOU! If you would like more information about the Annual Catholic Appeal, go to www.cdown.org/annualcatholicappeal. **Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE

<https://www.sainthelenas.org>

Coronavirus News Important Update!

Friday Reflections with Msgr. Russell

Friday Reflections 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. You can even arrange for YouTube to let you know every time we add a new video!

Reminder! We’ll be broadcasting Mass on YouTube afterward for you to watch.

PLEASE NOTE

Because we need to follow procedures to help maintain a safe situation for all:

- No one can enter the Church if you are sick or have been exposed to someone with the virus within the last 14 days. Or if you will not wear a mask.
- Every other pew will be roped off to help social distancing.
- All MUST WEAR A MASK except children under 2.
- Please use hand sanitizer.

For daily Mass at 7am (Tues, Thurs and Fri) or 9am. Please enter church by the side doors near the altar area. The Church will remain open for private prayer after the 9am daily Mass until 10:00am.

During the month of August, the total number of people participating in the 4 Sunday Masses increased each week:

- 8/1-2 150
- 8/8-9 151
- 8/15-16 168
- 8/22-23 174
- 8/29-30 193

If you need to come to the Rectory we ask that you please call 302-764-0325 THANK YOU!

Anyone in the Parish a collector of stamps?
Please contact Msgr. Russell at 302-764-0325 x108.

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sunday, September 20

2nd Collection: Parish Social Ministry
12:30pm Baptism-Church

Monday, September 21

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

Sunday, September 27

2nd Collection: Sharing in the Spirit

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, Sept 19

5:00pm (SR) Frank Kowaeski

Sunday, Sept 20

7:00am (ER) Thomas & Therese Lawless

9:00am (SR) People of the Parish

11:00am (SR) Helene Morisseau

Monday, Sept 21

9:00pm (SR) Robert Miller

Tuesday, Sept 22

7:00am (EF) Robert “Bob” Coughlin

9:00am (SR) Steve Fedena (Anniversary)

Wednesday, Sept 23

9:00am (SR) Joseph Luzzo

Thursday, Sept 24

7:00am (SR) Paul O. Knight

9:00am (EF) Jane DeLuca Kelly

Friday, Sept 25

7:00am (EF)

9:00am (SR) Deceased Members of the
Russell and Sullivan Families

Saturday, Sept 26

9:00am (SR) Baby Catherine Deeney

5:00pm (SR) Viola Zappacosta

Sunday, Sept 27

7:00am (SR) People of the Parish

9:00am (EF) Patricia Alfieri

11:00am (SR) Joseph Bower



Please Pray For Our Sick Parishioners

Ruth Bower, Jayne Davenport, Bob Davis, Julia Davis, Gerri Episcopo, Sara Garrison, Sarah Hess, Ella Kirksey, Fr. Roy Pollard, Terri Reed, Dorothy Rich, Helen Rupnicki, Kathleen Schaubert, Irma Shock, Caitlin Soper, Frank Sullivan, Catherine Thomson, Vaughn Whisker, Ann Wilson, Cindy Zych, Anita Tyrawski, Mary Gabel, Alline Da Grossa, Toni Di Lezio, Sister Dorothy Prettyman, Janet Szubieolski, Catalina Weddle, Ray Altamuro, Marie Spinden, Jane Parsons, Francis Medeiros, Friends at the Kutz Home Nicolas Childs, Alfred Palmer, Bridget Robinson, Fr. Charles Dillingham, Tony Cutrona, Sande Richardson, Geri Crockett, Jim Fedena, Sr, Carly Fedena, Bill Hufnell



ATTIC TREASURES IS NOW ACCEPTING DONATIONS

Your 2020 Attic Treasures Team is already hard at work for the November 7th Event. Many thanks to those who have dropped off donations. This year, we will also be open on Saturday, November 14! So, we have lots of space to fill and need items for our tables and shelves. Bring us your new or gently used items: Books, Movies, Household Goods, Holiday Ornaments and Decorations, Decorative items, Small Furniture, Accessories, Appliances/Electronics*, Jewelry and Accent Pieces.....

Please leave your donations in closet off the Convent Porch. Donations will be accepted through Sunday, October 25. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Cobb (302-598-8685) or e-mail us at NatiesMom@me.com.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday to Friday

9:30am to 4:00pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
4701Weldin Road
Wilmington, DE 19803.
All are welcome.

BIRTHRIGHT'S ANNUAL BOTTLES FOR BABIES FUNDRAISER "RESPECT LIFE MONTH"

These uncertain times are causing anxiety for everyone. The Mothers we serve have faced so many challenges when the world turned upside down. As anxiety grows, the need for our services become even more greater and our office has remained open to serve the needs of our Mommies who come to us. With that being said, WE WILL BE HOSTING THE BOTTLES FOR BABIES FUNDRAISER!

Due to the Pandemic, there will be a few ways you can participate, and that is, You can mail your Personal Checks directly to us or you can drop your donation off! Receiving Bottles is still an option, if you want them, as well! Our address is: Birthright of DE

1311 North Scott Street
Wilmington, DE 19806.

Please be sure to mark the Memo section of your check, with your parish name, for Credit and tax purposes.

We have extended the time frame, so you can return donations to us the whole month of October, November and December due to the Pandemic. Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their babies. And we graciously THANK YOU!

If you have any questions, Please contact me, Tinisha Brown, at 302-660-1087 (c) or 302-656-7080 (o)

A Zoom forum on "**Racial Justice and the Catholic Church**" sponsored by St. Catherine of Siena and Resurrection Parishes will be held on four Wednesdays from 7-8:30 pm. September 30th, October 14th and October 28th and November 11th. Text will be Fr. Bryan Massingale's book by that name. There will be discussion of the book, then testimony by panel members with feedback from listeners. To sign up and receive a zoom link and a copy of the book, contact St. Catherine of Siena Parish at 302-633-4900 or email Fr. John Hynes at jhynesscs@aol.com

MINISTRY OF CARING

Bet you didn't know that a small group of parishioners have been packing 300 lunches a week for the Ministry of Caring for distribution on weekends. During this pandemic, many families are experiencing food insecurity due to job loss. This is our effort to help alleviate some of this hardship.

There are small ways you can help if you wish. You can donate peanut butter, jelly, loaves of sandwich bread, plastic, zip lock sandwich bags, brown paper lunch bags, or small, individually wrapped snack items (such as fruit roll ups, chips, crackers, cookies etc.) We can even use medium sized cardboard boxes to aid in transporting all 300 lunches. Food donations should be delivered to the Rectory porch and **MUST BE LABELED FOR LUNCHES.**

If anyone wishes to help prepare &/or deliver lunches or would like more information on what we do, please email Barb Brodoway at bbrodoway@wardtaylor.com, Nancy Cobb at natiesmom@icloud.com or contact Leslie Savage in the Rectory at 302-764-0325 x100.

SUPPORT THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRESH STEAMED CRABS TO-GO

Saturday, Sept 26 10 am - 6 pm
#1s \$50/dozen #2s \$25/dozen
Available hot or cold

Orders & Payment must be received in advance
**(Deadline: Wednesday, September 23, 2020
by 9 pm)**

Place orders/make payment online or at The Brandywine Club, 135 Princeton Ave, Claymont online ordering site.
<https://christopher-council-3182-crabs.cheddarup.com>

Thank you for your support of Christopher Council's fund-raising efforts. All proceeds go to charitable works.

Bishop's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass Cancellation

Due to COVID-19, the Bishop's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass, scheduled for October 18, 2020, has been **cancelled**. Even though the Mass will not take place, all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, will be honored with a *certificate* (mailed to the address provided on the form).

Please complete the form below by **October 16** and return it to the Office for Marriage and Family Life, 1626 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806, or by emailing ljackson@cdow.org.



Wedding Anniversary Certificate (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: _____

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

Or Email: ljackson@cdow.org

**Please return this form by October 16, 2020 to
receive your certificate in the mail.**