

# St. Mary's Church - St. Patrick's Church

6th & Pine Sts.

Wilmington, De. 19801

15th & King Sts.

Rev. Leonard R. Klein, Administrator

Rev. John C. McVoy, Assisting

Deacon Robert J. Levesque

## **MASSES: ST. MARY'S**

**Sunday:** 10:15 A.M.

**Baptisms:** By Appointment

**Holy days:** As announced

## **MASSES: ST. PATRICK'S**

**Mon., Wed., Fri.:** 8:00 A.M.

**Tues., Thurs.:** 5:30 P.M.; Confession 5:00 P.M.

**Sunday:** 9:00, 10:30 A.M. (Extraordinary Form/Latin)

Confession—10:00 AM, 5:00 P.M.

**Saturday Evening:** 4:00 PM (Vigil); Confession 3:30 PM

**First Friday:** 6:00 PM (Extraordinary Form/Latin)

**First Saturday:** 9:00 A.M. (Extraordinary Form/Latin)

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## Second Sunday of Advent

December 10, 2017

Prepare the way of the Lord,

Make straight his paths.

Mark 1:3

### INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Dec. 9	4:00 PM	Elmer Rhodes(D), req. Family
Dec. 10	9:00 AM	Stephen Slavish(D), req. Marcella Brainard
	10:15 AM	Ciconte Family(D), req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Liv./Dec. Mem. Of Archer Family, req. Joe & Judy Archer
	5:00 PM	Ann Tobin(D), req. Theresa & John Boyle
Dec. 11	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
Dec. 12	5:30 PM	Roland M. Dimaya(L), healing, Req. Aurora V. Dimaya
Dec. 13	8:00 AM	Claire Cambra(D), req. Jean & Ed Manlove
Dec. 14	5:30 PM	Roland M. Dimaya(L), healing, Req. Aurora V. Dimaya
Dec. 15	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
Dec. 16	4:00 PM	Regina Fischer(D), req. Family
Dec. 17	9:00 AM	Joy Wade(D), req. Dick Wade
	10:15 AM	John J. Deklerow, Sr.(D), req. Ann Tobin
	10:30 AM	Edward Biter, Sr.(D), req. Stephen & Katrina Biter
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

### Calendar of Events:-

Dec. 13	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Dec. 19	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
Dec. 20	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Dec. 25	Nativity of the Lord—Holy Day of Obligation
Dec. 27	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Jan. 1	Solemnity of Mary—New Year's Day
Jan. 2	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
Jan. 3	Clean Church—St. Patrick

**We have received a certified relic of St. Patrick.** The relic will be placed in a case being constructed for installation next to the statue of St. Patrick.

### Advent—Christmas Schedule:-

#### December 9/10—Second Sunday of Advent

Regular Mass Schedule

#### December 16/17—Third Sunday of Advent

Regular Mass Schedule

#### December 24—Fourth Sunday of Advent

Regular Mass Schedule—No 5:00 PM

#### December 24—Christmas Eve

St. Patrick—4:00 PM, 7:00 PM (Latin)

St. Mary—10:00 PM

#### December 25 - Christmas Day

St. Patrick's—9:00 AM, 10:30 AM (Latin)

St. Peter's—10:00 AM

**PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!**

## ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,

Offertory

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Thanksgiving Needy

Religious Retirement

Christmas Flowers

Dec. 3, 2017

\$4,772.00

135.00

5.00

1,549.00

703.00

## ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,

Offertory

St. Vincent DePaul Society

Campaign for Human Develop.

Christmas Flowers

Religious Retirement

In Memory of Ann Tobin

Bazaar

Dec. 3, 2017

\$1,263.50

108.01

110.00

206.00

389.00

100.00

577.62

### Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

St. Patrick \$3,269.00

St. Mary \$788.00

### The second collection the weekend of January 20/21, 2018 is for Catholic University and Catholic Communications.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Barbara Stackow, Arlene Dahl, Lisa Sulecki, Pat Zickgraf, Terry Mowbray, Louise Myers, Steve Naughton, Mary Dennis, Robin Passwaters, Lillian Devenney, Alena Rossita, Sharon Edwards, Chris Seltzer, Sherlene Emory, Madeline Askins, Jay Slagle, Lareine Hagen, Elena Tadlock, Judith Gertman, Elaine Moser, Michael Hare, Dorothy Walsh, Ronald Lane, Jim Kelly, Kath McDermott, Virginia Lane, Patrick McGinnis, Bill McGiveny, J. B. Harrington, Bill Taylor, Harry Coulsting, Christopher McGonigle, Duncan Ryan, Cristina Smith, Juanita Henderson, Sean Dahl, Cynthia Herrick, Tyler White, John Lewis, Judy Leary, Larry Tobin, Jr., Jack Manlove, Richard Grier, Ida Lane, Joey Farrell, Grace Monaco, John Alexander McGonigle, Liz Adams, Cindy Crispin, Fay Weldon, Brian Matt, Julia Farrell, Mary Ciritella, Nancy Read Keil, Henry Manlove, Sr., Jack McDermott, III, Susan Naughton, Vici Manlove, Anna Matt, Ann Tobin, Claire Cambra, Samantha Nelson, Judy Maciey, Catherine Manlove Pugliese, Anita Flynn, Christina Mallon, Veronica Scully, Alex Miller, Nicholas Miller, Kevin Miller, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Sheila Dunne, Edwin Zippe, Roland M. Dimaya.

If you wish to add or remove a name from this list, please call the Parish Office—652-0743. Thank you.

## SUPPORT FATHER TRAINOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE

**Thanksgiving Needy collection** is donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Society and the **Christmas Needy collection** is donated to the St. Patrick's Center. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**"Catholic Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington"** by Fr. Tom Peterson is now available to order as a great gift. \$50 includes shipping and handling. To order and pay: Rev. Thomas Peterman, 2505 Centerville Road, Wilmington, DE 19808 or petermanpublication@gmail.com.

**SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.**

## Dear Members and Friends of St. Mary's, St. Patrick's and St. Peter's Cathedral:

The figures of John the Baptist, whom we meet today in the Gospel, and of the Blessed Virgin play a central role in this season of Advent. About them I will say more in the next two weeks. Today I want to turn your attention to another dominant member of the cast of Advent, the prophet Isaiah.

The majority of Sunday and weekday readings from the Old Testament in this season are drawn from the Book of Isaiah. The book as we have it includes oracles from over two centuries. So important was Isaiah that an informal school of disciples continues his work after his initial career as an advisor to the kings of Judah in the 700's BC.

Today's first reading is the beautiful opening to the second section of the book—the part that comes when God permits his people to return from exile in Babylon toward the end of the 500's BC. The great poem that begins here in Isaiah 40 celebrates the mercy and faithfulness of God. The best-known Advent hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel," draws its imagery from that time when God ransomed captive Israel. The final section of the book comes from a slightly later era, when disappointment in the restored Jerusalem leads the prophets to look forward to the day when God would redeem all things.

Trust in God's fidelity and confidence in his ultimate good intentions for his people pervades the 66 chapters of Isaiah. Thus it sounds the theme of hope that characterizes these days of preparation. We live by hope that the mercy God has revealed in the past will reach its fulfillment in the Kingdom of heaven. We live by hope that God will vindicate the innocent victims of history's incalculable cruelties and injustices. We live in the hope that the child in the manger, who is also the crucified and risen Lord, is the one who will write the end of the world's story—he and not one of history's monsters.

Isaiah it is who gives us the line "Behold, a virgin shall conceive." In the work of the prophet Isaiah and his successors God powerfully lays down a promise that he indeed is in charge, that he will in the words of last week's first reading "rend the heavens and come down."

He rent the heavens at Bethlehem. He rends them when he comes to us in the Sacraments and the Word. He will rend them when Christ comes in glory. For all of this Isaiah has taught us to hope.

Come, Lord Jesus!

Fr. Klein

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26  
Tuesday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab;  
Jdt 13:18bcde, 19; Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47, or any readings from the Common of The Blessed Virgin Mary, nos. 707-712  
Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30  
Thursday: Is 41:13-20; Ps 145:1, 9-13ab; Mt 11:11-15  
Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19  
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13  
Sunday: Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Advent;

International Human Rights Day

Monday: St. Damasus I  
Tuesday: Our Lady of Guadalupe; Hanukkah begins at sunset  
Wednesday: St. Lucy  
Thursday: St. John of the Cross  
Saturday: *Las Posadas* begins

**Listen to Catholic Forum** every Sunday morning at 10:05 AM on 1150AM WDEL now found on 101.7 FM and [www.wdel.com](http://www.wdel.com). Next Sunday, December 17, author, Thomas Craughwell will talk about his latest book, "101 Places to Pray before You Die." Available on-air, online and on-demand, Catholic Forum airs Sunday mornings at 9:05 on WAAI 100.9FM in Hurlock, MD and on [www.1009purecountry.com](http://www.1009purecountry.com)

**Vocation Thought:-** In every generation, God calls some men and women to "prepare the way of the Lord" through lives of service as priests, deacons, religious sisters and religious brothers. Do you think He's calling you? If you think so, please call or write Father Norman Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113); [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: [www.cdow.org/vocations!](http://www.cdow.org/vocations!)

**This weekend** we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year B, the Second Sunday of Advent, are on page 322.

**Listen to Relevant Radio—640AM on the local dial.**

**Festival of Lessons and Carols**, Sunday, December 10, 2:00 PM, Cathedral of St. Peter, 500 N. West Street, Wilmington. Advent Scriptures and music, time for meditation, seasonal songs and hymns. Free-will donations will benefit The Cathedral of St. Peter School. **ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!**

**If you know of any parishioner who is sick or home bound** and might wish to receive Holy Communion, please call the office at 302-652-0743.

**We will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation** for 10 young people at the Latin Mass on Sunday, December 31.

**Decorating of the churches for Christmas:-** St. Patrick's decorating will be on Saturday, December 23 at 10:00 AM; St. Mary's decorating will be done on Sunday, December 17 after Mass.

**Condolences to Deacon Bob Levesque** on the death of his sister, Claire Cambra. Eternal rest grant to her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on her, may she rest in peace and may all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

**CITY DEANERY ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**  
**WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 3:00 PM**  
**ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH**  
**CEDAR & CLAYTON STREETS**  
**WILMINGTON, DE**

**PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY!**

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