

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

Rectory: 1414 King St. Phone: 652-0743

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)

Website: <http://smspwilmington.com>

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 July 23, 2017
 Those who are just must be kind.
 Wisdom 12:19

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

July 22	4:00 PM	No Intention
July 23	9:00 AM	Carl G. Moore, Sr.(D), req. Carl G. Moore, Jr.
	10:15 AM	Guiseppa Giliberto(D), req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	William Girone(L), req Girone Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
July 24	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
July 25	5:30 PM	No Intention
July 26	8:00 AM	No Intention
July 27	5:30 PM	No Intention
July 28	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
July 29	4:00 PM	Pat Armstrong(L), birthday, req. Joe & Judy Archer
July 30	9:00 AM	No Intention
	10:15 AM	Clementine & Norman Mowbray (D), req. Family
	10:30 AM	Anne Girone(L), req. Girone Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

July 26	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Aug. 1	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
Aug. 2	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Aug. 9	Clean Church—St. Patrick
	Finance Council—Rectory—7:00 PM
Aug. 15	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary—Holy Day of Obligation
Aug. 16	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Aug. 17	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
Aug. 23	Clean Church—St. Patrick

Retrouvaille may be the way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. **The next program begins the weekend of August 11-13 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

The Diocese of Wilmington/Catholic Charities from time to time offers employment opportunities of full time or part time positions. For more information or to apply for any of these opportunities, see their postings on Careerbuilder.com EOE M/F/D/V.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday, July 16, 2017
 Offertory \$4,479.00
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 379.00
 Trinity Dome at National Shrine 50.00
 Church in Central & Eastern Europe 2.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday, July 16, 2017
 Offertory \$1,547.50
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 58.44
 Trinity Dome at National Shrine 2.50
 Peter's Pence 2.50

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

St. Patrick	\$3,269.00
St. Mary	\$788.00

The second collection the weekend of August 19/20 is for the Cathedral of St. Peter.

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, Christine Sacharok, Alexis Collins, 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, Mary Elizabeth Selsky, Veronica Scully, Alex Miller, Nicholas Miller, Kevin Miller, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Alice Harris, Sheila Dunne, Stephen Slavish. 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**

40 Days For Life Team/Wilmington, will be standing and praying at the Planned Parenthood, Seventh & Shipley Streets, ON TUESDAYS ONLY from 9-11 AM. Please plan on joining them on any Tuesday.

A special collection for the maintenance and preservation of the **Cathedral of Saint Peter** will be taken up the weekend of August 19 & 20 in all parishes in our diocese. For more information about the Cathedral, please visit the Cathedral's website at www.cathedralofstpeter.com. For a video tour of the Cathedral, special video message from Father Klein the Cathedral's Administrator, and a tour of the Cathedral's 99 year-old organ, visit the diocesan website at www.cdow.org.

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

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

In a homily a few weeks ago I mentioned that there are paradoxes in the Christian faith, that is, ideas that seem to be contradictory but which must both be held in a proper tension. Today we confront one of the greatest paradoxes of our faith: that God is both just and merciful. He rightly judges human sinfulness and from his great love for the sake of Christ's sacrifice offers forgiveness.

We live in an era which prefers to emphasize mercy. This is in many ways necessary. The emphasis of the last three popes on God's mercy arises from a sense that in recent generations we have seen evil on a more grand scale than ever in history. Tens of millions have been slain in wars and genocide virtually before our eyes. Tens of millions have been killed in their mothers' wombs, but in this case the most influential members of society blithely look away. While they have always been with us, unbelief, despair, materialism and hedonism do seem to be thriving beyond the bounds of previous experience.

This is a world profoundly in need of God's mercy, and the Church proclaims and celebrates that mercy because of the need.

But mercy makes no sense without judgment. That's what our times would like to forget. It's not as if God looks at the enormities of the sins of our era and sighs, "that's too bad," and then decides to lay on a lot of mercy. God sees and condemns—and there are things he sees and condemns in each one of us. If God did not judge evil harshly, his mercy would be cheaply given.

But he does judge and it is good for us that he does. No one has ever summed up that truth better than the 20th century Protestant theologian Karl Barth: "God's wrath is the fire of his love." God does not look away from sin and evil; he judges it. On the cross he absorbs the full horror of human sin and opens the possibility of real forgiveness.

Today's Gospel with its wonderful parables—especially that of the wheat and the weeds—reminds us of the great paradox that God both judges and forgives. His mercy appears among human beings even when they are ignorant of it, but as Christians we recognize the truth of God's judgment and place ourselves at the foot of the cross to ask his mercy.

In Christ
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Thursday: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b; Dn 3:52-56; Mt 13:10-17
Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 34:2-11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52 [44-46]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Sharbel Makhlūf
Tuesday: St. James
Wednesday: Ss. Joachim and Anne
Saturday: St. Martha

Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 AM on 1150AM WDEL now found on 101.7 FM and www.wdel.com. Next

Sunday, July 30, Catholic author and humorist, Susie Lloyd, will discuss her book, "Bless Me, Father, for I have Kids." Available on-air, online and on-demand, Catholic Forum airs Sunday mornings at 9:05 on WAAI 100.9FM in Hurllock, MD and on www.1009purecountry.com

Vocation Thought:- In today's second reading, St. Paul tells the Romans (and us) that "the one who searches hearts knows what is the intention of the Spirit." He's speaking, of course, about the Holy Spirit, Who knows God's unique plan for each one of us. What are you doing to try to discern God's plan for you? Suppose God is calling you to priesthood or to religious life? How would you know? If you'd like to talk about it, please call or write Father Norman Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113); vocations@cdow.org. Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations/

This weekend we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year A, the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, are on page 284.

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

For the Sake of God's Children:- The first obligation of the Church with regard to victims is for healing and reconciliation. Dioceses and eparchies continue to reach out to every person who has been a victim of sexual abuse as a minor by anyone in church service, whether that abuse is recent or occurred in the past. If you suffered abuse, it was not your fault. If you are a victim of sexual abuse by a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Catholic Church, there are several things you can do: 1. Contact the appropriate law enforcement agency, which can help determine options for making a criminal complaint. 2. Contact a local child protection agency, a private attorney, a support group, an abuse hotline, or a mental health professional. 3. Contact a diocesan or eparchial victim assistance coordinator who is available to help victims and survivors make a formal complaint of abuse to the diocese or eparchy, arrange a personal meeting with the bishop or his representative, and obtain support for the needs of the individual and families.

St. Mary of the Assumption will be hosting **The Wilmington Children's Chorus** and **The Youth Chamber Orchestra of Fulda, Germany** on Saturday, July 29, 7:30 PM, at 7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin. Suggested Donation: \$10. For information go to www.WilmingtonChildrensChorus.org.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August:- *Universal: Artists.* That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.

Mark Your Calendar!!! 40 Days for Life annual fall dinner fundraiser will take place at St. Helena's Catholic Church, 602 Philadelphia Pike, Bellefonte. Terry Beatley, author of the new book *What If We've Been Wrong*, will be the speaker.

Camden Diocese Annual Charismatic Conference will be held in Wildwood, NJ, October 6, 7 & 8. For more information go to www.camdencharismatic.org.

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