

# 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>

Second Sunday of Lent

March 12, 2017

Christ Jesus . . . destroyed death and brought life and  
Immortality to light through the gospel.

2 Timothy 1:10b

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	March 5, 2017
Offertory	\$5,802.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	564.00
Catholic Relief & Latin America	685.00
Black & Indian & Home Missions	50.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	March 5, 2017
Offertory	\$1,184.50
St. Vincent DePaul Society	10.51
Catholic Relief & Latin America	186.00
Irish Tea	25.00

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

St. Patrick	\$2,962.00
St. Mary	\$865.00

The collection on April 14 (Good Friday) is for the Holy Land Shrines

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, Mary Sobocinski, 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. 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

Lenten Fasting Regulations:-

- 1) Abstinence on all the Fridays of Lent, and on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
  - A) No meat may be eaten on days of abstinence.
  - B) Catholics 14 years and older are bound to abstain from meat. Invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.
- 2) Fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday:-
  - A) Fasting means having only one full meal to maintain one's strength. Two smaller, meatless and penitential meals are permitted according to one's needs, but they should not together equal the one full meal. Eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.
  - B) Catholics from age 18 through age 59 are bound to fast. Again, invalids, pregnant and nursing mothers are exempt.
  - C) Of course, fasting and abstinence can be observed as a spiritual discipline by those who are not required by law to do so.

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

March 11	4:00 PM	Harold J. Taggart(D), req. Family
March 12	9:00 AM	Jack Dougherty(D), req. Dick Wade
	10:15 AM	Larry Tobin, Sr.(D), req Tobin & Alexander Families
	10:30 AM	Joseph Armstrong(L) birthday, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
March 13	8:00 AM	No Intention
March 14	5:30 PM	Sheila Dunne(L)
March 15	8:00 AM	No Intention
	7:00 PM	No Intention
March 16	5:30 PM	No Intention
March 17	7:30 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
March 18	4:00 PM	For the President of the United States
March 19	9:00 AM	Harry Burt(D), req. Dick Wade
	10:15 AM	Pasquale & Victoria Ciconte(D) Req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	For the President of the United States
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

March 14	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
March 15	Clean Church Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations
March 16	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
March 22	Clean Church—St. Patrick Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations
March 28	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
March 29	Clean Church—St. Patrick Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations
April 5	Clean Church—St. Patrick Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations
April 11	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
April 12	Clean Church—St. Patrick Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations

“Good Christians, come with hearts contrite. St. Anthony’s welcomes you tonight.” These opening words of the Via Crucis welcome all to worship at this 57-year Lenten tradition. The Via Crucis is open to the public, and is presented every Friday in Lent from 7:30 to 8:30 PM at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 9th & DuPont Streets, Wilmington. A cast of 125 youth from age 3 to college age students reenact the last days of Jesus and His crucifixion on Good Friday in the style of the medieval Miracle Plan. Groups of 10 or more can reserve seating by calling St. Anthony’s at 302-421-3700.

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY

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

As I mentioned in my homilies last weekend, St. Gregory the Great, pope from 590 to 604, spoke of Lent as a "tithe of the year." It is roughly a tenth of the year and we tithe it by offering it up to God in a particular way. Obviously, we should offer also the rest of the year and the whole of our lives, but we also need to mark out particular times as markers along the route. We do this with birthdays, holidays, and seasons, and among the seasons of the liturgical year Lent has a unique importance.

We focus on our sin and on Christ's sacrifice for sin. We prepare for the Easter feast by self-denial, prayer, reflection, Confession, and almsgiving. Lent is a spiritual exercise. We exercise our bodies to become more fit. We exercise our faith more ardently to become more fit to celebrate the mystery of Christ's Passover from death to life and our inclusion in his victory.

We could also put it this way: Lent is a time to practice following Christ in a more intense way.

In Lent we identify with Abram, who in today's first reading obeys God's call to pull up stakes and follow God's promise to make of him a great nation. We identify also with the people of Israel in their forty-year sojourn in the wilderness en route to the promised land.

In Lent we listen to St. Paul urging us on to greater holiness. Today in the First Letter to Timothy he calls on us to bear our share of hardship for the Gospel, a reminder that we must be prepared to follow Christ by bearing the cross.

In Lent we also focus on the glory that lies before us in the Kingdom of God. Today we get a glimpse of that glory in the story of the Transfiguration. On the mountain top Jesus is briefly revealed in the glory that will be his after the resurrection. It is the glory that will likewise be ours. In this season we strive to follow Christ with a greater discipline and intensity because he has shared with us a glimpse of the glory of God.

In Christ,  
Fr. Klein

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38  
Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 23:1-12  
Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28  
Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31  
Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21; Mt 21:33-43, 45-46  
Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Sunday: Ex 17:3-7; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; In 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Second Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins; Girl Scouting Sunday  
Friday: St. Patrick; Abstinence  
Saturday: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

**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, March 19, Maria Miller and Amy Milligan from the Saint Francis Hospital LIFE Program will discuss challenges senior citizens have. Available on-air, online and on-demand, Catholic Forum airs Sunday mornings at 9:05 on WAAI 100.9FM in Hurlock, Maryland and on [www.1009purecountry.com](http://www.1009purecountry.com)

**Vocation Thought:-** When Abram heard God's call, he followed, and God blessed him immensely. Is God calling you to serve the Church as a religious sister or brother, as a deacon, or as a priest. If you think so, 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!)

**Tax Receipts for 2016 contributions** can be obtained by calling the office 302-652-0743. Give your name, address, phone number and envelope number.

**This weekend** we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year A, Second Sunday of Lent, are on page 204.

**Please Note:-** Through Lent and the Easter Season we will use the acclamation "Save Us, Savior of the World, for by your cross and resurrection you have set us free."

**Novena at St. Mary's:** Once again this year we will celebrate a Novena of Masses at St. Mary's on Wednesdays at 7:00 PM during Lent through the second week of Easter. Contact the office if you would like to designate a mass intention for any of those days.

**Rice bowls** and **The Word Among Us for Lent** are available in the back of the church.

**Bishop Malooly dispenses meatless Friday obligation for March 17:-** The Most Reverend W. Francis Malooly, Bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington, has granted Catholics in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore, a dispensation from the obligation to abstain from meat on Saint Patrick's Day, Friday, March 17, 2017. Catholics who take advantage of the dispensation, are encouraged to perform some other penance, such as abstaining from meat another day.

**Little Sisters of the Poor "Cooks for a Cause" at Feby's Fishery,** Sunday, March 12, (3-8PM), 3701 Lancaster Pike, Wilmington; Percentage of evening's proceeds donated to Little Sisters; local parish priests will serve as special "wait staff". Reservations preferred—call 302-998-9501. For further information call Debbie at 302-368-5886 or visit [www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org](http://www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org).

**Attention: All Middle and High School Girls:-** You are invited to **SUNDAY WITH THE SISTERS**, April 2, hosted by the Sisters of St. Claire, the Daughters of Charity, and the Sister Servants of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, from Noon to 1:30 PM at Daughters of Charity Sisters House, 601 N. West Street. The afternoon includes a light lunch with the Sisters, presentations on their life, time for questions, and a tour of the Sisters House. **RSVP** to Sr. JoAnne—[joanne.goecke@doc.org](mailto:joanne.goecke@doc.org). or call 302-658-9715 after 6:00 PM.

**City Deanery Lenten Penance Service** with individual confessions is Sunday, April 2, 3:00 PM at St. Anthony of Padua Church, 9th and DuPont Streets.

**New Castle County Irish Society**, 1301 S. Rodney Street, will host Ham & Cabbage lunch/dinner, Friday, March 17, 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM—adult platter, \$9.00 includes coffee or tea and dessert; children 8 and under—\$4.00 includes dessert. Take-out platters—\$9.00 available all day by calling 302-658-8288 or come in. There will be an Irish Dance Program performed by the McAleer School of Dance at 4:30 PM.

When necessary, contact Father Klein—(home) 478-2028; (cell) 717-586-9611; or e-mail [LRKLEIN45@comcast.net](mailto:LRKLEIN45@comcast.net).

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS  
THIS SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

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