

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

6th & Pine Sts.

Rev. Leonard R. Klein, Pastor

Wilmington, De. 19801

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15th & King Sts.

Rev. John C. McVoy, Assisting

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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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 18, 2018

I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts;
I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
Jeremiah 31:33

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

March 17	4:00 PM	Catherine Rhodes(D), req. Fam.
March 18	9:00 AM	No Intention
	10:15 AM	Pasqual & Victoria Ciconte(D), Req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Alice Mood(D), req. Stephen & Katrina Biter
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
March 19	8:00 AM	No Intention
March 20	5:30 PM	Edeltraud D'Angelo(D), req. Cecilia Blair
March 21	8:00 AM	Rosemarie McGonigle(D), req. Jack McGonigle
	7:00 PM	No Intention
March 22	5:30 PM	Abbie Perlsweig(L) healing, req. Joe & Judy Archer
March 23	8:00 AM	Pat & Bob Shumaker(L), req. Issel Family
March 24	4:00 PM	No Intention
March 25	9:00 AM	No Intention
	10:15 AM	No Intention
	10:30 AM	No Intention
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

March 21	Clean Church—St. Patrick Novena Mass—St. Mary's—7:00 PM & Station
March 26	Chrism Mass, 7:00 PM, Holy Cross Church, Dover, bus leaves St. Patrick's Parking Lot— 4:00 PM
March 28	Clean Church—St. Patrick's Novena Mass—St. Mary's—7:00 PM & Stations
March 29	Holy Thursday—St. Peter's Cathedral—7:00 PM
March 30	Good Friday—St. Peter's Cathedral—3:00 PM Stations of the Cross—St. Patrick's—7:00 PM
March 31	Easter Vigil—St. Elizabeth's—8:00 PM
April 1	Easter—Regular Mass schedule— NO 5:00 PM MASS
April 4	Clean Church—St. Patrick's Novena Mass—St. Mary's—7:00 PM

Shepherds of Bethlehem will be at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's after all the masses the weekend of March 17-18 to sell their carved exquisite olive wood religious works. The revenue generated helps to restore justice to an oppressed Palestinian Christian minority, supports over 300 families of skilled carvers and helps in keeping a Christian presence in the Holy Land.

Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's at 7:00 PM on every Wednesday in Lent and the first two weeks of Easter. This will constitute a Novena of masses. **Stations of the Cross will immediately follow Mass** on all the Wednesdays of Lent.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	March 11, 2018
Offertory	\$3,654.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	149.00
Catholic Relief Services	46.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	10.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	March 11, 2018
Offertory	\$666.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	200.00

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

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

The collection on March 30 (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, 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, 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, Roland M. Dimaya, Vernon Cropper. If you wish to add or remove a name from this list, please call the Parish Office—652-0743. Thank you.

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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.

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

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

Samuel Johnson, the great 18th century man of letters and creator of the most popular early dictionary of the English language, once said, "People need to be reminded more often than they need to be instructed." He was a devout member of the Church of England, and I perceive in that line a serious Christian foundation. As a faithful worshipper, he would hear again and again the same words and the same Scripture readings, as we do. He would be reminded.

Certainly, we are often instructed in Mass and hear something that we hadn't noticed before, but in truth we are most often reminded and brought once again face to face with what we already know. We need to be reminded so that the truth of the Gospel can sink in more deeply.

This is especially true in these last weeks of Lent, on Palm Sunday, and in the coming paschal triduum. The events we commemorate in this time are well known to us, but precisely because they are familiar we need to confront them, to celebrate them, and to immerse ourselves in them. Thus they become more real in our mind, and the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ become ever more a part of our own self-understanding.

If we are to follow Christ, our memories must be continually refreshed. For instance, we are reintroduced to a fundamental truth, when Jesus says in today's Gospel, "Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit."

Here he reminds us of his own death, but he also reminds us that dying to self is the key to a fruitful life. This is in many ways a simple truth that anyone should recognize—to live for yourself alone is destructive. But sin deceives us into attempting to live for ourselves. The recollection that Jesus' suffering and death bore fruit and brought life reminds us why we should imitate him. It reminds us of how our life is enriched when we die to self and live for God and others. It is easy to forget the obvious. But through the reminders of these weeks the Holy Spirit helps us to remember.

In Christ,
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56
Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16; (procession)
Is 50:4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-20, 23-24;
Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Lent; Third Scrutiny
Monday: St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Tuesday: Spring begins
Friday: Abstinence; St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

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, March 25, tune in to hear the annual presentation of the Passion of Our Lord presented by St. Elizabeth High School students. 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

Vocation Thought:- Through the prophet Jeremiah, God promised that He would write His covenant in the hearts of His people. Throughout the history of Christianity, courageous women and men have generously offered the whole of their lives in the service of that covenant as consecrated religious sisters and brothers. Do you have what it takes to follow their lead? If you'd like to explore the options 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 B, the Fifth Sunday of Lent, are on page 362.

Chrism Mass:- You are invited to join Most Rev. W. Francis Malooly and the priests of the diocese for the celebration of the Chrism Mass, Monday, March 26, 7:00 PM, Holy Cross Church, 631 S. State Street, Dover. A bus will leave St. Patrick's parking lot at 4:00 PM. Cost of the bus is \$10.00 per person. There will be a dinner stop, at your expense. For information call Lana Cropper—652-6219 or Valerie Townsend—652-8394

Triduum Schedule:-

Holy Thursday Liturgy, St. Peter's Cathedral, 7:00 PM
Good Friday Liturgy, St. Peter's Cathedral, 3:00 PM
Good Friday, Stations of the Cross, St. Patrick's, 7:00 PM
Easter Vigil, Saturday, St. Elizabeth's, 8:00 PM
Easter Sunday, regular Mass schedule: NO 5:00 PM MASS

Deanery Lenten Penance Service will be Sunday, March 18, at 3:00 PM at St. Anthony of Padua Church, Ninth & DuPont Streets, Wilmington.

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

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.

"HUSH" - critically acclaimed film reveals the truth about the risks of abortion to women and the deliberate hiding of those truths by medical, scientific and political leaders by the abortion industry—at Holy Child, 2500 Naamans Road, Wilmington, Saturday, March 24, 10:0 AM to Noon. Registration is not required but you will help us plan by emailing to: pcd90101@gmail.com or calling Pat Dargis at 302-478-7909 if you plan to attend. Walk-ins welcome! Sponsored by Delaware Right to Life and parish Respect Life Committees.

Tax Receipts for 2017 Contributions for St. Mary's and St. Patrick's can be obtained by calling the office Mon. thru Fri. at 302-652-0743. Give your name, address, phone number and envelope number.

Discernment Retreat; March 23 (6pm) - March 25 (1pm), Villa Maria House of Studies, 1140 King Road., Malvern; for information 610-889-1553 or ihmvoc@gmail.com.

PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY!

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