

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

6th & Pine Sts.

Wilmington, De. 19801

15th & King Sts.

Very Rev. Leonard R. Klein, Pastor

Rev. John C. McVoy, Assisting

MASSES: ST. MARY'S

Sunday: 10:15 A.M.

Baptisms: By Appointment

Holy days: As announced

Rectory: 1414 King St. Phone: (302) 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>

Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

It was not you who chose me, but I who chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.

John 15:16

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

May 5	4:00 PM	Deacon Robert J. Levesque(D)
May 6	9:00 AM	Deacon Robert J. Levesque(D) Req. Jean & Ed Manlove
	10:15 AM	Ann & Larry Tobin, Sr.(D), req. Jean & Ed Manlove
	10:30 AM	Robert M. Shumaker, Jr.(D), Req. Pat & Bob Shumaker
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
May 7	8:00 AM	Deacon Robert J. Levesque(D), Req. Buxton Family
May 8	5:30 PM	Special Intention(L)
May 9	8:00 AM	Deacon Robert J. Levesque(D), Req. Paul & Adrienne Suarez
May 10	5:30 PM	James Blair(L), req. Cecilia Blair
May 11	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), req. Joe & Judy Archer
May 12	4:00 PM	MOTHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE MASS
May 13	9:00 AM	Pearl Fellin(D), req. LaRue Hill
	10:15 AM	Ray & Lane Families(D), req. Virginia Lane & Family
	10:30 AM	Mary Biter(D), req. Stephen & Katrina Biter
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

May 5	7th Annual Parish Social Supper—5:00 PM - St. Mary's
May 8	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
May 9	Clean Church—St. Patrick's
May 16	Clean Church—St. Patrick's
May 17	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
May 22	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
May 23	Clean Church—St. Patrick's

7th Annual Parish Social Supper—sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Council, 5:00 PM, Saturday, May 5, at St. Mary's Hall. **COME AND ENJOY THE FRATERNAL HOSPITALITY.**

Birthright of Delaware will hold its **Annual Mothers' Day Rose Sale**, the weekend of May 12-13. Support Birthright's pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Masses on Mothers' Day weekend—\$2/ one rose, \$5/ three roses, \$18/ Dozen roses, \$35/ twenty-five roses.

Camp Veritas has an excellent reputation for strengthening the faith of post-confirmation youth. The nearest programs are at Newburgh, NY, July 22-28, and Emmitsburg, MD, July 29-August 4. More information is available at www.campveritas.com.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	April 29, 2018
Offertory	\$2,060.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	215.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	April 29, 2018
Offertory	\$910.50
St. Vincent DePaul Society	204.00

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

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

The second collection on May 19/20 is the Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS Barbara Stackow, Arlene Dahl, Lisa Sulecki, Pat Zickgraf, Terry Mowbray, 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 Macey, Catherine Manlove Pugliese, Anita Flynn, Christina Mallon, Veronica Scully, Alex Miller, Nicholas Miller, Kevin Miller, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Roland M. Dimaya, Vernon Cropper, Daniel Myers, Molly Remaley. 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

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal—“Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith”:- Thank you to everyone who made a pledge to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Pledge envelopes are available in the back of the church and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity and support. To learn more about the Appeal visit www.cdow.org, click “Giving” then “Annual Catholic Appeal”

On the Feast of Pentecost, May 20, the men's schola from Philadelphia will again sing for a Gregorian High Mass at St. Patrick's at 10:30. All are welcome.

Mass for Vocations, Saturday, May 26, 11:00 AM, Cathedral of St. Peter, 500 N. West Street, Wilmington.

A new video was posted on the Diocesan YouTube Channel—www.YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm that features three of our retired priests, Fr. Dan Gerres, Fr. Ed Aigner, and Msgr. Charlie Brown as they look back at their ministry and discuss their new career as “Uber Priests”. You can see the video at https://youtu.be/TdTqidvj_EA.

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

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

In today's readings from the First Letter of John and from the Gospel of John we hear two tightly related themes: the call of love and the call to obedience to the Lord's commandments. As Catholics we understand that these two are thoroughly interwoven. This sets us at odds with the society we live in. For many of our contemporaries love is principally an emotion. It is not a virtue that one exercises. Indeed, it is often seen as an uncontrollable accident—something you fall into. Therefore, the command to love can seem incomprehensible.

On the other side of the coin commandments are often seen as the opposite of love. Commandments are seen as an imposition by an unsympathetic outside power that is trying to control us and make us do things that we do not wish to do. Commandments can be seen as a violation of our independence and self-determination.

But we believe that God is love. That means that we believe that we and God are not locked into some sort of zero-sum power struggle, in which we lose when God wins. It is quite the opposite. In Jesus' sacrificial death (his loss) we win. God shows his love first of all in the sacrifice of Christ. God is not against us; he is for us. In contemporary language our relationship with God is a win-win.

And so the commands that flow from the love of God for the world are likewise a win for us. In the Latin Mass Epistle for today the Letter of James affirms that to do the word of God is to have "looked into the perfect law of liberty."

The commandments of God are liberating; they are not a form of divine bullying. The Ten Commandments lay out the limits within which we can thrive and find a rich and holy life. The great summary of the Law— to love the Lord our God with our heart, soul, mind and strength and our neighbor as ourselves—calls us to a richer and truer humanity. Christ's commandment to love, exemplified in the washing of the feet of his disciples, establishes and binds us in community. The commandments to celebrate the Sacraments and proclaim the Gospel bring truth, hope and holiness.

God's commandments are an aspect of his love, and both are greater than the world understands.

In Christ,
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a
Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20 (for Ascension); otherwise Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Ps 47:2-7; Jn 16:20-23
Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday: Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19; or, for Ascension, Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 [1-7, 11-13]; Mk 16:15-20

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Sixth Sunday of Easter
Thursday: The Ascension of the Lord (unless transferred to Sunday) or St. Damien de Veuster
Saturday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

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, May 13, hear an interview with Father Mark Kelleher, Pastor of Holy Family Church, Newark, Delaware, and Vicar for Retired Priests for the Diocese of Wilmington. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

Vocation Thought:- In today's gospel reading, Jesus tells His disciples "You are my friends if you do what I command you." Each disciple—every person called to new life through the waters of baptism—has a special role to play in the Kingdom of God. What is Jesus' plan for you? Is He inviting you to priesthood? To the diaconate? To the religious life? What steps are you taking to sort it all out? 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/

Holy Father's Intention for May:- *The Mission of the Laity:-* That the lay faithful may fulfill their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

This weekend we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year B, Sixth Sunday of Easter, are on page 387.

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.

REKINDLE THE FIRE —*Igniting the Fire of Jesus within Us* presented by **Catholics of the Cross**, Saturday, May 12, 11:30 AM to 6:00 PM, Sacred Heart Oratory, 917 N. Madison, St., Wilmington, DE. Presenters include Msgr. Charles Pope, Fr. Richard Hellman, John Horvat II, and Fr. Denis Wilde. Parking on Jefferson St. Between 9th and 10th—Ministry of Caring Parking Lot. Cost \$30 pp (Student/Seniors \$20). For information or to register <https://www.ffcdelaware.com/events.html>.

Mother's Day is May 13— Saturday, May 12, 4:00 PM Mass is a "MASS FOR MOTHERS". Memorial intentions can be requested by using the envelopes found in the back of church.

Flapjack Fundraiser, Saturday, May 12, 8:00 to 10:00 AM at Applebee's, 320 Dove Run Centre Blvd, Middletown. Buffet includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, orange juice, and coffee. Tickets - \$10/adults, \$8/children. A gift basket raffle will also be held during the event. Proceeds benefit The Old Bohemia Historical Society, to restore and maintain St. Francis Xavier Shrine. To purchase tickets, call Kathy Ursitti, 302-530-9206 or email OldBohemiaHS@gmail.com. Tickets also available at the during the event. Breakfast made possible through the generosity of Applebee's.

When necessary, contact Father Klein—(cell) 717-586-9611; or e-mail LRKLEIN45@comcast.net.

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