

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>

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 1, 2017

Have in you the same attitude

That is also in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:5

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sept. 30	4:00 PM	Stephen Slavish(D), req. Gina & Pat Connor
Oct. 1	9:00 AM	John Farrace(L), birthday, req. Joe & Judy Archer
	10:15 AM	Mary Elizabeth Selsky(D) req. Jean & Ed Manlove
	10:30 AM	Robert M. Shumaker, Jr.(D), req. Pat & Bob Shumaker
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Oct. 2	8:00 AM	No Intention
Oct. 3	5:30 PM	No Intention
Oct. 4	8:00 AM	No Intention
Oct. 5	5:30 PM	No Intention
Oct. 6	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlswieg(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
	6:00 PM	Mary A. Taormina(D), req. Tim & Tracy Hardy & Family
Oct. 7	9:00 AM	Robert Shumaker, Jr.(D), req. Jim & Lorie Issel
	4:00 PM	Alice E. Graham Harris(D), req. Jean & Ed Manlove
Oct. 8	9:00 AM	Lois Lennon(D), req. Regina Brainard
	10:15 AM	John J. Deklerow, Sr.(D), Memorial Mass
	10:30 AM	Hardy Family(Liv./Dec.), req. Hardy Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

Oct. 4	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Oct. 10	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectorry
Oct. 11	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Oct. 18	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Oct. 19	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall

40 Days for Life Fall Campaign/Vigil is September 27 to November 5. The vigil location is outside Planned Parenthood, 625 N. Shipley St., Wilmington, 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Monday through Saturday. For information contact Lorie Issel (302-994-8861) or loriei@comcast.net). To learn more visit 40daysforlife.com/Wilmington.

Bishop Malooly invites you to the 2017 Diocese of Wilmington “Blue Mass” on Friday, October 6, 11:00 AM at Saint Elizabeth Church, 809 South Broom St., Wilmington. The “Blue Mass” honors the local, county, state, and federal law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and military personnel who live and work in Delaware and on Maryland’s Eastern Shore. Those currently serving, the retired, and their families are invited to attend.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!

ST. PATRICK’S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	Sept. 24, 2017
Offertory	\$2,580.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	106.00
Regina Coeli Society— Donation	363.86
Share in the Spirit	1,916.00

ST. MARY’S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	Sept. 24, 2017
Offertory	\$744.50
St. Vincent DePaul Society	8.00
Hurricane Harvey Relief	25.00
Share in the Spirit	2,605.00

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

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

The second collection the weekend of October 14/15 is World Mission Sunday.

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. 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**

St. Elizabeth High School Open House will be October 22, 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. High School Placement Tests will be administered on Dec. 2, 8:30 AM and Dec. 3, at Noon.

St. Mark’s High School Admissions Dates: 8th Grade HSPT Prep Course, Saturday, Oct. 14 and Nov. 11; Fall Open House, Sun, Oct. 29, 12:00—3:00 PM; Spartan for a Day for 8th Grade students, beginning Oct. 3 and offered on Tuesday—Friday; 8th Grade HSPT at St. Mark’s, Dec. 2 at 8:00 AM or Dec. 3. 12:00 PM.

Looking for Volunteers to assume responsibility of luncheon for Black History Sunday 2018. Contact Valerie Townsend at 302-652-8394

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

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

This is Respect Life Sunday, and it begins Respect Life Month, a program of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. In this month dedicated by long custom to the Rosary we are asked to pray, work and learn in ways that will contribute to a culture of life in our nation.

A culture of life respects the absolute value and dignity of all human life from conception to natural death. It is a direct consequence of our faith that God has created each of us and sent his Son for the redemption of every human being. In the powerful words of today's second reading he humbled himself and became obedient unto death—for us. No one is excluded. Therefore, we cannot be involved in deciding which lives are worth living and protecting and which are not.

This month is an opportunity to examine our Christian moral commitments and to ask whether we have in our personal, political, and social lives contributed to the culture of life or cooperated in any way in the culture of death. It is a time to examine our consciences and to inform our minds. The culture of death is sneaky and can get into our heads.

A great challenge for us these days concerns end of life issues. Most Catholics understand quickly the value of the unborn child. On this question there is even some improvement in polling among younger people. But too many people are tempted by a false pity that would put to death those who are suffering or who are in the last stages of debilitating old age. As with abortion economic concerns come into play also—end-of-life care is expensive. From states with Physician Assisted Suicide there are even reports of people being offered suicide instead of life saving cancer treatments.

Of course, as believers we do not cling to life at all costs. The time comes to go to the Father's house—the last words of St. John Paul—and the Church definitely teaches that burdensome and futile treatments are unnecessary and may even be immoral. But we do not assent to starving or dehydrating people to death nor to executing them with drugs regardless of who administers the poison.

We do not hasten death because we understand that suffering and death unite us to the one who humbled himself and became obedient to death, even death on a cross. This is a hard lesson in a world committed to comfort and pleasure, but we know that the way to life is through union with Jesus.

Remotely related to these issues is the question of my health, about which so many of you have inquired. I am pleased to report that at my last check-up the prostate specific antigen (PSA) was undetectable. That would indicate that I am almost certainly cancer-free.

Thanks for your prayers and your service to life.

In Christ
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23; Mt 18:1-5, 10
Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56
Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Ps 137:1-6; Lk 9:57-62
Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11; Lk 10:1-12
Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9; Lk 10:13-16
Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37; Lk 10:17-24
Sunday: Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Phil 4:6-9; Mt 21:33-43

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday
Monday: The Holy Guardian Angels
Wednesday: St. Francis of Assisi; Sukkot (Jewish harvest festival) begins at sunset
Thursday: Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos
Friday: St. Bruno; Blessed Marie Rose Durocher; First Friday
Saturday: Our Lady of the Rosary; First Saturday

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, October 8, Alice Reis Israel, a parishioner at St. Jude the Apostle Church in Lewes, DE, will discuss the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. Her father witnessed the event in Portugal 100 years ago. 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:- In today's gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a man who sends his son to work in the vineyard. God calls many people to work in the vineyard known as the Church. Some are sent to serve as priests, others as deacons, still others as religious sisters and brothers. Is He trying to send you? If you think so, 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 Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time are on page 301.

The Book of Revelation has through the history of the Church contributed both to undue confusion and undue certainty. Too often the central message of the victory of Christ is lost. Father Klein will lead a course looking at the complex symbolism and the simple announcement of the Gospel that make up the message of the last book of the Bible. The course will meet at St. Joseph on the Brandywine from 10:30 AM until Noon on Mondays from October 2 through November 13.

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

2017 Share in the Spirit Tuition Assistance Collection:- Thanks to everyone who contributed to the diocesan *Share in the Spirit* tuition assistance collection last week. For those of you who were unable to participate last weekend, you may still contribute. Drop your envelope in the collection basket or at the parish office. Extra envelopes can be found in the back of the church. For further information, visit the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html.

The Holy Father's Intentions for October:- *Universal—Workers and the Unemployed*. That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat for post-abortion healing will be held at the Franciscan retreat house, Wilmington, DE, October 6-8. The weekend is an opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion to heal. For more information contact Nan Freeman at 302-528-8313 or visit rachelvineyard.org.

PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY!

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