

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-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
 October 8, 2017
 Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,
 By prayer and petition, with thanksgiving,
 Make your requests known to God.
 Philippians 4:6

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Oct. 7	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
Oct. 9	8:00 AM	Mary Stetson(D), req. The Sisters
Oct. 10	5:30 PM	No Intention
Oct. 11	8:00 AM	No Intention
Oct. 12	5:30 PM	No Intention
Oct. 13	8:00 AM	Abbie Perlsweig(L), req. Joe & Judy Archer
Oct. 14	4:00 PM	Catherine V. Rhodes(D), req. Family
Oct. 15	9:00 AM	Stephen Slavish(D), req. Regina Brainard
	10:15 AM	Mary Elizabeth Selsky(D), req. Jean & Ed Manlove
	10:30 AM	Mary A. Taormina(D), req. Monica Grzeczowski & Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

Oct. 10	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
Oct. 14	Regina Coeli Choir Practice—10:00 AM
Oct. 11	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Oct. 18	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Oct. 19	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
Oct. 24	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
Oct. 25	Finance Council—Rectory—7:00 PM Clean Church—St. Patrick

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.

St. Hedwig Catholic Church “40 hours” 100th Anniversary of Fatima Parish Mission, Oct. 13-15, begin at 7:00 PM Mass; Theme— *Interrelationships of Fatima and the Divine Mercy Message*; Relics—St. Faustina, Sts. Jacinta and Francisco and a piece of the Holm Oak tree on which Our Lady of Fatima appeared. Speaker—Fr. Dan Cambra, MIC. Diocese of Wilmington Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be present. For further info, contact Charlotte Coletta - 302-994-4043.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!

ST. PATRICK’S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017
 Offertory \$4,000.00
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 200.00
 Hurricane Harvey Relief 1,755.00
 Share in the Spirit 10.00

ST. MARY’S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday, Oct. 1, 2017
 Offertory \$856.50
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 12.00

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**

Irma, Maria and the Mexican earthquakes:- Contributions for assistance to the victims of the second wave of hurricanes and the Mexican earthquake may be made at any time in coming weeks. Simply place a check in the offering with the memo *‘hurricane and earthquake relief.’* Already we have received [put in amount \$1,755 at St. Mary’s/St. Patrick’s]. Please give generously.

St. Elizabeth High School Open House will be October 22, 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM.

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.

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:

Once again today the image of the vineyard dominates the Old Testament and Gospel readings. In the ancient Middle East the vineyard was a sign of prosperity and security, of festivity and of joy, as it is to this day in the Mediterranean world.

A field of grain was planted and then the farmer simply had to wait for the harvest, but a vineyard concentrated much more value in a smaller area and needed constant care. It was a precious thing, and it is for that reason that Isaiah introduces the concept of the people of God as his cherished vineyard.

But because God cherishes his vineyard, he expects good fruit and is gravely disappointed when his people do not yield good fruit. In the reading from Isaiah and the reading from Matthew, the Lord threatens grave punishment for his people if they fail to produce.

Reminders of God's wrath and judgment were made by the prophets and by Jesus not to terrify people but to call them back to fidelity and fruitfulness—often after times of great sin and apostasy. And frankly, since we live in an era of great sin and apostasy, we should listen with care.

We should also give thought to what it means to bear fruit, to be the kind of vineyard that the Lord desires. And for help we can turn to today's second reading from Philippians, which as I mentioned in last week's homilies is the most cheerful and positive of Paul's letters. The church of Philippi is relatively untroubled. Today in the final chapter, Paul says to them:

Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things.

Notice: It's not a list of specific actions. It is a list of dispositions or attitudes, the mind of Christ.

We live in a world of toxic attitudes quite opposite to what Paul describes, attitudes that do no one any good. He is not calling on us to be naïve or to pretend that evil does not exist, but we are the vineyard of the Lord and called to give attention to the good that God has done and the good that he expects of us.

In Christ
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jon 1:1 — 2:2, 11; Jon 2:3-5, 8; Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130:1b-4ab, 7-8; Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86:3-6, 9-10; Lk 11:1-4
Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 11:5-13
Friday: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9; Lk 11:15-26
Saturday: Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Lk 11:27-28
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-6; Phil 4:12-14, 19-20;
Mt 22:1-14 [1-10]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Denis and Companions; St. John Leonardi;
Columbus Day; Canadian Thanksgiving Day
Wednesday: Saint John XXIII
Saturday: St. Callistus I; Blessed Virgin Mary

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 15, Catholic author and humorist, Susie Lloyd, will discuss her latest book, "Yes, God." 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 second reading, St. Paul tells the Christians at Philippi how to live so that "the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." A key element in experiencing that peace is seeking out God's unique plan for one's life. Where is the Lord trying to lead you? How does He want you to glorify Him? Is He calling you to priesthood, diaconate or to religious life? If you think so, let's explore that. 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-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time are on page 304.

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 9 through November 13.

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

"**Therese, The Story of a Soul**", a one woman show about the life of St. Therese of Lisieux, will be performed at 7:00 PM at the St. Ann Church Social Hall, 2013 Gilpin Ave., Wilmington. Sponsors are the St. Thomas More Society and the Society of Catholic Scholars of Delaware. There will be free-will offering. **ALL ARE INVITED.**

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.

Congratulations to Caroline Marie Olewiler who will receive First Holy Communion at the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday.

St. Mary of the Assumption Church Music Ministry is presenting a series of workshops that focus on the "Voice" in Music Ministry—Cantor Workshop, Vocal Workshop, Children & Youth Voices Workshop—on Saturday, October 14 beginning with registration and a Continental Breakfast at 9:00 AM. The event is **FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC** at St. Mary of the Assumption Church, 7200 Lancaster Pike Hockessin, DE but reservations are required by calling 302-239-7100 ext. 16 or www.stmaryoftheassumption.com.

The Wilmington Diocese Gospel Choir celebrates 25 years of singing God's praises on Sunday, October 22, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 1012 French Street, Wilmington at 1:00 PM. For additional information call Lorraine Eckrich at 302-658-4535.

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