

MARCH 3, 2019



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As the test of what the potter
molds is in the furnace,
so in tribulation is the test of the just.

Sirach 27:5

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

6th & Pine Sts.

Very Rev. Leonard R. Klein, Pastor

Wilmington, De. 19801

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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Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

March 3, 2019

Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thorn bushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.

Luke 6:44

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

March 2	4:00 PM	Jeremiah Dunne(D)
March 3	9:00 AM	Julian & Marguerita Margiotto (D), req. Concetta Farrace & Family
	10:15 AM	Senator John E. Reilly & Alice Scanlon Reilly(D), req. Family
	10:30 AM	Robert M. Shumaker, Jr.(D), Req. Pat & Bob Shumaker
	5:00 PM	Mr. & Mrs. Alcide Bosetti(D) Req. Elva Ferrari-Graham
March 4	8:00 AM	People of the Parish
March 5	5:30 PM	Martin J. Finocchiaro, Jr., (D)
March 6	8:00 AM	No Intention
	12:10 PM	No Intention
	5:30 PM	Victor Tyrone Harris(D)
	7:00 PM	John A. McGonigle(D)
	7:00 PM	(St. Mary's)
March 7	5:30 PM	No Intention
March 8	8:00 AM	No Intention
March 9	4:00 PM	Jim & Jeanette McKinney(D). Req. Family
March 10	9:00 AM	Louis Bartlett(D), req. LaRue Hill
	10:15 AM	Victoria & Pasquale Ciconte(D) Req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Rebekka Rueda Family(L), req. Girone Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

March 6	Ash Wednesday—see schedule below
	Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations
March 12	St. Vincent de Paul Society—6:00 PM—Rectory
March 13	Clean Church—St. Patrick
	Novena Mass—St. Mary—7:00 PM & Stations

Our Sesquicentennial Year is ending! The Diocesan 150th anniversary closing Mass is Sunday, March 3, 3:00 PM at Saint Elizabeth Church, 809 South Broom Street, Wilmington, with Bishop Malooly presiding to celebrate the conclusion of our year-long anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Wilmington by Blessed Pope Pius IX on March 3, 1868.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule is as follows:

St. Patrick:- 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM/Latin
St. Mary:- 7:00 PM

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 from Ash Wednesday through the second week of Easter. Contact the office if you would like to designate a mass intention for any of those days—302-652-0743.

St. Mary's Annual Irish High Tea—this Sunday, March 3, immediately following the 10:15 AM Mass. **All welcome!!!**

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday	Feb. 24, 2019
Offertory	\$4,395.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	239.00
Black, Indian & Home Missions	145.00
Catholic University & Communications	1.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	Feb. 24, 2019
Offertory	\$1,125.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	209.00
Black, Indian & Home Missions	10.00
Catholic Relief Services	8.50

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

St. Patrick	\$3,365.00
St. Mary	\$788.00

The second collection this weekend of March 2/3 is for Catholic Relief Services and Latin America.

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, 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, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Roland M. Dimaya, Vernon Cropper, Daniel Myers, Molly Remaley, Sally McKinney Rosenberg, Janell Harris, Fr. Leonard Klein, John Boyer, Jennie Dahl, Robert Laraway. If you wish to add or remove a name from this list, please call the Parish Office—652-0743. Thank D)you.

**SUPPORT FATHER TRAINOR
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FOOD DRIVE**

Mardi Gras—St. Peter's Cathedral, Fundraiser, Sunday, March 3, 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM (Special—Fr. Mac's mac & cheese).

Saint Francis Hospital Seeks Eucharistic Minister Volunteers:- If interested in volunteering call Dana Davis, volunteer services coordinator, 302-421-4104 or email at ddavis2@che-east.org for questions regarding screening process and qualifications or complete a volunteer application from the website, www.stfrancishealthcare.org.

**PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!
SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.**

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

Ash Wednesday is this week, March 6, and we once again begin the solemn season of Lent. There hangs over this year's penitential time the memory of seventeen years ago, when the exposure of the abuse of minors by Catholic priests made it "the Long Lent of 2002." We have entered another long Lent as the consequences of the exposure of Theodore McCarrick's crimes and additional reports continue to spin out.

The recent Vatican summit on sexual abuse of minors was to my thinking too brief and too narrow in its scope. The broader theme of Christian chastity and the proper use of sexuality was not on the docket. Nevertheless, some serious proposals emerged, and some sharp words were spoken. The American Church emerged with its reputation for seriousness in these matters enhanced. The notion of too many in the Vatican that this is some sort of over-hyped American issue was effectively repudiated.

The Church is holy insofar as she is the Body of Christ; the Church is marred by sin insofar as her members are all sinners. That is a mystery we must affirm. It is also a reason for the self-examination, repentance and renewal that Lent asks of us. The holiness of the Church is egregiously marred by the sins of priests and prelates. Such things make the headlines. The holiness of the Church is marred by public figures and politicians who take positions and actions at odds with the most basic Catholic moral teaching. And the holiness of the Church is marred by the sins, slips and failures of us all. That is why we need the coming season, to purify and renew ourselves, and thereby in a small way to add to the purification of the Church. Our sacrifices and prayers can also be a form of reparation for the sins of others.

I look forward to seeing many of you on Ash Wednesday and to sharing this season with you.

Presumably, I will be spending much of the season hospitalized, but I do not yet have a date for admission. (I have joked that for Lent this year I will be giving up normal life.) The first donor proved ineligible. Several others are being investigated, and my children have donated blood samples.

I am currently undergoing a reduced cycle of chemotherapy to maintain me in remission until I enter the hospital. People have noted that I seem to be well, and I do in fact feel well. My blood counts are normal and therefore my energy is close to normal, though I am still hobbled by the original injury.

In any event, I thank you for your prayers and affection,

*In Christ,
Fr. Klein*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Sir 17:20-24; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 10:17-27
Tuesday: Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17;
2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25
Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32
Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Monday: St. Casimir

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday; Fast and Abstinence; Almsgiving
Thursday: Ss. Perpetua and Felicity
Friday: St. John of God; Abstinence
Saturday: St. Frances of Rome

Vocation Thought:- *Dare to be different!* Be a startling presence in the world! The Gospel challenges us today to live as disciples and not as people who react to the world around us. When we reach we are short, brief, to the point and anything to make whatever it is go away. Jesus challenges the disciples and us to respond. Responding takes time. It takes compassion. It requires a love that is countercultural. Can you live a different message in our world? If you think God might be calling you to the priesthood or to religious life, 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!

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This weekend we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year C, the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time are on page 570.

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.

History Book in Celebration of the 150th Anniversary:- "Rejoicing in the Lord," has been published to help commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington. Books are available after all Masses in the back of Church. The cost is \$35.00 per copy.

Little Sisters of the Poor Rock-A-Thon, March 30, 1:00 to 5:00 PM, Jeanne Jugan Residence, 185 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE. All proceeds will be used to purchase new wheelchairs for the residents. Enjoy music, dancing, face painting, karaoke, door prizes, games and 50/50 raffles. Food and refreshments will be available for sale. For information www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org or contact Mikayla at 302-368-5886 or colsn Newark@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

When necessary, contact Father Klein—(cell) 717-586-9611 or e-mail lrklein45@comcast.net.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS MARCH 10

**REMEMBER ASH WEDNESDAY
MARCH 6**

PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY!

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