

You are the

*light of
the world.*

A city set on a mountain
cannot be hidden.

Matthew 5:14

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February 9, 2020

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

6th & Pine Sts.

Wilmington, DE 19801

15th & King Sts.

Very Reverend Joseph W. McQuaide, IV, *Pastor*
Reverend John C. McVoy, *Assisting*

MASSES: ST. MARY'S

Sunday: 10:15 A.M.

Holy days: As announced

MASSES: ST. PATRICK'S

Sunday: 9:00 A.M., Confession—10:00 AM, 10:30 A.M.
(Extraordinary Form/Latin), 5:00 PM

Mon., Wed., Fri.: 8:00 A.M.

Tues., Thurs.: 5:30 P.M.; Confession 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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 Light shines through the darkness for the upright.
 — Psalm 112:4

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Feb. 8	4:00 PM	Teresa Taggart(D), req. Family
Feb. 9	9:00 AM	Vy. Rev. Leonard R. Klein(D), Req. Farrace Family
	10:15 AM	Mae G. Caldwell(D)
	10:30 AM	Concetta Farrace(D), req. Carmine D'Amico
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Feb. 10		NO MASS }
Feb. 11		NO MASS } Priests
Feb. 12		NO MASS } Study Days
Feb. 13		NO MASS }
Feb. 14	8:00 AM	Pat & Bob Shumaker(L), 60th Wedd. Anniv., req. Jim & Lorie
Feb. 15	4:00 PM	Vy. Rev. Leonard R. Klein(D), Req. Jean Manlove & Family
Feb. 16	9:00 AM	Julie Donovan(D), req. Regina Brainard
	10:15 AM	Ben Giliberto(D), req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Vy. Rev. Leonard R. Klein(D).
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

Feb. 11	St. Vincent DePaul Society—6:00 PM—Rectory
Feb. 12	Clean Church—St. Patrick
Feb. 16	Regina Coeli Refreshment Sunday
Feb. 19	Clean Church - St. Patrick
Feb. 20	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
Feb. 25	St. Vincent DePaul Society—6:00 PM—Rectory
Feb. 26	Ash Wednesday (Fast & Abstinence) Clean Church—St. Patrick

Father McQuaide's Installation as Rector/Pastor

You're Invited: Bishop Malooly will install Father McQuaide as Rector of the Cathedral and Pastor of Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception and Saint Patrick in one celebration on Saturday, February 22 at 4 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter. A light reception will immediately follow in the Cathedral School gymnasium. So that we have enough food, please RSVP at www.cathedralofstpeter.com/Rector or to the parish office.

St. Mary's Irish Tea and Breakfast—March 1, 2020:- The breakfast is a fundraiser for the church. Breakfast will be served from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Adult tickets are \$5.00 at the door or \$4.00 if purchased in advance. Children—\$2.00. Contact Mary Jane Lisansky for tickets at 302-373-4136 or mlisansky@aol.com.

Cathedral of St. Peter Fundraiser Celebration –Back By Popular Demand! - Sunday, February 23, 12 to 2 PM. Refreshments and Lots of Fun. Join us in the Cathedral Rectory for a *Fundraiser to Benefit the Cathedral of St Peter!* No Admission Charge! All are Welcome! RSVP 654-5920 or cathedralstp@comcast.net

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

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday Feb. 3, 2020
 Offertory \$3,534.00
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 162.00
 In Memory of Vy. Rev. Leonard R. Klein 500.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING
 Sunday Feb. 3, 2020
 Offertory \$1,078.00
 St. Vincent DePaul Society 1.70
 Black & Indian & Home Missions 13.50
 Annual Catholic Appeal Refund 47.50

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

St. Patrick	\$3,442.00
St. Mary	\$673.00

The second collection this weekend of February 8/9 is for Black and Indian Missions and Home Missions.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS 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, 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, Liz Adams, Cindy Crispin, Fay Weldon, Brian Matt, Julia Farrell, Mary Ciritella, Nancy Read Keil, Jack McDermott, III, Susan Naughton, Vici Manlove, Anna Matt, Claire Cambra, Samantha Nelson, Judy Macey, Catherine Manlove Pugliese, Anita Flynn, Christina Mallon, Veronica Scully, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Roland M. Dimaya, Daniel Myers, Molly Remaley, Sally McKinney Rosenberg, Janell Harris, Fr. Leonard Klein, Jennie Dahl, Robert Laraway, Eleace Stacey, Lindsay Rhein, Kenneth Caretti, Veronica Irwin, Thomas W. Moore, Daniel J. Hamilton, Howard Graham, John DelCampo, Robert M. Shumaker, Sr., James Stewart, Jr, Jeanne Daniels.
 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**

Diocesan Priests Study Days: The priests of the Diocese of Wilmington will be spending these days away together for study and ongoing formation. No daily Masses will be held at St. Patrick's or the Cathedral from Monday, February 10 to Thursday, February 13. Please keep the priests in prayer.

You are invited to join the Diocese of Wilmington's Ministry for Black Catholics for a Lenten Revival, "Renew in Hope and Mercy," at Our Lady of Fatima Church, 801 North DuPont Blvd., New Castle, DE. Featuring Rev. Robert Seay, OFM, from Our Lady of Angels Church in New Orleans. The revival will begin at 6:30 each evening on Monday, Feb. 17, Tuesday, Feb. 18, and Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2020. A light supper will be served at 5:30 PM. A free will offering will be taken. Visit cdow.org/Ministry-for-Black-Catholics for information. Come and join the revival!

Dear Members and Friends of the Cathedral, Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, and Saint Patrick,

Last week we celebrated the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord and the Purification of the Blessed Virgin. With that celebration, the Christmas cycle is now complete, and our eyes turn towards Lent and the joyful celebration of Easter. Indeed, Mary and Joseph didn't offer a lamb because Jesus would offer himself as the lamb of sacrifice from the altar of the cross.

In two-and-a-half short weeks will be Ash Wednesday and with it the beginning of Lent and its call to continuing conversion in our lives. During those forty days, we are invited to fast, pray, and give alms. Over the next weekends, I will devote my pastor's column to each of these spiritual disciplines in the hopes that Lent and its practices do not catch us off-guard. This week: fasting.

In an 1888 article on fasting, Holy Cross Father Daniel Hudson highlighted the constant emphasis of the Church on this spiritual practice. Among the several Fathers of the Church he quotes, are Saint Leo and John Chrysostom: "*Fasting,*" says St. Leo, "*gives strength against sin, represses evil desires, repels temptation, humbles pride, cools anger, and fosters all the inclinations of a good will, even unto the practice of every virtue.*" One Father more, the great St. John Chrysostom, shall give us his authoritative teaching on this important subject: "*Fasting purifies the mind, calms the senses, subjects the flesh to the spirit, renders the heart humble and contrite, disperses the clouds of concupiscence, extinguishes the heat of passion, and lights up the fire of chastity.*"

He continues, *How strongly do all these sentiments of the Fathers of the Church contrast with the notions and language of men in the days in which we live!* (Remember he is writing in 1888—how much more so is this true in our days!) *One might almost suppose, at the first glance, that we belonged not only to a different age, but to a different Church. And yet the Church has never ceased, on her part, to inculcate on her children the duty of fasting; and in willing obedience to her, multitudes in every age have sanctified their souls. Open the life of any saint or servant of God, and all of them, in their manifold variety of person and character and holiness, will be found to practice fasting as one of the principal means of their spiritual progress. Yes, the tradition and the practice endure to this day with the children of the Church, and will endure unto the end of time. But it is still true, nevertheless, that the spirit of penance has so far decreased, that a very large and, we fear, an increasing proportion of the faithful, from one cause or another, or without cause at all, fail to observe the law of fasting.*

While the law of the Church only requires us to fast—that is to take only one full meal during the day and, additionally, up to two small meals or snacks—on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, we will be all the better for going 'above and beyond.' It has been said that fasting is the engine that drives the spiritual life. This Lent don't just take on something positive; join in the constant tradition of the Church and set yourself up for success: find something to fast from, to give up (and not broccoli!), something that will be a sacrifice and will leave you feeling hungry. Freeing up this space in our stomachs makes us seek our satisfaction in the Lord and the grace he wants to give us in this holy season.

Let's start making our plans for Lent now so that we can spend our forty days growing closer to the Lord.

May God bless you all,
Father McQuaide

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.

This weekend we are using **The Book of Sacred Liturgy**. Readings for Year A, the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time, are on page 262.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10
Sunday: Sir 15:15-20; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time; World Marriage Day
Monday: St. Scholastica
Tuesday: Our Lady of Lourdes; World Day of the Sick
Wednesday: Lincoln's Birthday
Friday: Ss. Cyril and Methodius; Valentine's Day
Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

Vocation Thought:- Parents, do you encourage your children to develop their talents and gifts? Do you encourage your children to think of Church ministry as a possible life choice? **Continue to pray for vocations** to the Priesthood, Consecrated Religious Life, and the Permanent Diaconate. For more information, contact Father Norm Carroll, 573-3113 see cdow.org/vocations or vocations@cdow.org.

Listen to **Catholic Forum** every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, February 15th, author, Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle will discuss her new book, "Reclaiming Sundays." After it airs, listen to Catholic Forum online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at facebook.com/CatholicForum.

Parishioners and guests are gently reminded to lock their car doors and not to leave any valuables in their car while visiting our church. Not leaving things in the car or visible is a deterrent from theft.

St. Mark's High School is searching for alumni performers for its **Musicale Extraordinaire** on Saturday, May 30, 2020, 7:00 PM, St. Mark's Theater. Contact Pauline DeAscanis (vocalists and pianists), Joe Dawson (instrumentalists), Anne Smith (other volunteer services) at St. Mark's High School—302-738-3300.

S.A.C.R.E.D.—Saturday, February 29, Salesianum will host the 20th SACRED day of Religious Education for parents and catechists. A schedule of the day's events, sessions and presenters can be found in the back of the church. Register at <http://sacred.salesianum.org>. Register by Jan. 31 at \$40; before Feb. 24 at \$45.

Follow in the Footsteps of St. Paul—Oct. 13-23, 2020—Greece and the Greek Isles, hosted by Fr. Paul Williams, OFM. Visit Athens, Corinth, Mykonos, Ephesus, Patmos, Santorini, Delphi, and more; includes 3 day cruise to Greek Isles and Turkey. \$3,799 from Philadelphia. For more information contact Loretta Young 302-658-4535, or parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org.

Mardi Gras Masquerade—Feb. 22, 6-10 PM, Francis X. Norton Center, 917 N. Madison Street, Wilmington. This event supports the Ministry of Caring's House of Joseph II for people living with HIV/AIDS.

First Annual Catholic Men's Conference, sponsored by the Catholic Men's Fellowship of Delmarva, at Holy Cross Church, 631 S. State Street, Dover, on Saturday, March 21. For additional information contact Anthony Swierzbinski at aswierzbinski@gmail.com or 302-981-6755.

Tax Receipts for 2019 Contributions for St. Mary's and St. Patrick's can be obtained by calling the office Monday thru Friday at 302-652-0743. Give your name, address, phone number and envelope number.

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