

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

Deacon Robert J. Levesque

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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Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

You alone, O Lord, bring security to my dwelling.
Psalm 4:9

INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

April 14	4:00 PM	Gladys Essich(D), req. Debra Kaye (daughter)
April 15	9:00 AM	Carolina DeGregorio(D), req. John & Concetta Farrace
	10:15 AM	Ben Giliberto(D), req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Pat & Bob Shumaker(L), req. Issel Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
April 16	8:00 AM	Megan Smale(L)
April 17	5:30 PM	Kendall Quinn(L), req. Girone Family
April 18	8:00 AM	Louise Myers(D), req. John & Theresa Boyle
April 19	5:30 PM	Abbie Perlswieg(L), healing, Req. Joe & Judy Archer
April 20	8:00 AM	Therese Gannett(L), Birthday, Req. Jean Dunn
April 21	4:00 PM	David O'Neill(D), req. Pat & Gina Connor
April 22	9:00 AM	Wilmer T. Johnson, Jr.(D), req. Buxton Family
	10:15 AM	Frank & Thelma Lolicato(D), Req. Louise Giliberto & Family
	10:30 AM	Ernest Gates(D), req. Buxton Family
	5:00 PM	People of the Parish

Calendar of Events:-

April 18	Clean Church—St. Patrick's
April 19	Knights of Columbus—7:00 PM—St. Mary Hall
April 24	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory
April 25	Clean Church—St. Patrick's Finance Council—Rectory—7:00 PM
May 2	Clean Church—St. Patrick's
May 5	7th Annual Parish Social Supper—5:00 PM - St. Mary's
May 8	St. Vincent DePaul Soc.—6:00 PM—Rectory

Rice Bowls for our Lenten offering, may be returned at any time. Thank you for your generosity.

7th Annual Parish Social Supper—sponsored by our Knights of Columbus Council. Mark your calendar for 5:00 PM, Saturday, May 5, at St. Mary's Hall. Sign-in sheets are in the rear of both churches. The Knights will provide the main dishes. Bring a side dish to share. **COME AND ENJOY THE FRATERNAL HOSPITALITY.**

St. Edmond's Academy will present "**Beauty and the Beast**", April 27 & 28, at 7:30, and 2:00 PM on April 29 in the Rollins Center for the Performing Arts on the school campus. Tickets \$10 and will be sold at the door.

PRAY THE ROSARY DAILY!

ST. PATRICK'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	April 8, 2018
Offertory	\$2,791.00
St. Vincent DePaul Society	207.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	110.00
In Memory of Ann Tobin	100.00

ST. MARY'S SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Sunday,	April 8, 2018
Offertory	981.25
St. Vincent DePaul Society	0.00
Rice Bowl	10.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	10.00
Easter	172.50

Weekly Offertory budgeted needs:-

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

The collection on April 14/15 is the Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Weekend.

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 Maciey, Catherine Manlove Pugliese, Anita Flynn, Christina Mallon, Veronica Scully, Alex Miller, Nicholas Miller, Kevin Miller, Mark Julian, Greg Long, Roland M. Dimaya, Vernon Cropper, Deacon Robert Levesque, Daniel Myers. If you wish to add or remove a name from this list, please call the Parish Office—652-0743. Thank you.

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal—"Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith":- St. Luke recalls for us in today's Gospel that it was only when Jesus opened their eyes and minds through his explanation of the scriptures and the breaking of the bread that the two disciples on the road to Emmaus came to recognize him. As men and women of faith, we are like those disciples, living our lives in the real world, walking along with Jesus who is always there accompanying us, whether we recognize Him or not. The Annual Catholic Appeal with its theme, "*Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith*" challenges each of us to bear witness to our faith and open our minds and hearts to bring those less fortunate closer to God's table. To know Christ is to know His message of salvation to love Christ is to imitate His love for all people; and to serve Christ is to manifest His teachings through acts of Christian Stewardship. This weekend you are invited to participate in the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. Please respond by pledging a sacrificial gift to this important campaign. To learn more about the Appeal visit www.cdown.org, click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal"

SUPPORT ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOC.

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

A couple of weeks ago the News Journal had a story on the indulgence issued for the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Diocese. The coverage was reasonably good. Then came Divine Mercy Sunday with its attached indulgence.

Needless to say, I have an interesting perspective on all of this. As a former Lutheran, I come from a tradition that originated in part from the abuse and sale of indulgences. In the newspaper article a Lutheran pastor gave the standard response: "When you're forgiven, you're forgiven." Thereby he meant to repudiate the Catholic understanding that following forgiveness and absolution, there is still a need for satisfaction. That's why there is always a penance. An indulgence is a form of satisfaction, achieved by certain actions motivated by faith and trust in God's mercy. It is like a penance in that it is an effort to make satisfaction for sins already forgiven.

Over against the Catholic argument that we must make satisfaction, the standard Protestant response can look merciful and straightforward. Why do we insist on penance and satisfaction?

The answer is quite simple. Our sins are fully and freely forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. But they still have consequences! Satisfaction addresses those—whether it be in the form of a penance, an indulgence, or after death in purgatory. If we have hurt someone, God forgives the sin but there is damage to be addressed. That is why penances often involve prayer for those we may have hurt or damaged.

The Lutheran pastor was right about forgiveness but he was wrong in thinking the story ends with absolution. The single best comment I have read on why satisfaction is necessary is from Pope Benedict XVI's explanation of purgatory in his encyclical *Spe Salvi*, "Saved by Hope." It reads, "Evildoers, in the end, do not sit at table at the eternal banquet beside their victims without distinction, as though nothing had happened."

All forms of penitential satisfaction, whether an ordinary penance, indulgence, prayer for the living and the dead, or purgatory are geared to making us all worthy to sit together at the eternal banquet. Through the death and resurrection of Christ our sins are forgiven, but this side of the last judgment God's saving work is not yet complete. Forgiveness is not a get-out-of-jail free card; it is a step on the path to holiness and final salvation. Satisfaction is part of how we put that forgiveness to work in our lives.

In Christ,
Fr. Klein

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15; Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
Tuesday: Acts 7:51 — 8:1a; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 7b, 8a, 17, 21ab; Jn 6:30-35
Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8; Ps 66:1-3a, 4-7a; Jn 6:35-40
Thursday: Acts 8:26-40; Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
Friday: Acts 9:1-20; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Jn 6:52-59
Saturday: Acts 9:31-42; Ps 116:12-17; Jn 6:60-69
Sunday: Acts 4:8-12; Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
Tuesday: Income Tax Day

Saturday: St. Anselm

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, April 22, learn about the work of the Diocesan Tribunal when Fr. Mark S. Mealey, OSFS, Judicial Vicar is interviewed. 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:- Today's readings contain powerful references to Eucharist and Reconciliation. In every generation, God calls men to serve as priests so that His holy people can continue to be nourished and strengthened by these Sacraments. Is He calling 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 B, Third Sunday of Easter, are on page 382.

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.

Retreat for Widows:- April 27-29, Marianist Family Retreat Center, Cape May Point, New Jersey, \$135 pp, double occ. For information or to register, visit www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829.

Come and Celebrate! - 15th Anniversary of our Diocesan Global Solidarity Partnership with the Diocese of San Marcos Guatemala, Sunday, April 22, Schaefer's Canal House, Chesapeake City, MD. Mass—3:00 PM, Dinner and entertainment 4:00 - 7:00 PM; \$35 per person pre purchase only. Contact Joan McConnell 302-333-4227 or mcconnell.joanm@gmail.com or Lynne Ewing—401-648-5283 or esollynne@yahoo.com.

As part of the Diocese of Wilmington's 150th Anniversary celebration, the Old Bohemia Historical Society (OBHS) invites visitors to explore the first church in the diocese, St. Francis Xavier Shrine (Old Bohemia). The buildings will be open the first Saturday of every month beginning April 7, 2018 through March 2, 2019. Guided tours will be offered at 9:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM. The rectory museum and graveyard will be accessible for individual inspection and study. Light refreshments will be available for purchase. At 11:00 AM Mass will be celebrated in the historic church. A first class relic of St. Francis Xavier will be displayed for veneration. For more information or to schedule a tour, call OBHS President Marji Matyniak at 302-328-4803. The church is also available for group retreats and weddings.

Padua Academy's Annual Bring a Buddy to Bingo Night, at Padua Academy, Friday, April 20, doors open at 5:30, first game at 6:00; cost \$10 adult or \$5 kids 10 & Under, includes slice of pizza, drink, 6 bingo cards and 3 raffle tickets.

PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY!

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