

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, September 29

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

Joseph Dombroski

SUNDAY, September 30

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

People of the Parish

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

Robert G. Gabage

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Joe Dixon

Tuesday, October 2

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel

Larry Kutlik

Wednesday, October 3

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth

In Honor of Curtiss Burr

Thursday, October 4

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel

Intentions of Colin Durner

Friday, October 5

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth

Robert G. Gabage

SATURDAY, October 6

NO FIRST SATURDAY MASS

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

Ann Satterfield

SUNDAY, October 7

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

Pearl Collier

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

Ted Selby, Jr.

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

People of the Parish

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 12

St. Benedict Church:

In Honor of Pearl Sutton

St. Elizabeth Church:

Intentions of Peter Schirmer V

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

Weekend of September 22 & 23, 2018

Envelopes	\$ 3,099.00
Loose	\$ 609.00
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 3,708.00
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Deficit (Below Budget)	(\$ 1,392.00)
Share in the Spirit	\$ 618.00
Poor Box	\$ 352.00

St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



As we journey to the Heavenly Court, we find ourselves confronted by a world that has strayed from the authentic praise of God to the praise of man to make man more important than the One True God. I must admit it has been a long time coming and history has told us repeatedly that when humanity strays from God tragedy will be more prevalent. Our Society has become callous to the word of God and made self-centered ideology its master – a false god.

We gather together to acknowledge who God is in our midst and How effective His Word is in our lives. His Word is His Son Jesus Christ – the one who was sent to Save humanity, the one who was to demonstrate the courage that it takes to confront the evils that surround us in these dark days. Jesus presents His Father as the one whose will makes the difference – that our free will is in union with His when we are free, free from the devil, free from sin, free from the disordering's of our passions, free to share the light of our baptism – the Light of Christ. We become who we are called to be when we let God invade our lives at all times, to avail charity authentically, to rebuff evil, and to live for the virtues God intended us to possess.

Let us take courage today for the Kingdom of God is at hand, beyond the veil of the ordinary the extraordinary is found. The life of and in God is made possible because of His relationship with His Bride the Church, yes, with you, the members that He calls his brothers and sisters because you fulfill the will of His Father. Take confidence in God – Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Take confidence in the relationship each participates in for the good of the other – to demonstrate their consubstantial nature, to bring us into the divinization process – that we may be the adopted sons and daughters of the Father whose Son, Jesus Christ came to gather us as sheep to present to His Father.

Let us know who we are and know who He is and how the Mother He supplied us devotes herself to the care of our being members of the family of God. May we know the truth of God through what we know of His Son and may we be greeted today by the promised Paraclete – the Holy Spirit, that we may be assured of our security in His Love for Us His Church – the members of His Mystical Body.

September approaches its end and the Month of the Most Holy Rosary greets us as October begins. We find ourselves enabled to utter the prayers that favor a relationship with a Father and a mother, with mysteries each of us participates within the life of Christ. We find ourselves ennobled by the prospect that God's plan is established by what we pray because it is that by which we believe and proclaim not just in word but by deed. We are alive in Christ and we ought to celebrate this fact – He has given us an opportunity today to be present to the reality of such a mystery that it enrobes our being a community – a family of followers of the one who supplies the Words of Eternal Life.

Let us celebrate today and live today differently that tomorrow will greet us with the assurance of our achievements were gifted and given truly by God for us to relish in His glory. Amen, Amen, I say to you. Let us Live today like no other, let us Live for the Lord in all we do.

Please pray for me, your pastor, as I begin my additional role as Dean of the Eastern Shore Deanery, that I may humbly serve at the discretion of the bishop and of the Holy Spirit for the benefit of Mystical Body, the Church.

Pax Christi,

Vy. Rev. John B. Gabage, V.F.

LITURGY

LIVING ROSARY THIS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4

We invite you to join us in the Parish Hall this Thursday, October 4th as we celebrate the month of the Rosary by praying a Living Rosary. The Living Rosary will be created using luminary bags. Even if you have never prayed the rosary or do not pray the rosary regularly, please consider coming. Programs will be available which include the rosary prayers and free rosaries will also be available. The Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen, one of the great evangelizers of modern times, said, "The Rosary is the best therapy ... because it involves the simultaneous use of three powers: the physical, the vocal and the spiritual." It is one of the most powerful prayers of our Church and many of us have witnessed its ability to move hearts and change lives.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

At this time of the year, as our religious education classes are getting back into full swing, we wish to do something special for our catechists. **As you leave Mass today, please take one (or a few) of the blue catechist cards in the back of the church.** There is a prayer on the back of each card. If you would, please pray for "your" catechist each day. These are some of the most dedicated volunteers in our parish. We pray that they would always be guided and protected by the power of the Holy Spirit! Thank you for your prayers for them!

We will be starting classes for **First Reconciliation** in just a couple of weeks. Letters and registration forms will be going out in the mail shortly.

Confirmation preparation classes start this weekend directly after religious education class ends and the class lasts from 10:45 to 11:15. They will usually meet every other week. Letters and registration forms for Confirmation will be going out in the mail shortly also.

Our next Super Sunday will be held on Sunday, October 7th. The Knights of Columbus will offer their delicious buffet breakfast (\$6 per person with \$30 max per family). Religious Ed. classes will begin at 10:10a.m. that morning. Parents are encouraged to attend the Knights' breakfasts on Super Sundays along with their children. **If you are not going to attend breakfast, please do not drop your children off until 10:10 as the classrooms won't be open until that time.**

PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE

WE REMEMBER ♦ WE CELEBRATE ♦ WE BELIEVE



CONGRATULATIONS to Erik Hovland and Victoria Nannini who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on Friday, September 21st at St. Elizabeth Church in Denton. Erik is the son of Steve and Gina Hovland.

PLANNING FOR OUR 50TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR IS UNDERWAY

Our 50th Annual Parish Bazaar will be held on Friday, November 9th and Saturday, November 10th. This year's event will showcase several special features in celebration of the event's "Golden Anniversary". As always, many volunteers are needed to help make this parish and community event a great success. If you are willing to help at the bazaar in any way, please contact Tom Lough at 443-996-3024 or highlough@verizon.net. Volunteers are needed to assist with set-up and clean-up, in our White Elephant Flea Market area, selling raffle tickets, helping at the Friday Night dinner and much more.

DIOCESAN 150TH ANNIVERSARY HISTORY BOOKS HAVE ARRIVED!

The two history books commissioned to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of our Diocese have finally arrived! Rejoicing in the Lord is a hard-cover, 336-page, full color, glossy 10"x10" book that features histories and photographs of all the Catholic churches in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore, plus biographies of all nine bishops, with important ministries and events highlighted. Family of Faith is a 35-page, color diocesan history done in the comic book or graphic novel style that is meant to appeal to middle-schoolers and teens. For those of you who pre-ordered books, we will be distributing them at the beginning of October. If you have not yet paid for your pre-ordered books, you should have received a reminder e-mail to do so as soon as possible. If you did not pre-order books but would like to get a copy of either edition, please contact the Parish Office for an order form or look for the order form insert in next weekend's bulletin. Cost is \$40 for Rejoicing in the Lord and \$18 for Family of Faith.

SODALITY NEWS

SODALITY OPEN HOUSE ~ The Blessed Virgin Mary Ladies' Sodality will host an Open House on Tuesday, October 9th. The evening will begin with the recitation of the Rosary at 6:30p.m. in St. Benedict Church followed by Mass. The Open House, with refreshments and information about the Sodality and its mission and projects, will follow Mass in the Parish Hall. All parish women over the age of 18 are encouraged to join us!



Father Norman Carroll

will celebrate 25 years of priesthood

Join him to celebrate the Eucharist

in Thanksgiving

on Sunday, October 21

at 4:00pm

at St. Elizabeth in Wilmington

Fr. Carroll was pastor here 2000-2009.

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, September 30

- 2nd Collection – Campus Ministry
- K of C Car Raffle Ticket Sales – after Masses
- Social Ministries Collection for St. Martin's House
- Hospitality provided by Ladies' Sodality – Parish Hall – 9:30a.m.
- Rel. Ed./RCIA classes – 9:45-10:50 a.m.
- King Baptism – 1:00 p.m. – SB Church
- Coursey Baptism – 2:30 p.m. – SB Church

Tuesday, October 2

- Adult Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – RR

Wednesday, October 3

- Staff Meeting – 10:15a.m - RR
- Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7:30 p.m. - Hall

Thursday, October 4

- Adult Bible Study – 9:30 a.m. – RR
- Living Rosary – 6:30p.m. – Hall

Friday, October 5

- Benediction – 9:30 a.m. – SE Church
- Homeschool Group Gathering – 10:30 a.m. - Hall
- Deacon Meeting – 1:00 p.m. – Rectory

Saturday, October 6

- NO First Saturday Mass in Chapel
- Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage – 9:00 a.m. – Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine
- Rosary – 5:00 p.m. – St. Elizabeth Church
- Teddy Bear Package Collection after Mass

Sunday, October 7

- 2nd Collection – Building Maintenance
- Super Sunday Breakfast – 9:30 a.m. - Hall
- Collect Teddy Bears after all Masses and at Super Sunday Breakfast
- Rel. Ed./RCIA classes – 10:10-10:50 a.m.
- Youth Ministry Gathering – 6-8:00 p.m. - Hall

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Patricia Brady ♦ Peggy Brittingham ♦ Jane Cade ♦ Joan Mollick ♦ Terry Franz ♦ Kathleen Green ♦ Charmaine Sullivan ♦ Patricia McWilliams ♦ Julia Seiler ♦ Helen Dill ♦ Cheryl Harris ♦ Judy Edmonston ♦ Edie Crank ♦ Patricia Freedman ♦ Sandy Keating ♦ Michael Alt ♦ Michael Keating ♦ Nial Straley ♦ Christina Jewell ♦ Debbye Jackson ♦ Kenny Winn ♦ Jessica Haddaway ♦ The Clegg Family ♦ Dot Bornhoeft ♦ Clark Johnson ♦ George Sinacourbe ♦ Sarah Trice ♦ Fr. Bill Graney ♦ Marlinda Tuel ♦ Ken & Carolyn Swain ♦ Linda Nickum ♦ Bob Rouse ♦ Janet Kibler ♦ Karen Coward ♦ Kelly Presnell ♦ John Vranich ♦ Ron Safchick ♦ Anne Henderson ♦ Rita Miedl

VOCATIONS NEWS

Moses tells Joshua, son of Nun, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is called to live as a prophet of the Lord. Might God be inviting you to live out that role as a priest, a religious sister, a religious brother or a deacon? Call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; vocations@cdow.org). Don't forget to check out website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

Please pray for our diocesan seminarians:

Michael Preston Craig Kursinsky
Brennan Ferris Adam Bauer
John Enemuo James Gebhart

AROUND THE DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

DIOCESAN MARIAN PILGRIMAGE 2018



This year's diocesan-sponsored Marian Pilgrimage will be held NEXT SATURDAY, October 6th in conjunction with the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of our diocese. The pilgrimage will take place at the Shrine of Our Lady Queen of Peace on the campus of Holy Spirit Parish in New Castle DE and is one of the official Diocesan Anniversary events. Festivities will begin at 9am and continue throughout the day culminating with mass celebrated by Bishop Malooly at 4pm. The theme for this year's pilgrimage is "Mary, Cause of Our Joy" which coincides with the Sesquicentennial theme of "Rejoicing in the Lord since 1868". Highlights of the pilgrimage include panels of priests from the Diocese who will each speak on how Mary is the Cause of the Joy of their priesthood and the presentation of the commissioned painting of "Our Lady of Wilmington" painted by well-known local artist Neilson Carlin. See the insert in today's bulletin for a schedule of events for the day. If you are interested in

attending the Pilgrimage and you would like to carpool with other interested parishioners, please e-mail Lori Parks in the parish office (LParks@beparish.com) to let her know so that arrangements can be made.

EVANGELIZATION CORNER

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Religion shouldn't scare you

Talk of hellfire was motivating in earlier generations. If it's a choice between eternal flames or fear of the Lord, what sane person wouldn't take the high road? These days, we seem to be post-hell and past fear. It's difficult for some of us to find the proper motivation to live justly, especially when it requires an uncomfortable amount of sacrifice. So, here's a fear worth fearing: hurting the one we love most. We say we love God; God cherishes the vulnerable and the poor. Pray for, share with, and raise your voice for those in need.

Today's readings: Numbers 11:25-29; James 5:1-6; Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

***"You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure;
you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter."***