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5th Sunday of Easter

May 7, 2023

MASS SCHEDULE

Sat. Vigil

4:00 pm

Sunday

7:30 am

10:00 am

Monday 12:15 pm

Tuesday 7:15 am

Wed 7:15 am

Friday 12:15 pm

Saturday 8:15 am

Holy Hour

Monday & Friday

12:45-1:45 pm

Confessions

Saturday

8:45 am

4th Sunday of the month Filipino Mass at 4:00 PM

Sunday Mass will be live streamed at 10:00 AM through Facebook and posted after on the website.

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NOTES FROM FR. ROGER
MENSAJES DE PADRE ROGER

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The Catholic Church in the City of Wilmington

Cathedral of St. Peter I St. Ann I St. Anthony of Padua

St. Elizabeth I St. Hedwig I St. Joseph

St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception I St. Patrick

St. Paul I St. Thomas the Apostle

2023 FAITH AND CHARITY CATHOLIC APPEAL




In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us, "Let not your heart be troubled...I am the way, and the truth and the life. No man cometh to the Father, but by me." When we follow Jesus and listen to him, he leads us by His light. We are called to shine the Light of Christ and live Jesus' example; by doing so, he promises us a place with Him.

As followers of Christ, we must act faithfully to reach out to others as Jesus does. We are called to commit ourselves as good stewards of our gifts, and by doing so, we bring Christ's light with us everywhere! Jesus reminds us to help those on the margins and support the faith journey of those around us.

Thank you to everyone who "Shining the Light of Christ" pledged the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. **Pledge envelopes are available in the pews and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity and support. - Fr. Roger**

To learn more about the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal," or simply scan this QR code with your cellphone.

STEWARDSHIP + OFFERTORY

		
April 30		\$7,500.50
Thank you for your continued generosity!		

MASS INTENTIONS 5/6-5/14

Sat	4:00 pm	David Vassalotti People of the Parish
Sun	7:30 am	Theresa Banvetti
	10:00 am	Mary Kozicki Mary Pacchioli
Mon	12:15 pm	Sr. Ann Miller, OSB
Tues	7:15 am	Louis William DiMascio Philomine Jacob
Wed	7:15 am	Betty Sullivan
Fri	12:15 pm	Michael Poccynek
Sat	8:15 am	Patricia Cutrona Hall C. Phillip Wikoff
	4:00 pm	Mother's Day Intentions
Sun	7:30 am	Mother's Day Intentions
	10:00 am	Mother's Day Intentions

Mass cards are available in the Parish Office—\$10 Offering
Please call or visit the parish office to inquire about dates.

Masses can be said for birthday's, anniversaries,
special intentions, etc.



*Commemorative Candles
for the week of May 7*

In loving memory of Mary Kozicki

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Pray for...



We believe
in the power of prayer.

Please notify the office of
changes in yours or a loved
one's health so that we might
properly focus our prayers.

Doris Wilds
Jack McDermott, III
Herman McDermott
Kathleen Matarese
Darlene Bargelski
Joseph Korup
Maryann Berry
Tab Smith
Debbie Buchler
Harry Bargelski, Jr.
Jolynn Maniscalc
Anne Marie McLaughlin
James Creedon
Jack McDermott, I
Claudette Bargelski
Kathy McDermott
Timothy Helm



Please keep in your
prayers the young
people of our parish
and school who
made their First
Communion.

*Names will be printed
next week.*

ST. ELIZABETH DEVOTION



Every month we have our St. Elizabeth Devotion. It is a time to gather in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, to encounter the Word, Benediction, and the St. Elizabeth Prayer, Litany and Hymn. We celebrate this devotion to honor our patroness, to learn from her story and to strengthen us to be a community that stands up for life as Elizabeth did.

**Join us the first Monday of each month
at 6:00 PM.**

There is a Blessing of the Child in the Womb at the conclusion. If you have received the good news that you are pregnant, come for the blessing.

SACRAMENTS



The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** will be offered on Saturday morning after the 8:15 AM mass, at 8:45.

The **Anointing of the Sick** may be requested after mass if you are preparing for surgery. "Last Rites" can always be requested at home or at the hospital. It is best to do so when the person is still able to participate in the prayer.

Funerals - Funeral directors will contact the church and make arrangements for you. Visitations in church are at the pastor's discretion and parish membership. Eulogies in church are discouraged by Diocesan Policy.

Weddings - Call for scheduling and PreCana. Couples should contact the parish at least 1 year in advance.

Baptisms - Baptisms will be celebrated on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 AM. Please attend the 10:00 AM mass. Families should register in the parish. Discuss dates with Lisa in the parish office when you are ready. Participation in one preparation session is required. This can be done before the birth of your child.

LITURGY

MUSIC MINISTRY

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Funeral Coordinator

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PARISH CHOIR

If you are interested in joining the choir, please contact Marion Jacob, mjacob@steparish.org. Rehearsal is on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM in the church.

The choir sings at the 10 AM mass and occasionally the 4 PM mass.



Are you in 4th grade or above and interested in being an altar server at Sunday Mass? If you are, let Fr. Roger or our seminarian, Brooks, know and we can set up a training session and begin as a crossbearer to observe.

LIVESTREAM HELP WANTED

Would you be interested in livestreaming the 10:00 AM mass? We'd like to recruit some volunteers so that each person would only be responsible for the livestream once every month or every other month! Please reach out to Deacon Ken
Email: kenneth.pulliam@comcast.net
or text: 302-584-5434



OUTREACH

Outreach is aware that one of the biggest problems facing some members of our community is food insecurity. If you or someone you know is having trouble feeding their family please call 652-3626 and leave us a message by selecting the Outreach option. Please leave your name, phone number and best time to reach you.

FAMILY PROMISE

Would you like to prepare and share dinner with families currently at Jesus House with Family Promise? For more information about this ministry please reach out to the parish office.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

(302) 652-3626

Religious Ed. classes (Grades 1-8)
Sundays from 9:00-9:50 & 10:00 AM mass

Barbara Maddams, Coordinator
Eileen Lisowski, Sacramental Prep

VOCATION REFLECTION

Pray for a deeper faith, hope and love among all Christians in Jesus, the Way, the Truth and the Life and especially among those He is calling to do the works that He does as a priest, deacon or consecrated religious. **If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister, contact Fr. Carroll. 302-573-3113, www.cdow.org/vocations or vocations@cdow.org. Check out the new Facebook page "Vocations Diocese of Wilmington"**



HOLINESS...

is a challenge for all of us, whatever our vocation. We are called to be holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint.

WORD OF LIFE

"Without a foundational, practical formation, it is difficult for our consciences to guide us well in concrete situations. As Catholics, we have the immense gift of the teaching authority of the Catholic Church and can turn to it for help forming our consciences. For example, learning about Christian moral principles, reading the Catechism of the Catholic Church, or researching what the Church says about a challenging teaching will help us grow in knowledge of the truth."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities,
"Understanding Conscience"

GOOD NEWS

FROM THE OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS

Listen to Catholic Forum each week. Next Saturday, March 13th, tune-in to hear an interview with Dr. Bob Sawyer and learn about the upcoming healing service at Holy Angels Church in Newark on May 20th. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. You can listen online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, or Amazon Music podcasts. You can see videos of select interviews at [YouTube.com/DioceseofWilm](https://www.youtube.com/DioceseofWilm). For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [@CatholicForum](https://facebook.com/CatholicForum).

Deacon Formation Information Nights



New class of
Permanent Deacons
starting in June 2023

For more information, visit: cdow.org/deacons

BISHOP KOENIG INVITES MEN TO DEACON FORMATION PROGRAM INFORMATION NIGHTS

Bishop Koenig invites the men of the Diocese to consider applying for the Deacon Formation Program, which will begin in June 2023, by attending an Information Night. The five-year program consists of human, spiritual, intellectual, and pastoral formation. Beginning in May 2024, academic instruction consists of three 12-week trimesters per year and offers two courses per trimester. Spiritual formation is held one Saturday per month during the initial ten months of discernment and then every six weeks during academic instruction. Applicants must be at least 30 years of age and no older than 62 years of age by March 2023. Applicants must demonstrate a zeal for service to God's people. Volunteer experience in a parish or diocesan ministry is preferred.

Wives of interested married men are invited and strongly encouraged to attend. At the Information Nights, we will discuss the Permanent Deacon's role, admission qualifications, and the formation process.

You must make a reservation to attend one of the Information Nights.

For further information, and to reserve a seat for the Information Night, please call Deacon Phil Belt at (302) 573-2390.

Information nights are scheduled from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on these dates and at these locations:

Tues, May 9, 2023
St. Margaret of Scotland
2431 Frazer Road
Newark, Delaware

Thurs, May 11, 2023
Immaculate Heart of Mary
4701 Weldin Road
Wilmington, Delaware



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival



Diocese of Wilmington

City Deanery Night

Come together to grow in awareness, understanding,
and devotion to our Lord's presence in the
Blessed Sacrament.

- Information on the National Eucharistic Revival and the upcoming Parish Year in the Diocese of Wilmington
- Witness talks on the power of the Eucharist
- Eucharistic Adoration

Information

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

6:30p

St. Elizabeth Church

809 S Broom St, Wilmington, DE 19805

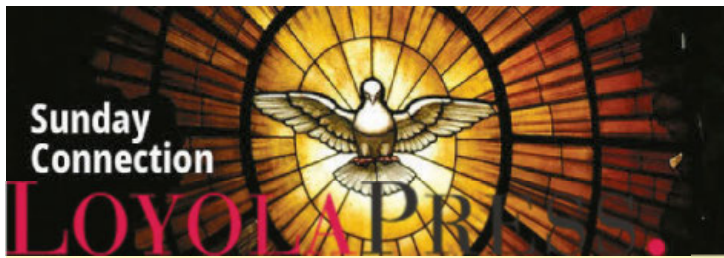
***Light refreshments and fellowship to
follow!***



Fr. Rich Jasper is the Associate Pastor of St. Ann's in Wilmington and the Assistant Vocations Director for the Diocese of Wilmington. He was ordained to the priesthood in 2017 after spending 12 years teaching middle school at Catholic Schools in Delaware County, PA. He loves Jesus, his family, his parishioners, and Wawa, in that order.

Dan Pin is the Director of the Office for Youth Young Adult, and Family Ministry for the Diocese of Wilmington. He has nearly 10 years of ministry experience and is constantly amazed at the way our Lord works in the hearts and minds of young people and those who accompany them on their faith journeys. Dan is blessed to be supported by the love and prayers of his wife and two kids.





This Sunday's Readings

First Reading: *Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7*

The early Christian community chooses seven people to serve at table so that the Twelve can devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.

Responsorial Psalm: *Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19*

The Lord is merciful toward those who trust in him.

Second Reading: *1 Peter 2:4-9*

Those who have faith are chosen in Christ to be a holy priesthood.

Gospel Reading: *John 14:1-12*

Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

Background on the Gospel Reading

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus.

Family Connection

Members of the same family often bear close resemblances to one another. Sometimes physical resemblances are shared within a family, but often the similarities are behavioral characteristics and mannerisms. We hear this observation affirmed through a number of common phrases: "He's a chip off the old block" or "She's her mother's daughter." Today's Gospel points to a mystery of faith that might be examined in light of these familial relationships. In Jesus we see and know the Father. Likewise, the Father is known through the life and work of the Son, Jesus.

Talk together as a family about whether people outside of your family recognize common traits of your family. Are there physical resemblances that people recognize and so know each individual as a member of your family? Are there mannerisms that are shared by members of your family? What are some common interests and work that people might associate with your family? As you read today's Gospel, John 14:1-12, keep in mind that members of the same family share many characteristics, even though each person in the family is an individual. What does Jesus tell his disciples about his relationship with the Father? The relationship between the Father and Jesus is so close that Jesus says that those who have seen and known Jesus have also seen and known the Father. Jesus promises his disciples that because of their faith in him and in the Father, they too will be able to do the work of the Father as Jesus did. End your discussion by praying together that others will recognize in your family the work of the Father. Pray together the Lord's Prayer.



Congratulations to Student of the Week, Dominic Mazzarelli, and Maroon & Gold Athlete of the Week, Khyra Clayton!

Student of the Week, Senior Dominic Mazzarelli

Dom is honored for his quiet leadership and involvement in school life. His teacher nominator writes, "He is a member of the National Honor Society, a Viking Ambassador and a member of the Scrabble Club. He played Varsity Basketball and served as a Team Captain this past season. Dom is committed to working hard and leading by example in his school life, often helping at important school events. In the classroom, Dom performs well academically and takes his academics very seriously."

Maroon & Gold Athlete of the Week, Junior Khyra Clayton

Now that we are in the heart of spring sports season, teams are looking to their leaders for the motivation to continue to work hard and finish the season strong. Not all leaders are Captains. A true leader will demand more of themselves and their teammates as it pertains to work ethic. They use their voice to relax the nerves of players in a tough game, bail teammates out of tough situations, and come up with big plays when necessary. Khyra has made her presence known in many games with big tackles and physical play. Other coaches have remarked about her tough attitude on the field and some players try to shy away from her side of the field. She is a vocal leader when her team needs her and makes an impact every time she steps on the field.

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Jenna Bozzo



Gianna DiStefano



Dominic Mazzarelli



Christian Nguyen



Lauren MacAllister

Congratulations ST. FRANCIS DE SALES AWARD RECIPIENTS



Bridgette Rivers



Salvacion Barrett



Joel Rodriguez



Claudia Sweeney



Farrah White

The St. Francis de Sales Awards are presented annually to recognize outstanding seniors of the Catholic secondary schools in the Diocese of Wilmington. St. Elizabeth is pleased to announce our ten seniors who are recognized for excellence in faith development, service, scholarship, citizenship, and leadership. These seniors were honored by Bishop Koenig on Wednesday, April 26th.

Congratulations to the following Seniors who have been selected as the school's St. Francis DeSales Award recipients from the Class of 2023:
Salvacion Barrett,
Jenna Bozzo, Gianna DiStefano, Lauren MacAllister, Dominic Mazzarelli, Christian Nguyen, Bridgette Rivers, Joel Rodriguez, Claudia Sweeney, and Farrah White.



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