

## MASS SCHEDULE &amp; INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 15

4:30 – 5:10p.m. St. Elizabeth  
CONFESSIONS5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth  
Father's Day Intentions

Sunday, June 16

## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict  
Father's Day Intentions  
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict  
Father's Day Intentions  
10:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Father's Day Intentions

Tuesday, June 18

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel  
Joan & Michael Duggan

Wednesday, June 19

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Mary Ann Zataveski

Thursday, June 20

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel  
Delilah Davis

Friday, June 21

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Edna Mossestad

Saturday, June 22

4:30 – 5:10p.m. St. Elizabeth  
CONFESSIONS5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth  
Jose Morales

Sunday, June 23

THE MOST HOLY  
BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST7:15 a.m. St. Benedict  
Larry Kutlik  
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict  
People of the Parish  
10:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Dorothy BornhoeftTHANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF  
STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD  
Weekend of June 8 & 9, 2019

Envelopes	\$ 3,462.00
Loose	\$ 546.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERTORY</b>	<b>\$ 4,008.00</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Deficit (Below Budget)	(\$1,092.00)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collect. – Father's Day	\$ 1,170.00
Poor Box	\$ 23.03

## YEAR- TO-DATE

Budgeted Offertory	\$246,335.48
Actual Offertory	\$238,617.97
Shortfall	(\$ 7,717.51)

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Participants of the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal will receive monthly payment reminders from the diocesan development office. With this in mind, you are asked to submit all payments directly to the diocese using the return envelope enclosed with your monthly invoice. Do not submit payments through the parish office or the weekly Offertory collection.

## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



God has gifted us into a relationship with Him through Faith in His Son Jesus Christ. We are called to flatter God – glorify God – by imitating the humanity of God which is Jesus Christ. In and through imitation of Christ, we learn the principles by Which the God-man, Jesus, lived; we learn the friendship and peace that can only exist in God Himself.

As we contemplate the Scripture passages offered to us this weekend, we come to understand the truth of perseverance in times of challenge, and endurance for the purpose of God to be realized. Knowing His plan is most important, and it is often counter-intuitive to what you and I could rationalize. Therefore, we must be open to the revelations of God as taught to us through His Word – both in Jesus Christ and in Scripture; it is through both that we are made aware of how God's plan is being fulfilled in the here and now.

Our present condition as human beings has basically gone unchanged since we were created. The only exception to our condition being changed would be... (technology, modernity, space exploration, medical advances, etc...) ... No, none of these fits the category of the human condition being changed – it would be when God became man, when the Incarnation took place in time. The birth of Jesus changed the perspective of revelation for us in a dramatic way; he became one of us but without sin!

What has changed for the human condition since the Incarnation?

The second would be the Resurrection of Christ. The third would be the Ascension of Christ into Heaven.

What will be the fourth that will change the course of the human condition in a permanent manner?

Did you say, "The Second Coming of Christ!"

I say, "You are correct in saying that," but what does that mean for you?

Judgement? Learning how much I resemble the humanity of Christ? The determination of whether I fulfilled the Divine Plan that was expected of me as I lived upon this earth? Hmm, what else? Oh, perhaps this one... Did I Love as Jesus Loved? Did I utilize the Spirit of God that descended upon Jesus at His Baptism and that was given to us at Pentecost for all to participate in the life of God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

We come to celebrate Trinity Sunday. To know God as Trinity is to Know Him and ourselves in a relationship that perhaps we have not given attention to previously because of the distractions that abound in our lives. Recall, however, the distractions placed in front of Jesus and know that since he was not immune to them neither are we, and because Jesus could accomplish His Father's plan, so, too, can we.

Let us live in mindfulness of the Trinity and the hope that we have in eternal life.

Happy Father's Day to all our dads! May you know the blessings of God the Father in your lives.

*Pax Christi,*

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

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED NEXT WEEK ~ JUNE 18 – JUNE 21 so that we might complete a few projects prior to the pastoral transition. If you need assistance, you may call the office and leave a message and we will get back to you in a timely manner.**

## TAKE FIVE FOR FAITH

## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Truth is what reveals reality

A powerful politician once asked a condemned man: "What is truth?" If Pilate had sought truth, he'd have recognized his prisoner and set Jesus—and himself—free. Dostoevsky warned what happens to those who lose contact with the truth: They "lose all respect for themselves and for others. And having no respect, they cease to love." It's easy for Pilate to condemn a man who doesn't matter. Choose respect, choose love, and everyone begins to matter.

Today's readings: Proverbs 8:22-31; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

**"But when he comes, the Spirit of truth, he will guide you to all truth."**

## LITURGY

## TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

for JUNE 8 through JUNE 21

St. Benedict Church: In Honor of Jessica Leaf

St. Elizabeth Church: In Memory of Dorothy Bornhoeft



## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

This summer we will be having Vacation Bible School from July 8 – 12, 5:30 to 8pm in the Parish Hall.

The theme is "Birthday Blast: A Celebration of Life".

Registration forms are currently available at the entrances of the churches. To help with VBS expenses, easels have been placed in the back of both churches with envelopes attached. If you would like to make a donation to this year's VBS, please place your donation in one of the envelopes and put in the Sunday collection basket or drop off at the church office. If your donation is toward a Wal-Mart gift card, Walmart SCRIP cards will be purchased through the parish SCRIP program. This will be of additional benefit to the parish as we get a percentage back on each SCRIP card that we purchase. Please do not mail cash to the parish. Thank you for your generosity!



## EVANGELIZATION EFFORTS

## ITEMS NEEDED FOR SUMMERFEST!

Caroline Summerfest will be held on Friday, August 16<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, August 17<sup>th</sup>. At last year's Summerfest, our parish had a small table at which we offered free religious books and items to anyone who wanted them. This year, we will have a booth at Summerfest and we hope to expand our presence and our offerings. If you have any religious books or items that you'd like to donate for this effort, please place them at the entrance of either church in a bag marked "Summerfest Items" or drop them off at the parish office during regular office hours. And, if you are interested in working at the booth for an hour or two on one of the days, contact Lori in the Parish Office to let her know. Help us to spread the Good News of God's love and to represent our parish at this large community event!



## PARISH &amp; FAMILY LIFE

## FAMILY FUN FEST IN DOWNTOWN DENTON ~ SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED!

On Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Caroline County Department of Social Services is sponsoring their 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Family Fun Fest from 1-4pm in downtown Denton in observance of Child Support Awareness Month. The event will include children's games and crafts, refreshments and prizes. Backpacks containing school supplies will be passed out to all children who attend the event. Last year, 638 backpacks were passed out during the event and another 116 backpacks were distributed at other smaller community events. **That's where we need your help!** If you can donate supplies to help fill the backpacks, the following items are requested: composition notebooks, crayons, folders, glue sticks, highlighters, pencils, rulers, scissors and spiral notebooks. You may place school supplies in the specially marked boxes at the entrance of either church or drop them off at the Parish Office through Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you.

## AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

## RELIGIOUS FREEDOM WEEK

Religious freedom gives us the space to carry out the mission that Jesus has entrusted to the Church. Religious freedom means that Catholics, and all people of goodwill, are free to seek the truth and to live in accordance with that truth, and so to strengthen our common life as a nation. Beginning June 22, the Feast of Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops celebrates Religious Freedom Week. In the midst of our current challenges, join Catholics across the country to pray and act for the freedom to serve faithfully and with integrity. Learn more at [www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek/](http://www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek/)

## SAVE THE DATE!

## MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO NATIONAL SHRINE

The Diocese of Wilmington's biennial Marian Pilgrimage to the Basilica Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. will take place on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm. The day will include tours, prayer, confessions, and Mass celebrated by Bishop Malooly. In 2017, our parish rented a charter bus for the trip and the cost per person was approximately \$16. We will be checking into that possibility again for this year if there is enough interest. **If you are interested in attending the pilgrimage and would like to go by bus, please contact Lori Parks in the Parish Office via phone or e-mail– 410-634-2253 or [lparks@beparish.com](mailto:lparks@beparish.com).**



## LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, June 16

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection –Building & Maintenance
- Blessing of Father's at all Masses

Tuesday, June 18

- Adult Bible Study – 7p.m. – RR
- Springfest Follow-Up Meeting – 5:30p.m. – Pastor's FLC Office
- Please RSVP by today if you are planning to attend Fr. Gabage's Farewell Dinner

Wednesday, June 19

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

Thursday, June 20

- Adult Bible Study – 9:30a.m. – RR
- Hall Set-up & Prep for Farewell Dinner

Friday, June 21

- Fr. Gabage Farewell Dinner – 6:30p.m. – Hall
- Sunday, June 16
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection –Works of the Holy Father

REMEMBERING  
IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Patricia Brady ♦ Peggy Brittingham ♦ Joan Mollick ♦ Terry Franz ♦ Kathleen Green ♦ Patricia McWilliams ♦ Julia Seiler ♦ Helen Dill ♦ Cheryl Harris ♦ Judy Edmonston ♦ Edie Crank ♦ Patricia Freedman ♦ Sandy Keating ♦ Michael Alt ♦ Michael Keating ♦ Christina Jewell ♦ Debbye Jackson ♦ Kenny Winn ♦ Clark Johnson ♦ Ken Swain ♦ Janet Kibler ♦ Karen Coward ♦ Kelly Presnell ♦ Ron Safchick ♦ Rita Miedl ♦ Nelson Owens ♦ Roy Dean ♦ Tobey McWilliams ♦ Agnes Metzler ♦ Cynthia Makas ♦ Ernie Blazajak ♦ Mary Redgraves ♦ Alex Wood ♦ Donnie Riffle ♦ James Coleman ♦ Rick Schwab ♦ George Simacourbe ♦ Delaney Tull ♦ David Agee, Sr. ♦ Su Lappin ♦ Josie Prince ♦ Al Buccalo ♦ Cynthia Seiler Kolva ♦ Georgina Smithmyer ♦ Rich Lewis ♦ Sharon Balling ♦ Linda Nickum ♦ Harry Scopinich ♦ Phoebe Pinder ♦ Maria Poptanich ♦ Judy Klug

## VOCATION REFLECTIONS

The Holy Spirit descended upon the Apostles, and they began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them. **The Spirit descends on us, too, at Baptism and at Confirmation.** Each of us is called to discipleship, though we are called in different ways. Some are called to raise families, others to remain single. Some are called to be agents of healing through medicine, others to be agents of enlightenment through teaching. God calls police officers and soldiers to protect us, poets and musicians to inspire us, farmers and merchants to nourish us. And some God calls to priesthood, to the diaconate and to the religious life as a specific way of continuing the work of the Kingdom. Might God be calling you to a religious vocation? If you think so, call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Vocation Director (302-573-3113, [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org)).