

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 7
FIRST SATURDAY MASS

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel
Poor Souls in Purgatory
4:30 – 5:10p.m. St. Elizabeth
CONFESSIONS

5:00p.m. Rosary @ St. Elizabeth
5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth
James S. Porter

Sunday, September 8
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict
Intentions of Peter Schirmer V
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict
Judith Foster

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth
People of the Parish

Tuesday, September 10

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel
Deceased Members of the
Charles L. Knott Family

Wednesday, September 11

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth
Intentions of Ford Parker

Thursday, September 12

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel
Intentions of Gene Ingram

Friday, September 13

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth
Intentions of the Hansen Family

Saturday, September 14
4:30 – 5:10p.m. St. Elizabeth
CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth
People of the Parish

Sunday, September 15
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict
Intentions of Gene & Cyndy Ingram
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict
Margaret & Chuckle Startt
11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth
Bart Sherman

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

Weekend of Aug 31/Sept. 1, 2019

Envelopes	\$ 3,610.00
Loose	\$ 785.00
Online Giving via WeShare	\$ 3,129.95
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 7,524.95
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Surplus (Above Budget)	\$ 2,424.95
Poor Box	\$ 155.00
YEAR- TO-DATE	
Budgeted Offertory	\$ 51,000.00
Actual Offertory	\$ 48,521.52
Shortfall	(\$ 2,478.48)

Jesus tells the crowd that only those who renounce all of their possessions can be His disciples. Is He truly asking us to give up everything? Perhaps instead He is trying to help us see that everything we think we own is really a gift from God. Good stewards know that and strive to use those gifts accountably.

A WORD FROM FR. LEWIS...



HS

JMJ

22nd Sunday Ordinary Time

Joyful Greetings in Christ!



hands for harvesting? What farmer wouldn't first make sure that he'd have sufficient resources to harvest and then till the land, sow the wheat and then keep it watered until it grew as needed to preserve the soil? This is the enduring truth of today's Gospel, where Jesus challenges His listeners with this question: "Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?"

As Christian disciples, we are to consider Jesus' challenge, for all of us wish to construct a tower, not made of stones or brick but rather of something we cannot see or touch at all; we all wish to make a tower of our soul, so that, through God's grace, we might climb to the heights of Heaven. To do so, we must first sit down and calculate the cost of discipleship.

That we might fulfill Jesus' challenge, our parish will begin to offer Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist on Tuesdays, beginning September 10, in the Family Life Center Chapel from 9:30AM-Noon. Intended to promote vocations to the Priesthood and religious life from within our parish, our parish Adoration is the ideal way to sit (or kneel) and calculate what God asks of us to build the tower of our soul toward Him. We invite Adorers to sign up for a half-hour slot in the register outside the chapel and to consider making that their committed time of stillness with our Eucharistic Lord.

On this Sunday, September 8, the Nativity of Our Lady, what better gift to give Mary than to adore her Son? What better gift to give ourselves and those we love? What better way to sit down and calculate the cost of discipleship?

God love you (He does!)
Fr. Lewis

LITURGY



TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

for AUGUST 31 through SEPTEMBER 13

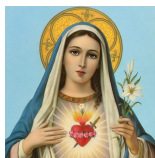
St. Benedict Church: In Honor of Gene & Cyndy Ingram

St. Elizabeth Church: _____

SACRISTANS NEEDED FOR 5:30P.M. MASS at ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

One or two sacristans are needed to serve at the 5:30p.m. Mass. One of our current sacristans, who covered the 1st and 4th Saturdays of each month, has taken a new job which will not allow her to continue to serve in this ministry. Sacristans assist in preparing for the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy by setting up sacred vessels, putting out hosts and altar wine and being sure that all ministers assigned for other roles (i.e. Lectors, Ushers, etc...) have arrived and signed in. If you are interested and would like to learn more about the duties of a sacristan, please contact Lori in the Parish Office.

Spend a Saturday with your Mother: Attend the Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage



You are invited to join Bishop Malooly and parishioners from across Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore at the annual Diocese of Wilmington Marian Pilgrimage on Saturday, October 5, 2019 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. Come for Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions, Mass, Rosary and more. Tour the largest Catholic church in America and visit the gardens and gift shop. 7 seats still remain on our parish bus. Contact Lori Parks if you'd like to sign-up. Cost is \$15 per person.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES BEGIN NEXT SUNDAY!

Next Sunday, September 15th kicks off our Catechetical year of religious education at St. Benedict/St. Elizabeth Parish. Classes will begin at 10:10a.m. after the breakfast prepared by the



Knights of Columbus. **(NOTE: Classes end at 10:45a.m. Kindergarten parents will need to sign their children in and out of class. Kindergarten class ends at 10:40.)** There will also be a Classroom Open House during breakfast. Parents are welcome to visit the classrooms and meet your children's catechists. We are so grateful for the return of so many of our catechists this year and for two new catechists in Kindergarten: Emily Powell and Amy DePasquale. A full list of catechists and contact information is in the parish "Handbook" which is available in a basket in the Great Room. Please take a copy home as it contains important information about the coming year and our religious education policies. We are also grateful for Jason and Karin Weaver (both health professionals) volunteering to teach the Keeping Our Promises curriculum this year. Parents will be receiving a letter regarding this program and are welcome to attend any of the sessions. More information is also available in the Parish Handbook. Welcome back to our children, our parents, and our catechists! The theme for this Catechetical Year is "Stay With Us". May God continue to 'stay with us' as we strive to know, love and serve Him in this life so to be happy with Him in the next!

PARISH & FAMILY LIFE

FLU SHOT CLINIC IN PARISH HALL

On Wednesday, September 25 a Flu Shot Clinic will be held in our Parish Hall from 1:00-5:00p.m. Parishioner and pharmacist, Pete Schirmer, will administer the shots to any parishioner age 12 or older. Both the regular flu shot and the shot specifically formulated for those over the age of 65 will be available. If you'd like to get a shot, simply contact Lori Parks in the Parish Office via e-mail (LParks@beparish.com) or phone (410-634-2253) to sign up. Then, come to the Parish Hall on September 25th between 1-5pm and be sure to bring your prescription AND medical insurance cards with you. Mr. Schirmer will submit the claim to your insurance company for the vaccination. If you do not have insurance, you can still get the shot for the cost of \$39.99 payable that evening. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.



THEOLOGY ON TAP & YOUNG ADULT MASS



Our parish Theology on Tap group will have their first gathering of the program year on Wednesday, September 25th at 6:30p.m. in the Parish Hall. Young adults (age 18-35) are invited to come for food, socializing and to learn more about our Catholic faith. This month's speaker, Deacon Bill Nickum, will talk about the Blessed Virgin Mary. Pizza and non-alcoholic beverages are provided and you can BYOB (beer, that is) and BYF (bring your friends)! In addition, the diocesan Young Adult group (WilCYA) is hosting a Mass & Lunch with Bishop Malooly for adults in their 20's & 30's and their families on September 29th at 11am at St. Mary of the Assumption Church (7200 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin DE). The WilCYA group has been hosting this annual Mass for a few years now at St. Mary of the Assumption. Several young adults from our parish plan to attend. If you'd like to carpool, contact Emily Powell at 410-829-4201 and e-mail info@wilcya to RSVP with the number attending to assist them with a headcount for lunch.

CAMPUS MINISTRY NEWS

It's that time of year again! **Campus Ministry is in the process of preparing the 2019-20 mailing list.** If your son or daughter is in college, either away from home or locally, or if they are serving in a branch of the armed forces, we would like to have their address, so they can be included in our mailings. Campus Ministry sends out various packages and cards throughout the year to help our youth and young adults feel connected to their parish family. If you would like to have your son/daughter be a part of this, please forward their address to Beth McCullough as soon as possible by e-mail (beth@sustainable-science.com) or by phone (410.924.4441). This applies to those who have participated in previous years as well if there have been any changes to your child's college or military address.

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, September 8

- 2nd Collection – Building & Maintenance
- Installation of Parish Council – during 8:30a.m. Mass – SB Church

Monday, September 9

- Knights of Columbus 1st Degree Exemplification (if needed) – 7:30pm – Hall

Tuesday, September 10

- Adoration in FLC Chapel – 9:30a.m. - Noon
- Adult Bible Study – 7pm – RR
- BVM Sodality Meeting – 7pm – Hall

Wednesday, September 11

- Communion Service at Autumn Lake Nursing Home – 10am
- Finance Council Meeting – 1pm – RR
- Parish Council Executive Committee Meeting – 6pm – Pastor's FLC Ofc.
- YM Team Meeting – 6:30pm – Hall
- Parish Leadership Night – begins in Parish Hall at 7pm

Thursday, September 12

- Adult Bible Study – 9:30 a.m. – RR
- Mass at Homestead Manor NH – 3pm
- 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Installation Mass – 6pm – SB Church (followed by dinner in Parish Hall)
- Baptism Formation (if needed) – 7pm – RR

Friday, September 13

- Hall Set-Up for Wedding Reception
- Williams/Sala Wedding Rehearsal – 5pm – SB Church

Saturday, September 14

- Benedictine Oblate Gathering – 10am-2pm – Great Room
- Williams/Sala Wedding – Noon – SB Church (followed by reception in Parish Hall)

Sunday, September 15

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

- 2nd Collection – Parish Religious Ed Support
- Commissioning of Catechists – during 8:30a.m. Mass – SB Church
- Super Sunday Breakfast – 9:30a.m. – Hall
- Rel. Ed. Classroom Open House – 9:40-10:10a.m.
- Rel. Ed. Classes – 10:10-10:45a.m.
- Youth Ministry Gathering – 6-8pm – Hall

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Patricia Brady ♦ Peggy Brittingham ♦ Joan Mollick ♦ Terry Franz ♦ Kathleen Green ♦ Patricia McWilliams ♦ Helen Dill ♦ Cheryl Harris ♦ Judy Edmonston ♦ Edie Crank ♦ Patricia Freedman ♦ 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 Blazejak ♦ Alex Wood ♦ Donnie Riffle ♦ James Coleman ♦ Rick Schwab ♦ George Simacourbe ♦ Delaney Tull ♦ Su Lappin ♦ Al Buccalo ♦ Rich Lewis ♦ Maria Poptanich ♦ Paula Amalfitano ♦ Mark Sellman ♦ Ben Shirley ♦ Georgina Smithmyer ♦ Derek Crossley ♦ Logan Crossley

PARISH COUNCIL/LEADERSHIP

Parish Council
Marty Dori
Mary Moran
Marianne Sullivan
Donald King
Julie King
David Remaniak
Tom Lough
Mike Redgraves
Carole Sellman
John Walton, Jr.

Finance Council
Ed Centofante
Tolbert Rowe
Tracy Stafford
Kenny Wood



The Installation of our Parish Council for 2019-2020 will take place at the 8:30a.m. Mass this weekend. Under the leadership of Fr. Lewis and Executive Officer, Mike Redgraves, 9 representatives of our community take upon themselves the responsibility to ensure our good ministry and offer new challenges. In addition, we offer gratitude for the ongoing work of our Finance Council who, under the leadership of Executive Officer, Ed Centofante, exercises fiscal responsibility and the faithful stewardship of your gifts.

Our **first Parish Leadership Night** for this year will be this Wednesday, September 11th beginning at 7:00p.m. in the Parish Hall.

VOCATION REFLECTIONS

Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled by God and overflowing. Can you let go? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon, contact Fr. Norm Carroll vocations@cdow.org 302-573-3113 www.vocations@cdow.org

Please pray for our parish and diocesan seminarians:

Peter Schirmer V ♦ Brett Carmean ♦ Kevin Lilly ♦ Brooks Jensen ♦ James Gebhart ♦ Mark Donohue ♦ John Enemuo ♦ Craig Kursinsky ♦ Adam Bauer ♦ Brennan Ferris ♦ Michael Preston

AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY

"For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress..." ~ Isaiah 25:4

HIS HOPE HAVEN SHELTER OPENED ON SEPTEMBER 2ND



His Hope Haven Homeless Shelter opened for the season on Monday, September 2nd. There are already 4 men, 3 women and 2 families being housed at the shelter. The most critical need at the moment is dinners for September. Please visit www.mealtrain.com/e7q62o (lowercase o, not zero) to sign up to provide a dinner for one night or more. **In addition, the shelter is looking for volunteers to assist with Sunday coverage from 9am-3pm.** Only 2 volunteers are needed per Sunday and they would just need to be on-site to visit with guests and watch TV, eat lunch with the guests, etc... Several area churches have offered to help, and the shelter is hoping to get a few more so that they can rotate Sunday coverage throughout December, January and February. Please contact Lori in the Parish Office (410-634-2253 or LParks@beparish.com) if you are interested in volunteering, in the name of our parish, to help at the shelter on a few Sundays during this 3-month period. Thank you.

BENEDICTINE OBLATE GROUP NOW MEETING AT ST. BENEDICT PARISH ~

The Benedictine Oblate group, which met at St. Gertrude's Monastery in Ridgely for many years, is now gathering once a month for Mass and learning at St. Benedict's. You are invited to join them. Come, deepen your personal spirituality, and as Abbot Primate Notker Wolf said at the 2017, 4th Oblate World Congress, "become not only witnesses to the values espoused in the Rule of St. Benedict, but be the active bearers of those values." Benedictine Oblates in Ridgely, MD, affiliated with the Benedictine Sisters at St. Gertrude Monastery in Newark, DE, promise to live the monastic values of listening, community, hospitality, humility and daily prayer in their secular lives. They welcome Christian men and women – Catholic, Episcopal, Methodist, etc... -- to inquire. For more information, email Cynthia Ingram at ingram47c@gmail.com or call or text 410-924-0993; or contact Sr. Mary Lou Robino, O.S.B. at 302-416-0459 or marylourob_2009@hotmail.com.



CAROLINE GOES PURPLE!

This September, Caroline County, in partnership with Drug-Free Caroline and other community stakeholders, is launching "Caroline Goes Purple," as a sign of solidarity against substance abuse in Caroline County. It's never too early to have a conversation with your family or friends about the dangers of substance use. Join the movement by doing one of the following:

- Go Purple! Light your home with purple lights.
- Spread the word! Share educational messages on social media.
- Talk about it! Engage in conversation with your family about prescription drugs, and really listen to what your kids have to say.
- Take action! Lock up your prescription drugs and safely dispose of ones you aren't using.
- Attend events! North Caroline High School and Colonel Richardson High School are hosting "Purple Games" to help spread awareness for students and the community. Purple gear and educational resources will be available at each game at the Purple Booth. For a list of games, see the September issue of the Caroline Review.

**CAROLINE
GOES PURPLE**

For more information about Caroline Goes Purple, contact Jennifer Farina at purple@drugfreecaroline.org or 410-479-0660.

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, September 14th, we celebrate back to school and the upcoming Share in the Spirit campaign when Lou De Angelo and Deb Fols are the guests. After it airs, listen online anytime at www.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 www.facebook.com/Catholicforum.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 25

From September 25 to November 3, 40 Days for Life will hold a prayer vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Planned Parenthood at 805 South Governors Avenue in Dover, DE. A kickoff Prayer Rally will be held at 11a.m. that morning. For more information, you may contact Jim Cordie at jim@cordie.us or 302-678-9955. To sign up for the prayer vigil, visit www.40daysforlife.com.

