



ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Office Hours: Weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

(Office closed for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM)

CELEBRATION OF MASS

Monday – Friday: 8:30 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM & 9:30 AM

Live streamed Mass Sunday at 9:30 AM on
St. Mary's website: www.smachurch.com

PASTOR: REV. CHARLES C. DILLINGHAM

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Joseph M. LoPorto, Larry R. Morris



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PREP: Grades 1 through 8

Confirmation: Grade 9

Mrs. Cindy Krebs, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

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Mrs. Cindy Krebs, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 14.



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 PM or by appointment.

BAPTISM

During a Mass or Sunday afternoon
at 1:00 PM.

Baptisms are scheduled the second
and fourth Sundays of the month.

Baptism classes are every other month.
Please call Parish Secretary for details
(302) 239-7100 ext. 33.

MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Secretary before a wedding date is finalized.
The diocese requires one year of preparation.

ANointing OF THE SICK

In an emergency, contact the Parish Office.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Each weekend, Extraordinary Ministers of
Holy Communion to the Sick bring Communion
to those unable to attend Mass on a regular basis.
Contact the Parish Secretary to arrange for this ministry.

ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY

For information, contact Parish Office (302) 239-7100.



Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 10, 2021

The word of God is living and effective,
sharper than any two-edged sword.
— Hebrews 4:12a

FEAST OF FAITH Agnus Dei

After the sign of peace, the priest breaks the host into pieces, and prepares the patens or plates of hosts for the assembly. In the early church, “the breaking of the bread” was the name given to the entire Eucharistic liturgy, so central was this action to the meaning of the Christian life. For just as the one bread is broken and given to many people, the many are made one in receiving it.

During this ritual action, we sing an ancient litany, calling on Jesus as the “Lamb of God”—the words used by John the Baptist when he pointed to Jesus walking beside the Jordan River (John 1:29, 36). In calling Jesus “the Lamb of God,” John was already pointing to the death that Jesus would die: in giving his life, Jesus would become the Paschal Lamb of the new covenant. During the Mass, when we call on the Lamb of God, we call to mind his self-sacrificing love, his blood poured out for us, and we ask this compassionate Lord for mercy and peace.

Mass Intentions

Monday, October 11th

8:30am G. Howard Stike

Tuesday, October 12th

8:30am Joseph DeStafney

Wednesday, October 13th

8:30am James P. Hopkins

Thursday, October 14th

8:30am Living Intentions of Teresa LoPorto

Friday, October 15th

8:30am Living Intentions of Vickie Santoro

Saturday, October 16th

5:00pm Anthony Bernardo

Sunday, October 17th

7:30am Parishioners

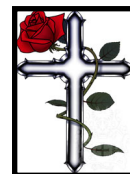
9:30am Stanley & Jane Luszczy, Sr.

11:30am Caroline Peart

In your charity, please pray for all who have gone
before us and all the deceased of
St. Mary of the Assumption

+Gloria Hall, mother of parishioner William Hall

+Rose Mary Schulte



Starting Sunday, October 17,
2021 please join us for the
11:30am Mass.

The parish office will be closed on Monday,
October 11, 2021 in observance of Columbus Day.



Silver Rose Service You are invited October 19th 2021 Tuesday 6:00 PM Special Tribute To Our Lady All parishioners and friends are invited to a "Silver Rose" prayer service at St. Mary's on Tuesday, October 19, 2021 at 6:00 PM. The service is sponsored by the Legion of Mary and the Knights of Columbus and will be approximately one hour. There will be a Rosary, Liturgical readings, a Consecration to Mary and the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through this service we honor Our Lady of Guadalupe, the Patroness of the Americas, and express both international unity and our dedication to the sanctity of human life. We are honored to be part of a pilgrimage of 8 "Silver Roses" making their way from Canada to the U.S. and Mexico. This is the third time this annual program has come through Delaware.

FLUTE AND PIANO RECITAL

Our Director of Music, Matthew Jewell, along with guest flutist, Louis Perazza, will present a recital of three sonatas for flute and piano by Jewish composers. The composers are Dick Kattenberg, Leo Smit, and Lowell Liebermann.

The recital will take place in the choir loft on Sunday, October 31, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

The program will be approximately one hour in length. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.



The 2022 Mass Intention Book will be available on Friday, October 15, 2021 at 9:00am.

Parishioners are asked to limit their request to four (4) Masses in one year.

This will allow us to schedule Masses for the recently deceased.

Thank you for your understanding.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday during the 9:30 am Mass children ages 3- 9 (or younger with a parent or sibling) are welcome to join the catechist and be dismissed before the Readings to hear the Word of God at their level. They will return to Mass during the Preparation of the Gifts. Parent Volunteers are needed if you would like to help with this important ministry.



The Columbiettes Fall Mum & Pumpkin Harvest Sale
St. Mary of the Assumption

Saturday, October 9th from 2:00pm until 6:30pm

Sunday, October 10th 7:30am until noon

All proceeds benefit Local Charities

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I pleaded, and the spirit of wisdom came to me. All good things together came to me in her company (Wisdom 7:7-11).

Psalms — Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy! (Psalm 90).

Second Reading — Indeed the word of God is living and effective (Hebrews 4:12-13).

Gospel — It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God (Mark 10:17-30 [17-27]).

GIFTS

In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.



In today's Gospel, Jesus says: "Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then, come follow me."

Have you considered answering the call to help serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Contact Mercedes Diaz at cdiaz1992@gmail.com.



**Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Diocese of Wilmington
St. Jude the Apostle Church
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**Friday Oct. 15, 2021 - 7 PM Holy Hour
Saturday Oct. 16, 2021 - 9 AM to 4 PM
For info: Bernadette Baker 302 562-2172
wilmcathcr@gmail.com
Keynote Speaker Maria Vadia**



**St. Mary's Preschool
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Help Wanted: Early Childhood Assistant

Saint Mary's Preschool offers classes for 2 year old's, 3 year old's, and 4 year old Pre-K from 9:00am – 12:00noon. Preschool Plus is the Before Care (8am-9am) and After Care (12:00 noon- 2:00 pm) of Saint Mary's Preschool.

Positions Open in the After-Care Preschool Plus Program.

Hours: 11:45pm- 2:15pm. Monday- Friday

Salary: \$13.00 an hour

Qualifications:

- Successful completion of 15 clock hours of training in early care and education
OR
- Successful completion of at least 3 college credits in either child development or early childhood education.
- Completion of fingerprinting and FBI background check by the Delaware State Police
- Good Communication skills and a professional attitude
- Enjoy talking with and being with young children

Responsibilities include but are not limited to:

Supervise and insure the safety of children at all times.
Promote the self esteem of children and handle discipline in a positive manner
Maintain Attendance sheet
Greet, welcome, and engage children in play activities
Keep room neat and sanitized, cleaning spills promptly
Take children to wash hands before lunch.
Supervise and help children during lunchtime.
Clean and sanitize toys in dishwasher twice a week
Greet parents when they arrive at the end of the day

If interested in applying or learning more contact:
Cindy Krebs, Director (email and phone number above)

Good News

from the
Office of Communications



Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/ podcast each week. Next Saturday, October 16th, tune in to hear an interview with Dennis Turner, author of the book, "What Did You Do in the War, Sister: Catholic Sisters in the WWII Nazi Resistance." 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,



Legion of Mary Prayer Service Invitation
To the 104th "Miracle of the Sun" Final Fatima Apparition
Anniversary Celebration

The Miracle of the Sun occurred on 13 October 1917 near Fatima in Portugal with the Virgin's final appearance. Identifying herself as 'the Lady of the Rosary,' she urged repentance and the building of a chapel at the site. After predicting an end to World War I and giving the children certain undisclosed visions, the lady lifted her hands to the sky. As everyone gazed upward, and saw that a silvery disc had emerged from behind clouds, they experienced what is known as a 'sun miracle'. Thousands saw the sun apparently spinning in the sky, becoming blue and then yellow and changing size, for about 10 minutes.

Join us in Prayer
Wednesday, October 13th, after the 8:30 Mass
at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish
7200 Lancaster Pike ~ Hockessin, DE 19707
 To attend virtually, Live Stream link is www.youtube.com/c/smachurch

Titles of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Litany of Loreto
Comfort of the Afflicted

Down through the ages good Christians have suffered, and often they keep such grief to themselves. The unspoken pain of a mother who ponders her son's deep disappointments, the husband who agonizes over his secret infidelities, the son who murmurs silent words of thanksgiving too late at the graveside of his father, and the very real physical pains and discomforts of the poor and downtrodden. But the elderly – often they are the ones who have been most afflicted. Perhaps that is why devotion to the Blessed Mother becomes a welcome relief in old age. The American author Willa Cather put it so well in one of the finest novels ever written, *Death Comes for the Archbishop*. She wrote: "Old people, who have felt blows and toil and known the world's hard hand, need, even more than children do, a woman's tenderness. Only a woman, divine, could know all that a woman could suffer." Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for us.

Fr. Francis J. Hoffman

Submitted by Weekly Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Divine Mercy Chaplet prayer plus a variety of faith-filled topic discussions Join us by watching our Legion of Mary Wilmington Curia YouTube Channel (link below) <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn7uDEUrHNq4xPmdf8IBW2Q> Then click on the "LIVE image for the week" every Friday afternoon at **3pm Eastern Standard time** For more information, call 302-239-7100, ext. 33.



"Many of you may remember A.J. LoPorto from St. Mary of the Assumption music ministry. He substituted for former music minister, Shirley Madonna, a couple times per month from 2001 - 2006, while he was in middle and high school. He then went to college in late 2006 to study piano performance.

Well, now, if anyone is interested, he is offering piano lessons. If you prefer, he is willing to drive to your house instead of having the lessons at his house. The fee is \$25/ half hour and \$50/hr. His cell number is 302-465-1144 and his email is ironman88keys@gmail.com. He looks forward to working with you!"

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN!



SOCK-TOBER IS HERE!

Please bring newly purchased men's, women's and children's socks to provide to shelters this fall/winter. Our SOCK-TOBER bin will be located in the church's gathering space through November 14th. Drop offs can be made before or after Masses: 8:30am daily Mass, 5:00pm Saturday, or 7:30am and 9:30am Sunday Masses. An additional bin will be located in the Parish office entrance for drops offs other than Mass times.

All donations need to be new. Athletic and winter weight socks are preferable.

For St. Mary's Ministry Contact list please visit our website: www.smachurch.com <https://smachurch.com/ministry-contacts> or call the parish office 302-239-7100, ext. 33

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Events Calendar

Monday October 11th

Parish office closed Columbus Day
7:00pm Knights of Columbus planning meeting (CF)

Tuesday October 12th

8:30am Mass (C)
9:30am Adult Faith Formation (M)
7:00pm Adult Faith Formation (M)

Wednesday October 13th

8:30am Mass (C)
10:00am Ladies Guild meeting (M)
11:30am Adult Faith Formation Committee meeting (J)
1:30pm Cemetery meeting (J)
5:30pm Knights of Columbus Business meeting Rosary (CF)
6:30pm Knights of Columbus Council meeting
7:00pm Knights of Columbus Ladies Axillary

Thursday October 14th

8:30am Mass (C)
5:00pm Sages Italian Night Dinner (H)
6:00pm RCIA Inquiry Sessions (CF)

Friday October 15th

8:30am Mass (C)
9:15am Legion of Mary (CF)
3:00pm Legion of Mary (CF)

Saturday October 16th

Second Collection: St. Vincent dePaul

3:30pm Reconciliation (CP)
5:00pm Mass (C)

Sunday October 17th

Second Collection: St. Vincent dePaul

7:30am Mass (C)
9:30am Children's Liturgy of the Word
9:30am Mass (C)
11:30am Mass (C)

Rooms: CF-Coffee Run, M-St. Mary, H-Hall
SJ-St. John, CP-Chapel, C-Church

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