

Saint Joseph on the Brandywine

Founded 1841

SECOND SUNDAY OF
Lent

From the cloud
came a voice:
"This is my beloved Son.
Listen to him."

Mark 9:7



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Schedule of Liturgies

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY EUCHARISTS:

7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM

DAILY EUCHARISTS:

7 AM; 12:05 (Mon. - Fri.) 8:00 AM (Saturday)

HOLY DAY EUCHARIST: As announced

SICK CALLS: Anytime

RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

Saturdays: 4 to 4:45 PM; Anytime by appointment

BAPTISMS: By appointment with at least one
preparation session for new parents.

WEDDINGS: Engaged couples wishing to marry in
the church should contact a Parish Priest at least one
year prior to the planned wedding date to begin the
marriage preparation process. The year-long process
includes diocesan pre-marriage classes and meetings
with clergy.



COUNCIL #15436: Council
meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.,
Archives Building. Membership in the Knights of
Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are
practicing Catholics. Contact Paul Thorson, [302-229-](tel:302-229-5644)
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FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: All are welcome to
join the *Knights of Columbus Council #15436* at the First
Saturday of the month devotions to Our Lady of Fatima
at 8 a.m. in the church.

Make extra time before Mass today to read from the
Gospels and prayerfully meditate on God's Word.

Religious Education

Dear Friends, "Jesus said, I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty" (John 6:35). The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "The Eucharist is 'the source and summit of the Christian life.' ... For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself, our Pasch" (CCC 1324). We can never forget this – our very life is sustained by God's gift of Himself in the Eucharist. It is so important to help our children understand this, and this weekend each class will have the opportunity to spend a short amount of time at Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. We have lessons, and activities and prayer "prompts" to help them understand, in an age appropriate way, what we do at Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and why we do it: because we believe that it is truly Jesus Himself that we receive when we receive the Eucharist. Please pray for us!

Blessings, Eva

Emmanuel Dining Room - March 9th

St. Joseph's continues to provide a chicken meal to Emmanuel Dining Room once a month. Volunteers purchase and cook 24 chicken thighs and/or bring various desserts (stuffing is made the morning of delivery). Our next date to deliver our meal for Emmanuel Dining Room is Friday, March 9. Please have your cooked chicken and desserts at the Family Center by 9 A.M. on that day. If you would like to assist in making the stuffing, we meet at the Family Center at 8 A.M. to do that. We can always use more chicken cookers. Peg Janes (302) 656-3635.

Pilgrimage 2018: Walking His Way

Bishop Malooly invites youth and young adults from all parishes and schools to join him as we come together for the ninth annual Pilgrimage on Saturday, March 24, 2018. Young people from across the diocese will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through the streets of Wilmington with the Bishop as a representation of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and His journey on Good Friday to Calvary. The day begins at St. Elizabeth parish with opening prayer and a concert featuring Luke Spehar at 10:30 am. We conclude with the 5pm Mass at St. Elizabeth. Don't miss this great opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. Cost for the day is \$15 per person or \$45 max per family (bring your own lunch). Visit www.cdowcym.org. Registration deadline is March 15, 2018 (unless otherwise noted).

For all those affected by the school shooting in Parkland: all those who died, those who were injured, and those who mourn, let us pray to the Lord.

Pastor's Notes

THE OBEDIENCE OF ABRAHAM AND JESUS

God tested Abraham by asking not for an ordinary sacrifice, which would have been a partial burning with the meat divided between God and the people and eaten by those who sacrificed, but for a holocaust, a total burning of the sacrificial animal. This type of sacrifice consecrated the entire offering to God alone. This is what God was asking of Abraham in offering his only son, Isaac. When Abraham demonstrated his obedience, that was enough. This story from today's scriptures foretells the completion of the blood sacrifices of the old covenant in the new covenant: the blood of God's own Son, offered to us on the cross and in the Eucharist. Abraham's obedience foreshadows the obedience of Jesus to God's promise of salvation. The obedience of Abraham is rewarded in the birth to him, through Isaac, of many nations. The obedience of Jesus is rewarded in the salvation of all people for all time.

A Gentle Reminder

Because of the Flu Epidemic, we have decided to suspend communion from the chalice at all masses during the Lenten season with the hope that it can be restored at Easter. Of course, you may reframe from the handshake at the sign of peace if you wish. A simple smile or nod of the head would be perfect!

Ecumenical Lenten Series

Wednesday Evenings 6 p.m.

February 28 – Chester-Bethel United Methodist Church

March 7 – St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church

March 14 – St. Joseph on the Brandywine Church

March 21 – Aldersgate United Methodist Church

Worship followed by a light Lenten supper.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 2018 9AM-4PM

9am - Registration

9:30am - Conference 1, "The Immaculate Conception and the Dignity of Man"

11:15am - The Most Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

12pm - Lunch

1:15pm - Conference 2, "Behold Your Mother"

2:45pm - Holy Hour



Speaker: Tim Staples
from Catholic Answers

PLEASE RSVP BY MARCH 1

To RSVP, please email advancement@scs.edu or call 610-785-6270 indicating your name and the number of persons attending with you. A donation of \$10 to cover box lunch is requested of lay attendees at the time of registration.

Please note: due to scheduling, breakfast and other snacks will not be provided.



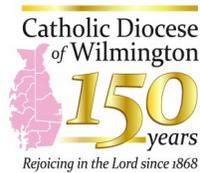
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Adult Formation *Everyday Influences*

The book club of St. Joseph on the Brandywine will meet on March 26th at 12:45pm to discuss *The Women of Easter: encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene* by Liz Curtis Higgs. With unforgettable insights and powerful life application for today's women, Liz Curtis Higgs delves into the biblical text to help us view Easter through the eyes of three women named Mary, each of whom has a life-changing encounter with Jesus. The meeting will be held in the Family Center.

<http://www.stjosephonthebrandywine.org> to register or call Peter C. Fulweiler P: 302-652-2264 C: 302-598-1723

We look forward to seeing you.



The Catholic Diocese of Wilmington will mark the beginning of its year-long 150th anniversary celebration with a Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Peter on March 3rd beginning at 12:00 p.m. The Most Reverend W. Francis Malooly, Ninth Bishop of

Wilmington, will be the principal celebrant and homilist of the concelebrated Mass.

The Diocese of Wilmington was established on March 3, 1868 by Blessed Pope Pius IX. Priests, deacons, religious, the lay faithful, and the general public are invited to attend the Mass that will include the blessing of certificates designating ten churches in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore as Official Sesquicentennial Pilgrimage Churches. Those churches are Saint Francis Xavier Shrine, "Old Bohemia", Warwick, Maryland (1704); Saint Joseph Mission, Cordova, Maryland (1765); Saint Peter the Apostle, Queenstown, Maryland (1765); Saint Mary Star of the Sea, Golden Hill, Maryland (1767); Saint Peter the Apostle, New Castle, Delaware (1804); Cathedral of Saint Peter, Wilmington, Delaware (1816); Saint Patrick, Pilottown, Maryland (1819); Saint Joseph on the Brandywine, Greenville, Delaware (1841); Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception, Wilmington, Delaware (1858); and Sacred Heart Oratory, Wilmington, Delaware (1874). These historic churches will be open for additional touring and worship on the first Saturdays of the month during the 150th anniversary year.

Additionally, a gathering of Catholics from across the diocese has been announced for November 3rd at the Ocean City Convention Center in Ocean City, Maryland. The gathering, titled "Convocation 150," will include a keynote presentation, breakout sessions, roundtable discussions, prayer, and Mass. The gathering will be an opportunity to celebrate, affirm, and deepen the Catholic community's commitment to discipleship rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Other activities during the 150th anniversary year include, a pilgrimage to Annecy, France and Rome, Italy; a prayer service to honor the Religious Men and Women of the Diocese; Masses in honor of Saints John Neumann and Francis de Sales; an ecumenical prayer service for Christian unity; and a closing Mass scheduled for

March 3, 2019. A traveling exhibition, featuring artifacts and historic documents is being planned. A coffee-table style keepsake book featuring diocesan and parish history and photographs, as well as a graphic history book of the diocese, will be published in the spring. A commemorative keep-sake rosary has been commissioned and should be available around Easter.

At the request of Bishop Malooly, the Vatican Apostolic Penitentiary has granted a Plenary Indulgence with the usual conditions to those who participate in specified sesquicentennial observances. "It is exciting to be so close to the beginning of our sesquicentennial celebration," said the Very Reverend Joseph W. McQuaide IV, Chancellor of the Diocese of Wilmington and Co-chair of the 150th Anniversary Committee. "For 150 years our diocese has been spreading the good news of Jesus Christ, and rejoicing in the Lord." Fr. McQuaide, whose ancestral roots go back many generations on the Delmarva Peninsula, added, "Our diocese is the place where our parents, grandparents, and great-grandparents lived and worshiped. We are excited to celebrate all the good things that have happened over the last 150 years, and look forward in hope to continuing that good work."

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Feb. 24

5:00 p.m. Anthony James Penna by Janice & Michael D. Eleutirio

Sunday, Feb. 25

7:30 a.m. Paul & Frances Leahy requested by the family of James S. Grant, Jr.

9:00 a.m. Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Joseph Cannon by Hugh & Kathleen Leahy

Monday, Feb. 26

7:00 a.m. Theresa Kelly by 7 a.m. group

12:05 p.m. Michael T. Lipcan, Sr., by Barbara & Patrick Bagley

Tuesday, Feb. 27

7:00 a.m. Pete Conigliaro by Brian Gentile

12:05 p.m. John David Kamykoski by Mark Christian

Wednesday, Feb. 28

7:00 a.m. Richard Greenly by Barb & Joe Vieira

12:05 p.m. Lambert R. Walker by Isabel Pearce

Thursday, Mar. 1

7:00 a.m. Anne Marie Carr by John & Mary Helen Carr

12:05 p.m. Caitlin Rose Christopher (one year anniversary) by Francine Harkins

Friday, Mar. 2

7:00 a.m. Pete Conigliaro by Brian Gentile

12:05 p.m. Katherine M. Daley by Anne Wattman

Saturday, Mar. 3

8:00 a.m. Albert & Margaret Matlusky by Christine Matlusky & family

5:00 p.m. Anthony James Penna by John McMahon