

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)

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday: 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM & 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

PASTOR: REV. CHARLES C. DILLINGHAM

Associate Pastor: Rev. Glenn M. Evers

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PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

PREP: Grades 1 through 8

Confirmation: Grade 9

Mrs. Mary Body, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAM (EEP)

Ages 2 through Pre-K.

Mrs. Karen Rombach, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 34.

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We are a sponsoring parish. For further information,
contact Mary Elizabeth Muir, Ed.D., Principal
(302) 995-2231, www.ascdse.org.

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.

February 18, 2018



**First Sunday of Lent
February 18, 2018**

Your ways, O LORD, make known to me;
teach me your paths.

— Psalm 25:4

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday February 19th

6:30 am Dolores La Penta

8:30 am Gerald Sanderson

Tuesday February 20th

6:30 am Anthony Penna

8:30 am Lois Lennon

Wednesday February 21st

6:30 am Eve McCormick

8:30 am Lois Lennon

Thursday February 22nd

6:30 am Raymond Radulski

8:30 am Lois Lennon

Friday February 23rd

6:30 am Catherine Christine Kaczorowski

8:30 am Margaret K. Bresnie

Saturday February 24th

8:30 am Joan Barrosse (living intention)

5:00 pm Elaine Baccino

Sunday February 25th

7:30 am Elaine Baccino

9:30 am Francis J. Swift

11:30 am Helen & Walter Jackson

6:00 pm Gerald Sanderson

PEOPLE OF THE COVENANT

If there is one word that stands out in today's readings, it is "covenant." God's faithfulness and goodness serve as examples to us of how to live. Genesis tells the story of Noah and of God's covenant not only with all people, but with all of nature. Never will the cleansing waters of the flood bring their destructive power to all the earth again. The sign, the reminder to both God and nature, is the rainbow in the heavens.

The psalm reminds us of this compassion of God, and begs God to remember us, not because of our goodness, but because of God's goodness and fidelity to the promise. God shows us how to be good, not by decree, but by example.

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

+Jason Moncrief, son of parishioners Jesse & Teresa Moncrief

+Bernard J. Hudock, brother of parishioner of Carmella Beattie

+David Grigsby, husband of parishioner Barbara Grigsby



Parish Support Offertory for the weekend of February 11, 2018.

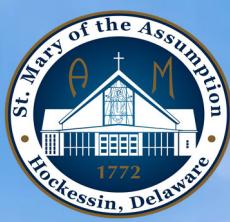
Collection amount: \$11,745.78

Help kick off a year to remember! Diocesan 150th Anniversary to begin March 3, 2018

You are cordially invited to join Bishop Malooly at the Diocese of Wilmington's Sesquicentennial Kick-off Mass on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, Sixth and West Streets in Wilmington. Gather and pray with Catholics from across Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Diocese of Wilmington by Blessed Pope Pius IX on March 3, 1868.

The Rosary is said Monday-Saturday in the Chapel, before the 8:30 am Mass.

1st Sunday of Lent



Our New Website
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- Beautiful photos of our parish community
- Links to our Preschool and All Saints Catholic School
- Easy online registration for events and religious education
- Clergy and Staff photos and bios
- Helpful links to Catholic resources

and Coming Soon...

Online giving opportunities for offertory and special collections, and payments for event and education registration

Notice:

Due to members' participation in the Bible Study and Holy Week liturgies, the Charismatic Prayer Group will resume meeting on April 5, 2018.

Thank you.



Please stop by the parish office or call if you think you have left an item at Mass. We have several winter items, umbrellas, children books just to name a few.

Thank you!

LENTEN FISH FRY

ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION
PARISH HALL AT 5:00PM

MENU

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EACH FRIDAY DURING LENT:

FEBRUARY 16TH & 23RD, MARCH 2ND, 9TH, 16TH, & 23RD



Did you Know?

Beatitudes (Part 1 of 6 series)

The eight Beatitudes from the beginning of the Sermon on the Mount is a charter for holiness. When many people think of holiness they think of keeping the Ten Commandments and perhaps some other requirements of the Church like going to Mass on Sundays or fasting during Lent. What we often tend to forget is that the Ten Commandments really belong to the Old Testament and are part of the Jewish law. Of course, they are still valid and Jesus said clearly that he had not come to abolish the Jewish law but to fulfil it. We might say that the Beatitudes are an example of that fulfilling. The Beatitudes go far beyond the Ten Commandments in what they expect of a follower of Christ and yet the sad thing is that one hears of relatively few Christians saying that they base their lives on the Beatitudes. When we go to Confession it is the Ten Commandments we normally refer to and not the Beatitudes. And this is sad because it is clear from their position in Matthew's gospel that the Beatitudes have a central place. They are a kind of mission statement saying what kind of person the good Christian will be.

Frank Doyle, SJ

Submitted by the **Legion of Mary**

February 18, 2018

OUTREACH THANK YOU!

Outreach wanted to thank everyone who contributed to our Valentine Care Bags for the Homeless ministry. We were able to prepare and distribute over 233 bags for Valentines Day . Thank you to the Boys Scouts volunteers and all those who helped through donations and the assembly of the bags!

OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES- Lenten Service

Opportunities we have [new fall dates](#) available to families or friends who would like to participate in the RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE SUNDAY BREAKFAST MAKING. OUTREACH also has several openings in the following ministries:

Mary Mother of Hope Meals
House of Joseph Meals
Emmanuel Dining Room East and South Sandwiches

Select a one time or multi date opportunities that fit your schedule to help others in need. Give it a try during Lent! Helping others truly is good for the soul. Please go to SMAChurch.org under Community Outreach to learn more about each group seeking assistance.

<https://www.smachurch.com/outreach-groups>

Saint Mark's Nature Camp

What's in Your Backyard!

June 18-22, 2018

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Ages: 12-13 (Grades 6 and 7)

Cost: \$300

Contact: Wynne Esbitt

wesbitt@stmarkshs.net

- Come find out what is in your backyard!
- We will be learning about birds, insects, amphibians, mammals, plants and coastal organisms that are found here in Delaware.
- Activities include: canoeing, hiking, seining at the beach, building birdhouses and many other activities that will help you identify and learn about organisms right outside your back door!
- This is a hands-on, get down and dirty camp!

Visit: www.stmarkshs.net/page/news--events/summer-camps to register!

CTM

Interested in participating in CTM, the St. Mary's youth group? The youth group is open to grades 7-12 and offers service opportunities and fun activities like ice skating and trips to Six Flags and the movies. Contact Dave and Ale Keegan at stmarysctm@gmail.com to be added to our email list.



Dear Friends,

Please consider helping me fund my upcoming mission trip to Ecuador. For more information and to donate online, visit (www.franciscan.edu/missionsofpeace), choosing *Ecuador Spring* in the dropdown box. Anything you can send would be most gratefully received.

Thank you so much for your kindness and generosity. Please know that we shall indeed be praying for you on this mission. During our travels, we specifically mention our benefactors and friends at Mass. Whether or not you can support us financially, please pray for the success of the mission, as prayer provides grace for those on the mission team, the people we reach, and the mission benefactors. Thank you for your kind consideration of this request. Thank you, most especially, for your prayers.

En Su Paz (In His Peace),
Elizabeth Dawyot, SMA Parishioner

1st Sunday of Lent



8,860 POUNDS !!!

2018 Soup-er Bowl Food Drive Results... 8,860 pounds of food

delivered to 13 different organizations as a result of your generous food and monetary donations. Saint Herman of Alaska, Orthodox Church in Gradyville, Pa and St Mary's EEP, PREP, and Boy Scouts contributed to this important effort as well. We would also

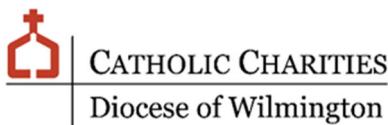
like to thank the people that helped in the coordination of the donations, organization and delivery. Several of these people have helped for multiple years. They are: Jackie and Peggy Birney, Matt Sinko, Irene Rombel, Austin Chambers, Hunter Rinehart, Timothy Hunter, Amy and Ed Gootzait. New comers: Matt Holzapfel, Brandon Mitchell, Andrew Atkins, Mathew and Brody Farmer. Thank you to all of my Brother Knights of Columbus that worked so hard from start to finish to get this food to the 13 organizations. Pictures of the Souper Bowl Food Drive effort can be found at <http://www.kofcknights.org/CouncilSite/photo-gallery.asp?ID=8900&CNO=6768>.

The organizations that received the food are: St Paul Outreach, Hockessin Community Center, House of Joseph, West End Neighborhood, Ministry of Caring Child Care Center, Sojourner's Place, Holy Spirit Church, Bayard House, Immaculate Conception of Elkton, Emmanuel Dining Room, Latin American Community Center, and Christ the King. St Patrick's food pantry in Wilmington was added this year.

I personally delivered food to two organizations, both expressed heartfelt gratitude. One person related that they have been working with 25 families, many of which were deciding how to spend money between rent, heat, water bills OR putting food on the table. What a choice to have to make!!

THANK YOU!!!

Ralph Paulus (Coordinator)



Participate in Catholic Charities semi-annual "Stock the Pantry" project throughout the month of February! One in five families often must choose between making a rent or utility payment and buying food. In a single month,

Catholic Charities distributes approximately 15,000 pounds of food throughout the Diocese!

You can support our most vulnerable neighbors by making a donation of non-perishable food items. Drop off items like canned meats, soups, fruits, and vegetables; boxes of pasta, cereal, baking mixes; jars of peanut butter and jelly; coffee, tea, and powdered milk at any Catholic Charities location. Catholic Charities will also accept gift cards to local grocery stores or cash donations. You can find the nearest Catholic Charities service center at www.cdow.org/charities, or call 302-655-9624. Those in need of food assistance should call the nearest Catholic Charities location.

The Creighton Model- Natural Woman's Healthcare

Are you looking for a natural model for your procreative and gynecological health? As a married couple, would you like to discover the "inner soul" of your human sexuality?

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Creighton Model Introductory Session Sunday, March 4th 3:00pm:

Free Introductory Session on the Creighton Model System. Kindly register with Rachel McDonald: familyfertilityde@gmail.com or (508) 930-7821. Introductory session takes place in the St. John's Room at St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church. Duration of presentation, to include questions and answers, will last approximately one hour.

1st Sunday of Lent



Do you consider yourself a naturally caring, compassionate and giving person? If so, come and share your gifts with people in need by joining the *Society of St. Vincent de Paul* at St. Mary of the Assumption Parish. Last year we made over 200 visits and served almost 500 persons. For more information, contact Alex Perella, Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference President, 302-388-4967 or alexandrnp@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your support!

Total Collection: \$110.12

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Ministry Contact List

Athletic Association	David Lazear	740-1202
All Saints Catholic School Liaison	Dennis Fish	234-8035
Church Camp	Elizabeth Perry	(302) 588-8603
Cornerstone	Mike Bailey &	(302) 540-3200
Ray Manza		(302) 547-5240
Divine Will Prayer Group	Priscilla Collins	239-6125
Emmanuel Dining Room E.		
Leanne Renneisen		(302) 743-7122
Emmanuel Dining Room S	Leanne Renneisen	(302) 743-7122
Sojourners Lunch, House of Joseph scheduling,		(302) 743-7122
Leanne Renneisen		
Emmanuel Dining Room West	Leanne Renneisen	
Finance Council	Bill Foley	239-6283
GIFT	Sue Gow	302-690-0268
Knights of Columbus	Tom Green	239-2499
Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary,		
Betty Baldo		239-6541
Knights of Columbus Ride Program	Steve Haller	690-6164
Ladies' Guild	Janet Kook &	239-0605
Rosemarie Morris		239-7994
Lazarus Committee	Rita Willis	610-345-9156
Legion of Mary	Ann Courtney	494-4138
Mary Mother of Hope	Leanne Renneisen	302-743-7122
Meals on Wheels	Kathy di Girolamo	234-9513
Men's Group	Jim Ambrose &	302-304-5389
Jack Neill		239-7707
Mother's Prayer Group	Sandra Cleary	239-1450
Pastoral Council	Linda Natali	239-4530
Prayer Line	Parish Office	239-7100 Ext. 32
Pro-Life Committee	Ann Courtney	494-4138
RCIA	Deacon John Giacci, Parish Office	239-7100 Ext. 32
Refresh Group	Ray Manza	302-547-5240
Mike Bailey		302- 540-3200
St. Patrick's Cemetery	Parish Office	239-7100 Ext.11
Sages (50+ Group)	Sylvia Loos	690-1292
Nick Mastrocinque		235-2796
Scouts (Boy & Cub)	Greg Weaver	302-540-7898
St. Vincent de Paul Society	Alex Perella	302-388-4967
Visitors for Christ	Mary Lloyd	610-268-1530
WilCYA	Elise Maloney	512-820-7218
Youth Athletic Dance Coordinator		
Julia Montgomery		584-8563

Monday February 19th

Parish office closed

7:00 pm Vox Humana Rehearsal (C)

Tuesday February 20th

9:15 am Monthly Pro-life Committee meeting (J)

6:30 am Refresh Communications meeting (CF)

7:00 pm Handbell Choir Rehearsal (C)

Wednesday February 21st

6:30 am Men's Faith Sharing (J)

9:00 am Sages Committee meeting (CF)

9:15 am Women's Faith Sharing (CP)

10:00 am Ladies Guild (M)

7:00 pm Parish Choir Rehearsal (CF)

7:30 pm Men's Discussion Group (J)

Thursday February 22nd

9:15 am Bible Study (M)

10:30 am Divine Will (CF)

6:00 pm Wolf Den meeting (CR#14)

7:00 pm Bible Study (M)

7:00 pm Boy Scout Troop 803 meeting (H)

Friday February 23rd

9:15 am Legion of Mary (CF)

9:15 am Mother's Prayer Group (CP)

5:00 pm Fish Fry (H)

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (C)

Saturday February 24th

9:15 am Legion of Mary Curia meeting (CF)

3:30 pm Reconciliation (CP)

Sunday February 25th

8:45 am Parish Choir Rehearsal (C)

9:30 am Children's Liturgy of the Word (CF)

9:30 am Confirmation Classes Group A

9:30 am Nursery open during 9:00 am Mass in (CR#1)

9:30 am Sing Praise Rehearsal (M)

9:45 am Breaking Open the Word (J)

1:00 pm Choir of Angels Rehearsal (CR#14)

◆ CF = Coffee Run, J = St. Johns, M = St. Mary,

◆ CP = Chapel, C = Church, GS = Gathering Space

◆ H = Hall

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