

## 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

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### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

PREP: Grades 1 through 8  
Confirmation: Grade 9  
Mrs. Cindy Krebs, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

### ST. MARY'S PRESCHOOL

Ages 2 through Pre-K.  
Mrs. Karen Rombach, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 34.

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(302) 995-2231, [www.ascsde.org](http://www.ascsde.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.



Seventh Sunday of Easter

June 2, 2019

**"I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end."**

— Revelation 22:13

### Weekly Mass Intentions

**Monday June 3rd**

- 6:30 am Aida Shaw  
8:30 am Victor & Matilde Gomez

**Tuesday June 4th**

- 6:30 am Martha Anne Marie Cooper  
8:30 am John Fitzgerald

**Wednesday June 5th**

- 6:30 am Kathryn Zebrowski  
8:30 am Brian McCormick

**Thursday June 6th**

- 6:30 am Erlinda Osmond  
8:30 pm Gifford Nowland

**Friday June 7th**

- 6:30 am Bert C. Wilson  
8:30 am Alexander Doberenze

**Saturday June 8th**

- 8:30 am Anne E. Smith  
5:00 pm Parishioners

**Sunday June 9th**

- 7:30 am The Stinson Family  
(Living Intentions)  
9:30am Stan Luszcz  
11:30 am Anne E. Smith  
6:00pm Mark Quinn

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

### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

The paschal candle, blessed at the Easter Vigil, carried in procession into the darkened church, and aflame with the light of Christ to be passed hand to hand to renew our baptism, burns for the fifty days of Easter whenever we gather as Christ's risen body. In the last fifty years, we have grown to see this candle as the sign of Christ's enduring presence with us. Before then, it was often seen more as a kind of signpost pointing backwards to events in Christ's life. Therefore, in some places, on the fortieth day after Easter, in order to portray the disappearance of Jesus at the Ascension, the candle was hidden.

Now we see the paschal candle as a sign of the great baptismal season of grace and it remains in a prominent place throughout the entire fifty days. We do know of some churches that did not hide the candle after the Ascension. In England before the Reformation, the candle was left in place for fifty days, since on Pentecost Eve there was a vigil, and the candle was used to consecrate the waters of the font. In Salisbury cathedral, the candle was thirty six feet high, and in Westminster Abbey weighed over three hundred pounds. On Pentecost, the candles were melted to make tapers for the funerals of the poor.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — Because Stephen professes his faith in the Son of Man, he is stoned to death (Acts 7:55-60).

**Psalm** — The Lord is king, the most high over all the earth (Psalm 97).

**Second Reading** — I, the Alpha and the Omega, am coming soon (Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20).

**Gospel** — Jesus prays that the love of the Father may be in those who believe (John 17:20-26).

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





### 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal

—“As I HAVE DONE FOR YOU, YOU SHOULD ALSO DO”

This year's Annual Catholic Appeal theme, “As I have done for you, you should also do”, is

taken from the Gospel of St. John when he recounts Jesus washing the feet of His Disciples. It is through this role of servant that Jesus gives us a model to follow. But following Christ is no easy task because it means that we must put all others before ourselves.

Thank you to everyone who has made a pledge to this year's diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. Pledge envelopes are available in the gathering space and at the chapel door entrance and can be placed in the offertory basket.

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**Please help our Outreach Ministry.  
We have an urgent need for volunteers  
in the following areas:**

### EMMANUEL DINING ROOM EAST

Outreach is in need of a volunteer to make or donate monthly 2lbs of pasta salad from May -September for EDR EAST. The pasta would be delivered to the church office kitchen on the 14th of every month. Please go to Smachurch.com under "Join Us" then click Community Outreach. Or call Leanne Renneisen at 302-743-7122.

### MARY MOTHER OF HOPE HOUSE WE ARE STILL IN DESPERATE NEED OF VOLUNTEERS TO EITHER PROVIDE GROCERIES, DONATE A CHECK OR A PREPARED MEAL FOR 22 WOMEN RESIDING AT MMOH.

The food may be delivered to the church office or directly to Mary Mother of Hope House. Service hours include purchasing of groceries, preparation, and delivery of the meal. Please go to Smachurch.com under "Join Us" then click Community Outreach. Or email Leanne Renneisen at [Lrenneisen@comcast.net](mailto:Lrenneisen@comcast.net).

### STUDENT SERVICE HOURS OVER THE SUMMER

Students, please consider completing your service hours this summer by making sandwiches for Emmanuel Dining Room. Making sandwiches is a simple yet valuable service to the less fortunate. Complete your hours while your class workload is light. Service hours include purchasing of groceries, preparation, and delivery of the sandwiches. Please go to Smachurch.com under "Join Us" then click Community Outreach. Or email Leanne Renneisen at [Lrenneisen@comcast.net](mailto:Lrenneisen@comcast.net).



Father's Day Novena cards are available outside the chapel door entrance.

**The 2020 Mass Intention book is now available. Please keep in mind scheduled intentions should be kept to a minimum of five per parishioner household. Thank you.**

## **Did you Know?**

### **Ten Tips for Better Resolutions – Final-Part 2 of 2**

Be disinterested. Remember that God wants us to defend His rights and interests, and to share His thoughts and ways. And therefore, to focus on things, happening and events that are very close to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary that are not necessarily linked to our own personal interests.

Write it down. It's important to write down your resolution so you can refer back to it often during the year. Also, by writing it down, you will be able to review it when the year is over, and to evaluate your progress since the time the resolution was made.

Public expressions of faith. Don't hide your faith. That's just what the devil wants. He knows when you express your faith publicly, others see you and are encouraged to follow your good example. Say grace openly and proudly before meals in a restaurant so people can see. You'll be surprised with the good reactions you will get.

Devotion to Our Lady. Have more devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Devotion to the Mother of God is a panacea. Saint Louis de Montfort said that devotion to Holy Mary is the easiest, safest, fastest, most secure, and surest path to Jesus and to our own salvation. If you can do nothing else, resolve to say the Rosary every day. Saint Louis de Montfort wrote:

"If you say the Rosary faithfully until death, I do assure you that, in spite of the gravity of your sins 'you shall receive a never-fading crown of glory.' Even if you are on the brink of damnation, even if you have one foot in hell, even if you have sold your soul to the devil as sorcerers do who practice black magic, and even if you are a heretic as obstinate as a devil, sooner or later you will be converted and will amend your life and will save your soul, if-- and mark well what I say-- if you say the Holy Rosary devoutly every day until death for the purpose of knowing the truth and obtaining contrition and pardon for your sins."

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The Knights of Columbus at Assumption BVM in West Grove will sponsor bingo on **June 13, 2019** at 6:00pm.

Come for a wonderful summer picnic dinner for only \$7.00 and enjoy bingo at 6:30pm, with 10 regular games and 4 specials paying \$100.00 each plus one Mega Jackpot. This will be the last bingo until August 1, 2019.

## Ascension of the Lord



### Pro-Life Ladies' Tea for Life

**Saturday, June 22nd** – Ladies' Tea for Life, 11-2, at Holy Angels on Possum Park Rd. Bring your moms, daughters, aunts, nieces to this very British

Victorian-themed tea service. Hats optional! Details and registration on our website, [www.derighttolife.org](http://www.derighttolife.org)



### Vacation Bible School/Church Camp

Registration is now open!

[www.smachurch.com](http://www.smachurch.com)

**July 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> 9:00am- 12:00 noon**

Volunteer forms available as well.

**Registration deadline July 1st.**



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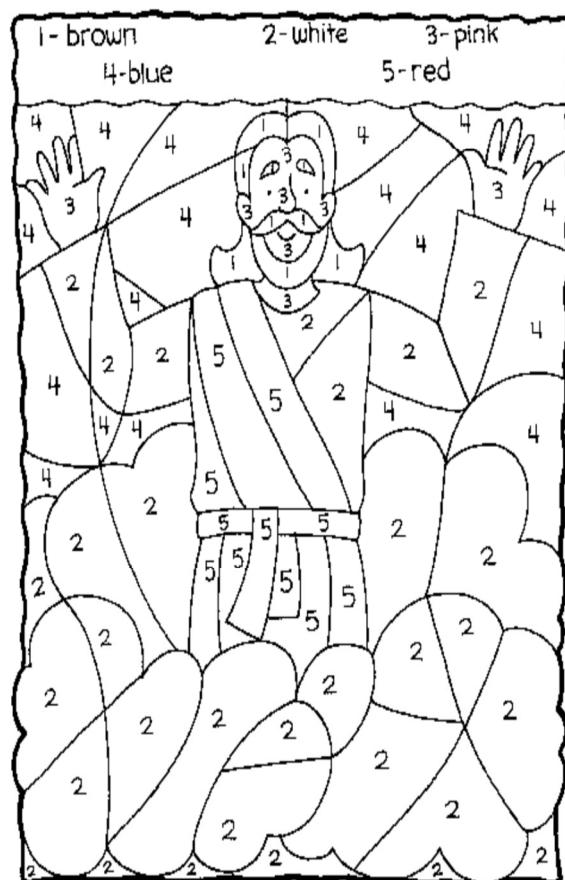
Bishop's 5K will benefit Catholic Charities outreach. Please join Catholic Charities for the Bishop's 5K Run/Walk, a totally adaptive event, at 9 am on **Saturday, August 24, 2019**, at Glasgow Regional Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway, Newark, DE 19702. Pre-register for the event by visiting [Bishops5K.com](http://Bishops5K.com). Registration is \$20 until June 30, \$25 from July 1 to August 22, and \$30 until race day, plus an event fee of \$2.50. All registered runners/walkers will receive a t-shirt, and be in the running for prizes. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities outreach efforts. Call Catholic Charities at 302-655-9624 with any



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### The Ascension of the Lord

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as Jesus was taken up to heaven in a cloud.  
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## ***Ascension of the Lord***

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 Church Camp  
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 Cornerstone Jason Anderson &  
 Ray Manza  
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 Ladies' Guild, Janet Kook &  
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 Lazarus Ministry, Rita Willis  
 Legion of Mary  
 Mary Mother of Hope, Leanne Renneisen  
 Meals on Wheels, Kathy di Girolamo  
 Men's Group, Jim Ambrose &  
 Jack Neill  
 Mother's Prayer Group, Sandra Cleary  
 Pastoral Council, Linda Natali  
 Prayer Line, Parish Office  
 Pro-Life Committee, Ann Courtney  
 RCIA, Deacon John Giacci, Parish Office  
 Refresh Group, Ray Manza.  
 Mike Bailey  
 St. Patrick's Cemetery, Parish Office  
 Safety Committee, Bernie McKay  
 Sages (50+ Group) Nick Mastrocinque  
 Scouts (Boy & Cub), Greg Weaver  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society, Alex Perella  
 Visitors for Christ, Mary Lloyd  
 WilCYA, Elise Maloney  
 Women's Faith Sharing, Mary Tigani  
 Youth Athletic Dance Coordinator Heather Green



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 [alexandranp@yahoo.com](mailto:alexandranp@yahoo.com).

**Poor Box Collection: \$152.00**

Thank you for your support!

#### **Need a Ride???**

Fellow Parishioners!!! Do you occasionally need a ride to Church for Mass or perhaps elsewhere? As one of the service organizations of our parish, The Knights of Columbus may be able to help. Contact Steve Haller, Community Director for the council. You may contact him at: 302-690-6164 or email: [govmuler@hotmail.com](mailto:govmuler@hotmail.com)

## **Parish Calendar**

### **Monday June 3rd**

8:00 pm	Pastoral Council Executive Board meeting (CF)
9:00 am	Exposition, Adoration, Benediction (CP)
6:00 pm	GIFT meeting (CF)
7:00 pm	Charismatic Prayer Group (CP)
7:00 pm	June PREP Catechist meeting (M)

### **Tuesday June 4th**

9:15 am	Refresh Adult Faith Formation (CF)
7:00 pm	Boy Scout Committee meeting (CF,H)
7:00 pm	St. Vincent dePaul Society meeting (J)

### **Wednesday June 5th**

6:30 am	Men's Gospel Discussion Group (J)
9:00 am	Women's Faith Sharing (CP)
10:00 am	Ladies' guild meeting (M)
12:30 pm	Sages Luncheon (H)
2:00 pm	Refresh Core meeting (J)
7:00 pm	Parish Choir Rehearsal (C)
7:30 pm	Men's Faith Sharing (J)

### **Thursday June 6th**

10:00 am	Divine Will (CF)
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### **Friday June 7th**

9:15 am	Legion of Mary (CF)
9:15 am	Mother's Prayer Group (CP)
1:30 pm	Women's Retreat meeting (M)
2:00 pm	Legion of Mary Internet Radio (J)

### **Saturday June 8th**

3:30 pm	Reconciliation (CP)
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### **Sunday June 9th**

10:30 am	RCIA Mystagogy (J)
1:00 pm	Scheduled Baptisms (C)

(*CF*) = *Coffee Run*, (*J*) = *St. Johns*,  
 (*M*) = *St. Mary*,  
 (*CP*) = *Chapel*, (*C*) = *Church*,  
 (*GS*) = *Gathering Space* (*H*) = *Hall*

**Please note:** Parish Calendar schedule is subject to change during the week, please check with your Ministry if you have any questions, or concerns of scheduled events.

**Please submit all bulletin articles (2 weeks in advance).**

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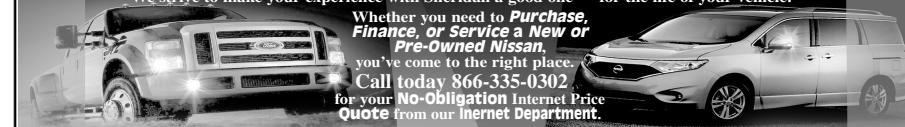
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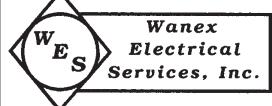
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