

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, August 18
4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth
 CONFESSIONS
5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth
 Brianna Nicole Freeman

SUNDAY, August 19
TWENTIETH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
7:15 a.m. St. Benedict
 William James Fattic, Sr.
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict
 Phyllis Callahan
10:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth
 People of the Parish

Tuesday, August 21
9:00a.m. FLC Chapel
 COMMUNION SERVICE

Wednesday, August 22
9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth
 COMMUNION SERVICE

Thursday, August 23
9:00a.m. FLC Chapel
 COMMUNION SERVICE

Friday, August 24
9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth
 COMMUNION SERVICE

SATURDAY, August 25
4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth
 CONFESSIONS
5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth
 Joseph Dombroski

SUNDAY, August 26
TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME
7:15 a.m. St. Benedict
 People of the Parish
8:30 a.m. St. Benedict
 Robert G. Gabage
10:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth
 Eddie Breeding

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

AUGUST 18 – AUGUST 31
St. Benedict Church:
 In Honor of Zack Higgs

St. Elizabeth Church:
 In Memory of John "Jack" Wood, Sr.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD
 Weekend of August 11 & 12, 2018

Envelopes	\$ 3,035.00
Loose	\$ 626.10
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 3,661.10
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Deficit (Below Budget)	(\$1,439.00)
Building & Maintenance	\$ 863.00
Poor Box	\$ 255.00
Vincentian Missions	\$ 1,695.00

Even though we are told that if we seek the Lord, we shall not want, in the second reading St. Paul reminds us that, thus blessed by the Lord, the good steward should "give thanks to God the Father always and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ." See *Ephesians 5:20*

A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This is the twentieth week in Ordinary Time within the liturgical year. Time has certainly gone by quickly this summer! Have you accomplished all that you set out to do this summer? Often, we take pause a moment and notice where we are in our accomplishments for the goals we have set for ourselves.

As we look to what we as individuals have accomplished we also look to what God has done in our lives through us and others. Our first reading calls for instruction for those who lack understanding. This harkens me back to seminary days and causes me to be keenly aware of the fact that no one person but Christ knows all regarding His Father in heaven and the Holy Spirit.



While in Seminary, we were instructed to keep balance in our lives. We were instructed that we have four pillars to manage. These pillars are the four areas of Life with Christ that enable us to be the best we can be. First, it begins with a humble and receptive person, one who is willing to accept a challenge that may take them where they prefer not to go (facing their fears or challenge them in ways they never thought possible) These four pillars or areas of personhood are Spiritual, Academic, Physical and the Apostolate. The

Spiritual realm of course dealt with our prayer life, devotions, spiritual direction, and the development of our own spirituality that would enhance our personal growth with Christ. The Academic areas are those that most would understand as being classroom instruction that would fulfill course descriptions and upon completion would render a degree of aptitude and skill. Physical realm dealt with personal health, diet and exercise and how do we manage to keep up with all the demands of life while maintaining our health. The Apostolate was the area which most would call ministry. This is the area in which we make application of what we learned and how we desire to be Christ to others. Each of the four pillars are not isolated from the others, they are dependent upon one another and are integral in the fulfillment of the person.

Often people ask where you went to school and what was your major. They are seeking insight into you. They are desirous to know more about what makes you the you that you are. It is important that we recognize that what we do, how we do it, and why we do what we do is important, and all is informed by how we were instructed.

Several months ago, I stated that we spend large amounts of time reading and viewing secular-world information (reading magazine, watching tv and viewing social media) and I asked how much time you spend in reading and watching videos that inform you about your faith, properly forming you in the ways of the Lord? Well, our second reading again points to investing your time in worthy activities, those that will produce the desired effect for God's purposes.

Jesus tells us to eat his flesh and drink his blood; why? His instruction is not one that is asking you to participate in an elegant fine dining experience – He actually tell his disciples to gnaw on his flesh. We are told to get all we can from Christ so that what we eat we may become. What we drink is His blood – that which courses through His Body and ours which makes us one. This blood gives us life in him and causes us to participate in the Divine plan of Love.

Jesus took care of his own health, studied scripture and became a Rabbi, exercised for his physical benefit that He might be fit for the challenges that presented themselves to Him and He prayed to His Father for insight into what he should do for others. Jesus modeled for us how to live what I was taught in Seminary and which I have tried to inspire in each one of you. Let us together glorify the Lord in all that we do through His grace and Love.

Pax Christi,
Rev. John B. Gabage

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THE VINCENTIAN MISSIONS

Fr. Tony Chakungal, V.C., and all the Vincentian Missionaries thank you for your prayers and generous mission offerings last weekend. Your offerings will help them to carry out their many missionary, educational and charitable activities and will help them educate young men studying for the priesthood. If you did not have an opportunity to make an offering you may make your offering by placing an envelope marked "Vincentian Mission Offering" in the offertory basket at any mass. Thank you very much for your generous support. If you would like to sponsor a seminarian and help him to become a priest, you may write: Fr. Francis Cheruparampil, V.C., Mission Procurator, P.O. Box 45, Hazlet, NJ 07730 (Fcheru@aol.com). The Vincentian Missionaries will keep you and our parish in their prayers and Masses.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

ARE YOU THE PARENT OF AN UPCOMING KINDERGARTENER?
 If your child is eligible for Kindergarten this fall, and you wish to register them for religious education Kindergarten class, please contact Mrs. Duggan-Cassidy at the Parish Office. (mduggan@beparish.com or 410-634-2253).

REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE UPCOMING 2018/2019 RELIGIOUS ED. PROGRAM have been sent out. If you have NOT received registration forms yet for this coming religious education school year, please call or email Maureen Duggan-Cassidy in the Religious Ed Office! 410-634-2253 or mduggan@beparish.com

We need catechists and classroom assistants for September. Please contact Maureen Duggan-Cassidy at 410-634-2253 if you are willing to serve in this capacity and want to learn more.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PART OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

- The Catholic Church invites you to come and see!*
- ✚ Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?
 - ✚ Are you unbaptized but recognize a need for spirituality in your life?
 - ✚ Are you baptized into another religion or into the Catholic Church, but never received any formal religious education?
 - ✚ Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass but just don't know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful?
 - ✚ Are you yearning for something more in your life?

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) may be the place for you. Every year adults are welcomed into the Catholic Community through RCIA. It is a learning process through which conversion of the heart brings you to deeper faith and understanding. For more information about our RCIA program, contact Maureen Duggan-Cassidy, at 410-634-2253 or mduggan@beparish.com.

PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE

WE REMEMBER + WE CELEBRATE + WE BELIEVE
CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY SOON: Cheryl Carmean (9-24), Pete Schirmer, IV (9-25), Tessanna Bella Prete (9-26), Anthony Amalfitano (9-27), Theodora Daly (9-27), Jackson Wissman (9-27), Rose Mary Kinnamon (9-28), Thomas Lyles (9-28), Linda Schirmer (9-28), Doris Sharp (9-28), Keeley Cook (9-29), Brayden Bringman (9-30), Ruth Pasciak (9-30), Ashley Roblero-Velasquez (9-30)



THEOLOGY ON TAP

Theology on Tap will not have an August Gathering. Keep an eye on the bulletin for information about our next gathering in September.

NOVENA FOR LIFE

"As soon as Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy announced his retirement, pro-abortion groups began lobbying the U.S. Senate to reject any nominee who does not promise to endorse Roe v. Wade. While the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops does not support or oppose the confirmation of any presidential nominee, we can and should raise grave concerns about a confirmation process which is being grossly distorted by efforts to subject judicial nominees to a litmus test of support for Roe v. Wade. And we must pray. Each Friday, from August 3 - September 28, 2018, I urge all people of good will to join me in prayer that this change in the U.S. Supreme Court will move our nation closer to the day when every human being is protected in law and welcomed in life. May Our Lady of Guadalupe intercede for the healing of our nation and our people from decades of abortion on demand." *Cardinal Timothy Dolan*

The U.S. Bishops have issued a nationwide appeal for participation in the Novena for the Legal Protection of Human Life. The Novena runs from August 3 to September 28. To participate in the Novena and Call to Prayer initiatives sign up at www.usccb.org/pray.



PLEASE SEE THE ROE VS. WADE Q & A INSERT IN TODAY'S BULLETIN

AROUND THE DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

Do you have durable medical equipment which you no longer need or use? Things like wheelchairs, walkers, potty seats, adjustable beds and the like? If so, our local Lions Clubs can put those items to good use. They work in conjunction with local social service and health care agencies to help fill the need for medical equipment in the Mid-Shore area. If you have equipment that you'd like to donate, contact Dave Davis at 443-786-2547 or ddavis@goeaston.net. They'll even pick it up!

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

- Sunday, August 19**
- 2nd Collection – Cathedral of St. Peter.
- Tuesday, August 21**
- Adult Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – RR
- Wednesday, August 22**
- NO Theology on Tap
- Thursday, August 23**
- Adult Bible Study – 9:30 a.m. – RR
- Sunday, August 26**
- 2nd Collection – A/C Offset

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

- Patricia Brady ♦ Peggy Brittingham ♦ Jane Cade ♦ Joan Mollick ♦ Terry Franz ♦ Kathleen Green ♦ Charmaine Sullivan ♦ Patricia McWilliams ♦ Julia Seiler ♦ Helen Dill ♦ Cheryl Harris ♦ Judy Edmonston ♦ Edie Crank ♦ Patricia Freedman ♦ Sandy Keating ♦ Michael Alt ♦ Michael Keating ♦ Nial Straley ♦ Christina Jewell ♦ Debbye Jackson ♦ Kenny Winn ♦ Jessica Haddaway ♦ The Clegg Family ♦ Dot Bornhoeft ♦ Clark Johnson ♦ George Sinacourbe ♦ Sarah Trice ♦ Mary Bennett ♦ Fr. Bill Graney ♦ Naomi Powell ♦ Amir Turner ♦ Marlinda Tuel

VOCATIONS NEWS

In today's second reading, St. Paul admonishes us: "watch carefully how you live, not as foolish persons but as wise, making the most of the opportunity." What opportunity? The opportunity to discover the Lord's plan for your life! Is God calling you toward priesthood, the diaconate, or religious life? If you think so, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations at 302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org.

Be sure to visit our website:
www.cdow.org/vocations!

Please pray for our diocesan seminarians:
Michael Preston Craig Kursinsky
Brennan Ferris Adam Bauer
John Enemuo James Gebhart

EVANGELIZATION CORNER

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Smart Eating



It doesn't take our annual physical to remind us that we live in a culture of unhealthy eating. What used to be a matter of consuming enough calories for survival has become a national epidemic of obesity. It is tempting to eat when happy or sad, in gatherings or alone, to fight boredom, lift moods, or assuage anxiety. A lot of what appears in our diets isn't even useful for nutrition, and some of it's downright harmful. One thing's for sure: Eucharist is the one meal we can't do without. Better than smart food, it's the table where wisdom is served.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Proverbs 9:1-6; Ephesians 5:15-20; John 6:51-58 (119).*
"[Wisdom] has dressed her meat, mixed her wine, yes, she has spread her table."

AROUND THE DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

JOB OPENINGS

Full Time Position Available-Saints Peter and Paul Parish - Easton, MD

The Office of Christian Faith Formation is seeking a responsible, professional, and outgoing person for the position of Administrative Assistant. Responsibilities will include the daily requirements of maintaining a business office, using Microsoft Word, Excel Spreadsheets, etc., while acting as a liaison between parishioners and the Office of Christian Faith Formation Office. Knowledge of the Catholic Faith is necessary. The position reports to the Director of Christian Faith Formation and is a full-time position for an active Catholic. Please send resumes to lsteinmiller@ssppeaston.org.

Upcoming Events at Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center

Quiet Day of Reflection, Saturday August 25, 10 am - 3 pm: Come to Jesus House for a day of spiritual refreshment! Start the morning with a gathering prayer and spend the day reflecting, contemplating, meditating, exploring the spacious grounds or just relaxing in one of the many air-conditioned rooms. We will provide you with everything you need for the day: snacks, lunch, music, writing material, some art supplies, and suggestions for activities. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302-995-6858. Cost is \$25 and includes lunch.

Day of Reflection: Finding Tranquility in a Hectic Day. with Fr. Nicholas Amato, Wednesday, September 5, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm: There are ways to experience tranquility that are longer lasting, ways that can transform our deepest sense of self. Join us for a day of deepening our spirits and reclaiming a joy that has been lost. Learn ways to maintain the inner peace that has been gained. Give yourself the treat of a day away to center and ground yourself and to find the tranquility you seek. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302-995-6858. Cost is \$40 and includes lunch.

Please visit the Jesus House website (jesushousecenter.org) or call the office at 302-995-6585 for more information about any of the above offerings or to register.

ANNULMENT INFORMATION NIGHTS

Father Mark Mealey, judicial vicar for the Diocese of Wilmington, will offer annulment information nights at two locations in September. The first will be Sept. 20, 7 p.m., at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, 345 Bear-Christina Road, Bear, Del. Another will be Sept. 26, 7 p.m., at St. John-Holy Angels Church, 82 Possum Park Road, Newark, Del. Among the issues discussed will be the new norms of Pope Francis on the marriage nullity process and implementation of those norms in the diocese Tribunal. The nullity process and the various canonical grounds for marriage will be presented. Anyone interested should call the Tribunal office, 302-295-0630, and leave a voicemail. Reservations are encouraged to ensure enough materials are available.

12TH ANNUAL NUN RUN

The Little Sisters of the Poor invite you to run or walk the 12th Annual Nun Run 5k. Registration is now open to walkers and runners of all ages in one of the largest 5k's in the area.

When: 9:00am start, Saturday, September 15, 2018 (registration opens at 7:30am)

Where: Jeanne Jugan Residence at 185 Salem Church Road Newark, DE 19713.

Parking both at the residence and at Christiana HS, directly across the street.

Cost: \$25 (before 8 am Sept 14) \$30 (day of race)

The Course: Wheel measured by Doug White. Out and back course, flat and fast.

Awards & Amenities: Trophies to 1st place Male & Female runners in Open and Masters divisions and 1st place Male & Female walkers; plus, medals to Top 3 runners in **5-year age groups**, 13 under through 70+. Each pre-registered participant is guaranteed to receive a race T-shirt. All participants will enjoy:

- Post-race refreshments – including pizza, chocolate milk, beer (ID req'd), fruit & more.
- Live DJ playing upbeat music, Goody Bags at the finish line, Free entry into prize raffle, Bake Sale

For more information or to Register, visit www.NunRun5K.org or email to race@NunRun5k.org.

Visit our website to view a **video** of the Nun Run and to see our sponsors!

Charity Proceeds from the Nun Run 5K will benefit project for their residents.

The Little Sisters are a registered 501c (3) non-profit and deeply appreciate your support!

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

HOT HOT HOT. Bring some warmth and intimacy to your marriage! The next Marriage Encounter weekend will be November 2-4, 2018 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information, visit our website www.wvme-delmar.org or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833. Don't Delay!