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Partnered Outreach Office/Asbury Methodist Church: Food Closet Needs
Open on Friday from 9:30AM – 11:30AM
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St. Vincent DePaul Society – Financial Needs
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Hall Rental Information: 302-328-3431

Baptism – Bautismos

Marriage – Matrimonios

Anointing of the Sick – Unción de los Enfermos

Arrange by Calling the Parish Office
Haga arreglos llamando a la Oficina Parroquial

Rev. David F. Murphy, Pastor

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 5PM Mass, 7:30PM Spanish Mass
Sunday Masses: 9:30AM, Noon

First Fridays of the month is held in the Chapel beginning after **8:30AM with prayers and rosary.**
Confessions: Every Saturday at 4PM. Bilingual on Thursday at 6PM in the Church

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The Gospel reading is from Matthew (21:28-32). In this passage, Jesus is giving us a lesson on "change of heart." This story is somewhat like the story of the "Prodigal Son." Here we have two sons being asked by their father to do something for him that was within their capability and responsibility (maybe like cleaning up their bedroom). The first son refuses but then changes his mind and obeys. The other agrees to fulfill the command, but doesn't. Fidelity and obedience to the Father is at stake here, and Jesus is accusing the Chief Priests and Elders of being worse than prostitutes and tax collectors who will be forgiven because they have given up their sinful ways. The Chief Priest and Elders, however, will not be forgiven because they were stubborn and lacking in humility in refusing to accept the teachings of Jesus even though they knew better.

It is human nature to hold on to beliefs that we hold important; but when faced with an opposing viewpoint, we should, for our own good, be willing to exam it and compare it to what has been our accepted belief. In doing so, we might find out more about ourselves that we thought possible.

Marriage Moments: Marriage is sometimes unfair. One partner gives more than the other. You may not be able to magically make the world fair, but you can do one unnecessary kindness for your beloved today.
Parenting Pointers: "Let the children come to me…Then [Jesus] embraced them and blessed them." (Mark10:14-16). Sometimes we just want our children to go to sleep, but in our better moments, take the time to hug them. Bless them daily. It can be part of a bed time prayer.

HAVING YOUR CHILD BAPTIZED?

There is an online Baptism PREP class required for parents and godparents if you have not taken a class within the last two years. Just visit the "Ascension Press" website ascensionpress.com and look for the Belonging-Certification Course. The cost for the class is $14.95. Once you have taken the class, we can get you on our baptism calendar.

In today's gospel, Jesus tells a parable about a man who send his son to work in the vineyard. God calls many people to work in the vineyard known as the Church. Some sent to serve as priests, others as deacons, still others as religious sisters and brothers. Is He trying to send You? If you think so, call or write Father John Solomon, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org

Third Annual Food Festival and Flea Market will be held on Sunday, October 4th from 10AM to 6PM in Our Lady of Fatima Parking Lot. Food Vendors will be here to offer a variety of food. We are looking for anyone that is interested in renting a table for $25.00 to sell your treasures. Remember one person's Trash is another person's Treasure. Please call the rectory at 302-328-3431 or email at fatimachurch@aol if you are interested.

Registration is now open and Sponsorship Opportunities are available for the **Igniting Hope 5K on Saturday, November 21, 2026 at St. Mark's High School.**

This fantastic family event is back this year to support the ongoing work of Catholic Charities! All proceeds benefit the clients served by CCWilm. Catholic Charities offers food assistance, housing stability, counseling, financial education and other essential services that provide a path toward self-sufficiency.

Participants can sign up as an individual or form a team and are asked to bring a non-perishable food donation to bolster the Catholic Charities Food Pantry.

Registration cost includes complimentary snacks, water, pizza and beer for those 21+, face painting and games and giveaways for non-participant attendees are also available!

Together we can spark miracles! Help us honor the Bishop's call for all to serve and make a plan to join us for this great event again this year!

More information can be found on: https://runsignup.com/Race/DE/Wilmington/IgnitingHope

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #11469

Are you interested in Becoming a Knight of Columbus? Catholic Men who are interested in serving our parish, helping those in need and strengthening our Catholic faith are invited to learn more about the **Knights of Columbus.** For more information, please contact, Keith Dill, olfkofc11469@gmail.com or 302-824-5876

Birthright Annual Bottles for Babies Fundraiser!! Throughout the month of October we celebrate **"Respect Life."** Birthright of Delaware hosts its Annual Bottles for Babies Fundraiser. The weekends in October, baby bottles can be picked up after all the Masses. We ask you to please take one or two bottles home and/or give one to a loved one to use. Please read the insert fill it out as neatly as possible then fill the bottle with loose change, cash or a check! Return them at the end of this month or sooner. Proceeds benefit pregnant women and their babies. On behalf of our mothers, birthright staff and volunteers, we Graciously Thank You! Director T. Brown

Pray for the Sick:

Frances Grecco, Eugene Smallwood, Donald Yanick, Carmelita Kutch, Leslie Hampton, Anna Brown, Matthew Gray, Donna and Bill Thomas, Rev. Robert Hoban, Hayden Godwin, Pat Donohue, William Hoops, Tony Ne Castro, Silva Lopez, Robert Evanousky, Mary Harrison, Scott Baker, Tyler Messinger, Ben Saffer, Joe Ellis, Margaret Earl, Fred Hagerty, Helena Miller, Tommy Martone, Samuel Watts, Frank Yarusso, Betsy Tong, Tony Arcaro, Christopher White, Maureen Monaghan, Darlene Bargelski, Donna Hagen, Dr. Marion Payan, Kansas Collins, Rose Santos, Kay Jarman-McElwee, Gina Coburn, Angeline DiRienzo, MeghanWard, Linda Murphy, Mark Davis, Debbie Ferraro, Tommy Marino, Joshua Waltz, Rhonda Mullins, Barbara Quin, Lily Marie, Michael Lewis , Charles Rossi, Carolyn Trush, Lael Hevi, Debbie Allen, Jamison Waltz, Frank Lombardo, Jr, Christian Aument, Eileen Cutron ,Debbie Allen, Anthony Spinella, Lou Velez, Betty Anne Burris, Jordan Alexander, Helen McDonnell, Andrea Emilia Bernabe, Judy DiMeglio, Slayden Ferandes ,Chrissie LaFashia , Connor, Aaron Cuppingood., Mike Maguire, Paul Bisignani, Matt Dennison, Joseph Haslam, Prashanth Manilla, Angel Antonio, Louise Fiori, Barbara Day, Baby Knox, Robert Berry, Zyaire, Marjorie Redman, Jamie Murphy ,Judith Redman and Kathy Olsen

ANNOUNCED MASSES

Monday, September 28
8:30AM Thanksgiving to St. Anthony

Tuesday, September 29
8:30AM Anita DiSimplico (Eileen Haley)

Wednesday, September 30
No Mass

Thursday, October 1
8:30AM Janet Rebarchak (husband, Edward)

Friday, October 2
8:30AM Mary Jane Ecret

Saturday, October 3
5:00PM Jack McMaster (Family)
7:30PM Antonio Alcantar Ortiz (Family)

Sunday, October 4
9:30AM Vince LeNoir (Family)
12:00PM Emilia Borres and Lucresia Aya-Ay (Jocelyn)

The Candle burning over the tabernacle is in Memory of All Deceased Members of Our Lady of Fatima Parish

Attention Active and Retired Police, Fire, EMT and Military:

You are invited to the Annual Diocese of Wilmington Blue Mass to honor the work of all public safety personnel and military on Tuesday, September 29th at 11AM at St. John the Beloved, 907 Milltown Road, Wilmington, DE. The Blue Mass is an annual event that honors local, county, state and federal law enforcement, fire, emergency, medical and military personnel and their families who live and work in the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, First Responders of all faiths are welcome to the Mass!

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A COLLECTION FOR TUITION ASSISTANCE

Today's Second Collection is taken in support of the Diocesan Tuition Assistance Program. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition. If you are not prepared to contribute today, you may drop off your contribution off at the parish office or place in next week's collection basket. For further information and online giving options, visit the Share in the Spirit website at www.cdow.org/share-in-the-spirit.

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