St. Dennis Catholic Church

In THE IRON HILL DEANERY Of THE DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON
Rev. James D. Hreha,Pastor
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MASS SCHEDULE
Sunday 8 am
Thursday & Friday 8:30 am

HISPANIC MASS
Sunday 11am

***LIVE STREAM MASS**: SUNDAYS AT 8 AM*

RECONCILIATION:
Sunday 7:00-7:30 am or by appointment
Confesiones en Español de 10 a 10:30 am o con previa cita

PARISH OFFICE / Oficina Parroquial:
First stage of our new parish office hours, please note that office hours may change in the future.
Monday-Thursday, 8am to 1pm and 3pm to 5 pm
Friday - Saturday, 8 am to 12
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Director of Religious Education, Jennifer Hinton
stdennisreled@gmail.com (410-648-5145-click on Religious Ed Prompt)

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LIVE STREAM MASS: Saturdays at 4pm, Tuesday & Wednesday at 8:30 am.
www.youtube.com/c/StPolycarpSmyrnaDE

August 2, 2026
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome, We're glad you are with us today.
If you are new to the parish, please consider registering.
Register online at www.stdennischurch.org
or call (410) 648-5145.

Bienvenidos, Nos alegra que estén con nosotros hoy.
Si son nuevos en la parroquia, por favor, consideren registrarse. Inscríbanse en línea en
www.stdennischurch.org
or o llame al (410) 648-5145.

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS:

Baptisms: Please call Religious Ed Office for information and preparation process.

Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion: Children are prepared for Reconciliation and First Communion at age seven, or children who have completed two years (2nd grade). Call Religious Ed Office.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Young people in our parish are prepared in the tenth grade. Call Religious Ed Office.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least 1 year prior to the wedding date. Contact parish office for updated information and preparation process.

Sacrament of Holy Orders: If you believe you have calling to explore the priesthood, or serving the church, please contact John Solomon at vocations@cdow.org.

Anointing of the Sick: Visitation to the sick, Anointing or Holy Communion, contact the parish office.

RECIBIENDO LOS SACRAMENTOS:

Bautizo: Por favor llame a la oficina de Educación Religiosa para información y proceso de preparación.

Sacramento de Reconciliación y Primera Sagrada Comunión: Niños son preparados para la Reconciliación y Primera Comunión a la edad de siete años, o niños que han completado dos años (segundo grado)? Contacte a la oficina de Educación Religiosa.

Sacramento de la Confirmación: Los jóvenes en nuestra parroquia son preparados en el décimo grado. Contacte a la oficina de Educación Religiosa.

Matrimonios: Los arreglos deben hacerse por lo menos con un año de anticipación a la fecha de la boda.
Contacte a la Oficina de la Parroquia para información actualizada y proceso de preparación.

Sacramento del Orden Sagrado: Si usted cree que ha recibido el llamado para explorar el Sacerdocio, o servir a la Iglesia, por favor contacte a John Solomon en vocations@cdow.org.

Unción de los enfermos: Visita a los enfermos, Unción o Sagrada Comunión, contacte a la oficina Parroquial.

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE

When Jesus heard of the death of John the Baptist, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. The crowds heard of this and followed him on foot from their towns. When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, “This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves.” Jesus said to them, “There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves.” But they said to him, “Five loaves and two fish are all we have here.” Then he said, “Bring them here to me,” and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over—twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children.

Matthew 14, 13-21

EVANGELIO DEL DOMINGO

En aquel tiempo, al enterarse Jesús de la muerte de Juan el Bautista, subió a una barca y se dirigió a un lugar apartado y solitario. Al saberlo la gente, lo siguió por tierra desde los pueblos. Cuando Jesús desembarcó, vio aquella muchedumbre, se compadeció de ella y curó a los enfermos. Como ya se hacía tarde, se acercaron sus discípulos a decirle: “Estamos en despoblado y empieza a oscurecer. Despide a la gente para que vayan a los caseríos y compren algo de comer”. Pero Jesús les replicó: “No hace falta que vayan. Denles ustedes de comer”. Ellos le contestaron: “No tenemos aquí más que cinco panes y dos pescados”. Él les dijo: “Tráiganmelos”. Luego mandó que la gente se sentara sobre el pasto. Tomó los cinco panes y los dos pescados, y mirando al cielo, pronunció una bendición, partió los panes y se los dio a los discípulos para que los distribuyeran a la gente. Todos comieron hasta saciarse, y con los pedazos que habían sobrado, se llenaron doce canastos. Los que comieron eran unos cinco mil hombres, sin contar a las mujeres y a los niños.

Mateo 14, 13-21

DAILY READINGS | LECTURAS DIARIAS

Monday, August 3: Matthew 14:22–36 – Jesus walks on the water and calms the storm, reaching out to save Peter.

Tuesday, August 4: Matthew 15:10–14 – Jesus teaches that what comes out of the mouth defiles a person, referring to the Pharisees as blind guides.

Wednesday, August 5: Matthew 15:21–28 – Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman because of her great faith.

Thursday, August 6: Matthew 17:1–9 – Jesus is transfigured on the mountain in the presence of Peter, James, and John.

Friday, August 7: Matthew 16:24–28 – Jesus tells his disciples that whoever wishes to come after him must deny himself and take up his cross.

Saturday, August 8: Matthew 17:14–20 – Jesus drives out a demon from a boy and tells the disciples their faith can move mountains.

Lunes, 3 de agosto: Mateo 14,22–36 – Jesús camina sobre el agua y calma la tormenta, extendiendo la mano para salvar a Pedro.

Martes, 4 de agosto: Mateo 15,10–14 – Jesús enseña que lo que sale de la boca es lo que hace impura a la persona, refiriéndose a los fariseos como guías ciegos.

Miércoles, 5 de agosto: Mateo 15,21–28 – Jesús sana a la hija de la mujer cananea debido a su gran fe.

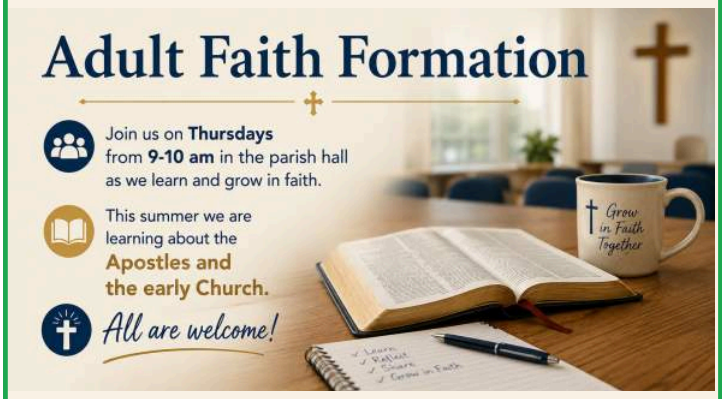
Jueves, 6 de agosto: Mateo 17,1–9 – Jesús se transfigura en el monte en presencia de Pedro, Santiago y Juan.

Viernes, 7 de agosto: Mateo 16,24–28 – Jesús dice a sus discípulos que quien quiera seguirlo debe negarse a sí mismo y cargar con su cruz.

Sábado, 8 de agosto: Mateo 17,14–20 – Jesús expulsa un demonio de un niño y les dice a sus discípulos que su fe puede mover montañas.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

In this 10-part Bible Study, Dr. Mary Healy combines insightful biblical study with Church teaching and practical advice to show how modern Catholics can effectively impact their world for Jesus Christ. She explores topics such as the call of Jesus to evangelize, the power of the Sacraments, the role of charisms for building up the Body of Christ, techniques from St. Paul for reaching a secular culture, and more.This study is held on **Fridays from 9-10:30 am. All are welcome!**



Please help our Religious Education Program by donating these items:

- White Printer Paper
- Folders with Pockets & Prongs
- 1-inch Three-ring Binders
- Rosaries, Religious Medals, Etc.
- Catholic Bibles/Books for Children and Teens

Items may be placed in the box in the church vestibule.

Thank you for your generosity!!!

Por favor ayude a nuestro Programa de Educación Religiosa donando estos artículos:

- Papel blanco para impresora
- Carpetas con bolsillos y puntas
- Carpeta de tres anillos de 1 pulgada
- Rosarios, medallas religiosas, etc.
- Biblias católicas/libros para niños y adolescentes

Los artículos se pueden colocar en la caja en el vestíbulo de la iglesia.

¡¡¡Gracias por su generosidad!!!

Preparación para la Confirmación para Adultos de habla Hispana

¿Es usted un adulto Católico que ha recibido el Bautismo y la Primera Comunión, pero aún no ha recibido la Confirmación? Las sesiones de preparación para la Confirmación se llevarán a cabo en español durante los meses de **Agosto y Septiembre**. Para inscribirse, comuníquese con **Jennifer Hinton** a **stdennisreled@gmail.com** o al **410-648-5145**. Es necesario inscribirse con la Sra. Hinton antes del inicio de las sesiones. Tanto las sesiones de preparación como la Confirmación misma se realizarán en español; la preparación y la Confirmación en inglés se ofrecerán en la primavera.

The Christian Formation Committee is a group of dedicated parishioners who want to foster faith formation for people of all ages at St. Dennis. All are welcome to "come" and attend the next meeting! The next meeting is **Tuesday, August 4th at 7 pm on Zoom**. Scan the QR code below to join the meeting. Hope to see you there!

Welcome to the Catholic Church!

Initiation Ministry Sessions
Sundays from 9:15-10:45 am in the Parish Hall

If you or someone you know would like to become Catholic, learn more about the Catholic faith, or receive the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation, we invite you to come! Come and see what awaits you in a closer relationship with our loving God. For more information, contact **Jennifer Hinton at stdennisreled@gmail.com or 410-648-5145.**

Sesiones del Ministerio de Iniciación
Domingos de 9:15-10:45 am en el Salón Parroquial

Si usted o alguien que conoce desea hacerse Católico, aprender más sobre la fe Católica o recibir los Sacramentos del Bautismo, la Primera Comunión o la Confirmación, ¡lo invitamos a venir! Ven y mira lo que te espera en una relación más cercana con nuestro amoroso Dios. Para obtener más información, comuníquese con **Jennifer Hinton en stdennisreled@gmail.com o 410-648-5145.**

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

"Education in the faith by the parents should begin in the child's earliest years . . . Parents have the mission of teaching their children to pray and to discover their vocation as children of God. The parish is the Eucharistic community and the heart of the liturgical life of Christian families; it is a privileged place for the catechesis of children and parents." - Catechism of the Catholic Church, 2226.

Let us support your family as you grow in faith together! **On Sundays August 2 & 9 we will be holding registration for the Religious Education Program from 9-11 am in the hall**. The tuition rate is $100 (one child), $200 (two children), and $250 (three or more from the same immediate family). Sacrament Prep fees are $100 for the First Reconciliation/First Eucharist class and $150 for Confirmation Prep.Tuition assistance is available.

Online registration is also available from our website, stdennischurch.org. The regular tuition rate applies through August 9th - after that rates will increase.

Please share this info with any family that has children in grades pK-10! For new students please bring your child's Baptism certificate and any pertinent custody documents. Contact Jennifer Hinton at stdennisreled@gmail.com or 410-648-5145 with any questions.

FINANCE COUNCIL

You may be concerned about the high cost of capital gains tax with the sale of an appreciated asset. Perhaps you recently sold property and are looking for a way to save on taxes this year and plan for retirement.

A charitable remainder unitrust might offer the solutions you need and St. Dennis could benefit!

Benefits of a charitable remainder unitrust

- Receive income for life, for a term of up to 20 years or life plus a term of up to 20 years
- Avoid capital gains on the sale of your appreciated assets
- Receive an immediate charitable income tax deduction for the charitable portion of the trust
- Establish a future legacy gift to our organization

How a charitable remainder unitrust works

1. You transfer cash or assets to fund a charitable remainder unitrust.
2. In the case of a trust funded with appreciated assets, the trust will then sell the assets tax-free.
3. The trust is invested to pay income to you or any other trust beneficiaries you select based on a life, lives, a term of up to 20 years or a life plus a term of up to 20 years.
4. You receive an income tax deduction in the year you transfer assets to the trust.
5. Our organization benefits from what remains in the trust after all the trust payments have been made.

Contact us

If you have any questions about a charitable remainder unitrust, please contact your lawyer or tax advisor. For additional information, please contact the Diocese of Wilmington (information below).

We would be happy to assist you and answer any questions you might have.

Information from Diocese of Wilmington

Catholic Diocese of Wilmington and our constituent parishes:
Sheila O'Hagan McGirl, CFRE, Director of Development

1925 Delaware Avenue, Wilmington, DE 19806
(302) 573-3121
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MUSIC MINISTRY

To keep the liturgical music fresh and engaging, we are introducing the **Mass of Renewal** to the St Dennis repertoire. We hope you will find it uplifting, prayerful, and easy to sing.

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Contact Parish office @ 410-648-5145 or Joe Maloney @ 410-708-5943

Mass Intentions

Thursday, 8:30 am August 6, 2026
Mary Friel Huber

Friday, 8:30 am August 7 , 2026
Clay Swears

Sunday, 8:00 am August 9, 2026
Marie O'Neill

Sunday, 12:00 pm August 9, 2026
For the People

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of
John Gillespie

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Second Collection

August 2 Church Air Conditioning
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August 16 Cathedral of St. Peter (Diocese)

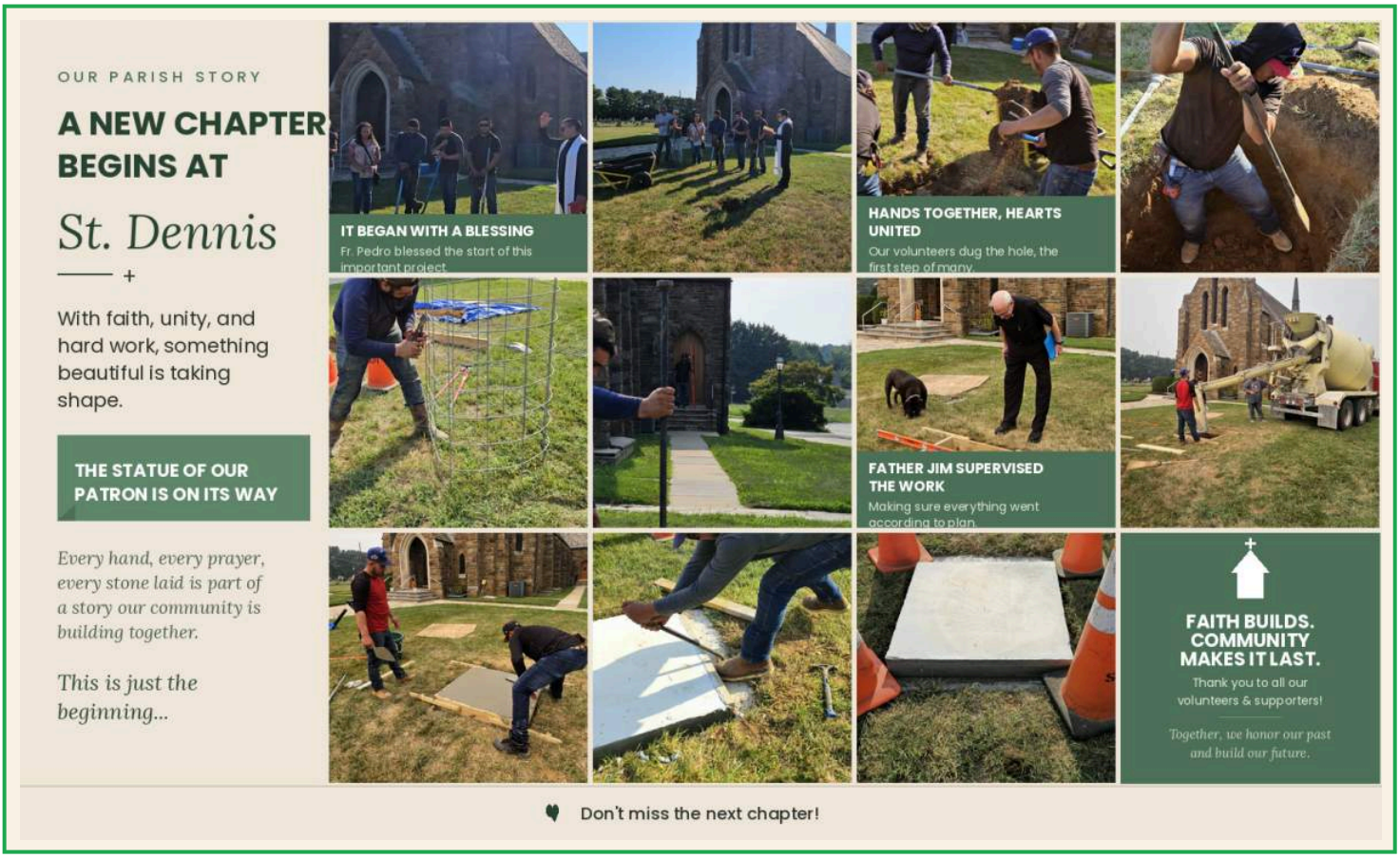
JULY 26	2026
8 am Mass	$1,369
2nd Collection 8AM Mass	$494
11 am Mass	$1,117
2nd Collection 11AM Mass	$307

Andrew Thomas Horsey

September 23, 1943 – July 19, 2026

Andrew Thomas Horsey, 82, of Galena, Maryland, passed away peacefully at his home on July 19, 2026. Born on September 23, 1943, in Delmar, Delaware, he was the son of the late Melvin Andrew Horsey and Rosetta "Toots" Carter Horsey. He was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Philip C. Horsey.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held **Friday, 7th of August 2026** at 11 am at **St. Dennis Catholic Church.** A private family committal service will follow at Immaculate Conception Cemetery



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