



ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC CHURCH

September 19, 2021

152 Tulip Drive, Lewes, DE 19958-1689

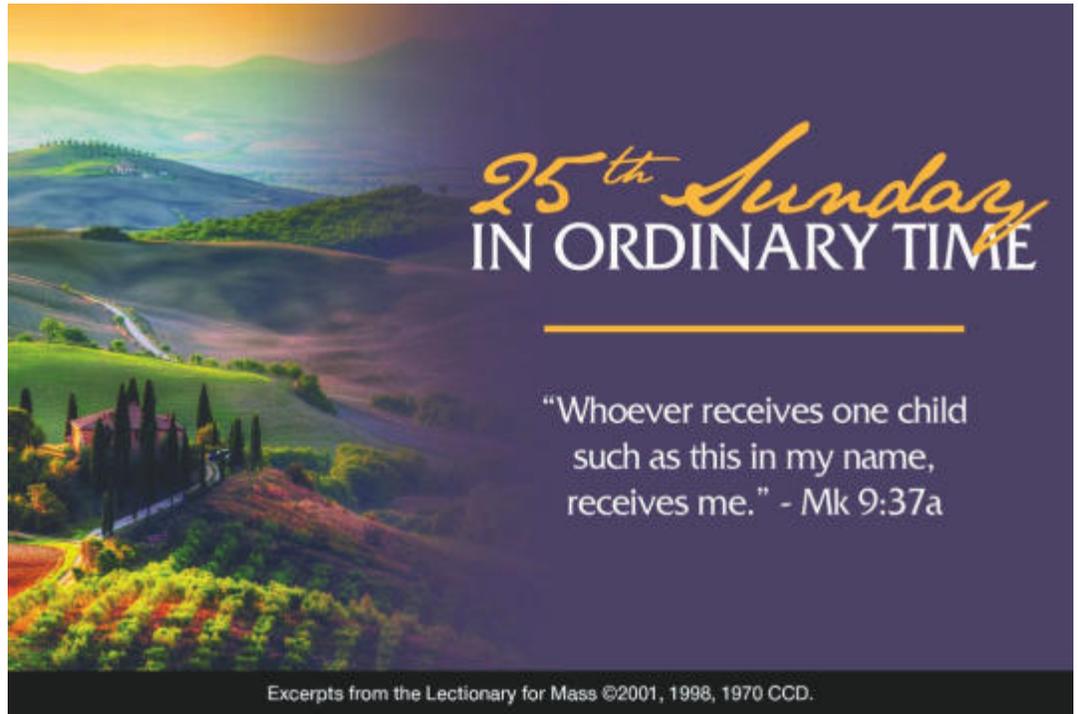
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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the members of St. Jude The Apostle Parish, are committed to living and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ and following the teaching of the Catholic Church. As the People of God, we recognize the universal call to holiness, rooted in Baptism and nourished by the sacraments, especially the Eucharist. We act in charity and justice as a visible sign of our mission to be a house of welcome and a place of service to all.



The Sacraments of Our Church

Eucharist: Mass schedule is as follows:

Saturday: 4pm Sunday: 7am, 8:30am, & 10:30am

Daily Mass is Monday through Saturday at 8 AM.

Baptism (of Infants): Contact our Parish office for information about the Baptism Class and to schedule a Baptism.

Reconciliation: Every First Friday 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Christian Formation Building
Saturday 8:45 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. in the Christian Formation Building or longer as needed
Reconciliation is also available by appointment at any time

Confirmation: Is a 2-year preparation process. Call Christian Formation Office for details.

Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Call the Christian Formation Office for information.

Marriage: At least one individual should be a parishioner who practices our faith. Please contact one of our Priests or Deacons to begin preparation which takes approximately 1 year.

Anointing of the Sick: Parishioners facing surgery or struggling with serious illness may request the sacrament by calling our Parish Office at 644-7300 .

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Friday
8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Closed for lunch
12Noon to 1:00 pm

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From Our Pastor's Desk

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My Dear Fellow Saints-in-the-Making,
Greetings with joy in Christ.

As we celebrate the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time this weekend, we also celebrate our catechists, who will begin religious education of our young parishioners this weekend. Our catechists' deeply-lived faith is lived anew each time they impart their love of our Lord and the rich tradition of the Catholic Church with our youth. They truly fulfill Jesus' reminder to His disciples in this weekend's Gospel: "Whoever receives one child such as this in My Name, receives Me; and whoever receives Me, receives not Me but the One Who sent Me." May God bless our catechists and our youth for this year of religious education.

To delve further into the Gospel, before Jesus says the words above, the disciples had been arguing about who amongst them is the greatest. Jesus calmly reminds them that "if anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." Thus, he shows that the child is the example of how to serve. All too often in today's world, we focus on being the greatest as opposed to being the least, that is, the humblest. To help us all grow in the virtue of humility, I share with you a prayer I pray daily, both out of need and out of hope to grow as a humble servant of you, my beloved parishioners. May it bear much spiritual fruit in you.

O Jesus! meek and humble of heart, Hear me.

From the desire of being esteemed, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being loved, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being extolled, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being honored, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being praised, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being preferred to others, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being consulted, Deliver me, Jesus. From the desire of being approved, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being humiliated, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being despised, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of suffering rebukes, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being calumniated, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being forgotten, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being ridiculed, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being wronged, Deliver me, Jesus. From the fear of being suspected, Deliver me, Jesus. That others may be loved more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be esteemed more than I, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That, in the opinion of the world, others may increase and I may decrease, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be chosen and I set aside, , Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be praised and I unnoticed, , Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may be preferred to me in everything, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. That others may become holier than I, provided that I may become as holy as I should, Jesus, grant me the grace to desire it. Amen.

To grow in humility during this Year of St. Joseph, a man of deep humility, why not select one of the films from the Augustine Institute's *Formed* program, available free through our parish by signing up as directed on page 7 of the bulletin, to watch individually or as a family? Humble St. Joseph will lead us to the most humble Child he received in God's Most Holy Name.

God love you! I do.

Fr. Lewis

Grief Support - The New Normal

Due to a unforeseen circumstance The Grief Support Program - The New Normal has been postponed until further notice.

We regret the unexpected inconvenience.

Those who signed up will be notified when the Grief Support Program will begin again.

Bulletin Articles due by 3PM on Friday (2 weeks prior to publication)
 Submitted bulletin content is subject to approval.

Moving In? Moving Out? Please contact us to register, or inform us of your departure.

Visit us also on Facebook



St Jude The Apostle Catholic Church

We have a new parish app!!



Or, you can search Google Play Store or Apple App Store for the

Weconnect Parish App

After getting the app, open and it will guide you to set your parish. Please delete the old app as it is no longer functional.

PRAYER LINE

Week I—Susan Frie, Joe Ruiz, Jeanette Toconita, Bill Zimmerman & Ginny Lewis

Week II—Ann Wojcik, Fran Ritterhouse, Michael Killmon, Suzanne Zeltman & Ann Mallet

Week III—Michael S. Harris, Lisa Ledda, Susan Short, Michael Pfarr, Dan Sczweck, Catherine Markel, Leonard Gilbert, Tim Haas, Kathie Strissel & Francis Seaver

Week IV—Jeanne Leisner, Shirley Young, Barbara Ann Smith, Gavin Birl, Carol Witts, John Truglio & Todd Spring

Week V—Nicholas Tamburro, Antoinette Nash Ann & Bill Noweck & Jane Laquitarra

Week VI—Mary Assalone, Buzz Gildea, Joan Bundy & Priscilla Aubrey Nutter

Almighty and Eternal God, You are the everlasting health of those who believe in You. Hear us for Your sick servant (N...) for whom we implore the aid of Your tender mercy, that being restored to bodily health, he (she) may give thanks to You in Your Church. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

If you or a relative are ill or in need of prayers and would like to be added to the list, please contact Carol in the office at either cturoczy@stjudelewes.org or 644-7300. The list will be on a 6 week rotation. Also only request from immediate family members will be accepted in order to protect individual's privacy.

LET US PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED PRIESTS

*Rev. Michael J. Jordan
 Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord.
 And let the perpetual light shine upon them.
 And may the souls of all the faithful departed,
 through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
 Amen.*

LET US PRAY FOR OUR LIVING

- Rev. John P. Klevence
- Rev. Frederick A. Kochan
- Most Rev. William Edward Koenig
- Rev. Krzysztof A. Kopec
- Rev. Msgr. Francis B. Koper
- Rev. Christopher W. LaBarge
- Rev. Johnny Laura Lazo
- Rev. Msgr. Clement P. Lemon
- Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini
- Rev. Brian S. Lewis
- Rev. Stephen C. Lonek
- Rev. John A. Lunness
- Most Rev. W. Francis Malooly
- Rev. Clemens D. Manista, Jr.
- Rev. Lance S. Martin
- Rev. Paul G. Mast
- Rev. William P. Mathesius

Eternal God, please bless our Priests, who represent You on this earth. Make them more greatly aware of the grace that You pour out through them when they minister the Sacraments, and help them to fall more deeply in love with You after each and every Mass that they celebrate. Please strengthen our Priests, who shepherd Your flock, when they are in doubt of their faith, that they may be examples of Your Truth and guide us always on the path to You. We ask these things of You our Eternal Priest. Amen.

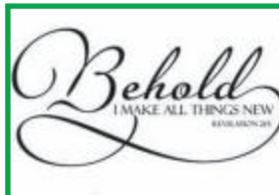
We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the Source and Summit of our Catholic faith. Let us continue to be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic.

While parishioners are obligated to attend Sunday & observed Holy Day Masses, one Mass per weekend will continue to be live-streamed for the benefit of those temporarily or permanently homebound in our community. Unless otherwise communicated, that Mass will continue to be our 4 p.m. Saturday Vigil liturgy which can be accessed at our YouTube Channel in real-time, or recording (after-the-fact).

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY



Next weekend, 25-26 September, is Priesthood Sunday. Priesthood Sunday is a special day set aside to honor Priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the central role of the Priesthood in the life of the Church. We will have a reception after all Masses. Please keep our Priests in your prayers.



*Catholic Charismatic Renewal
 Diocese of Wilmington
 St. Jude the Apostle Church
 Lewes, DE*

*Friday Oct. 15, 2021 - 7 PM Holy Hour
 Saturday Oct. 16, 2021 - 9 AM to 4 PM
 For info: Bernadette Baker 302 562-2172
 wilmcathcr@gmail.com
 Keynote Speaker Maria Vadia*

Liturgy

Masses the week of September 19 to 26

Sunday, Twenty-Fifth Day in Ordinary Times

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish	Fr. Inna G. - Deacon Bill
8:30 AM Anthony Ritts	Fr. Inna G. - Deacon Marty
10:30 AM Bryan Lucente	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Howard
11:30 AM Holy Hour: St. Joseph - A Father in the Shadows	Deacon Howard

Monday, Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön and Paul Chöng Ha-sang

8:00 AM James & Amelia Leongis	Fr. Jones - Deacon Bill
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Tuesday, St. Matthew

8:00 AM Jean & Bill Rudolph	Fr. Jones - Deacon Bill
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Wednesday

8:00 AM Elvera & Harry LoRicca	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Joe
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Thursday, St. Pius of Pietrelcina

8:00 AM Mary Giuliano	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Al
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Friday

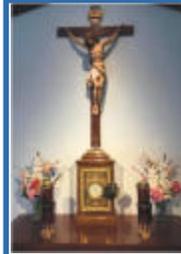
8:00 AM Mary Jo Hannagan Mento	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Howard
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Saturday

8:00 AM Anthony Ritts	Fr. Jones - Deacon Howard
4:00 PM Anthony Iacobucci	Fr. Jones - Deacon Joe

Sunday, Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 AM For the People of the Parish	Fr. Jones - Deacon Al
8:30 AM Anthony Ritts	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Marty
10:30 AM Calvin D. Reeves	Fr. Lewis - Deacon Bill



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament." St. Padre Pio

We are blessed as a parish community with the Real Presence of Jesus Christ exposed in our Eucharistic Adoration Chapel from 4 am Monday through 12 noon Saturday, and from 11 AM to 9 PM on Sunday.

Remarkably, and thankfully, here at St. Jude's adorers can be with Our Eucharistic Lord any time, day or night, whether for a few minutes or for an hour or more. Jesus continues to call persons to adore Him on a regular basis and to be graced - helped, healed, renewed, and saved - by Him.

Please listen: He is calling.

We are currently in need of adorers for Monday, 11 am; Tuesday, 4 am, 8 am, and 11 am; and Friday, 12 noon.

And we ask that those interested in signing up for an hour of adoration consider hours with only one assigned adorer, as highlighted on the Master Schedule available in the adoration chapel.

Please call Al Hanley (302-703-2419) if you are interested in signing up for a regularly scheduled hour of Adoration.



MEMORIALS FOR THE WEEK September 19 to 25

Church Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in Memory of Edward S. O'Neill. Requested by The O'Neill Children

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in Honor of Fr. Lewis and Fr. Jones.

Chapel Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week in Honor of all our Military here and abroad. Please bring them home safely.

Altar Candle in the Chapel will burn this week in Loving Memory of Tim Hocker. Requested by Diane Roth & Family

Altar Candle in the Chapel will burn this week in Loving Memory of Laraine Hofmann. Requested by Janet Clear

PATRIOTIC ROSARY



EVERY SUNDAY 1 PM

Beginning August 22, every Sunday at 1 pm, a "Patriotic Rosary" will be prayed aloud before the exposed Blessed Sacrament in our adoration chapel.

We will beseech Our Mother Mary, Queen of Heaven and Earth, to intercede with her Divine Son, truly present before us, for the consecration of the United States of America to her Immaculate Heart. We will pray for the enlightenment of those who govern, judge, and legislate for us as a "Nation under God." And we will petition for the healing and strengthening of our nation's Catholic Church in its spiritual and moral leadership of the American people.

All are welcome to join in reciting the Rosary, of which Mary herself said to St. Dominic, "Realize the power in your hand with the Rosary, for in your hands you hold the power of God."

Praying The Rosary

The Church encourages Catholics to celebrate and deepen their relationship with Our Lady. One way to do this is through acts of devotion, and the most familiar Marian devotion is the Rosary. After the 8 a.m. daily Mass and continuing every Wednesday, all are invited to stay and pray the Rosary together.



Please pray for members of the military who are serving both here and abroad:



Capt. Ryan J. Bickley, M. D. USA (Grandson of Claire & Richard Thomas)

Daniel J. Blake CPO/USN (Son of Jim & Christina Blake)

Lance Corporal Michael Caravaggio (Caravaggio Family)

Lt. Col. Joseph Davis, USAF (Nephew of Jean and Jim Stewart)

E6 1st Class Petty Officer Michael A. Foti, USN, (Son of Jonnel Foti)

Capt. Justin A. Farinelli, USA, (Son of Tom & Cathy Farinelli)

E5 Kyle Fowler, USN, (Grandson of Frances Patterson Master Sgt. David Frost, USAF (Grandson of Bob and Mary Lou Frost)

1st Lieutenant Jeffrey Frost, USAF (Grandson of Bob and Mary Lou Frost)

Spec E4 Brendan Hartford, USCG, (Grandson of Jean & Jim Stewart)

Maj. Garrett Jacob, USA (Son of Marie and Edwin Jacob)

Capt. Meridith Jacob, USA (Daughter-in-law of Marie and Edwin Jacob)

Capt. Laura Marshall, USAF (Daughter of David & Marie Marshall)

Pvt. Timothy Liam McLaughlin, USA, (Grandson of Joseph & Christina Paul)

Sgt. Tyler Stewart, U. S. Army, (Grandson of Jean & Jim Stewart)

AN Brendan A. Tighe, US Naval - in Japan, (Grandson of Virginia M. Koshi)

EMNI Marc Van Kleek USN, (Grandson of Kay & Charlie King)

Sgt. Abby Young, USMC (Granddaughter of Bill and Viki Nitsch)

Almighty and eternal God, protect these soldiers as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of Your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of Your love enable them to return home in safety, that with all who love them, they may ever praise You for Your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

(United States Conference of Catholic Bishops)

St. Jude, pray for peace.

To be included in this list, please send the name, branch of service, and location of your family member to

office@stjudelewes.org



GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 19, 2021
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the Kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

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Scripture Readings

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Mt 9:9-13

Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghin, 7-8 [16]/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:16-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 96 [cf. 4a]/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4 [5]/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13 [cf. 10d]/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 [9a]/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Christian Formation



Religious Education
PreK – Grade 8 classes start
this Sunday, September 19th &
Monday, September 20th!

* Parents, if you have yet to register your children for Grades 1 - 8, please do so ASAP! Registration is as simple as going to the main page of our website (www.stjudelewes.org) and selecting Religious Ed Registration. You can register and pay all at the same time! And don't forget, if you volunteer in our program, tuition is free! **Please note that our Little Disciples program is FULL.**

If you have any questions whatsoever about our Religious Education programs, please contact either Michael or Donna in the Christian Formation Center (302-644-7413) or email Mr. McShane at michael.mcshane@stjudelewes.org.



RCIA – Rite of Christian Initiation

Adults desiring to partake in the journey into full communion with the Roman Catholic Church are invited to take the all-important next step: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).

The RCIA is a gradual, communal process of formal initiation into the Catholic Church. It was developed in the 1st and 2nd centuries of the Church for those seeking Jesus Christ. Our next group will begin in the fall and will culminate with the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil in 2022.

If you would like to know more about becoming a Catholic, or someone you know has questions or expressed interest, please call the Parish Office, 302-644-7300 or the Christian Formation Office at 302-644-7413.

We will be happy to answer your questions or theirs about our RCIA program. We would love to hear from you!

Baptism Attire
 Through the wonderful generosity of St. Jude Parishioners, we are able to offer our families in need, Baptismal attire.



We have available:

- ✠ 10 outfits (gowns & shorts with hats) ranging in size newborn to 6 months
- ✠ 10 outfits (gowns & shorts with hats) ranging in size 9 months - 18 months, large and xlarge



Youth Group News

Next meeting -Wednesday,
September 22 * 6 PM



Youth Volunteers
needed for the Knights of Columbus
Pumpkin Patch. Pumpkins are being
delivered on Friday, 9/24th. If you can
help any time between 1-4pm, please
call Christian Formation Office, 302-644
-7413.



Fall Bar-B-Q Fest
October 17th – 2:30pm



National Catholic Youth

Ministry Conference

St. Jude the Apostle Parish has been selected as one of the Regional Virtual sites in the Diocese of Wilmington for the National Catholic Youth Ministry Conference to be held Saturday, November 20th 9:00am – 5:00pm. Registration information coming next week.



Come join Us for
Bible & Breakfast

Come join a group of parishioners at 9:00 am each Tuesday, in the Christian Faith Formation Office, rooms 30-32. The group listens to the Gospel reading for the upcoming Sunday. It is much like Lectio Divina, whereby a scriptural reading is meditated upon, followed by discussion and prayer. This long-established Catholic tradition is intended to promote communion with God through His Word. Connecting with other parishioners is an added bonus! Please stop in any Tuesday!



Catholic Diocese of Wilmington

Marian Pilgrimage:

Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception

Saturday, September 25, 2021 * 7 a.m. — 8 p.m.

A few seats remain – deadline extended until bus is full

- ◆ 7 a.m.: Coach bus leaves from St. Jude The Apostle, Lewes
- ◆ All events at the Basilica on September 25 are free, however the round-trip bus service to Washington, D.C. is \$30/person. First-come-first served reservations are required.
- ◆ It is a long day. Bring plenty of portable beverages & snacks. Bring a mid-day meal (the Basilica's Cafeteria is closed until future notice). The bus will make one stop on the return trip (between 5-6 p.m.) at a sandwich shop for the bus ride home.
- ◆ You will do some walking, so wear comfortable shoes. Attendees with walkers or wheelchairs need to notify & inquire to the Christian Formation Office in advance (302-644-7413).
- ◆ Bus reservations are open to members of surrounding parishes, so spots will be filled first-come, first served. Seats are limited to 55 on the bus.
- ◆ To reserve a seat on the bus & pay on-line go to our web site following the links off of our Home Page OR call the Christian Formation Office (302-644-7413).



This weekend we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. We wish to recognize the dozens and dozens of volunteers who work in our Youth and Adult Formation programs. These individuals give so generously of their time and talents, and will be called forth at the Saturday, 4:00pm Mass and Sunday, 10:30am Mass, to be blessed for their service to our Parish. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all of us to rededicate ourselves to this mission as a community of faith.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Michael McShane, Director and Donna Cofalka.



We are excited to announce a learning tool called **FORMED** that can be widely used by our St. Jude the Apostle Parish community.

FORMED.org is a premier on-line platform filled with over 4,000 Catholic studies, movies, cartoons, audio dramas, ebooks, and talks – and it's free for every parishioner.

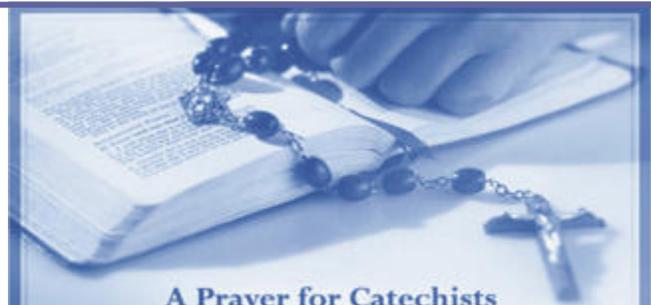
To subscribe to FORMED, use the simple steps below:

1. Go to <https://signup.formed.org>
2. Enter our parish zip code (19958)
3. Enter your name and email address. You're in!

Initial sign in must be completed on a personal computer, Ipad, or tablet.

After you have signed in, you may download the FORMED App on your smartphone by searching "FORMED Catholic".

For technical support: <https://watch.formed.org/contact/support>.



A Prayer for Catechists

Loving God, Creator of all things,
you call us to be in relationship with you and others.

Thank you for calling me to be a catechist,
for the opportunity to share with others
what you have given to me.

May all those with whom I share the gift of faith
discover how you are present in all things.

May they come to know you, the one true God,
and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
May the grace of the Holy Spirit guide my heart and lips,
so that I may remain constant in loving and praising you.

May I be a witness to the Gospel and a minister of your truth.
May all my words and actions reflect your love.

Amen.

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A JESUIT MINISTRY



Tuesday Rosary Group Meeting Weekly via ZOOM

In 1897, Therese Martin, a 24-year-old Carmelite cloistered nun in Lisieux, France, passed away from tuberculosis. This obscure young woman would be canonized a saint shortly thereafter, in 1925, and has become one of the most well-known and beloved of saints. Her doctrine of “the little way of trust and love” was explained in *The Story of a Soul*, and led to her being proclaimed in 1997 one of only four women Doctors of the Church.

You are invited to learn more about her with the Therese Rosary group of St. Jude The Apostle Parish that meets via Zoom every Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. to pray the Rosary with meditations from her writings. Come any time your schedule allows to pray and join in conversation about the meaning of Therese’s words for our lives. To receive a Zoom link invitation, please email Deacon Al Barros, al_barros@hotmail.com or call the Christian Formation Office, 302-644-7413.



Knights of Columbus



HAVE A TOOTSIE ROLL

HELP A KID STAY WARM

THIS WINTER



The Knights of Columbus will be distributing Tootsie Rolls at all Masses this weekend September 18th and 19th. All donations will go directly to our “Coats for Kids” Program. We are committed to providing over 140 coats this year. The Knights of Columbus not only provide winter jackets to local children in need but can provide them for an entire family.

Thank you for your generosity.

CHURCH RENOVATIONS ARE COMING

As mentioned in last week’s bulletin, we have had a significant deterioration of our church pews. They were installed some 60 years ago when the church was built and have been in need of attention long before COVID, which has hastened the need for action. Instead of reconditioning the pews, it is more cost effective and fiscally responsible to replace the pews outright which also minimizes installment from months to only 3 weeks – October 24 thru November 19, 2021.

With the new pews we will be replacing the flooring with luxury vinyl tile in the pew areas and carpet in the aisles plus front and rear of the main sanctuary (same as we currently have). The entire project will cost the parish about \$190,000, which is a significant sum.

The Finance Council put on their thinking caps to determine how to pay for this. The Maintenance Fund has been an important part of parish finances. As you may recall, just this past year we needed to replace the heating system in the church and we used Maintenance monies for this \$100,000 replacement. We remain in a good position due to the generosity of our parishioners and will not need a special funding request as the pew project will come from the Maintenance Fund. Please keep in mind that the Maintenance Fund comes from the second collection on the first weekend of each month. Please help us with this important collection.

In the coming weeks, we will have a sample pew and flooring materials available for your view in the vestibule of the church. This will give you a good idea of what to expect. We are excited for the coming new look and comfort of our church and want to extend our thanks to each of you for your support. We have a wonderful, caring parish family.

Widow / Widower

For those who are further along on their journey and are ready to socialize, we go to lunch once a month. If you are interested in joining us, get your name on the list.

Contact Cathi Gelwicks at
(302)947-9682 or cathigelwicks@yahoo.com.

Respect Life

The Texas Legislature has passed and the Governor has signed legislation that prevents any abortion after a heartbeat is detected. An interesting aspect is the law would have citizens file suit in court and be awarded monies and have legal fees paid if they won. Citizens could sue the abortion provider, anyone supporting the abortion, etc. On September 2, 2021, the Supreme Court by a 5 to 4 vote to reject an appeal against this law. It is possible this law may be the forerunner of laws that will return decisions on abortion back to the States.

Finance Council



to our parishioners and visitors who contribute to St. Jude's. Your Gifts are deeply appreciated.

<u>Weekend of</u> Sept. 4/5	<u>Weekend of</u> Sept. 11/12
<u>Weekend Actual</u> \$22,310	<u>Weekend Actual</u> \$24,512
<u>Fiscal YTD</u> <u>Actual</u> \$216,023	<u>Fiscal YTD</u> <u>Actual</u> \$240,535

SECOND COLLECTION

September 25 / 26

SHARE IN THE SPIRIT



Dear Friends,

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for many struggling Catholic families.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Since the Church has the mission to educate and this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

I ask you to generously support next week's *Share in the Spirit* collection. God bless you for your ongoing goodness.

To learn more about the *Share in the Spirit* collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html.

Joyfully in Christ,
 Fr. Lewis
 Pastor

St. Vincent de Paul Society

September 19 - Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time:

In today's Gospel Jesus called the Twelve, and said to them, *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, *"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me."*



Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul will help hungry children feel the arms of Jesus around them.



Our SVDP society is still up and operating during this time. A strong plastic box has been placed between the Church and the Parish Life Center by the white fence for the courtyard. **You may place any donations of nonperishable food items in the box.** Please do not place any food or boxes outside of the box. Our SVDP members will be checking the box and emptying it regularly.

If you wish to make a monetary donation during this time, please mail a check to
 St. Vincent DePaul Society PO Box 94 Lewes, DE 19958.



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Join Bishop Koenig for the annual wedding anniversary Mass on Oct. 17th.
 Reservation deadline is Sept. 30th.

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at **2:00 PM on Sunday, October 17, 2021** at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 1:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 1:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required**. Please make your **reservations by September 30th**.

This year, you can register by emailing ljackson@cdow.org.



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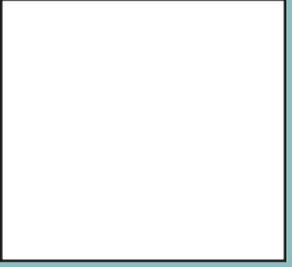
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