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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Church of the Holy Child Parish is a growing, diverse, welcoming Roman Catholic community serving Northern New Castle County and the surrounding area. As a Catholic community we daily embrace and strive to know, love and serve God as we grow in our relationship to Jesus. Our experience of prayer, worship, the sacraments and faith formation call us to acts of service and to address the needs of our brothers and sisters.

# JANUARY 16, 2022

## SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Monday, January 17

9:00 a.m. Kreidler & Yemc Families  
*Mary Lou Yemc*

### Tuesday, January 18

9:00 a.m. Maryanne Geraghty  
*Thomas Geraghty*

### Wednesday, January 19

9:00 a.m. Alice Bukics  
*Jean M Piziak*

### Thursday, January 20

9:00 a.m. John Brady  
*Carol Mateja*

### Saturday, January 22

4:00 p.m. Intentions of the Parishioners

### Sunday, January 23

8:30 a.m. Florence & Peter Stefanic  
*Carol Clarke*

11:00 a.m. Joseph Lowery  
*George & Mary Fallat*

## THIS WEEK

### Sunday:

### Monday:

4:45 p.m. Religious Education—virtual  
6:30 p.m. Religious Education—virtual

### Tuesday:

2:00 p.m. J  
Finance Council –virtual  
4:45 p.m. Religious Education—virtual

### Wednesday:

9:45 a.m. In Viam Ad Caelum Faith Sharing ZOOM

### Thursday:

10:30 a.m. Shipley Manor Nursing Home

### Friday:

Saturday: Social Concerns Sock Collection

## STEWARDSHIP

*“To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit.” 1 CORINTHIANS 12:7*

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God’s plan? How are you helping to build God’s kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don’t do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

*Thank you for your continued generosity!!*

## PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Almighty and eternal God,  
in your unfailing love you provide  
ministers for your Church.  
We pray for those whom you call  
to serve the Church of Wilmington  
as priests, deacons and consecrated religious.  
Inspire in them a generous response.  
Grant them courage  
and vision to serve your people.  
May their lives and service call your  
people to respond to the presence  
of your Spirit among us  
that, faithful to the Gospel and  
hope of Jesus the Christ, we may:  
announce glad tidings to the poor  
proclaim liberty to captives,  
set prisoners free  
and renew the face of the earth.  
Amen!

## PRAY FOR THE SICK

We pray for the sick and homebound: *Gerri Collom, Hector Colon, Tim Corcoran, Francis Cunniffe, David Donaldson, Natasha Evans, Eileen Fitzpatrick, Craig Harris, Michael Keller, Ginny Lewis, Karen C. Luistro, Nancy McKeown, Francine Passerini, Ed Romford, Gordon Taylor, Joe Theranger, Bea Wallace.*

If you know someone who should be added to our list, please call the Parish Office (302) 475-6486 ext. 110. Prayer requests will remain on this list for one month.

## WE PRAY

For members of our armed service who have recently been deployed:

PO1 Colleen Fitzgerald – U.S. Navy  
Major Jigar Patel MD – U.S. Army  
Seaman Ian Nuhfer - U.S. Coast Guard  
AWO2 Anthony Campolongo—U.S. Navy

As they continue to work for peace in our world, we remember them and their families with our prayerful support. Do you have a loved one or friend who has been deployed? Contact Margie Fiorella (302-475-6486 ext. 122 or mfiorella@chcparish.org) so we may include them in our list and prayers.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

We gratefully acknowledge those who made donations for the flowers that were placed in our church during this 2021 Christmas Season . The following missed last weeks bulletin insert.

Mrs. Christine Bayne Graham—  
*In memory of the Graham, Bayne, Cipriano Families*  
Mr. & Mrs. Lou Rombach  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rushton  
Mr. & Mrs. John Pastor

### 2021 TAX STATEMENTS

On January 17th tax statements will be sent to parishioners who have given \$250 or more in the weekly collection during the 2021 year, using your offertory envelopes. If you gave less than this and would like a statement, please contact Johanna Jones our parish secretary (302-475-6486 ext 110 or jjones@chcparish.org). Those parishioners who give through our **FaithDirect**, our e-giving, will be sent a tax statement directly from **FaithDirect**. Or you may download it from your **FaithDirect** account.

### SACRAMENTAL CERTIFICATES AND SPONSOR LETTERS

Sacramental Certificates (baptism, first communion, confirmation, matrimony) can be received with a **written request** from the individual (providing they are not a minor). In the case of minors (up to the age of 18), parents or guardians will need to submit a written request. Request forms for certificates are available online ([www.chcparish.org](http://www.chcparish.org)) or in our Parish Office during office hours (Monday-Thursday 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.). No request will be taken by phone.

Those needing godparent letters for baptism, or sponsor letters for confirmation will also need to submit a written request with the detailed information. Letters will be given for registered parishioners. These will be sent directly to the parish where the baptism or confirmation will take place. These request forms are available as well online ([www.chcparish.org](http://www.chcparish.org)) or in our parish office.

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

With the continuing surge of COVID cases we have returned to some our safety procedures and practices for everyone's safety and comfort.

Face masks are required for all attending any mass (ages 5 and older), regardless of your vaccination status.

Also, face masks are required when visiting our parish offices.

All meetings and programs will be virtual until at least mid-February.

We have returned to using every other pew for seating. Keeping some distance between families.

Also, the section behind the organ has spaced marked seating for those who wish more space between folks.

Please remember our hand sanitizers are available in each portico for your use.

We have installed air purifiers along the back wall of the church. In so doing, standing along the wall is not permitted since it impedes the proper functioning of the air purifiers.

We also continue to sanitize the entire church after each with our sainting equipment and chemicals.

I again remind you, if you are not feeling 100% - **STAY** home, until you feel better. Or if you fall ill once you have arrived for mass, please leave and go home to rest. We will certainly miss you. However, this is the **BEST** practice for your safety and others.

We continue to live-stream ALL of our masses for your convenience. If you aren't able to join in person, join us through live-stream and stay connected to your parish family.

Let us continue to seek the Blessed Mother's intercession to bring this pandemic to an end.



Masses will always be held as scheduled. With live-stream you may join us at any time. Any closure of our offices or cancelation of programs and meetings will be placed on the home page of our website. Also, email blasts will be sent (so check your emails). Stay safe.

## PARISH & FAMILY LIFE

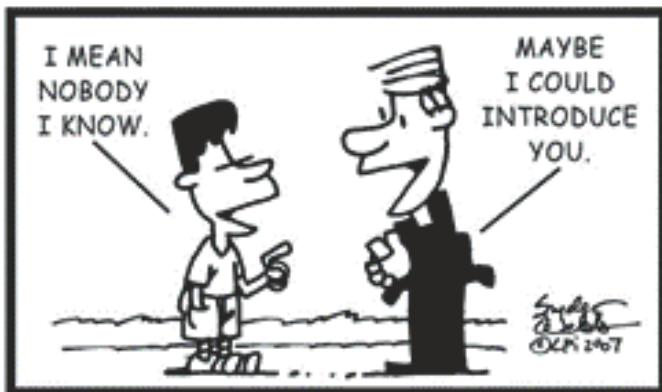
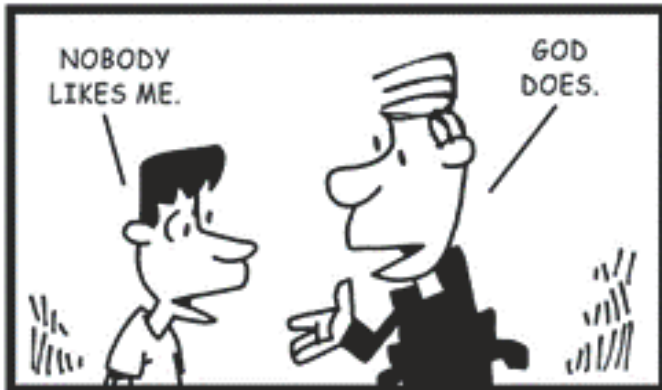
### PARENTING POINTERS

It's cold outside. Have a memory party inside. Pull out old photographs and enjoy. Maybe even organize those lost photos.

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Are both of you equally good at cooking, mechanical things, sewing, small talk? Probably not. Even though your spouse may have a natural talent for a particular task, try trading chores for a day, just for fun.

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## SOCK DRIVE

# Sock Drive January 22nd/23rd

Sponsored by  
**The Church Holy Child  
Social Concerns Committee**



The Social Concerns Committee of CHC parish is sponsoring a **Socks Drive** the weekend of **January 22-23rd**. We are collecting **new** socks for men, women, and children. The socks will be distributed to homeless veterans and their families. Please bring your donation to mass that weekend. There will be collection baskets in portico 2,3,4. **Or** you may drop them off in the office during the week—*by January 20th*. Thank you for your generosity and concern for those who served our country and are now in need of our help.



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## LITURGY

### USHERS NEEDED

We are in need of ushers for our 11 a.m. liturgy. No experience required. Men and women welcome. Interested? Contact the parish office 302-475-6486 ext 110 or [jjones@chcparish.org](mailto:jjones@chcparish.org).

### CELL PHONES

In today's world we have to be in constant communication with each other. When you come to church are you in communication with God? Why not **silence or turn off** your cell phone, so not to disturb others' communication with God. It disturbing to those who are here to pray. Treat yourself to a break as well.



### FAITHFUL DEPARTED

#### Question:

How can we pray for the dead throughout the year?

#### Answer:

We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2<sup>nd</sup> each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house, but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

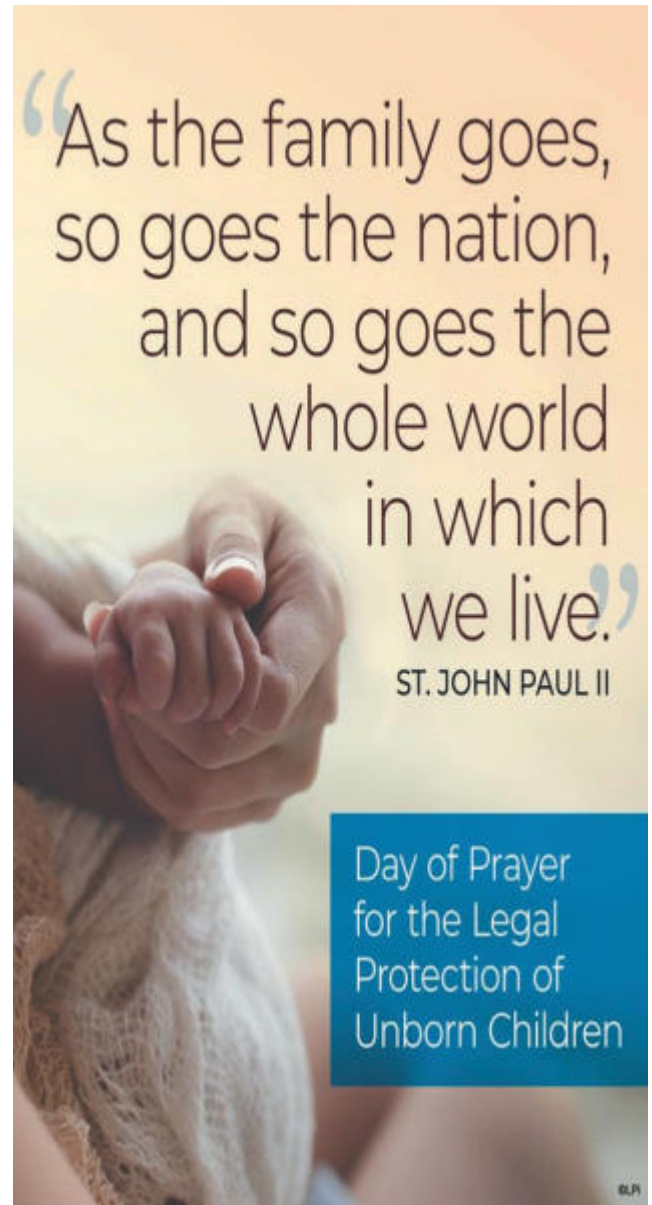
Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are!

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## SOCIAL CONCERNS

### PRAYER CHAIN

Do you need a prayer? Email your prayer requests to Michelle Lapihuska at [lapihuska@comcast.net](mailto:lapihuska@comcast.net). Parishioners are always welcome to join in prayer for others. If you would like to join the prayer chain email Michelle.



### WORDS TO REFLECT ON

"And if we can accept that a mother can kill her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?"

~ Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta ~

"A person is a person no matter how small."

Dr. Seuss

"As citizens, we should be guided more by our moral convictions than by our attachment to a political party or interest group."

*Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, USCCB*

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION


Due to the continued surge of OVID positive cases and for everyone's safety, our Religious Education has gone to virtual for two weeks. Hopefully, we will resume in person January 24th and 25th.


### CONFIRMATION ORIENTATION MEETING


Due to the increasing cases of COVID our Confirmation Orientation Meeting will be virtual on Monday January 24, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. Any 8th grade students not in our Religious Education Program attending a private or catholic school should contact our Religious Education Office (302-475-6486, ext. 111) to register.

### THANK YOU!!

We take this opportunity to "thank" our Religious Education families for their generosity in providing the many items given in our Christmas Baskets to our shut-ins. May God continue to bless you for bring joy to the lives of our parish's shut-ins.

 **PUZZLE**  
Find the two identical jars.



 **MISSION**  
What does Jesus tell you to do in his word, the Bible? Find out by reading the Bible for 15 minutes a day with your family. You could start by reading Luke.

## GOD'S WORD

### SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 62:1-5.  
Psalm 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10.  
1 Corinthians 12:4-11.  
John 2:1-11.

### Believing Signs.

At first glance, these readings lead us to bride and groom, gifts, and marriage. But there are important things underneath, important truths at the heart of these proclamations. God has not and will not abandon us (Isaiah). Charisms, that is, gifts of the Spirit, are given to everyone to use for the common good, not just one's own good (Corinthians). The miracle of water to wine is the first of many signs of the Messiah, the Christ (John). God's signs and good activity are everywhere.

What evidence do I have that God is with us still?

What gifts that I have, given by the Spirit, will I put to use for the good of another?

Christ is active all the time. What little and big signs of this goodness can I be part of?

What signs will I rejoice in?



### DAILY MASS READINGS

#### Monday:

1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

#### Tuesday:

1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

#### Wednesday:

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6

#### Thursday:

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

#### Friday:

1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

#### Saturday:

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21

#### Sunday:

Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/  
Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekdays (Monday—Thursday).....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Vigil (Saturday).....4:00 p.m.  
Sunday.....8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.  
Holy Days .....9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00—3:30 p.m., or by appointment.

### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are held at 12:30 p.m. on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month. Please call Sr. Ann Hughes, SSJ for registration and details.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Please make arrangements at least **one** year in advance of desired date. Please call Sr. Ann Hughes, SSJ for registration and details.

### Registration

We welcome all new members to our parish family. To register, Parish Census forms are located in each portico, on our website or you may call the Parish Office.

### Bulletin Submissions

Information for the bulletin must be in to the Parish Office **15 days** prior to the publication date. Submission does not guarantee publication.

### Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.



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