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St. John Mass Schedule

Saturday Evening : 5:00PM, First Saturday Only 9AM

Sunday : 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM (*español*)

Monday : 12:00 PM

Tuesday : 9:00 AM

Thursday : 9:00 AM

Friday : 9:00AM

St. Bernadette Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 PM

Sunday : 10:00 AM

Wednesday : 9:00 AM

Confession:

St. John - Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:45PM or by appointment

*The last confession on Saturday will be heard at 4:45pm

St. Bernadette- Saturday 3:15pm - 3:45pm



Check us out on Facebook by searching St. John the
Apostle/Bernadette Parish

Sacrament of Baptism: Parents seeking to have their children baptized should be registered with our parish. Applications for Baptism may be found on our website or picked up in the parish office. Once your application is completed and submitted to the office you will be registered for the Baptismal class and then will be able to schedule your child's Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Arrangements for Marriage must be made one year in advance by contacting a Parish priest to set the wedding date and to plan for pre-Cana instruction.

Holy Orders and Religious Life: If you believe you have, or someone you know has, a vocation to the priesthood or religious life, please contact Fr. Norman Carroll at 302) 573-3113.

Hospital Visitation: If a member of the family is in the hospital and would like to be visited, please call the Parish Office.

Parish Registration: We kindly request that all those who attend mass register with the parish. Registration forms are available at the exits of the church or may be mailed to you.

Envelopes/Weekly Offering: All parishioners are strongly encouraged to make use of the parish envelopes which assist us in predicting our income and preparing our budget for expenses. A record of yearly contributions are kept for you in our office and can be provided for income tax purposes. Thank you for your continued support.

Online Giving: is available for those prefer electronic giving. Log on to our website and look for the **PARISH SOFT ONLINE GIVING** button.

Office Hours: St. John - Mon, Tues, Thurs & Friday
9:00 am to 4:00 pm. Wed 12:30pm - 4:00pm.

St. Bernadette - 8:30am to 12:00pm (Wednesday)

Parish Council Members

Dawn Curtiss, Ron DiMeo, Andrew Fulton, Filadelfo Gonzalez, Michael Gumrot, Marcus Hammond, Kevin Joseph, Summer Lewis, Stephanie McDonough, Jeannette Minner, Ramon Quinene, Alberto Ramos, Kathy Trombello, Mike Welsh & Cindy Zarraga

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Deacon Beacon



THE DEACON BEACON

It is a great honor and joy to be able share Fr. Giamello's writing space. I'd like to thank him for the opportunity.

John 2:1-11

Wow! I remember the last time I called my mom, "woman". It didn't go over well. Jesus is not using it in the same context that I was (ummm, being fresh with my mom). There's more going on here than meets the eye. Although the miracle itself is fantastic, it's really in the interaction between mother, Son and the servers that we need to pay attention to. Woman, believe it or not was an affectionate term in Jesus' time. But in this instance Jesus is addressing his mom as God would. Remember, she is the new woman, new Eve. A woman who trusts, believes and is obedient to God.

A woman who trusts, believes and is obedient to God. We could think of this as Jesus', glory reveal party. It's not important to him, but it's important to his mom. And so, it becomes important to him. How is this played out? Imagine Mary is facing her son, looking deeply into his eyes, and speaking with her heart and he responds. You see, no matter how trivial it may be, if we bring it before the Lord...He will respond. But it requires faith, obedience, and action, all of which are displayed by Jesus, and the servers.

Mary has no doubts and trusts totally in Jesus. "Do what he says", she says to the servers. Isn't it wonderful, mama got it going on...and they comply? Absolutely! For the miracle to happen there must be obedience to God's will and action to put it into play. This could be praying, doing something he asks of us, etcetera.

What's the result? Just as Mary is familiar with her son, so we must be familiar with our God. We must trust, have faith, believe and act. Then, God will bless us with the best of who He is and what He has...because He responds to love.

Oh, and don't think for one moment that the Holy Spirit isn't in the background. So how do you live a holy life? Listen to Mary...and do whatever He tells you.

Until next time...may Jesus keep you smiling, may God's grace shine on you and always pray for our Pastor, Fr. Johnny and all our priests...They have a heck of a job...luv ya!

Deacon Phil

Religious Education News

Attention all Families and Parents:

Religious Education is not meeting face to face for the month of January. We will reevaluate at the end of the month, if we return to face to face or continue with virtual and home assignments. Please continue to work with your children on prayers. We have noticed that many of the students do not know by memory: The Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be and Apostles Creed. For those older they should know the Act of Contrition and should be practicing by going to Confession. Mass is also an important part of the life of the children. If you can not make it to mass there are many places that are broadcasting mass each Sunday. Our Diocese has this available on their YouTube channel. Go to their webpage to find the link.

[\(https://www.cdow.org/\)](https://www.cdow.org/) If you have not heard from your child's teacher please contact the office 422-5123 ext 103. Some teachers will send home work by snail mail, so be on the lookout for hard copies being sent in the mail. If you are using the digital book, it is best to try and access on a computer or laptop.

Remind is a classroom text notification program to hear important info from RE. To join our Remind app: Send text to 81010 and message should say @de89k3 and you will be in our remind system.

To join parish text/email alert for the parish:

Text MILFORD to 84576

Or signup online stjohnsmilford.flocknote.com

If classes meet in person masks must be worn by adults and students.

Any cases of Covid or quarantining should be reporter to Miss Judy 422-5123 ext 103 as requested by the Diocese. This is to be done after we are back to face-to-face classes, as we have certain protocols to follow.

PARISH NEWS



Attention Parishioners - With the rise in COVID –19 cases, the Diocese of Wilmington is **STRONGLY ENCOURAGING** Parishioners to wear face masks when attending Mass. Ministries and non-liturgical parish activities should be carefully evaluated and, if possible, held virtually.

Our parish has joined the flocknote texting and email service. We are hoping to stay in better contact with our parishioners for Mass times, winter cancellations (especially snow), pandemic information, ministry updates and more delivered to your phone, email or both just Text MILFORD to 84576 Or signup online stjohnsmilford.flocknote.com



Offering Envelopes



Envelope Sets: Have gone out to those who regularly use envelopes as well as those who requested them after the order was sent to the printing company. This year we will be using bi-monthly envelopes. If we missed sending yours or you wish envelopes, please contact the office and we will get them to you as soon as possible.

TAX STATEMENT REQUESTS Please contact either St. John or St. Bernadette office if you wish a tax statement for 2021. Contact Vivian if you have any questions or problems regarding tax statements.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul - In the Gospel today, at the wedding feast in Cana, Jesus reveals himself to his disciples and they began to believe in him. Every day, God also gives us signs of his love and so we also can respond in faith and trust. **Your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Poor Box becomes a sign of God's love to those who are suffering, and you give them reason to believe and to trust. Thank you for your continued support.**

Birthright Bottles for Babies Fundraiser



Birthright of Delaware is so grateful for your generous support of our Bottles for Babies Fundraiser 2021. Just know that St John the Apostle/ St Bernadette raised \$1,416.00 so far. We are expecting straggler bottles to trickle in, at that point, we will continue to add to your total.



Final amounts will be posted in the Spring Newsletter

Thank you for sharing in our work of serving mothers and their babies! We really appreciate EVERY one of you! If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at any time 302-656-7080!

St. John's

St. John's Rosary Altar Society - Come and pray the Rosary with us every 1st Saturday of the month at 8:30 am before the 9:00 Mass. All ladies of St. John's are welcome. Yearly dues are \$5.00. Meetings are on 3rd Tuesdays.



Iron Men's Lectio Divina - Come join faithful Catholic men, for the study of scripture, prayer, and fellowship. Meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in Saint John's basement at 7:00pm. Call or email Kevin Joseph with interest. "Iron is sharpened by Iron; one person sharpens another." Proverbs 27:17

MESSENGER'S OF HOPE From the Messengers of Hope to those who are grieving the loss of a loved one! On behalf of the community of St. John the Apostle/St. Bernadette, please know that we are thinking of you and keeping you in our prayers. If you are seeking help in coping with grief, we invite you to our grief support group. We meet in the Hall on the first Tuesday of each month after the 9:00am Mass. Our first meeting will begin on the first Tuesday of September. To learn more about our ministry, please phone Jim Malloy (302)422-7661.

St. Bernadette's

Thank you to all the Parishioners that helped decorate and prepare the Church for our Christmas Season!



The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Bernadette's is open to welcoming new members to our group. We meet on the third Monday of the month at 1:00pm in St. Bernadette's Hall. Along with our mission to support St. Bernadette's Knights of Columbus (you do not have to be married to a Knight to join), the Auxiliary is involved in several activities throughout the year. If you are interested in learning more about our mission, please either contact Mary Lou Perrone at teacherloulou@verizon.net, President of the Auxiliary.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH, Pete Anderson, Angela Baglinoe, Michael Baglione, Keith Bandura, Meredith Benoit, Brienna Bidenback, Frank Bilger, Dave Boffa, Tom Born, Margaret Carman, Tom Casey, Steve Clagett, Joanne Coombe, Ben Dehn, Helen Dominguez, George Ehrmann, Victor Elbaz, Carol Farley, Kimberly Ferrante, Joan Fierro, Mario & Dorothy Fitzgerald, Carolyn Fogerty, Cathy Gegaris, Nadine Gleason, Karen Hall, Katherine Harris, Debbie Heinsch, Jim Higgins, Doris Koons, Luke Landon Labajo, Patricia Maher, Bob McGuire, Barbara Neske, James Nicholson, Dorothy Pazarecki, Joan Perry, Joe Plummer, Judith Pordan, Susan Portz, Emilio Raffio, Claire Renk, Dottie Renk, Rachel Renk, Sarah Roche, Stephen Ruczynski, John & Nadene Shearstone, Julie Stymacks, Sharon Thomas, Joan Walther, Jennifer Webrman, Jim Woofter and Greg & April Wright. ***Please remember to call when someone needs to be removed from the Sick List.***

DEPLOYED TROOPS Please pray for our deployed troops and their families. Airman Alex Dudley (FL), A-1C James W. Gagnon (Langley AFB), Rev. Anthony Giamello (Middle East), Majors Kyle & Alicia Waite (Nevada), Joshua Meenan (New York), Ariel Tricoche (Army), James Zollo (Army).

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE DIED especially, Mr. Albert Masetti, Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

PRAYER LINE St. John's Prayer Line is a group of prayer warriors, contacted online, who pray daily for those in our parish family and any others with special prayer requests. Prayer is our way of communing with God and deepens our relationship with him. If you need prayers or know someone who does please call Jane Brown at 302-233-2181 or Bonnie De Mar at 302-236-5296 or by email at Italianpr@aol.com.

WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS TO OUR COMMUNITY if you wish to register please contact either parish office or see one of our ushers.

Anuncios de la comunidad Hispana



Atención a los feligreses - Con el aumento de los casos de COVID-19, la Diócesis de Wilmington está **SUGIRIENDO** a los feligreses a usar máscaras cuando asistan a misa.



Nuestra parroquia se ha unido al servicio de mensajes de texto y correo electrónico de flocknote. Esperamos mantenernos en mejor contacto con nuestros feligreses para los horarios de misa, cancelaciones de invierno (especialmente nieve), información sobre pandemias, actualizaciones del ministerio y más entregadas a su teléfono, correo electrónico o ambos simplemente Envíe un mensaje de texto a MILFORD al 84576 o regístrese en línea stjohnsmilford.flocknote.com

Los sobres de ofrenda han sido enviados a sus casas, este año vamos a usar sobres bi-mensuales. Si le gustaría sobres por favor contacte a Vivian en la oficina parroquial.



Diocesan / Community News

VIRTUAL BASKET AUCTION FUNDRAISER - The Delaware State Columbiettes will be sponsoring a **virtual Basket Auction on Sunday, February 27th at 1:00 P.M.** There will be dozens of wonderful baskets to take a chance on. Tickets are \$25.00 for a single sheet (20 chances to win) or \$15.00 for a half sheet (10 chances to win)! They may be purchased by sending a check made payable to Delaware State Columbiettes with your name, email and phone number, to Arlene Brown, 87 Paige Place, Felton, DE 19943 (amb550@hotmail.com). We will email you your ticket number and the Zoom information prior to the event if you would like to attend. If you cannot attend, we will contact to you if you win! **TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED BY February 23rd!** We look forward to having you join us for a fun filled afternoon.

RETROUVAILLE: REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE: Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of February 11-13, 2022 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit HelpOurMarriage.org... or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Marriage Moments - Sunday January 16: 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.

Parenting Pointers - Sunday January 16: It's cold outside. Have a memory party inside. Pull out old photographs and enjoy. Maybe even organize those lost photos.

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, January 15

4:00 PM ♥Women of Grace St. Bernadette
5:00 PM †Madeline Herzog St. John

Sunday, January 16

9:00 AM †Terry Wilkins St. John
10:00 AM †Robert Moyer St. Bernadette
11:00 AM †Madeline Herzog St. John
6:00 PM Pro Populo St. John

Monday, January 17

12:00 PM †Bernice Raker St. John

Tuesday, January 18

9:00 AM †Rudolph Van Wees St. John

Wednesday, January 19

9:00 AM †John Zager St. Bernadette

Thursday, January 20

9:00 AM †Rose Marie Vellucci St. John

Friday, January 21

9:00 AM †Rose Marie Vellucci St. John

Saturday, January 22

4:00 PM †Bruce Bond St. Bernadette
5:00 PM †Dylan Jones St. John

Sunday, January 23

9:00 AM †Helen Zanti-Paoli St. John
10:00 AM †Deceased Members of the Murphy Family St. Bernadette
11:00 AM †Mary Becker St. John
6:00 PM Pro Populo St. John

†Indicates Person is deceased ♥ Indicates living intention

PARISH EVENTS

Saturday, January 15

Sunday, January 16

NO RE Classes STJ/STB

Monday, January 17

Tuesday, January 18

2:00pm STB Choir Practice STB Church

Wednesday, January 19

Thursday, January 20

Friday, January 21

Saturday, January 22

Sunday, January 23

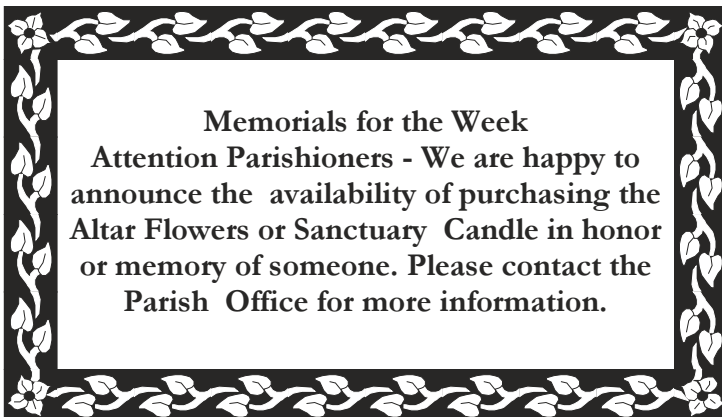
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ST. JOHN'S ROOM IDENTIFICATION: MT - Matthew (Mateo) MK - Mark (Marco) LK/JN Luke/John (Lucas/Juan) TR -Teen Room - CR Conference Room

ST. BERNADETTE'S ROOM IDENTIFICATION: BR - Brigid JO - Joan

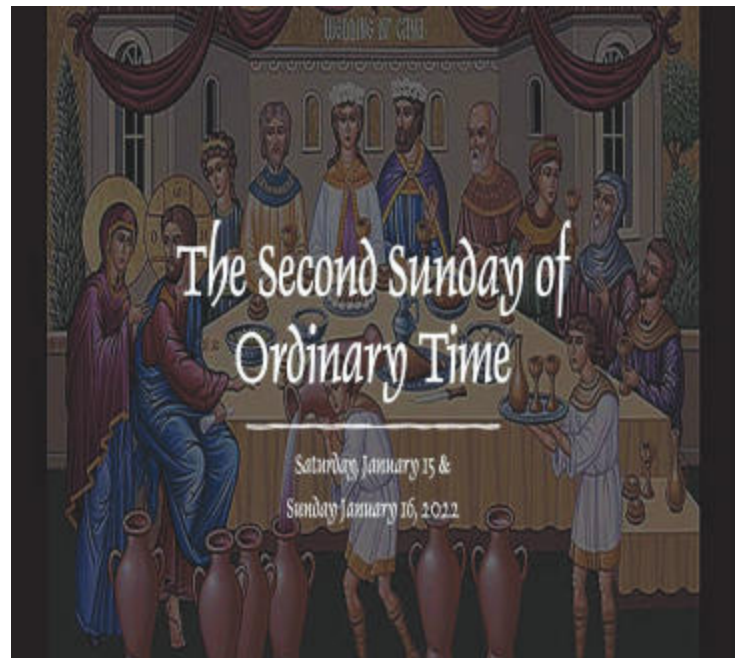
Gratitude & Generosity

SECOND COLLECTION: For January 23 is for Capital Maintenance. Please mail in or drop off your donations, or you can go to our Parish Website to do our online giving. We appreciate any generous donations at this time.



Memorials for the Week

Attention Parishioners - We are happy to announce the availability of purchasing the Altar Flowers or Sanctuary Candle in honor or memory of someone. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.



"I Have Hope Again."

Local resident, Carl P. had been experiencing the painful effects of Peripheral Neuropathy, "my feet and legs were extremely painful and my doctor told me there was nothing they could do. That I would have to take Gabapentin for the rest of my life." Then he went to see acupuncturist, Ashley Adams.

Peripheral Neuropathy is the pain, discomfort and numbness caused by nerve damage of the peripheral nervous system. Carl explained that daily tasks like opening doors and using the bathroom were overwhelmingly painful. "How can you live for the next 20 years when you don't even want to get out of bed to do simple things?"

He was experiencing the burning, numbness, tingling and sharp pains that those suffering with neuropathy often describe. "The way that I would describe it, it's equivalent to walking on glass." Carl hadn't worn socks in five years and was wearing shoes two sizes too big so that nothing would 'touch' his feet.

Unfortunately Carl's story is all too familiar for the over 3 million people in the U.S. suffering from Peripheral Neuropathy.

If you are unfortunate enough to be facing the same disheartening prognosis, you're not sleeping at night because of the burning in your feet, you have difficulty walking, shopping or doing any activity for more than 30 minutes because of the pain.

You're struggling with balance and living in fear that you might fall. Your doctor told you to "just live with the pain" and you're taking medications that aren't working or have uncomfortable side effects. Know that there are options.

Fortunately, three months ago, Carl read an article about DelMarVa Acupuncture and the work being done to treat those suffering from Peripheral Neuropathy without invasive surgeries or medications. He can now share how significantly his life has been changed!

"Now when I go to bed at night I don't have those shooting pains. I don't have that burning sensation. I don't have pain coming up my legs," Carl enthusiastically describes life after receiving treatments. "I can comfortably wear socks and shoes and I can enjoy golfing again!"

Ashley Adams, founder of DelMarVa Acupuncture & Wellness Center, is using the time tested science of Acupuncture combined with technology originally developed by NASA that assists in increasing blood flow and expediting recovery and healing to treat this debilitating disease.

DelMarVa Acupuncture uses the most cutting edge and innovative integrative medicine. Specializing in chronic pain cases, specifically those that have been deemed 'hopeless' or 'untreatable', she consistently generates unparalleled results. What was once a missing link in senior healthcare is now easily accessible to the residents of Milford.

If you've missed too many tee times because of pain or you've passed on dancing along to songs of your youth because you're afraid of falling, it's time to give yourself a new opportunity.

It's time you let your golden years, BE GOLDEN!



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