

# Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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*Because of the limited size of our staff, hours are subject to change. It's best to call first.*

**July 3, 2016 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## Eucharist of the Lord's Day

**Sunday:** 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.  
7:00 p.m. (in Spanish)

### Weekday Eucharist

Thursday 7:00 p.m. (in Spanish)

### Holydays of Obligation

As announced in the bulletin

### Reconciliation

After the Sunday morning Masses,  
Thursday evening 6:30pm

And by appointment at any reasonable time

### Pastoral Care and Liturgy

Very Rev. James S. Lentini, V.F., Pastor  
Rev. John Olson, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Michael Angeloni, Associate Pastor

Deacon James M. Tormey, Sr.  
Deacon Sherman Mitchell, III

### Christian Formation

Mrs. Alicia Poppiti, D.R.E.

### Hispanic Ministry

Mrs. Arline Dosman

If you or someone you know is in need of financial assistance, please call

**St Vincent DePaul (302) 670-6702**

## The Sacraments

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** is the process in which adults and children of catechetical age join the Catholic Church. Please contact Deacon James M. Tormey, Sr., our R.C.I.A. Coordinator, for details at 302-697-2049.

Parents wishing to present their children for **Infant Baptism** must participate in an orientation session. Please call the parish office at 410-482-8939 for details.

Please contact Alicia Poppiti at 410-482-8939 about the preparation of young people for **Confirmation**, or about children's first reception of the Sacraments of **Reconciliation** and the **Eucharist**.

Couples planning **Matrimony** meet with the Pastor or one of the Deacons at least one year in advance of the wedding date they are considering. Please call the parish office to arrange for this meeting.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** The **Anointing of the Sick** is appropriate for anyone faced with hospitalization or a serious challenge to health. When a hospital admission is planned, please arrange to receive the Anointing here beforehand, if at all possible. Our lay ministers to the sick bring **Holy Communion** to those unable to come to Mass for any length of time. Please call the parish office to arrange for these services.

Your Pastor, Deacons and parish staff members are always happy to speak in confidence with anyone who senses a call to **ordained ministry** or **religious life**.

## Pastor's Desk

group Abba said: "Oh, my, at Waterloo Napoleon did surrender... but the history books on the shelf, is always repeating itself").

**A Sting of Freedom.** On the subject of freedom and independence, The Young Rascals, a folky-rock group of the late 60s sang, "Shout it from the mountain on out to the sea / no two ways about it, people got to be free. / If you ask my opinion, my opinion will be / it's a natural situation for man to be free." Indeed, people strive for freedom! In 1985, the singer named Sting stung us with the lyrics, "If you love somebody, set them free" from the song of the same name. God, loves us, and he did, in fact set us free: He created us with free will, he freely offered man covenants to remain in his good grace, he freed his Chosen people from slavery to the Egyptians, he freed us from sin and gave us freedom as children of God, by his salvific death on a Cross. We are endowed by God with freedom!

**87,659 Days of Independence.** This week our nation – our great nation – celebrates Independence Day, or more precisely, we celebrate the 240th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence. That Declaration from 87,659 days ago, formed the

Dear Parishioners,

**The Fjord Foundation.** In 1905, an amazing thing happened in Scandinavia. For over 90 years, since 1815, Norway – the land of fjords and Vikings – had been a part of Sweden. Norway had fallen into this situation as a result of the Congress of Vienna of 1815 which had redrawn the map of Europe following Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo. In 1905, Norway said to Sweden: We want to be an independent nation again. And Sweden, taking stock (or is it Stockholm) of the situation said, simply: Okay. And with little hoopla, Norway got its independence; not a shot fired, not a feather ruffled – and celebration ensued. And so it has been, from our nation in declaring of independence in 1776, to the defeat of Napoleon at Waterloo in 1815, to Norway's gaining its freedom in 1905, to the liberation of Europe in 1944-45, to the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, independence and freedom have always been something to celebrate. Indeed, whenever oppression yields to freedom, there is always something to celebrate. And I have no doubt that we will see this truth shown over and over again now and in the future (or as pop-

philosophical underpinning of the birth of our nation. The drafters of that document, overwhelmingly Christian, made sure to put the contextualization of this Declaration in the framework of man's place in God's creation.

One of the most famous quotes from the Declaration of Independence is:

*"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness."*

The point being made: Our happiness, our liberty and our very lives are a direct grant from our Creator (i.e., God). The nature of the world, and each of us, is forged by the creative power of God, who not only creates, but also cares; who not only transcends, but also abides; and who not only commands to us free will, but also trusts us to use that free will righteously. The Christian mind and heart embraces this concept wholeheartedly.

**Wronging our Rights.** However, in our country and in our culture, over several decades, those rights endowed by our Creator, by God, by Christ, have at times been misused or misunderstood. The right to life, liberty and happiness has morphed into the right to decadence, gratuitous license and self-seeking pleasure. Using what the Creator blessed us with has moved from focusing on God and neighbor, to focusing on one's self.

**Spes Cadets.** *Gaudium et Spes*, meaning Joy and Hope, was a Second Vatican Council document that foresaw and warned of this potential misuse of the freedoms that God gave us. Section 17 of that document stated:

*"Only in freedom can man direct himself toward goodness... Often however they foster it perversely as a license for doing whatever pleases them, even if it is evil... God has willed that man remain under the control of his own decisions so that he can seek his Creator..."*

**Can Do vs. Should Do.** What the heck does that *Gaudium et Spes* quote mean? It means that our freedoms, endowed to us by God, are properly used to bring us closer to the knowledge of God. If what we are doing, by free will, leads us further away from God, then we are misusing our free will. In pragmatic terms: Just because you can do something (freedom), doesn't mean you should do it (prudence).

In our nation, the concept of "do whatever you want" has seemingly become a mantra, recited under the false guise of freedom. From

abortion to assisted suicide to the redefinition of marriage, we are told that all of these developments are a mere exercise of "liberty." I disagree; to quote Milton, "*License [is what] they mean when they cry liberty."*

So, how do we seek to use free will rightly? Well the Church teaches that:

*"Since man's freedom has been damaged by sin, only by the aid of God's grace can he bring such a relationship with God into full flower. Before the judgment seat of God each man must render an account of his own life, whether he has done good or evil."*

In other words, we have to pray fervently to discern God's will, to seek his grace through prayer and the Sacraments, and above all, to remember that in everything we do with the freedom with which we have been entrusted, we are answerable to God.

**Redemption Center.** Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, died on the Cross showing us that both great love and following God's call to do good for others carries a cost; freedom isn't free. And Christ redeemed us all on that Cross, so that we could again have that hope of eternal life, eternal liberty and eternal happiness in Heaven. Christ freed us from slavery to sin, and "*if a Son frees you, then you will truly be free*" (John 8:36). And we are truly free, indeed. Free to serve God, out of love. But while our nation is independent – and glad to be – we are not. As human beings, the truth is we are dependent: Dependent on God (who grants us our freedom) and on one another. Or, as our Founders stated it in the Declaration of Independence, we should possess "*a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence*" and we should "*mutually pledge to each other our lives, our fortunes and our sacred Honor.*"

**Of Spiders and Freedom.** On this Independence Day weekend, I remind you that our Lord has created us to be free, and at the same time to be holy. As we should have all learned from the Spider-Man movie, "*with great power comes great responsibility.*" We have freedom, both in our own lives, and in our nation, and our challenge is take that gift of freedom – of liberty – and to use it well.

To each of you and your families, I say may God bless America, this year and for ages to come! His truth is marching on! Yours in Christ, Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

### MASS INTENTIONS:

**Sun., Jun 26**    **8:30am:** Louis Adam  
                    **11:00am:** Catherine Gravenor

Misa en Español **7:00pm:** For the People

**Thu., Jun 30**    **7:00pm:** For the People

**Sun., Jul 3**       **8:30am:** Shirley Folker

**11:00am:** Ann & Neal Thomas

Misa en Español **7:00pm:** For the People



**ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED:** If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, please let Ms. Alicia know, and she will schedule you to shadow as Cross Bearer at the Mass you attend.

### COLLECTION TOTALS:

**Regular Offertory:** \$2299.00  
**Peter's Pence:** \$ 559.75

**Second Collection Today:** Supplementary Offertory  
*Your continued support of the work of your Church is much needed, and appreciated.*

**Congratulations to our new Grand Knight – Harry Brown.**  
And many thanks to Clyde Hinebaugh for his years of service.



**Knights of Columbus:** Meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tues., at 6:30pm. For more information contact Grand Knight, Harry Brown 302-233-8336 or [daddyofone12307@gmail.com](mailto:daddyofone12307@gmail.com)

## STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

### Collection Counters

**July 3** Julia Moore & Paul McQuaide  
**July 10** Marianne Lemon & Diane Nagyiski  
**July 17** Marilyn Dixon & Maurilio Gabriel

### Church Cleaning Crew

#### **July 9, 2016 Grupo #13**

Herminio Ramírez, Rosa Álvarez, **Javier Carreto**,  
 Emma Ramírez, Rubelio Velásquez

#### **July 16, 2016 Grupo #14**

Román Cuin, Dolores Cuin, Adrián Miranda,  
**Antonio Pérez**, Edi Pérez

#### **July 23, 2016 Grupo #15**

Delfino Ramírez, Raquel Morales, **Aníbal Simón**,  
 Simón De Jesús Quevedo, Emilio García, Adulada De Paz

### Altar Servers

#### **July 10**

**8:30am Mass** – Hannah Nagyiski  
**11:00am Mass** – Carmine Poppiti & Joanne Santizo  
**Spanish Misa 7pm** – Jose Ortiz, Pavel Hernandez

### Lectors

#### **July 10**

**8:30am Mass** – Diane Smith  
**11:00am Mass** – Donna King  
**Spanish Misa 7pm** – Antonio Pérez, Javier Carreto

### Eucharistic Ministers

#### **July 10**

**8:30am Mass** – Deacon Tormey, Tom & Elisa Costello  
**11:00am Mass** – Deacon Mitchell, Alicia Poppiti, Nancy Mooney  
**Spanish Misa 7pm** – Genaro Pérez, Antonio Pérez, Adelaida Velásquez

**Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat** for post-abortion healing will be held at Jesus House, Wilmington, DE on October 21-23, 2016. The retreat weekend is a beautiful opportunity for any person who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion. For more info contact Nan Freeman at 302-528-8313 or visit [rachelsvineyard.org](http://rachelsvineyard.org).



Are you being called to the Priesthood?

You're invited to socialize, talk, and hang-out with priests, and men like yourself, who think the Lord may be calling them to be a priest. Find out about the amazing life of the Priesthood. You will meet young men like yourself who are asking the same question: is Jesus calling ME to be a Priest?

CAS will meet on July 14, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. at St. John the Beloved Church on Milltown Road in Wilmington. For upcoming dates and times, contact Fr. Chris Coffiey at 302-239-7100 x 24

or [ccoffiey@yahoo.com](mailto:ccoffiey@yahoo.com)

## SCHEDULED EVENTS

**Sun, Jul 3** 3:30pm Jovenes  
**Mon, Jul 4** Office Closed  
**Tues, Jul 5** 7pm Juan XXIII  
**Wed, Jul 6** ESL computer center

### Marriage & Family Life Corner

#### **Marriage Moment –**

**How much independence is good in a marriage? Certainly husband and wife should be able to stand on their own two feet and not rely on their spouse for identity and self-worth; BUT interdependence is better. What do you depend on your spouse to do around your home?**

**Parenting Pointer – "...love your neighbor as yourself (Luke 10:27)-It's a familiar verse; perhaps so familiar we take it for granted. How do I love myself? (Do I take care of my health, my mind...) Help your children identify their strengths today. Not just general strengths. Be specific.**

#### Going on Vacation?

The Catholic Diocese of Wilmington is blessed to have, a number of wonderful vacation and resort areas. Whether enjoying the history & natural beauty of the towns along the eastern shore of the Chesapeake Bay, or the family fun of a Delaware or Maryland Atlantic Ocean resort vacation; you'll find a Catholic community nearby ready to welcome you with open arms. To find Mass times, visit [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org) or, anywhere else in the US, visit



[www.masstimes.org](http://www.masstimes.org)

#### VBS will be here at ICC soon! August 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>

**6-8:30pm. Registration for VBS is open now.** Registration forms are available in church, office and online. Please see list of needs in bulletin this week.



**JOIN US FOR  
THE PARISH  
PICNIC ON  
SUNDAY,  
AUGUST 7<sup>th</sup>  
FOLLOWING  
11AM MASS**

## FROM THE DRE'S DESK

### School of Religious Education

Religious Education Classes for 2016-2017

**It is time to register for the coming year**

Classes run September 25<sup>th</sup>- May 7  
From 9:40am-10:50am on Sundays

- Please return Registrations to the office of Religious Education by August 15<sup>th</sup> in order that materials, text books, teachers and classrooms may be organized in time to start in September.
- If you have difficulties with the schedule please contact Alicia Poppiti.
- Do not let your child's religious education lapse.
- Any parent that is available to lend a hand on Sunday mornings is encouraged to contact Alicia at your earliest convenience.

We are here to assist you with your child's faith journey.



### Hear the call?

Share your talents, time & gifts with our parish. Not sure where? Call Alicia Poppiti, we can find

a place for you here!! Training on site; knowledge of the Catholic faith, and a willingness to share your faith and your faith journey with the children and people of our Parish. Salary: the satisfaction of doing the right thing in this life! Benefits: a hundred fold happiness in the next.



### VACATION BIBLE

### SCHOOL WISH LIST

Forks, spoons, Pink bandanas- 15, Blue Bandanas-15, cheese balls, Green

bandanas-15, juice boxes, Orange bandanas-15, oreos, fabric paints & fabric markers, bottled water/cases, card stock, cookies, Paper towels, Pudding mix, glue sticks, Napkins, Fruit: apples, grapes, oranges, melons, Card Board-big pieces, Markers, gummie worms, Pony beads, Pretzels, poster board, scotch tape & Masking tape, Fruit cocktail, Ranch dip, hand sanitizer, Stickers- farm theme, small plastic snack bowls, vegetables-carrots, celery, cucumbers, Felt sheets,

**BRING ALL ITEMS FOR VBS TO THE OFFICE!**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!!!**

**THE KIDS GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR KINDNESS!**

## QUESTION OF THE WEEK

### Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Theme:** We are called to evangelize.

**Question for Children:** How do you let others know about your faith?

**Question for Youth:** Jesus sent the disciples out into the world, but told them that it wouldn't be an easy job. How have you shared your faith with others this past week? What were the risks for you?

**Question for Adults:** To what part of the harvest are you being sent? What are you being called to do for the Reign of God?

### Pregunta de la semana

#### 14º domingo en tiempo ordinario

**Tema:** Somos llamados a evangelizar.

**Pregunta para los niños:** ¿Cómo les dejan saber a los demás sobre su fe?

**Pregunta para los jóvenes:** Jesús envió a los discípulos al mundo, pero les dijo que no sería un trabajo fácil. ¿Cómo compartieron su fe con otros la semana pasada? ¿Cuáles fueron sus riesgos?

**Pregunta para los adultos:** ¿A qué parte de la cosecha son enviados? ¿Qué se les ha pedido que hagan por el Reino de Dios?

### Catholic Charities Food Pantries

"This month, families shift their focus to summer vacations and enjoying the warm weather. However, hunger doesn't take a vacation," said Richelle A. Vible, Catholic Charities Executive Director. "1 in 5 residents in our Diocese don't have a secure source of food, and live day-to-day having to choose between making a rent, mortgage or utility payment or buying food. Families should not have to make those choices. The donations of food that we receive from our neighbors helps us meet the demand we see every day."

Catholic Charities coordinates food cooperative programs at Bayard House in Wilmington, Casa San Francisco in Milton, and at Seton Center in Princess Anne, Maryland. Residents can apply for membership in the programs by contacting the location closest to them: Bayard House at 302-654-1184, Casa San Francisco at 302-684-8694, or Seton Center at 410-651-9608. For those in crisis in need of food, Casa and Seton Center operate emergency food pantries.

### YOU ARE WELCOME!



Bishop Malooly will celebrate a special Mass on Monday, July 4, 2016 at the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington at 9:00 a.m.

*The Fortnight for Freedom: Witnesses to Freedom will take place from June 21 to July 4, 2016, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome.*

## COLUMNÁ DEL PÁRROCO JAMES LENTINI

3 DE JULIO, 2016.

Estimados Feligreses,

**La Fundación Fiordo.** En 1,905, sucedió algo asombroso en los países Escandinavos. Desde hace más de 90 años, desde 1,815, Noruega - la tierra de los Fiordos y Vikingos - fue parte de Suecia. Noruega había caído en esta situación como consecuencia del Congreso de Viena de 1,815, que había vuelto a trazar el mapa de Europa después de la derrota de Napoleón en Waterloo. En 1905, Noruega le dijo a Suecia: Queremos ser una nación independiente de nuevo. Y Suecia, toma carta (o se trata de Estocolmo) de la situación, dijo, simplemente: Está bien. Y con poco disturbio, Noruega obtuvo su independencia; Ni un solo disparo, ni un tumulto, ni nadie se opuso - y la celebración se hizo. Y así ha sido, para nuestro país en la Declaración de la Independencia en 1,776, con la derrota de Napoleón en Waterloo en 1,815, a Noruega obteniendo su libertad en 1,905, a la liberación de Europa en 1,944-45, a la caída del Muro de Berlín en 1,989, la independencia y la libertad han sido siempre algo para celebrar. No tengo ninguna duda de que veremos esta verdad repetirse una y otra vez, ahora y en el futuro (o como dice el grupo pop Abba: "Oh, bey, en Waterloo Napoleón se rindió... pero los libros en el estante siempre repiten la historia.

**Una Punzada de Libertad.** Sobre el tema de la libertad y la independencia, un grupo de música regional –roquero a finales de los 60 llamado "The Young Rascals" cantaron, "*Grita desde la montaña a los mares / no hay de otra, el pueblo tiene que ser libre. / Si me preguntas cual es mi opinión, mi opinión será / es natural que el hombre sea libre*". De hecho, la gente se esfuerza por la libertad! En 1,985, el cantante llamado Sting nos da una punzada con las letras, "*Si amas a alguien, dale la libertad*" de la canción del mismo nombre. Dios nos ama, y lo hizo, de hecho nos hizo libres: Él nos creó con libre voluntad, libremente le ofreció al hombre una alianza de permanecer en su gracia, liberó a su pueblo elegido de la esclavitud de los egipcios, nos liberó, nos liberó del pecado y nos dio la libertad de hijos de Dios, por su muerte salvífica en una Cruz. Estamos dotados por Dios con libertad!

**87,659 Días de Independencia.** Esta semana nuestra nación - nuestra gran nación - celebra el Día de la Independencia, o para ser más preciso, se celebra el aniversario 240 de la firma de la Declaración de la Independencia. Esa Declaración de hace 87,659 días, formó la base filosófica del nacimiento de nuestra nación. Los redactores de dicho documento, mayoritariamente cristianos, se aseguraron de poner la contextualización de esta Declaración en el marco del lugar del hombre en la creación de Dios.

Una de las citas más famosas de la Declaración de Independencia es: "*Sostenemos que estas verdades son evidentes: que todos los hombres son creados iguales; que*

*son dotados por su Creador de ciertos derechos inalienables; que entre éstos están la vida, libertad y la búsqueda de la felicidad."*

El punto que se hizo: Nuestra felicidad, nuestra libertad y nuestras vidas son una regalo directo de nuestro Creador (es decir, Dios). La naturaleza del mundo, y cada uno de nosotros, se forja por el poder creativo de Dios, que no sólo crea, sino que también cuida; que no sólo trasciende, pero también rige; y que no sólo invita a la libre voluntad, sino que también confía que utilizaremos esa libre voluntad con entereza. La mente y el corazón cristiano abarcan este concepto de todo corazón.

**Mal Uso de Nuestros Derechos.** Sin embargo, en nuestro país y en nuestra cultura, a lo largo de varias décadas, esos derechos dados por nuestro creador, por Dios, por Cristo, a veces han sido mal utilizado o mal entendido. El derecho a la vida, a la libertad y a la felicidad se ha transformado en el derecho a la decadencia, de licencia gratuita y el placer egoísta. Usando con lo que el Creador nos ha bendecido se ha pasado de centrarse en Dios y en el prójimo, a centrarse en sí mismo.

**Gaudium et Spes . Constitución Pastoral sobre la Iglesia en el Mundo Actual**, es decir, la Alegría y la Esperanza , era un documento del Segundo Concilio Vaticano que previó y advirtió de este potencial mal uso de la libertad que Dios nos dio. En la Sección 17 de dicho documento indica: "*La orientación del hombre hacia el bien sólo se logra con el uso de la libertad, la cual posee un valor que nuestros contemporáneos ensalzan con entusiasmo. Y con toda razón. Con frecuencia, sin embargo, la fomentan de forma depravada, como si fuera pura licencia para hacer cualquier cosa, con tal que deleite, aunque sea mala. La verdadera libertad es signo eminente de la imagen divina en el hombre. Dios ha querido dejar al hombre en manos de su propia decisión para que así busque espontáneamente a su Creador...*

**Puedes Hacer vs Deberías hacer.** ¿Qué diablos significa esta frase en el Gaudium Spes? Esto significa que nuestras libertades, dotados por Dios, sean utilizados efectivamente para acercarnos al conocimiento de Dios. Si lo que estamos haciendo, por libre voluntad, nos lleva más lejos de Dios, entonces estamos utilizando mal nuestra libre voluntad. En términos pragmáticos: El hecho de que se puede hacer algo (la libertad), no significa que deberías de hacerlo (prudencia).

En nuestro nación, el concepto de " haz lo que quieras " aparentemente se ha convertido en una consigna, recitado bajo el falso pretexto de la libertad. Desde el aborto hasta el suicidio asistido a la redefinición del matrimonio, se nos dice que todos estos desarrollos son un mero ejercicio de libertad." estoy en desacuerdo y para citar a Milton , " Licencia [ es lo que ] se refieren cuando gritan "libertad . "

Entonces, ¿cómo buscamos usar la libre voluntad con rectitud? Bueno, la Iglesia enseña que:

*"Dado que La libertad humana, herida por el pecado, para dar la máxima eficacia a esta ordenación a Dios, ha de*

*apoyarse necesariamente en la gracia de Dios. Cada cual tendrá que dar cuenta de su vida ante el tribunal de Dios según la conducta buena o mala que haya observado.*" En otras palabras, tenemos que orar fervientemente para discernir la voluntad de Dios, para buscar su gracia, mediante la oración y los Sacramentos, y sobre todo, hay que recordar que, en todo lo que hacemos con la libertad con la que hemos sido confiado, somos responsables ante Dios .

**Centro de Redención.** Jesucristo, nuestro Señor y Salvador, murió en la Cruz nos muestra que tanto el gran amor y siguiendo el llamado de Dios para hacer el bien por los demás no es fácil, cuesta; la libertad no es gratis. Y Cristo nos redimió a todos en esa Cruz, para que pudiéramos volver a tener la esperanza de la vida eterna, eterna libertad y la felicidad eterna en el Cielo. Cristo nos ha liberado de la esclavitud del pecado, y " por tanto, si el Hijo les da la libertad, entonces serán verdaderamente libres" (Juan 8,36). Y somos verdaderamente libres, por cierto. Libres para servir a Dios, por amor. Pero mientras que nuestra nación es independiente - y contento de estarlo - no lo somos. Como seres humanos, la verdad es que somos dependientes: Dependemos de Dios y el uno del otro (que nos da nuestra libertad). Oh, como nuestros fundadores declararon en la Declaración de la Independencia, debemos poseer "*una firme confianza en la protección de la Divina Providencia*" y debemos "*empeñamos mutuamente nuestras vidas, nuestras fortunas y nuestro sagrado honor.*"

**De Arañas y Libertad.** En este fin de semana del Día de la Independencia, les recuerdo que nuestro Señor nos ha creado para ser libre, y al mismo tiempo para ser santo. Como deberíamos haber aprendido de la película del Hombre Araña "Spider-Man", *"un gran poder con lleva una gran responsabilidad."* Tenemos libertad, tanto en nuestras vidas, y en nuestro país, y nuestro reto es tomar ese don de ser libres - libertad – y usarla para hacer el bien.

Para cada uno de ustedes y sus familias, digo que Dios bendiga a Los Estados Unidos de América, este año y por siglos venideros!

Su verdad está marchando!

Suyo en Cristo,

P. James Lentini, Párroco

## LAS MATRICULAS:

Para nuestro programa de formación cristiana de niños en domingo todavía están disponibles en la oficina parroquial, en la entrada principal del templo, y en el internet. Favor de entregarlas lo más pronto posible, con una donación de \$25 por cada niño, y no más de \$100 por cada familia. Un costo adicional de \$35 para los Sacramentos cobra para Primera Reconciliación/ Primera Comunión y \$40 para la Confirmación.



## Formacion Cristiana



**VBS: Escuela Bíblica de Verano para niños: Lunes a Viernes, del 1 de agosto hasta 5 de agosto, 6pm-8:30pm en la iglesia y el salón.**



Esta es nuestra parroquia, todos tenemos la responsabilidad de cuidarla y mantenerla limpia y bella. Se necesitan más voluntarios para ayudar con el mantenimiento. Si usted no está en ningún grupo de limpieza y desea ayudar con la limpieza de nuestra parroquia por favor, hable con cualquier miembro de la directiva o con el Sr. Román Cuin coordinador de mantenimiento. El trabajo se hace más fácil y rápido cuando todos cooperamos.

## El Consejo Diocesano de Jóvenes Hispanos

### iInvita!



A un Día de Deportes, aquí en los predios de nuestra parroquia. El domingo 24 de julio, comenzando con la Santa Misa a las 12:00. Habrá partidos de fútbol de hombres, mujeres y niños.

Habrá venta de comida, frutas y refrescos.

Venga y traiga toda su familia, amigos y vecinos apoye a nuestro equipo y pase un día de verano divertido.

iTe esperamos!