

CHURCH of the HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

August 2, 2020

18th Sunday Ordinary Time

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-3:30 pm Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-1 pm

SCHOOLS OFFICE HOURS

School Year, Monday-Friday, 8 am-3:30 pm Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-1 pm

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm Sunday, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am Spanaish No choirs at the Masses at the present time; a cantor will be availabe for the 9:30 and 11:3 0 am Masses.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday-Saturday, 8 am During Lent, Monday-Friday, 12:10 pm also Federal Holidays, 9 am only (Presidents Day, MLK Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day)

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, 8:30 am—10:00 am, First Friday, 8:30 am Fridays in Lent, 5:30 pm

ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am-Midnight

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am-5 pm Friday 9 am-noon, closed Wednesday

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

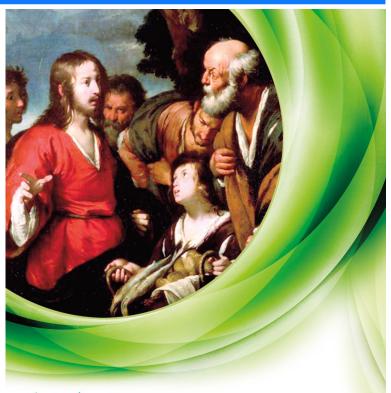
Sunday, 8:30, 11 am Sunday, 1 pm, Spanish

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, 7 pm, Spanish Saturday, 9 am, Spanish

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday, after 9:00 am Mass Thursday, 6:30 pm



18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds.

Matthew 14:19

The Minde of the Five Loaves & Two Fight.

by Bernardo Strozzi, early 1600s

HOLY DAY SCHEDULE (HC AND ICC)

Mary, Mother of God, January 1 Assumption, August 15 All Saints' Day, November 1 Immaculate Conception, December 8 Christmas, December 25

Mass schedules for Holy Days of Obligation and other special days will be printed in the bulletin as each one draws near

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

The seven Sacraments of the Church were instituted by Christ to confer grace.

Sacrament of Baptism. Call the parish office to register for Parent Pre-Baptismal Instruction. For adults seeking to enter the Church and be Baptized, contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for Confession at age seven as part of First Communion preparation.

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Children in our religious education program and school are prepared for First Communion at age seven. Adults seeking First Communion should contact our Religious Education Office. To request a visitation for Holy Communion to the Sick, contact our parish office.

Sacrament of Confirmation. Young people in our parish are prepared for reception of Confirmation in the ninth grade (age 14). Adults seeking Confirmation should contact our Religious Education Office.

Sacrament of Marriage. Couples planning for Marriage are to contact a parish priest or deacon one year in advance to set the wedding date and plan for pre-Cana instruction.

Sacrament of Holy Orders. If you believe you have, or someone you know has, a vocation to the Priesthood or Diaconate, please contact one of our parish priests.

Anointing of the Sick. For the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, which is administered by a Priest, a person or an immediate family member must make the request. Late night requests may not be able to be answered until the next day.

THIS WEEK (HC OR ICC)

Check out our websites

holycrossdover.org iccmarydel.org

Watch Masses from various sources
 Find spiritual readings
 Read about our latest updates

Holy Cross Church is unlocked and available for private prayer. The doors will be open from 7 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday, and 7 am to 7 pm on Sunday.

Immaculate Conception will be open daily 9 am to 7 pm.

See the current Mass schedule on the last page for both churches.

We are limiting access to the parish offices, so you can buzz when you stop by, or call and leave messages and we will get back to you; or, you can email us.

We are scheduling baptisms now. If you already took the preparation class, please call the office and we can get your baby's baptism scheduled.

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC) ending July 19

OFFERTORY Type	Received	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	Difference
Offertory	\$29,234	\$27,600	\$1,634
YTD	\$83,721	\$82,800	\$921
Needs	\$1,684	\$1,550	\$134

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC) Ending July 19

OFFERTORY Type	RECEIVED	
Offertory	\$2,482	
Second	\$150	

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs, and activities of Holy Cross and ICC are made possible.

"Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

Please continue to mail in your contributions during this time that we cannot gather together at Mass. You can also Sign up for Faith Direct or call the office to leave your name and phone number if you wish to make your contribution by a credit card. We will call you back.

Thank you for your continued support.

Dear Parishioners:

Last week I wrote in the Pastors' column about the Flying Wallendas of faith? I continue this week with a few more of these famous flying saints.

- St. Pio of Pietrelcina. Padre Pio (1887-1968) was another humble saint who was gifted in many supernatural ways. There are miracles attributed to him, he was known to have the power to bilocate (being in two places at one time). However, regarding flying, the story is told that once, while waiting for St. Pio to hear their confessions, a group of penitents saw him walking in the air above their heads. One of the astonished parishioners asked him what it was like to walk on the air. St. Pio answered, "I can assure you, my child, it's just like walking on the floor." I would hope that his witty response didn't go over their heads.
- St. Thomas Aguinas. St. Thomas Aguinas (1225-1274), the great and pre-eminent theologian of the Catholic faith, had a famous in-air moment. The levitating moment happened in 1273 at the Dominican convent of Naples. One night, after prayer, St. Thomas Aquinas remained in the chapel, deep in prayer. He was seen by the sacristan of the chapel levitating in prayer. He was in the air, with tears streaming, as he hovered before an icon of Jesus Christ crucified. As the event was related by the Sacristan: Christ said to Thomas, "You have written well of me, Thomas. What reward would you have for your labor?" Thomas responded, "Nothing but you, Lord." It is said that after this exchange something happened, but St. Thomas Aquinas never spoke of it or wrote it down.
- St. Gerard Majella. St. Gerard (1726-1755) was a brother of the Redemptorist Order. Similar to St. Joseph of Cupertino, St. Gerard was found airborne during times of prayer, contemplation or gazing upon a sacred image. His flights and levitations were numerous, and had many witnesses. Two of the most famous of these: on Good Friday, 1753, in a Benedictine Church in Corato, Italy, St. Gerard was praying. As a procession carrying a picture of our Lord Jesus on the Cross came into the Church, St. Gerard experienced a spiritual ecstasy, and before the eyes of the congregation, he was elevated high up from the ground, with eyes transfixed upon the painting. Another time, he was witnessed flying for over three-quarters of mile, making his way back to the Redemptorist monastery for prayer. Another time, St. Gerard was at the Redemptorist monastery and had withdrawn to his room to pray. At the dinner hour, the head of the monastery went to call on St. Gerard to beckon him to dinner, but to his astonishment he found him ravished in ecstasy and raised about three feet from the ground. The Priest was filled with amazement. Shocked, he left

the room and closed the door — soaking in what he just saw. He then, after a pause, returned to the room, opened the door, and found St. Gerard in the air, three feet off the group. The whole household was summoned, so as to all be witnessed to this spiritual event. To preserve the memory of this airborn miracle, the head of monastery, before all of his fellow priests and brothers, marked on the wall of the room the height to which he had seen the Saint elevated. When the Saint broke out of his ecstasy, he realized he had onlookers — and realized that it was dinner hour. He told the onlookers: "Please do not wait for me... I do not wish to inconvenience you."

- St. Gemma Galgani. In the late 19th century, St. Gemma (1878-1903) paused during housework to pray before an image of Jesus on a large crucifix in her family home. At that moment the image of Christ came alive and beckoned the young Gemma to come to Him. At that moment with her family looking on Gemma was suddenly and joyfully levitated off the ground, rose up to the crucifix, embraced it and kissed the wood of the Cross. A few years later, in 1903, at the age of 25 she passed away; Gemma Galgani was canonized a saint in 1940.
- St. Christina the Astonishing. St. Christina (1150-1224) had suffered from seizures during her life. After one major seizure, at age 21, it seemed she died. During her funeral Mass, Christina sprung from her casket and flew up to the rafters of the Church. She told the Priest, after coming down to the ground, that she returned to earth to pray for the suffering souls in Purgatory. Christina levitated other times, but more often sought prayer silence by hiding away from people; she often climbed up in trees or hid in ovens. She lived to 74 years of age, dying in 1224.
- St. Paul of the Cross. The Founder of the Passionist Order, St. Paul of the Cross (1694-1775), experienced several instances of levitation and flight. The most famous was in the sacristy (preparation room for Mass) of Ss. John and Paul Church in Rome. There, he was absorbed in holy conversation with a number of people when, as one witness testified: "He began, according to his custom, to have his countenance lighted up, brilliant rays flashing from his face; then his whole body began to tremble; then, as I believe, he perceived that he was losing the control of his senses, he clung with both his hands to the arms of the chair, and leaned his shoulders on the back of it; as soon as he had done this, he began to rise, together with the chair, and that to such a height, that I think he must have risen at least to the height of five or six feet...in this

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PRO LIFE CORNER

During this difficult time of Coronavirus Disease, abortion procedures continue throughout the U.S. and in Dover. Abortion providers such as Planned Parenthood are classified as ESSENTAL SERVICES! You can save lives in Dover by praying with Holy Cross and other local church groups on Friday mornings from 9 AM – noon at Planned Parenthood of Dover or by praying at home. If you pray at Planned Parenthood, please follow Governor Carney's Social Distancing Guidelines.

Also, remember to pray for the most vulnerable and seniors who are most susceptible to the Coronavirus

MEN OF HOLY CROSS (NEW HIGH TECH VIDEO-CONFERENCE MEET-INGS)

Are you a male between the ages of 18 and 99? Do you wish to learn more about prayer, faith and your vocation? Do you want to become a stronger father, husband or son? Do you want to build lasting friendships with catholic faith minded men? Join the Men of Holy Cross for our weekly meetings: Since the Corona virus and social distancing we have been meeting on Zoom Teleconference and it has been working out great. Just type in or click on the following link and it will automatically guide you through the Zoom Meeting application, set up and joining the meeting. https://zoom.us/j/930861480 Wednesday mornings at 6:30 AM for prayer, gospel reflections, Church teach-

for prayer, gospel reflections, Church teachings and timely discussions. If you want more information please contact us at 302-313-6935 or email MenOfHolyCross@gmail.com.

Readings for August 9 19th Sunday Ordinary Time

FIRST READING: 1 KINGS 19:9, 11-13

Elijah meets God not in the violet storm, but in the

sound of a gentle breeze.

SECOND READING: ROMANS 9:105

Paul would do anything to help the people of Isra-

el, his own flesh and blood. GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:22-33

Peter's faith is tested when he tries to walk to Jesus on the stormy water.

MASS INTENTIONS

Any intentions listed at a time where we do not have a public Mass, will be honored by the priests as they say their private Masses. On the weekend, the priests will be saying other private Masses to cover all of the intentions that occur on the weekend when we do not have a public Mass. Your loved ones will still be remembered in prayer.

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, August 8th, learn about the historic Cathedral of Saint Peter when Cathedral Rector and Diocesan Chancellor, Father Joseph McQuaide is the guest. After it airs, listen to Catholic Forum online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/CatholicForum.

COLLECTION FOR THE CATHE-DRAL OF SAINT PETER

Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington by your generous donation during the special collection being taken in all Catholic churches in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore on August 15/16. Since the start of the coronavirus pandemic, Bishop Malooly has been live-streaming weekend Masses from our Cathedral. You can view the Masses at YouTube.com/DioceseOfWilm. Your financial support will help us upgrade our livestreaming equipment and keep the effort going strong. If you would like to give a one -time or ongoing gift directly to the Cathedral of Saint Peter in Wilmington, please visit cathedralofstpeter.com/donate. We thank you for your support.

MASS INTENTIONS

3 MONDAY HC 6:30 am

HC 8:00 am Elizabeth D'Aguillo

AUGUST

4 TUESDAY

HC 6:30 am Charles A. Stump HC 8:00 am Joseph D'Aguillo

5 WEDNESDAY

HC 6:30 am Helen Bugglin

HC 8:00 am Emma Zapanto Donato

6 THURSDAY

HC 6:30 am Harry Antonick HC 8:00 am Mary Gillis ICC 7 pm For the People

7 FRIDAY

HC 6:30 am Carmela DeLeone

HC 8:00 am Vinh H. Vu

8 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Dave and Alice Gehringer

HC 5 pm Mary Gillis

9 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Hans & Virginia Crews

ICC 8:30 am Marge Messner
HC 9:30 am Benito Sefil
HC 11:30 am Lolene Sooy
ICC 11 am Frank Ergenzinger

HC 1 pm

ICC 1 pm For the People

HC 6 pm James T. Conologue, Jr.

(LI = LIVING INTENTION)

RETROUVAILLE:

REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MAR-

RIAGE 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 and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program begins the weekend of August 14 - 16 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, vis-

it www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

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MASS MINISTERS

MASS MINISTERS ARE NOT ACTIVE AT THIS TIME.

YOUNG AT HEART (HC)

Young at Heart Seniors will not start meeting in the Fall. We will inform you when the meetings will start again. Stay home, stay safe, and stay healthy.

NEWLY BAPTIZED (HC)

We welcome our newest baptized member into our community:

- Eloise Kathleen Armstrong
- Margaret Marie Armstrong
- Genesis Rose Rodriguez

DIRECTORIES (HC)

The Parish Directories have been in the Parish Office for the past few months. Unfortunately we have not been able to distribute them due to the COVID situation. We hope to arrange for a weekend in the near future. If you would like to stop by the office to pick up your copy, please call ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it for you to pick up. Please do not just show up to pick up your copy. We need to know ahead of time since we are limiting access to the office area. Sorry for this inconvenience.

RETURNING TO MASS

At present, we have the following guidelines to help keep everyone safe:

- Attendees are to wear a face covering when inside the Church (those under 13 do not have to wear a covering, and those 2-andunder are advised not to wear a covering).
- Pews have been marked off to accommodate social distancing.
- Hand sanitizer is available as you enter the church.
- When receiving Holy Communion, please remember to stay socially distanced. We encourage you to receive Holy Communion in your hand, but if you wish to receive on the tongue, you are asked to be at the end of the Communion line. There will be no Cup distributed at this time.
- As you leave the church, please do not gather in the Gathering Space or parking lot.

Since we are not scheduling ministers to assist at the Masses as of yet, we do appreciate the Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Communion who volunteer to step forward at the Mass they are attending to help distribute communion. Thank you.

SAMARITAN FOOD NEEDS (HC)

The Samaritan Food Pantry is collecting items to help with the great demands being placed on them during this crisis. Please leave



perishable items in the freezer by the Samaritan pick up door and non perishable items can be left there also. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

The Samaritans also appreciate any monetary donations that have been sent in. Thank you for thinking of your needy brothers and sisters.

VOCATIONS

Holiness is a challenge for us all, whatever our specific vocations. We are called to be

Horario Temporal de las Misas Dominicales en Holy Cross son: HOLY CROSS: En inglés - Sábado por la tarde a las 5:00 p.m., domingo a las 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., En Español 11:30 a.m. LA INMACULA-DA CONCEPCIÓN: Domingo: En inglés o: 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m. Español: Jueves a las 6:00 de la tarde, Sábado a las 9:00 de la mañana y el domingo a la 1:00 de la tarde. Por favor tenemos tres MISAS en español

Escoja una de las misas que desea asistir, no tiene que ir a todas las misas así alivia la conglomeración de la misa dominical y nos estará ayudando a obedecer las reglas de la pandemia Las reglas de la pandemia siguen en vigor .Todos tenemos que poner de nuestra parte y seguir las regulaciones gubernamentales de usar mascarillas en lugares públicos, distanciamiento social, lavarnos las manos con frecuencia, si está enfermo quédese en casa y si respetamos estas reglas, juntos podremos salir adelante y superar como iglesia, como comunidad los grandes desafíos que estamos enfrentando con esta epidemia. Protegemos nuestra salud y la salud del hermano especialmente los más vulnerables. Las Confesiones en Holy Cross son los sábados de 8:45 a 10 de la mañana. En la Inmaculada Concepción después de la misa de las 9 de la mañana hasta las 11 de la mañana.

NUEVA INSCRIPCIÓN PARA EL 2020-2021:

Las inscripciones para el año escolar están disponibles en el sitio web o pueden llamar o enviar un correo electrónico a la oficina para que se lo envíen. Por favor inscríbase antes del 1 de agosto, para que podamos hacer los planes necesarios para el año y

holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. When the saints were alive, they did not regard themselves as saints; rather, they knew they were sinners — and they strived to be saints. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, painful and filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint.

Serra for priestly and religious

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Marriage comes with plenty of occasions to complain and be irritated. Think of one criticism you have of your beloved. Imagine how an understanding heart would handle that criticism.

PARENTING POINTERS

No parent is perfect, but I bet you keep trying to be a good parent. Ask your child what they think is the hardest part of being a parent?

ordenar libros, materiales y suministros. A medida que trabajamos en el plan para el nuevo año escolar, para garantizar la seguridad de todos los estudiantes y sus familias, y los actualizaremos a todos cuando tengamos una agenda finalizada. Para la parroquia de la Inmaculada Concepción habrá inscripciones después de la misa los jueves y después de la misa en español los domingos.

VBS, Escuela Bíblica de Verano 2020

Celebraremos nuestra Escuela Bíblica de Verano totalmente diferente este año. Es una oportunidad para que toda la familia participe en casa y estamos entusiasmados de ofrecer una Escuela Bíblica de Verano llamada "Descubriendo nuestros tesoros familiares" para nuestros estudiantes de Pre-K hasta 6to grado! Esta es una oportunidad creativa para que usted y su (s) hijo (s) descubran juntos los tesoros escondidos que la fe trae a su familia. Tiene que inscribirse para recibir el material para este programa como una VBS en una bolsa! ¡Tenemos 6 sesiones que se empaquetarán con algunos "tesoros" para que sus hijos disfruten! Cada sesión incluye: oración de apertura, historia bíblica, actividad de enriquecimiento, manualidades relacionadas, santo testigo y refrigerio Tendremos las "Bolsas VBS" listas para recoger el 2 de agosto. A medida que nos acerquemos a esa fecha, les avisaremos cuando pueden recoger su paquete. Las inscripciones cierran el 24 de julio, para que tengamos tiempo de preparar las bolsas. Simplemente envíe un correo electrónico a dre@iccmarydel.org o llame al 410-482-8939 para registrarse. Incluya la edad y el nombre de cada niño y un número de teléfono de contacto.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC) REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 (HC)

Registration for the 2020-2021 Religious Education Program is now open. The registration forms are attached below. Please complete the forms and either email them back to tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or drop them off in the Parish Office. Please note that payment is NOT due at the time of registration. We would appreciate the forms back ASAP so we may have adequate time to plan for the new year. Because of Covid, the class formats may change. We will update with any changes as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (HC)

Unfortunately due to Covid 19, we will be unable to hold our usual Vacation Bible School this summer. However, we thank all those who signed up for our Vacation Bible School in a Bag. This crative opportunity will help you and your children discover together the hidden trteasures that faith bring to your family.

Each Session includes:: Opening Song and prayer, Bible Story, Enrichment Activity, Related Craft, Saint Witness, Snack Idea

We will have the "VBS Bags" ready for pick up August 3rd. The schedule is as follows:

Vacation Bible School Bag pickup
For those who have registered
Drive up to Elementary Building for Pickup (if
rain, pick up will be in foyer)
August 3rd 12:00pm or 5:00pm
If alternative time needed call (302) 674-5787 X
122 or email tkorosec@holycrossdover.org

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION (HC)

Registration forms for Confirmation 2021 have been emailed to families. They are also available on the Parish website under Religious Education - Sacramental Preparation - Confirmation. Please return them to the office as soon as possible. It will help in our planning for this coming year.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: "Drive Thru" PICK Up after Masses August 2.

Not at Sunday Mass? Pick up after any Mass.

We are excited to offer an At Home Vacation Bible School called "Discovering Our Family Treasures" for our Pre-K through 6th graders!

(Due to Covid 19, we will be unable to hold our usual Vacation Bible School this summer.)

This is a creative opportunity for you and your child(ren) to discover together the hidden treasures that faith brings to your family. We will be presenting this program to you as a Vacation Bible School in a Bag!! We have 6 sessions that will be packaged with some "treasures" for your child(ren) to enjoy!

Each Session includes: Prayer, Bible Story, Enrichment Activity, Related Craft, Saint Witness and Snack

NEW REGISTRATION FOR THE 2020-2021 school year are available on the website or you can Call/email office for them to be sent to you.

We will have a registration drive on Sundays following Masses in the grass area next to the parking lot, and we are asking that you please register by August 1, so we are able to make necessary plans for the year and order books, materials, and supplies.

As we work on the plan for the new school year, we are working to ensure the safety of all students and families, and will update you all when we have our plan in place.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions to Alicia Poppiti at dre@iccmarydel.org or 410-482-8939.

We are **ChURch!** If you have interest in assisting with Religious Education Classes this year, please contact Alicia Poppiti today and be a big part of **UR ChURch!**

CONFIRMATION FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR:

Forms are being mailed out to those youth that will be preparing this year.

Please fill out forms and mail back as soon as possible so that we can prepare our plan and materials for the year.

The year was 1941. He had been invited to speak before the students of The Harrow School, an independent boys' school founded in the 16th century, steeped in rich British tradition. The speech was not lengthy, but true to his form Prime Minister Winston Churchill infused genuine passion, zeal and conviction into every spoken word. It didn't matter whether he was speaking in a conversational tone or if he was all fired up...there was that characteristic passion, zeal, and conviction laced throughout his discourse.

It was in the address delivered to the young men at The Harrow School that he inspired them with the unforgettable declaration: "never give in, never give in, never, never, never, never-in nothing, great or small, large or petty - never give in except to convictions of honour and good sense." To keep the proper perspective on the situation at hand, realize please, that Britain was embroiled in a wartime effort and not too very long previous to the address given in 1941; the country was thought to have been defeated. But with true valor and heroism they rebounded. We know the rest of the story...

It is that true spirit of *sticking with it* to the bitter end that this years' Crusader publication is dedicated. The old adage *when the going gets tough, the tough get going* applies here. We are showcasing those who have committed themselves to attaining recognizable excellence on the local level, and national level. Our students are multi-faceted, and multi-gifted; if you won't mind my coining a new word. We enthusiastically applaud the accomplishments of our musicians who God has abundantly blessed with the gift of beautiful and melodic voice. We recognize our band instrumentalists who have also been chosen from across the state as proficient and skilled; judged as the best of the best.

Now, ordinarily, I am not a run of the mill, typical sports fan. I know precious little of the famous players, or the rules of the games. What I have learned I learned from watching our Crusader athletes perform with the utmost in motivation, spirit, and a drive to win the game. To win the game for no other reason than for the pure joy of team play. Their drive, grit, and determination on the field or on the court is truly

selfless and remarkable.

We vigorously celebrate the Gold and Silver Keys bestowed upon our National Scholastic Art students whose works were exhibited among the finest young artists in Delaware. Holy Cross artists submitted works of art for adjudication in categories such as Editorial Cartoon, Fashion Design, Sculpture, and Comic Illustration. Their works were exhibited among Delaware's finest student artists. It was an honor to have attended the exhibition of the most excellent artistic work in the state created by truly gifted student artists.

While all of these fine accomplishments send me out dancing in the streets bursting with pride; I am humbled by the good works for the benefit of others that come from the heart of our students. The same motivation that drives the field hockey forward down-field; or the artiste to render ones heart to his work is found in those who respond the call of the Holy Spirit to witness to the faith through community service. They don't do it for the reward. They don't do it for the recognition. Community service is fundamental to Catholic education. We teach the need for it. Reagan and Payton Garnsey realize the importance of it. We congratulate Reagan for being selected from the field of many to receive the NCEA Youth Virtues, Valor and Vision Award. It is awarded to a student who through personal witness and initiative in service learning or community outreach has become a hero to those who have been touched and nourished by a student's personal initiative.

It was the circumstance brought on by the pandemic that prompted Luke and Amelia Payus to launch a schoolwide campaign asking each student to compose a letter of thanks to all of the frontliners working at BayHealth at the outset of our school closure. Holy Cross responded in great number! Luke and Amelia's efforts to compile and display the letters at the hospital was recognized by the good folks at *Multiplying Good*, a national nonprofit in business to help people discover their ability to bring about positive change.

Kudos to all! Never lose your passion, your zeal, and your conviction; hallmarks of achievement.

state he continued a very long time in most sublime contemplation. Finally he returned to himself, and, as the rapture passed away, a slight tremor took place all over his body, and gradually the servant of God, with the chair, descended and rested on the ground."

There he was engaged in conversation of spiritual matters, when according to a written deposition of witness, his face lit up, his body trembled, and "he clung with both his hands to the arms of the chair, and leaned his shoulders on the back of it; as soon as he had done this, he began to rise, together with the chair... to the height of five or six feet... [Later] as the rapture passed away... [He] with the chair, descended and rested on the ground."

Gonna Fly Now! And so, these Saints that I have noted – along with many others – bore witness to God's power with the gift of flight. These events of levitation and flight show us that in ecstatic prayer or contemplation, God can lift us up; most of the time this is done spiritually. But, in the lives of these Saints, God pulled back the curtain that separates the natural and the supernatural realms to show us both spirit and body lifted up and arisen from the earth. Do you believe a man can fly? I sure do, and our Church tradition gives us these holy examples.

Yours in Christ, Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

A Note from Fr. Etim:

My dear friends in Christ,

It has been an interesting year. The pandemic has kept us apart and changed our normal routine. Some of you might not know that the Bishop had transferred me, and I am now a Parochial Vicar at St. Francis de Sales in Salisbury Maryland. So, I am using this medium to express my deepest gratitude to God and to all of you for the time I was in your midst, for you a priest, and with you a Christian, a friend and a brother in the Lord. Thank you for your amazing faith, kindness and generosity of spirit.. I have never seen Christ but I encountered him and have known him because of you. Please pray for all your priests and for me but most importantly the young people and the sick and shut-ins of the parish and know that I will always thank God each time I think of you and with joy pray for you and with you.

My current address is:: St. Francis de Sales Church, 514 Camden Avenue, Salisbury, Maryland 21801..

May God bless you and keep you.

Sunday Mass is taking place at Holy Cross and Immaculate Conception.

We have a modified schedule in effect through the end of August.

Holy Cross Schedule

SUNDAY MASSES (Weekend)

- Saturday Evening: 5:00 p.m. (note: no confessions before Mass)
- Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS

- Monday thru Saturday 8:00 a.m. **CONFESSIONS**
- Saturday morning 8:45-10:00 a.m.

Immaculate Conception Schedule

SUNDAY MASSES

• Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m., 1:00 p.m (Spanish)

WEEKDAYS

Thursday 6:00 p.m. (Spanish) Saturday 9:00 am (Spanish) CONFESSIONS

• Saturday morning 9:30-11:00 a.m.

