Church of the Holy Cross

631 South State Street
Dover, Delaware

302 674 5787
holycrossdover.org

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Marydel, Maryland

410 482 7687
iccmarydel.org

Immaculate Conception

July 25, 2021 — **17th 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

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Summer, Monday-Thursday, 9 am-1 pm

Sunday Mass Schedule
Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am Spanish
No choirs at the Masses at the present time; a cantor will be available for the 5 pm and the 9:30 and 11:30 am Masses.

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

Confession Schedule
Saturday, 8:30 am—10:00 am,
Fridays in Lent, 5:30 pm

Adoration Chapel Hours
Daily, 5 am-Midnight (temporarily closed)

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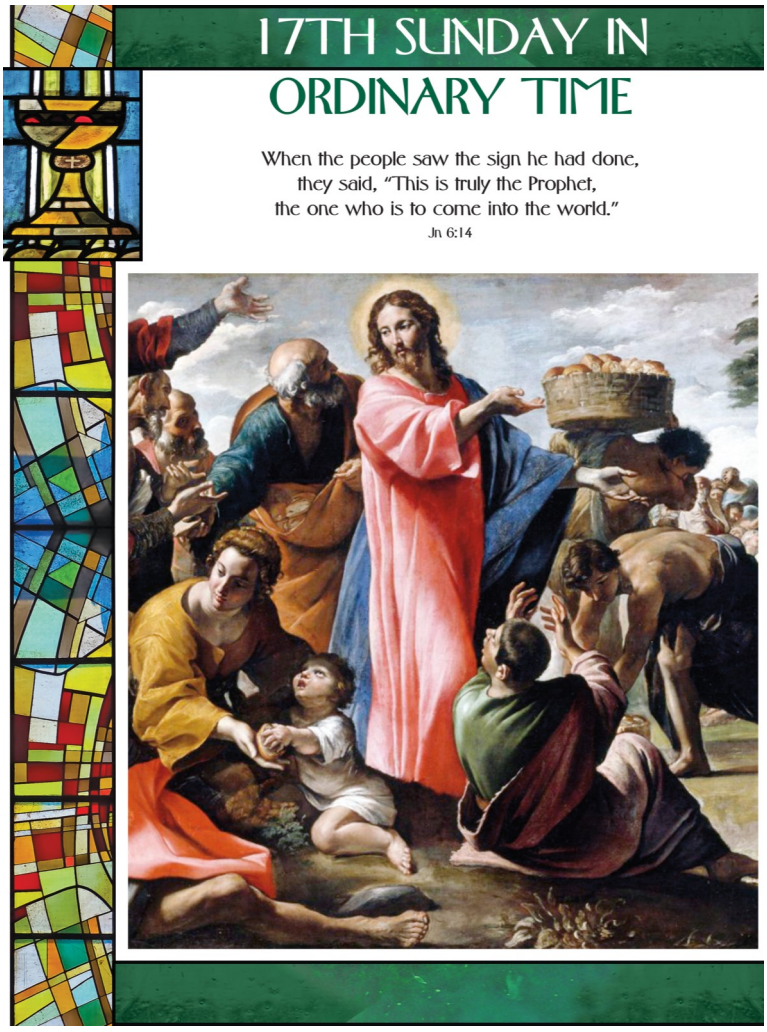
Parish Office Hours
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, 9 am-5 pm
Closed Wednesday and Friday

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

Daily Mass Schedule
Thursday, 6 pm, Spanish

Confession Schedule
Saturday, 9:30 am
Thursday, 6:30 pm



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

sacraments

Receiving the Sacraments

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

Sacrament of Baptism. Call the 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.

happenings

This Week (HC or ICC)

Check out our websites

holycrossdover.org
iccmarydel.org

Holy Cross Church 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.

Face masks do not have to be worn if you are fully vaccinated. If not, it is recommended that you still wear your facemask over your nose and mouth. Thank you for your cooperation.

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Weekly Offering (HC)

July 11, 2021

Offertory Type	Received	Budgeted/ Needed	Difference
Offertory	$21,009	$25,700	($4,691)
YTD	$45,300	$51,400	($6,100)
Needs	$1,369	$1,480	($111)

Weekly Offering (ICC)

Ending July 11, 2021

Offertory Type	Received
Offertory	$3,105
2nd	$171.50

pastor's column

Dear Parishioner,

Well, July is almost over, and August is almost upon us, with its hot days beckoning. These are days that singer Nat "King" Cole intoned as "… those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer, those days of soda and pretzels and beer." And we need those sodas, pretzels and beers, because August is our hottest month here on the Delmarva Peninsula, and humidity becomes our State beverage.

An August Beginning. So in contemplating the upcoming month, here's a question: Why is August called "August?" Well, here's the skinny on that: you see, August wasn't always called "August." It was originally called Sextillis on the old 10-month Roman calendar, as it was the sixth month of the year on that calendar (finding its origin in the Latin word *sextus* meaning sixth). And then developments developed. As the 10-month calendar's existence came to an end, January and February were added to the calendar (making what we would recognize as our modern day 12-month year). With the addition of these two months and some of the jiggering around of the month, Sextillis was sent to Jenny Craig, and was reduced— down to 29 days. Around the time that Julius Caesar decreed the use of the "Julian Calendar," the month of Sextillis was renamed Augustus (later August) by the Roman Senate, in honor of his nephew (and future Emperor), Augustus Caesar, who had conquered Egypt during the month of Sextillis. A decree from the Roman Senate went out on this matter:

> *Whereas the emperor Augustus Caesar, in the month of Sextilis, was first admitted to the consulate… and in the same month Egypt was brought under the authority of the Roman people… it is hereby decreed by the [Roman] Senate that the said month shall be called Augustus.*

Now, one would think that having a month named after you would be honor enough for any person, but not for Caesar Augustus… and so the story continues!

Caesar's Pallet. Philippians 2:3 advises, *"Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves."* Unfortunately that was written long after the death of Augustus Caesar, lest he could have learned from it. What do I mean by that? Well, lore has it upon becoming Emperor, Augustus Caesar – who had in insatiable sense of self-importance, and craved that the pallet of his ego to be nourished with praise -- increased the number of days in August from 29 to 31. Why? So that it was not inferior in number to the 31 days of July (formerly the month of *Quinctilis* — meaning fifth, then renamed for Julius Caesar as "July"). Augustus could not stand to seen as inferior to Julius Caesar, and even had to show that equality by altering a month named after him. Whether this is true or just imperial midrash may never be known. But what we do know is the Julius and Augustus, in spite of their fame, and in spite of having a month named after died — Julius Caesar stabbed to death by Brutus, and Augustus killed with poisoned figs by his wife Livia. At least Livia was kind enough to poison him in the month named after him, as he died on August 19, 14 A.D.

Catholic August. But enough roamin' around the Romans, let's talk about August in in our Catholic faith. The month of August is by tradition dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament, and increased adoration of the Eucharist is encouraged (sign up to do this at Holy Cross's Adoration Chapel, check the bulletin for information or call the parish office). August is also dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and on August 15th, the church celebrates the Assumption of Mary into heaven. For us, yes, August has a lot of Catholic history and glorious mysteries packed into it. Moreover, it has a lot of examples of saintly lives. On our Church calendar, there are a lot (and I mean a lot) of Saints we honor at Mass during the month of August, more than any other month. As Jerry Seinfeld would ask: Who are these people? Well, here's the list:

August 1: St. Alphonsus Liguori, 2: St. Eusebius of Vercelli, and St. Peter Julian Eymard, 4: St. Jean Vianney, 7: Pope St. Sixtus II and Companions, and St. Cajetan, 8: St. Dominic, 9: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, 10: St. Lawrence, 11: St. Clare, 12: St. Jane Frances de Chantal, 13: Ss. Pontian and Hippolytus, 14: St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe, 15: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 16: St. Stephen of Hungary, 19: St. John Eudes, 20: St. Bernard of Clairvaux, 21: St. Pius X, Pope, 22: Queenship of Blessed Virgin Mary, 23: St. Rose of Lima, 24: St. Bartholomew the Apostle, 25: King St. Louis; and St. Joseph of Calasanz, 27: St. Monica, 28: St. Augustine of Hippo; 29: The Passion of St. John the Baptist.

Yes, truly, August presents to us with a mélange of saints of different eras and backgrounds whose stories are worth recalling and reflecting upon. So, let's take a look at seven of the many special Saint Days of August:

August 9: St. Theresa Benedicta of the Cross. Born into a Jewish family in Germany, Edith Stein was one of seven children. She abandoned Judaism in her early teens, and sought answers from philosophical studies; she earned a doctorate in philosophy in 1916 at age 25. During this time she was became interested in Catholicism, due to the witness of some of her friends. She took to studying the Catechism. In 1922, she converted to Catholicism in the Diocese of Cologne, and went on to become a Carmelite nun in 1934. It was when she became a nun that she took the name Sr. Theresa

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HC & ICC Clergy

Vy. Rev. James S. Lentini , V. F.	Pastor
Msgr. Daniel McGlynn	Pastor Emeritus
Rev. Mano Salla	Parochial Vicar

HC Clergy

Mr. Philip Belt	Deacon
Mr. John Harvey	Deacon
Mr. Robert McMullen	Deacon
Mr. Vincent Pisano	Deacon

ICC Clergy

Mr. Sherman Mitchell	Deacon

HC Staff

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Michele Dornberger	Records/Asst. Bus. Mgr., ext. 116
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Tammy Korosec	CRE Religious Ed, ext 122
Linda Darling	Youth Ministry, ext. 123
Justin Wurzel	Maintenance Director
Len Dornberger	Cemetery Administrator, ext. 135
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ICC Staff

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Marilyn Dixon	Office Manager
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Arline Dosman	Dir. of Hispanic Ministry

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Holy Cross School

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Linda Pollitt	Principal, ext. 111

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Adoration Chapel (HC)

We are making plans to reopen the Adoration Chapel from 5 am to 9 pm on August 2. In order to do this, we have to ensure we have enough volunteers to fill the schedule of adorers so the Blessed Sacrament is not left alone.

- If you were on the Adoration schedule prior to COVID and the closing of the chapel, we certainly pray you are willing to come back and spend that precious time with Our Lord again in the chapel. Please contact Joann Pate at 674-4496 to let us know you are ready and willing to come back to serve a specific time in the chapel.

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 August 13 - 15, 2021 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Readings For August 2
18th Sunday Ordinary Time
First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

The starving Israelites beg Moses to feed them. The Lord rains down food from heaven.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Many pleasures are illusory. St. Paul prescribes a total renewal in the way we think: a return, in other words, to the way God created us to be.

Gospel: John 6:24-35

People were expecting Jesus to be like Moses, providing them with daily bread. Instead, Jesus offers them fresh, rejuvenating food, unlike any other.

Consecration to Saint Joseph

What does it mean for a person to be consecrated to Saint Joseph?
It basically means you acknowledge Saint Joseph is your spiritual father, and you want to be like him. To show it, you entrust yourself entirely into his paternal care so he can help you acquire his virtues and become holy. Total consecration to Saint Joseph means you make a formal act of filial entrustment to your spiritual father so he can take care of your spiritual well-being and lead you to God. The person who consecrates their self to Saint Joseph wants to be as close to their spiritual father as possible to the point of resembling him in virtue and holiness. Saint Joseph, in turn, will give his undivided attention, protection, and guidance to those consecrated to him.

When will the next group consecration occur at Holy Cross?
The next group consecration will occur on Saturday, August 21, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the church. While it is being sponsored by the Men of the Holy Cross men's group, everyone is welcome, and encouraged, to attend.

What do I have to do to prepare myself for consecration?
First, purchase the book: *Consecration to Saint Joseph*. (If you are currently under financial hardship, please email the Men of the Holy Cross, and they will gladly provide a copy for you.)
The book has preparation methods for individuals and groups. You will follow the individual preparation method, which is the main part of the book, for Days 1 through 32. Day 33 and the consecration will occur on August 21 as a group.

Ideally, Days 1 through 33 are contiguous, but that is not an absolute. If you prefer this approach, you begin Day 1 on July 20. Otherwise, begin as soon as you are ready, and complete Day 32 no later than August 20. You will spend about 20-30 minutes each day reading a short exposition on one of the invocations in the powerful Litany of Saint Joseph, followed by a reading on Saint Joseph, and concluding with the recitation of the Litany of Saint Joseph. On August 21, we will recite the same consecration prayer together as a group.

What is the agenda for the event on August 21?
The agenda is basically the Day 33 agenda that is given in the book. However, it will occur during Exposition, Adoration, and Benediction of the Most Holy Eucharist.

What can I do if I cannot attend the group consecration on August 21?
Just follow the instructions in Consecration to Saint Joseph from the Individual Preparation Method as soon as you are ready.

How may I obtain more information about being consecrated to Saint Joseph or the Men of the Holy Cross men's group?
For more information about the Consecration to Saint Joseph, please visit the official website at www.consecrationtostjoseph.org/index.html.

For more information about the Men of the Holy Cross men's group, either visit their webpage on Holy Cross' website, or send an email to the Men of the Holy Cross via Reggie Capitan at reggie@thebrickdoctor.com.

Mass Intentions

July/August

26 Monday
HC 8:00 am — Mombrun Family (DM)

27 Tuesday
HC 8:00 am — Karen Bergmann

28 Wednesday
HC 8:00 am — Anna Elizabeth Coker

29 Thursday
HC 8:00 am — Michael Walsh
ICC 6 pm — For the People

30 Friday
HC 8:00 am — John P. McGlynn

31 Saturday
HC 8 am — Tom Natali
HC 5 pm — .Matt Campbell

1 Sunday
HC 7:30 am — Regina Volz
ICC 8:30 am — Fr. Joseph Etim
HC 9:30 am — Stephen Mitchler
ICC 11 am — Joseph Gehringer
HC 11:30 am — For the People
ICC 1 pm — For the People

(LI = Living Intention
DM—Deceased Members)

Mass Ministers

A schedule for Extra-Ordinary Ministers will not be put out at this time. Please step forward to assist at the mass you attend.

Please also remember to let others have a chance to come forward so they, too, have an opportunity to Assist at Mass. We have many who want to assist but never get the chance to step forward.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Lector Schedule for July/August 2021

At Holy Cross:

5 pm Mass

July 24 J. Coffield
July 31 F. Curick
Aug 7 D. Kilby
Aug 14 K. Bassett

7:30 am Mass

July 25 R. Pritchett
Aug 1 C. Cuffee
Aug 8 J. Davis
Aug 15 R. Pritchett

9:30 am Mass

July 25 S. Crossen
Aug 1 S. Ford
Aug 8 C. Parks
Aug 15 M. Sherlock

At Immaculate Conception

8:30 am Mass

July 25 K. Cairns
Aug 1 Bill Thompson
Aug 8 G. Godfrey
Aug 15 D. Smith

11 am Mass

July 25 D. King
Aug 1 L. Schlaupitz
Aug 8 A. Meyer
Aig 15 D. King

If you wish to be considered to lector at Holy Cross, email Diane at belt@holycrossdover.org so we can add you to the names of those who have already volunteered to lector.

At ICC, please get in touch with Marilyn Dixon at mdixon@iccmarydel.org Thank you.

Directories (HC)

The Parish Directories are in the Parish Office. If you have not picked up your copy yet, please stop by the office to get your copy. It is best to please call ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it ready for you to pick up.

Marriage Moments

What's the first work project that you and your spouse took on together – painting a room, washing the car, repairing a window? How did that help with learning better communication skills?

Parenting Pointers

Which of these qualities (humility, gentleness, and patience) is strongest or weakest in your family? Ask anyone old enough to choose a quality and work on it today.

Holy Cross Cemetery

Pre-need planning. Still trying to decide on what to do with this year's income tax refunds or your COVID stimulus funds? During our lifetime we spend a lot of time planning and preparing for future events, such as weddings, vacations, college for the kids, retirement, etc. It's easy to put off planning for the day when the Lord will call you home. Planning for the inevitable and securing space in our cemetery is a wonderful gift for the whole family. When that day does come, with all its emotional trauma, sparing your spouse and children those difficult decisions is a blessing. Contact Len Dornberger at the parish office for a no obligation discussion.

Faith Direct

The more people use eGiving, the stronger foundation we will have for ministries that bring hope in times of uncertainty. We prayerfully request that you consider signing up for eGiving from your computer, smartphone or tablet. You can set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Sign up today by visiting faith.direct/DE251. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

- Por favor de APAGAR o silenciar los celulares y todo aparato electrónico antes de entrar al Templo, que es un lugar sagrado donde se va a tener un encuentro con el Señor nuestro Dios. Es una distracción para los fieles que están orando. No les traiga comida o juguetes a sus hijos. La duración de la Misa es de una hora o menos. Ensénales a participar del santo sacrificio de la Misa, sabemos que los niños pequeños se inquietan, si se inquieta o llora sáquelo al Nártex hasta que se tranquilice. Prepare en casa a la familia, háblele a su hijo del lugar sagrado y de Jesús antes de ir a la santa misa y como cada niño se debe comportar en la iglesia y las expectativas que usted tiene del comportamiento de su hijo. Cuando llegue para la misa ocupe los asientos más cercanos al altar los pequeños se sienten más involucrados con la celebración y así pueden apreciar lo que está sucediendo; dale una labor en la Misa, puede crear en los pequeños una "sentido de responsabilidad y logro", simples como "poner el dinero en la canasta de la colecta "y lo importancia de ayudar al sostenimiento de su iglesia. Explíquele que las veladoras que están en el Nártex no son para jugar son ofrecimientos por una intención de una persona y se deja un donativo por cada vela que se enciende. Nunca deje ir al baño o salir solo a sus hijos, es por su protección y para la protección de todos.
- La virgen peregrina ya está visitando casas, si usted desea tener la virgen en su casa por una semana y rezar el santo Rosario con su familia con la imagen de la virgen peregrina anótese con la Sra. Marta Espinosa. Se le entregara a imagen el domingo al final de la misa y usted la devuelve el próximo domingo en la misa para e entregara la siguiente familia.
- Si usted está interesado en participar y compartir sus talentos como lector, música, ujier, ministros Extraordinario de la Comunión (necesita ser aprobado por el párroco) Arte y Ambientación, dar Clases Pre-bautismales. Por favor llame a la oficina al 302-674-5787 ext. 118
- Foro Cristino Comienza el viernes 17 de septiembre,2021 a las 6:00 de la tarde el ELC. Volveremos a empezar con Symbolon: Explicación de la fe católica: conocimiento de la fe. Estamos ofreciendo una serie de videos / libros de estudio una vez más. Si está interesado, comuníquese con la Sra Arline Dosman para Inscribirse. El costo es de $ 25 para el libro del participante Parte 1

ICC- EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

**las inscripciones están abiertas para el próximo año, 2021-2022. Las aplicaciones deben ser entregadas antes del 25 de julio. Por favor devuélvalo antes de esta fecha. Necesitamos planear de acuerdo con la cantidad de niños por clases, catequistas, libros espacio y salones. Habrá una mesa para las inscripciones después de la misa enfrente del salón o puede inscribirse en line o en la oficina.

Se están recopilando evaluaciones para las 4 unidades. Por favor, llévelos a la Sra. Alicia Poppiti para obtener su crédito para este año, Directora de Educación Religiosa al 410-482-8939 o dre@iccmarydel.org

¡TE NECESITAMOS! NECESITAMOS CATEQUISTAS PARA EL PROXIMO AÑO. Si está pensando esto pue ser su llamado. Comuníquese con la Sra. Alicia Poppiti, Directora de Educación Religiosa al 410-482-8939 o dre@iccmarydel.org

La Escuela Bíblica de Verano empieza el 2 de agosto hasta el 6 de agosto2021 de 6-8:30pm Inscribiese antes del 25 de julio. Grados: Pre-K - Sexto grado. ¡Se necesitan voluntarios! - Caballeros al Norte del Castillo, guía para el Castillo, Persona para las actividades, persona para las manualidades, persona para la Ciencia, Líder para el canto

Symbolon: Explicación de la fe católica: conocimiento de la fe. Estamos ofreciendo una serie de videos / libros de estudio una vez más, para 10 sesiones que se extienden a aproximadamente un marco de tiempo de 12 semanas. Si está interesado, comuníquese con Alicia Poppiti para registrarse. El costo es de $ 25 para la Parte 1 y es necesario registrarse para tener su guía de participante. Presentado en el Salón del ICC los lunes por la noche a partir del 27 de septiembre., "Symbolon: La fe católica explicada es una nueva serie de videos asombrosos que presenta sistemáticamente la imagen GRANDE de la fe católica. Filmado en lugares en Roma, Tierra Santa, Calcuta, y en los estudios del Instituto Augustine Institute en Denver, docenas de maestros conocidos a nivel nacional presentan claramente la belleza y el brillo del catolicismo. Esta convincente serie contiene dos partes que incluyen diez episodios cada una. En la Parte 1, viajamos a través de las enseñanzas centrales de la Iglesia Católica descritas en el Credo y el Catecismo con el objetivo de conocer la Fe. En la Parte 2, nos enfocamos en nuestro encuentro con Dios en los sacramentos y la vida moral para que podamos vivir plenamente la Fe".

Registration for 2021/22 Rel. Ed (HC)

2021-2022 Religious Education Class registration forms now available on line at https://holycrossdover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation. Registration for Religious Education is due July 16, 2021. If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossdover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122.

Registration for Confirmation Preparation (HC)

Forms to register for Confirmation 2022 Preparation for all high school students not confirmed may be found on the parish website under Teaching the Faith, Sacramental Preparation, Confirmation.
to help at the parish and is a huge asset to us.
Please register for Confirmation NOW, so we can make plans and order the correct amount of materials. Thank you.

Religious Education/SRE (ICC)

***Registration for next year, 2021-2022 has begun. We need to plan for teachers, space and books. A table will be set up after most Masses in front of the hall for registration, online and at office.

Assessments are being collected: All student assessments that are in their unit packs, for all 4 units, are due to Mrs. Alicia Poppiti when unit is finished. Please hand in for credit for this year. Alicia Poppiti, Director of Religious Education at 410-482-8939 or dre@iccmarydel.org

WE NEED YOU: Catechists needed for next year! Please inquire with Mrs. Poppiti as soon as possible. If you are wondering, then this may be your calling.

Vacation Bible School (ICC))

Helpers needed! **Knights of the North Castle** are in need of: Castle Guides, Activities person, crafts person, science person, song leader. If interested, please **contact Mrs. Poppiti 410-482-8939**

Vacation Bible school will run August 2 - August 6, 2021
6-8:30 pm at ICC Hall in Marydel.
Ages: PreK 4—6th Register before July 25th.

Supplies for VBS needed: There will be 50 kids and we would love donations of: Cases of small water bottles, Jello-Pudding cups, Cheese balls, Little Debbie birthday cakes, Pretzel rod/cheese dip packs, Twizzlers

Lectors and Counters (ICC)

Since we are back to regular mass, anyone who wants to be a collection counter or lector, please contact Marilyn Dixon at Immaculate Conception.

Fund Raiser at ICC

Fun & Nunsense: Bingo, Fun, and Prizes
Showtimes
Sat. Sept. 11, 4 PM & 6:30 PM
Sun. Sept. 12, 9:30 AM & 2:30 PM
Donation $10 Immaculate Conception Hall

Symbolon (ICC)

Knowing the Faith: We are offering a video/study book series once again, for 10 Sessions that extend to approximately a 12-week time frame. If you are interested, please contact Alicia Poppiti to register. The cost is $25 for Part 1 and registration is necessary in order to have your participant guide. Presented in the Hall at ICC on Monday evenings beginning September 27th.

Here is a brief description, *"Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained* is a stunning new video series that systematically presents the BIG picture of the Catholic Faith. Filmed on location in Rome, the Holy Land, Calcutta, and in the Augustine Institute studios in Denver, dozens of nationally known teachers clearly present the beauty and brilliance of Catholicism. This compelling series contains two parts including ten episodes each. In Part 1 we journey through the core teachings of the Catholic Church traced out in the Creed and Catechism with the goal of *knowing the Faith*. In Part 2, we focus on our encounter with God in the sacraments and the moral life so that we can be fully *living the Faith*."

Dear Parishioners,

It's hard to believe we are in July already. We are busy in the school office making preparations for the return of the students in the Fall. Although the campus is quiet from the hustle and bustle of the children in our buildings, we are always welcoming in new prospective families, ordering supplies for next school year, and preparing the classrooms for the return of our wonderful students.

At this time we are still are posting our **HELP WANTED** signs for the following positions:

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

- Must possess the flexibility to work in a busy office; Must have a love for children.
- Must have experience working with Microsoft Office Suite, be technologically savvy, have good communication skills
- Prior experience in office work is preferred.
- Hours are from 7:30 am until 3:30 pm, Monday through Friday.
- This is a full-time, twelve-month position.

BEFORE-CARE SUPERVISOR:

- The hours are from 6:30 am until 7:45, Monday through Friday.
- There can be up to but not limited to fifteen students on any given morning. The BC program is held in the school cafeteria.
- Duties and Responsibilities:
    - ◊ Greet and document the names of the children who arrive prior to the onset of the school day.
    - ◊ Supervise their behaviors and dismiss them to their respective buildings at 7:40.

AFTER-CARE PERSONNEL

•The hours are from 2:30 until 5:30 Monday through Friday, or 11:30 until 5:30 0n shortened school days.
•Prior experience working with children is preferred, but not necessary.
•The AC program is held in the school cafeteria.
•This person must possess a love for young children.
•Duties and Responsibilities:

- ◊ Set up prior to arrival of the children at dismissal.
- ◊ Occasional homework help, craft making, Lego corner, playground supervision.
- ◊ Assist with restroom breaks.

HCS CAFETERIA MANAGER

Responsibilities include, but not limited to:

- Monthly Menu Planning
- Daily Lunch Preparation in Large Quantity
- Food and Supply Ordering
- Operation of an Industrial Kitchen
- Maintaining Sanitary Conditions
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Benedicta of the Cross. Due to Nazi pressures, she was taken out of Germany and assigned to Echt, in the Netherlands. In July of 1942, the Nazi authorities – two years after successful invasion of the Netherlands – ordered that all Catholic converts from Judaism be arrested. On August 2, 1942, Sr. Theresa was arrested (along with her sister Rose, a fellow convert) and sent to Auschwitz where she was killed in the gas chamber of that concentration camp on August 9, 1942. Pope John Paul II canonized her in 1998, and named her as one of the six patron saints of Europe.

August 10: St. Lawrence. Catholic trivia: Who is the only saint, not from the apostolic period (e.g., Mary, Joseph, John the Baptist, the twelve Apostles, Paul, etc.) to have a holy day ranked as a "Feast"? Well, the answer, you no doubt have surmised, is St. Lawrence. Most other saint days (e.g., St. Patrick, St. Francis, etc.) have a lower rank of "Memorial" or "Optional Memorial." Why is St. Lawrence honored in such a unique way? Because he was a Patron Saint of Rome – the seat of the Church -- in the early days of the Church.

St. Lawrence was the Arch-Deacon of Rome, and following the execution of Pope Sixtus II, was the highest-ranking Church leader in Rome. As keeper of the treasury, the Roman authorities asked Lawrence to surrender to them treasures of the Church. He came back to the authorities with people who were crippled, blind, sick and indigent. He told the authorities that these were the treasures of the Church. Not understanding the value of Christian charity he was trying to convey to them, St. Lawrence was arrested by the authorities and was put to death by being grilled on a gridiron on grill. While being charred by flame, his persecutors offered him salvation if he denied his faith. He never denied his faith, dying martyrs death. Because of the means of his execution, he is the patron saint of cooks.

August 14: St. Maxamillian Kolbe. A Conventual Franciscan Priest, Maximilian founded the *Immaculata Movement* in Poland. The movement focused upon conversion of sinners, opposition to Freemasonry, devotion to the Miraculous Medal, devotion to Mary, and following the path to Christ. His Monastery in Poland published much religious literature and housed a radio station. In 1941, the Nazis shutdown the monastery, and imprisoned St. Maxillian, ultimately sending him to Auschwitz (he was branded as #16670). That July 1941 an attempted escape angered the Nazi camp authorities. To make an example of what happens to those who try to escape, the camp leaders chose Francis Gajowniczek, a married man with children, to die for the escape. St. Maximilian volunteered to take the place of Francis Gajowniczek. St. Maximillian was then systematically starved for several weeks, following by a lethal injection of carbonic acid; his body was then burned and his ashes scattered (denying him a Christian burial). St. Maximillian sacrificed his life for that of his fellow man. He was Canonized a Saint on October 10, 1982 by Pope St. John Paul II, as a Martyr of Charity.

August 15: The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and August 22: The Queenship of Mary. The Assumption: In the Eastern Church this holy day is dubbed as "The Dormition of Mary," and it celebrates the tradition handed down that Mary "having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." Regarding the holy day called the Queenship of Mary, in the grand scheme of things this is a fairly new Holy Day. Established in 1955 by Pope Pius XII, this day helps form a sort of an "octave" (eight day period of celebration) for the Assumption. As we know from last two Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary – Mary is Assumed into Heaven, and then is crowned as Queen of Heaven and Earth. These two Holy Days celebrate those Glorious Mysteries — and gives us a time to reflect on the beautiful gift that Mary, our Blessed Mother, is to our Church and to God's people. St. Mary's life from her Immaculate Conception to her Assumption and Queenship, tells us that in being a faithful disciple of Christ, the glory and the hope of Heaven can be ours.

August 27: St. Monica and August 28: St. Augustine. Born in 322, Monica was raised in a Christian family, but forced into marriage to pagan named Patricius. Monica had two children with Patricius, one of whom little is known and the other is Saint Augustine of Hippo (whose saint day is August 28). It is said that Augustine was a promiscuous and wild young man, who didn't come to his senses until he was in his 30s. It is said that St. Monica prayed patiently and faithfully for the conversion her son Augustine, and of her husband Patricius. Augustine converted in his 30s and went on to become a great Church leader and theologian. Patricius converted on his death bed. St. Monica, wife and mother, shows to us by her life of faith, the power of prayer and patience!

There are many more saint days in August. I would commend to you that during a quiet moment, to take some time and read up on the lives of these holy men and women who provide us with such strong examples of the value of our Catholic faith. I would also ask that you consider signing up as an Adorer at Holy Cross's Adoration Chaplain… and spend some time with the Lord! And have a holy and prayerful August!

Yours in Christ,
Fr. James Lentini
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