

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church

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June 17, 2018 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Eucharist of the Lord's Day

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
1:00 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. Idongesit A. Etim, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Timothy J. Brady, Parochial Vicar

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 Sherman Mitchell III, our R.C.I.A. Coordinator, for details at 302-492-0753.

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**.

Dear Parishioners,

Scripture (Luke 21:30) tells us: "*Consider the fig tree and all the other trees. When their buds burst open, you see for yourselves and know that summer is now near.*" When I lived in Brooklyn (garden spot of the universe), we had a fig tree in our backyard, and this scripture was lived out, year after year... at least until my dad decided he had enough of the 767-sized bees that were attracted to the fig tree, and had it removed.

So, fig tree aside, in the Catholic realm, how might one spiritually prepare for summer? Well how about a look at the saints we might invoke during the summer in prayer to assist us? So, here are some thoughts of saints to consider during the summer:

St. Christopher (July 25). He is the patron saint of travel. According to Church tradition St. Christopher bore the Christ child upon his shoulders and helped him across a river, to safety. Since then, he has been revered at the Patron Saint invoke in aid of travelers. So, whether you are flying, sailing, hiking or driving,

pray to St. Christopher to pray for you on your journey.

St. Joseph of Cupertino (September 18). He was a Franciscan priest that used to get so ecstatic and elated in his prayers, that he would levitate and remain floating in the air, in the Monastery chapel to the shock of his brethren. Seventy times, he was recorded floating airborne, both in and outside the chapel, by brother priests and local laity. From this, he has been designated the Patron Saint of air travelers and pilots. So, if you are flying this summer and some turbulence is causing you grief, pray to St Joseph of Cupertino for pray for you and for your pilot. If the turbulence is nauseous-making for you, see St. Elmo, elsewhere in this article.

St. Anthony (June 13). He is the patron saint invoked to find lost objects. Getting ready to take a vacation and lost the plane tickets? At the airport baggage claim, and your suitcase isn't finding its ways to the luggage carousel? Your GPS died while in the mountains of Pennsylvania, West Virginia, or New

York, and your car (and you) are lost? Pray to St. Anthony of Padua to pray for what is lost, that it might be found. (Note, no one ever gets lost in the mountains of Delaware!)

St. Elmo (June 2). One of the "Fourteen Holy Helpers of Christ," he was martyred under the reign of the heinous Roman Emperor Diocletian, in 303. After several tortures, his stomach was slit opened and his innards was cranked out of him via a wench. Because of this he is invoked as Patron Saint against stomach ailments, seasickness, cramps and colic. So, this summer, if you eat too much and are getting a little bit of *shpilkes* (as they say in Yiddish) in your stomach, or if you are feeling a bit seasick (or even carsick or airsick), give a shout out to St. Elmo for some help, and he'll pray for you. (He's also the St. Elmo of "St. Elmo's Fire" fame – but that's a story for another column)

St. Barbara (December 4). Okay, you lovers of pyrotechnics, for whom a sparkler is merely a gateway drug leading to cherry bombs, roman candles, and skyrockets: Be careful. And if you are using, watching or around fireworks, invoke the protection of St. Barbara; she is the Patron Saint of Fireworks. Why? Ancient tradition tells us that Barbara's beautiful long hair burst into flames when her executioner (her father!!) grabbed it as he struck the fatal blow; he was soon thereafter struck by lightning and consumed by the resulting fire. Thus, St. Barbara is invoked for protection against lightning and all forms of pyrotechnics. So, this Fourth of July, feel free to invoke St. Barbara for safety. Likewise, if you are in or around one of our wickedly powerful Delmarva lightning storms, call on St. Barbara 911!

St. John Gualbert (July 12). Pretend you're on Jeopardy; the answer is: Wind Cave, Congaree, Haleakala, and Dry Tortuga. The question: What are National Parks. Lots of folks visit these places in the

summer. The more popular ones are Acadia, Yellowstone, Grand Teton... there are about 60 in all. If you find yourself in a National Park, a plain ol' park, or a forest, and you want to pray for safety or a good visit there, invoke, in prayer, St. John Gualbert, founder of the Vallombrosan Benedictine Order. He is the patron saint of parks, forests and park rangers. Why? It seems that the land on which he built his monastery, just east of Florence, was located on land that was barren and wild until John and his monks turned it into a veritable parkland by planting numerous trees and shrubs.

St. Medard (June 8). Nobody wants bad weather. Yes, summer is hot – we expect that. But you have a picnic planned, or a day at the beach on the calendar, and suddenly the sky looks like a scene from the opening segment of the Wizard of Oz. Fear not! Say a prayer to St. Medard, patron saint invoked against bad weather. Why? It seems that when St. Medard was a young man, he prayed to God for protection against rain during a storm, and suddenly an eagle appeared over his head and used its huge wingspan to shelter young St. Medard.

Our Lady of the Snows (August 5) It seems on August 5, 352 A.D., a wealthy Roman couple pledged their fortune to the Mother of God for the purpose of building a Church in her honor. In affirmation, a miraculous summer snowfall came and fell on a specific hillside in Rome. It was taken as a sign to build that church dedicated to Mary on that site. So, if you want to really cool off your summer, pray to Our Lady of the Snows for that miraculous event to occur again. However, I don't think our summertime visitors in Delaware and Maryland will appreciate it much! And our school students might think it to be a waste of a perfect good snow day! May God bless you and your family with a holy and joyful summer!

Yours in Christ, Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, June 17-Father's Day

8:30 Bruce Schepens

11:00 Helen C. Brennan

Misa en Español 1pm For the People

Thursday June 14 Misa en Español

7pm For the People

Sunday, June 24

8:30 Messner & Hampton Family

11:00 Bruce Schepens

Misa en Español 1pm For the People

2018 Mass book is now open. To schedule a Mass, please contact the office

COLLECTION TOTALS:

Offertory: \$ 3772.00

Supplementary: \$ 529.00

Second Collection Today: Supplementary

Your continued support of the work of your Church is much needed, and appreciated.



2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

We have pledged \$16,663.00 of our \$24,000.00 goal.

Thank you All! If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today.

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Collection Counters

June 17 Julia Moore & Ann Lawson
June 24 Elisa & Tom Costello
July 1 Marilyn Dixon & Maurilio Gabriel

Church Cleaning Crew

Junio 22, 2018 Grupo #7
Ovidio Roblero, **Natalina Capistran**, Fausto Ortiz,
Everilda Pérez, Amanda Salas, Ashley Salas
Junio 29 , 2018 Grupo # 8
Rafael Morales, Marcos González, Osvaldo Miranda
Eleazar Santizo, Reyna Morales

Altar Servers

June 24
8:30am Mass –Mike Dixon & Averi Locke
11am Mass – Savannah Strauss & Vincent Haass
Spanish Misa 1pm – Emily & Yorly Escalante

Lectors

June 24
8:30am Mass – Gerry Godfrey
11am Mass – Donna King
Spanish Misa 1pm – Pavel Rivera, Antonio Pérez

Eucharistic Ministers

June 24
8:30am Mass – Charlotte Tormey, Mark Plucenik
11am Mass – Alicia Poppiti, Jim Ward
Spanish Misa 1pm – A. Velásquez, Epifanio Morales,
Guadalupe Morales, Adrián Miranda, C. Miguel

 **ALTAR SERVERS:** If you are interested in serving, see an altar server and they will set you on the right path.

Marriage & Family Life Corner

Marriage Moment –

Summer officially begins June 21. Traditionally this is a time of rest and vacations. Have you planned a get-away for just the two of you? Even if you can't take a "real" vacation fantasize together about a dream vacation either at home or away.

Parenting Pointer –

Remember your own father on June 17, but also remember those children whose father is absent, unemployed, deployed in a foreign land, abusive, or in some other way not present. Can you be like a father to someone who needs you?

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Mon, Jun 18 & Wed Jun 20 – 7pm ESL-final classes
Tue, Jun 19 – 7pm Estudios Biblicos
Fri, Jun 22 7pm - Band Practice
Sun, Jun 24 9:30am Baptism-Holloway
Sun, Jun 24 9:45am – VBS Planning Meeting



Knights of Columbus

Next meeting Tues, June 26th
7pm Meeting
in the Knights Hall

All members are encouraged
to attend. Membership is open
to men 18 years of age or older

who are practicing Catholics. For more info, contact
Grand Knight, Bruce Kelley (302) 502-6040 or
kelley29@comcast.net. Follow us on Facebook @
Knights of Columbus Council 12509



"WHERE ARE YOU GOING?"

Prayer + Fraternity + Sports

The *Quo Vadis 2018* program is a three day event for high school and college age men to learn more about the priesthood; deepen their catholic faith; and have fun. **Registration is free. Register on line and find more information at cdow.org/vocations**

Thursday, July 26 to Sunday, July 29 at the
Malvern Retreat Center in Malvern, PA.

FROM THE DRE'S DESK



VBS will be here at ICC soon!

July 30th - August 3rd

We will be having our next VBS meeting on **Sunday, June 24th between the Masses at 9:45 in the hall.**

Please let us know if you are interested in helping out this year. Registration for VBS is open now. Registration forms are available in parish office.

Registration for Religious Education starting in September is open.



Please stop in the office and register your children and reserve their spot now. Do not wait for September! Do it today.

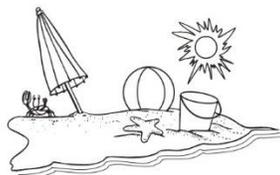
REGISTRATIONS!! Registrations for 2018-2019 are now available at the office, and online. Please get your registrations for school of Religious Education this weekend. We would like to have all registered for next year by June 1st. Please return registrations to Alicia as soon as possible. Fees are as follows: \$35 per child, not to exceed \$150 per family. This is to defray all costs of books, materials, and supplies.

LAS MATRICULAS: para nuestro programa de formación cristiana de niños en domingo están todavía disponibles en el despacho parroquial, en la entrada principal del templo, y en el internet. Favor de someterlas en lo más pronto posible, con la cobra de \$35 por cada niño, y no más de \$150 cada familia.



Before you head to the

beach or bay, check out the Vacation Mass Guide



<http://www.cdow.org/vmg/>

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: God's reign is unfolding.

Question for Children: Have you ever had to walk in the dark with no light? How is that like walking by faith and not by sight? What did you have to do to keep going in the dark?

Question for Youth: Do you pray and ask for faith? How do you work on building your faith?

Question for Adults: When do you find it hardest to have faith? Must you "see" answered prayer, or can you peacefully accept God's will?

11do domingo del tiempo ordinario

Tema: El reino de Dios se expande

Pregunta para los niños: ¿Han tenido que caminar alguna vez en la oscuridad sin luz? ¿Cómo comparan eso con caminar guiándose por la fe y no por lo que ven? ¿Qué tuvieron que hacer para seguir caminando en la oscuridad?

Pregunta para los jóvenes: ¿Ustedes rezan y piden por la fe? ¿Cómo trabajan para desarrollar su fe?

Pregunta para los adultos: ¿Cuándo les es más difícil mantener la fe? ¿Tienen que "ver" la respuesta a sus oraciones o pueden aceptar el deseo de Dios pacíficamente?

Are you being called to the Priesthood?

Come 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.



CAS – North will meet on June 21, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary of the Assumption in Hockessin, Delaware. For more information, contact Father Chris Coffey at FrCoffey@sjbde.org or call 302-999-0211.

CAS – South will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Saint John the Apostle Church, 506 Seabury Drive, Milford, DE on June 18, 2018. Contact Father John Solomon at fatherjohnsolomon@gmail.com or 302-674-5787.

COLUMNA DEL PÁRROCO PADRE

JAMES LENTINI 17 DE JUNIO,

2018.

Queridos feligreses,

La Escritura nos dice (Lucas 21,30): "Fíjense en la higuera y en los demás árboles.

Cuando echan los primeros brotes, ustedes saben que el verano ya está cerca." Cuando vivía en Brooklyn (espacio de jardín del universo), teníamos una higuera en nuestro patio de atrás, y esta escritura se vivió, año tras año ... al menos hasta que mi padre decidió que ya tenía suficiente de las 767 abejas de que se sintieron atraídas por la higuera y decidió removerla.

Entonces, dejando a un lado la higuera, y vamos al ámbito católico, ¿cómo podría uno prepararse espiritualmente para el verano? Bueno, ¿qué tal una mirada a los santos que podríamos invocar durante el verano en oración para ayudarnos? Entonces, aquí hay algunos epígrafe de santos para considerar durante el verano:

San Cristóbal (25 de julio). Él es el santo patrón de los viajeros. De acuerdo con la tradición de la Iglesia, San Cristóbal llevó a Cristo niño sobre sus hombros y lo ayudó a cruzar el río, a un lugar seguro. Desde entonces, ha sido reverenciado en la invocación del Santo Patrón de los viajeros. Por lo tanto, ya sea si estas volando, navegando, caminando o conduciendo, ore a San Cristóbal para que interceda por usted en su viaje.

San José de Cupertino (18 de septiembre). Era un sacerdote franciscano que solía ponerse tan extasiado y eufórico en sus oraciones, que levitaba y permanecía flotando en el aire, en la capilla del Monasterio, para el susto de sus hermanos. Setenta veces, fue registrado flotando en el aire, tanto dentro como fuera de la capilla, por hermanos sacerdotes y laicos locales. A partir de esto, ha sido designado Santo Patrón de viajeros aéreos y pilotos. Entonces, si estás volando este verano y algunas turbulencias te están causando dolor, reza a San José de Cupertino para que interceda por ti y por tu piloto. Si la

turbulencia te causa náuseas, vea San. Erasmo o san Elmo en otro lugar de este artículo.

San Antonio (13 de junio). Él es el santo patrón invocado para encontrar objetos perdidos. ¿Preparándose para tomar unas vacaciones y no encuentras los boletos de avión? ¿En la recogida de equipaje del aeropuerto y su maleta no encuentra su camino hacia el carrusel de equipaje? ¿Su GPS murió mientras estaba en las montañas de Pennsylvania, West Virginia o Nueva York, y su automóvil (y usted) están perdidos? Ora a San Antonio de Padua para que interceda, para que puedan ser encontrados. (*Nota: inadie se pierde en las montañas de Delaware!*)

San Elmo también conocido como Erasmo (2 de junio). Uno de los "Catorce Santos Ayudantes de Cristo", fue martirizado bajo el reinado del atroz Emperador Romano Diocleciano, en 303. Después de varias torturas, su estómago fue abierto y sus vísceras fueron arrancadas de él a través de una moza. Debido a esto, es invocado como Santo Patrono de los marinos que, cuando se desata la tormenta en el mar, invocando a san Erasmo se librarían del peligro de naufragar. Las descargas eléctricas en los mástiles de los navíos fueron consideradas como un signo de su protección y, por ello, fueron llamadas fuegos de San Elmo. También se le invoca contra dolencias estomacales, mareos, calambres y cólicos. Entonces, este verano, si comes demasiado y te dan un poco de indigestión estomacal, o si te sientes un poco mareado, dale un grito a San Elmo por algo de ayuda, para que interceda por ti. La famosa historia de "El fuego de San Elmo o Telmo", pero esa es una historia para otra columna)

Santa Bárbara (4 de diciembre). Bueno, amantes de la pirotecnia, para quienes usan luces de bengala que no es más que una droga de entrada que conduce a bombitas de cereza, velas romanas y cohetes: ten

cuidado. Y si está usando, mirando o alrededor de fuegos artificiales, invoque la protección de Santa Bárbara; ella es la patrona de los fuegos artificiales. ¿Por qué? La tradición antigua nos dice que el hermoso cabello largo de Bárbara estalló en llamas cuando su verdugo (isu padre!) Le agarró el cabello al darle un golpe mortal. Poco después fue alcanzado por un rayo y consumido por el fuego. Por lo tanto, se invoca a Santa Bárbara para protegerse contra los rayos y todas las formas de pirotecnia. Es la patrona de la artillería, arquitectos, albañiles, y protectora contra el rayo, fuego, muerte repentina. Desafortunadamente, la religión de la Santería la ha tomado como uno de sus dioses lo cual nada tiene que ver con la auténtica veneración a la santa. Ella murió por ser fiel a nuestro Señor Jesucristo y por eso es testimonio para todos. Entonces, este 4 de julio, siéntete libre de invocar a Santa Bárbara para seguridad. Del mismo modo, si te encuentras dentro o cerca de una de nuestras poderosas tormentas eléctricas de Delmarva, llama a Santa Bárbara 911!

San Juan Gualberto (12 de julio).

Pretenda que estás en Jeopardy; la respuesta es: Gran Cuenca, Valle Cuyahoga, Haleakalā y Tortugas Secas . La pregunta: ¿Qué son los parques nacionales? Mucha gente visita estos lugares en el verano. Los más populares son Acadia, Yellowstone, Grand Teton ... hay alrededor de 60 en total. Si se encuentra en un Parque Nacional, un parque natural o un bosque, y desea orar por seguridad o una buena visita allí, invoque, en oración, a San Juan Gualberto, fundador de la Orden Benedictina de Vallombros. Él es el santo patrón de parques, bosques y guarda parques. ¿Por qué? Parece que la tierra en la que construyó su monasterio, justo al este de Florencia, estaba ubicada en un terreno árido y salvaje hasta que Juan y sus monjes lo convirtieron en un verdadero parque al sembrar numerosos árboles y arbustos.

San Medardo (8 de junio). Nadie quiere mal tiempo. Sí, el verano es caluroso, esperamos eso. Pero tienes en el calendario planeado una fiesta al aire libre, o un día en la playa, y de repente el cielo parece una

escena del segmento de apertura del Mago de Oz. ¡No temas! Reza una oración a San Medardo, santo patrón invocado contra el mal tiempo. ¿Por qué? Parece que cuando San Medardo era un hombre joven, oró a Dios por protección contra la lluvia durante una tormenta, y de repente un águila apareció sobre su cabeza y usó su enorme envergadura para proteger al joven San Medardo.

Nuestra Señora de las Nieves (5 de agosto) Según la tradición el 5 de agosto de 352 A. C., una piadosa y adinerada pareja romana prometió su fortuna a la Madre de Dios con el propósito de construir una Iglesia en su honor. En afirmación, una nevada de verano milagrosa vino y cayó en una colina específica en Roma. Fue tomado como una señal para construir esa iglesia dedicada a María en ese sitio. Entonces, si realmente quieres refrescarte el verano, reza a Nuestra Señora de las Nieves para que ese evento milagroso vuelva a ocurrir. Sin embargo, ino creo que nuestros visitantes veraniegos en Delaware y Maryland lo aprecien mucho! ¡Y nuestros estudiantes de la escuela pueden pensar que es un desperdicio de un día perfecto de nieve! ¡Que Dios los bendiga a ustedes y a su familia con un verano santo y alegre!

Tuyo en Cristo,
P. James Lentini
Pastor