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Summer Office Hours: Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m., **Closed** Wednesday & Friday
Because of the limited size of our staff, hours are subject to change. It's best to call first.

June 30, 2019 – Thirteenth 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
Rev. Mano Salla, 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,

Some summer songs sum up summer, so summarily: "*Summer days drifting away, but, oh, oh those summer nights."* – John Travolta and Olivia Newton-John (Summer Nights). "*Summer breeze, makes me feel fine, blowing through the jasmine in my mind*" "—Seals and Croft (Summer Breeze). "*Oh, when I look back now / that summer seemed to last forever. / And if I had the choice, / yeah, I'd always wanna be there; / those were the best days of my life.*" — Bryan Adams (Summer of '69). "*The summer wind, came blowin' in from across the sea / It lingered there to touch your hair and walk with me*." – Frank Sinatra (Summer Wind).

Singer and songs have tons and tons to say about the season we call summer, a season that has only just begun. But you know what? The Bible has some interesting references to summer worth examining, too. So, while in the summer mode, perhaps with Olivia Newton John and John Travolta's "Summer Nights" sliding through our mind like, dare I say, "greased lightning," let take a look at some references to summer in the Bible:

1. **Proverbs 6:6-8:** "*Go to the ant, O sluggard, study her ways and learn wisdom; for though she has no chief, no commander or ruler, she procures her food in the summer, stores up her provisions in the harvest*." In others word summer isn't a time to do nothing or sleep your life away. This is certain the cry of the parent with the sleepy teen hibernating until the next school year. Aesop picked up on this Bible verse with his fable of the Ant and the Grasshopper.
2. **Jeremiah 8:20:** *"The harvest is over, the* ***summer*** *ended, but we have not yet been saved!*" Those who read scripture know that Jeremiah laments a lot – especially about the situation of his people. He laments that they have fallen away from God, and that times-a-wasting for them to fall back in line.

Always a good reminder to ourselves in our own faith lives when we put off until tomorrow, commitments to Christ that we need to make today.

3. **Amos 8:1:** "*This is what the Lord God showed me: behold, a basket of* ***summer*** *fruit*." No, Amos was not speaking of a gift basket from 1-800-Flowers, rather God was showing Amos his people ripe for consumption by his wrath, for they had fallen away. You know, sometimes scripture can sound so nice, even when smiting seems to be on its way! And just to clarify that I'm not reading a dark message into a nice sounding line of scripture, the rest of that passage reads thus: "*He asked, 'What do you see, Amos?' And I answered, 'A basket of end-of-****summer*** *fruit.' And the LORD said to me: 'The end has come for my people Israel; I will forgive them no longer*.'"
4. **Psalm 32:3-5:** "*Because I kept silent, my bones wasted away; I groaned all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength withered as in dry* ***summer*** *heat. Then I declared my sin to you; my guilt I did not hide. I said, 'I confess my transgression to the LORD,' and you took away the guilt of my sin*." This is the 'you better go to confession' Psalm. Basically, it is telling you, if you don't repent and confess, the heavy hand of guilt will rest on you and your spiritual strength with dry up and wither. It will feel like you are a passenger in 1968 VW van with no air-conditioning, stuck in traffic – and the windows won't roll down. Is that what you want to feel like? Check the bulletin for confession times (it's the "cool" thing to do)!
5. **Luke 21:29-31:** [Jesus said]: "*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; in the same way, when you see these things happening, know that the kingdom of God is near*." In the text just before this portion Jesus tells his followers about signs that signal the end of time, the great tribulation and His second coming. He makes an analogy, to that of the signs that point to the arrival of summer. Stated another way, for us on Delmarva, this passage might read: "When traffic on Route 1 crawls at about three miles per hour, you know that summer is now near." Perhaps a shorthand way of saying this: Look at the signs that God puts before us, and take note!
6. **Proverbs 26:1:** "*Like snow in* ***summer****, like rain in harvest, honor for a fool is out of place."* A fool – or perhaps, for the politically-correct crowd, "the wisdom-impaired person"– doesn't deserve honor, any more than summertime yields snow. Though, in reference to this scripture passage, a big rain during the harvest season might give the fool in Proverbs some false hope… it will still not yield him any honor.
7. **Genesis 8:21-22:** *"[T]he LORD said to himself: Never again will I curse the ground because of human beings, since the desires of the human heart are evil from youth; nor will I ever again strike down every living being, as I have done. All the days of the earth, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease.*" The Lord said this after Noah, once on dry land again, offered a sacrifice of thanks to God after the great flood. It shows that God relented and gave mankind yet another chance… and will give those things that we need. What this passage also tells us is that in addition to death and taxes, we can also count on seedtime, harvest time, cold, heat, summer, winter, day and night! With the promise of their always being a summertime, this passage gives some context and understanding to the groovy Beach Boys 1974 album, "Endless Summer" – now I can listen to that album with a Biblical understanding!

And so, as the summer wind comes blowing in and the summer breeze makes us feel fine, let's be assured of God's presence to us and with us, always – no matter what the season!

Yours in Christ, Fr. James Lentini, Pastor

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sunday, June 30
8:30am Charles Beck
11:00am Harry Stotsenberg
Misa en Español 1pm For the People

Thursday, July 4
NO MASS

Sunday, July 7
8:30am Louis Adam
11:00am John Carrow
Misa en Español 1pm For the People

COLLECTION TOTALS:

Offertory: $ 2932.00
Peter Pence: $ 437.00

Second Collection Today: Supplementary

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

Join our Parish Family…Registration Forms are Available at the front vestibule or the Parish Office

STEWARDSHIP OF TIME & TALENT

Altar Servers

July 7
8:30am Mass –Averi Locke, Anna Clancy
11am Mass –Joanna Santizo, Isaac Meyer
Spanish Misa 1pm – Sofia Ramirez, Jessica Perez Ortiz

Lectors

July 7
8:30am Mass – Karen Cairns
11am Mass – Laura Saule
Spanish Misa 1pm – Dalia García, Levin Ramírez

Eucharistic Ministers

July 7
8:30am Mass – Alan & Diane Smith
11am Mass – Jim Ward, Judy Carrow
Spanish Misa 1pm – Guadalupe Morales, Genaro Pérez, Verónica Bravo, Carlos Miguel, Epifanio Morales

Collection Counters

June 30 Paul & Robin Engstenberg
July 7 Tom & Mary McGowan
July 14 Elisa & Tom Costello

Church Cleaning Crew

Julio 5, 2019 Grupo #15
Juan Díaz Reynoso, Marlene García, Leonel Juárez, Bernardo De Paz, Brendy Macario

Julio 12, 2019 Grupo #2
Hortencia Bamaca, Luz Morales, Lilian Díaz Bamaca Rosemery Bamaca, Froilán Berduo, Sheila Berduo

Knights of Columbus

Next meeting Tues, July 23, 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**

Before you head to the beach or bay, check out the Vacation Mass Guide

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

SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sun, Jun 30 9:30am Prayer Shawl Meeting
Sun, Jun 30 3:30pm Jovenes
Tues, Jul 2 1pm Exercise class in hall
Tues, Jul 2 7pm – Juan XXIII
Sat, Jul 6 6:30pm Culto

A new Church Directory is being prepared by Lifetouch. Picture days will be Fri. 8/16, Sat. 8/17, Sun. 8/18, then Mon. 8/26 and Tue. 8/27

Sign up for timeslots will start after mass next week.

Get ready to ROAR at the
VBS Movie Matinee

Sunday July 14th at 2:30pm in the hall

Come join us for a free movie "Nickelodeon's The Wild Thornberrys Movie" to help kick off VBS. Registrations for VBS will be available during the movie. Snacks and drinks will be provided.

This is a free event and all are welcome to attend

Marriage & Family Life Corner

Parenting Pointer –

The year is half over. Perhaps it's time to mend some fences. Is there any relationship you need to reconcile or heal? Show your child or grandchild how to apologize.

Marriage Moment –

Summer is vacation time for many people. Have you planned a time away for just the two of you? It need not be long or expensive. The important thing is to do something for at least a day that both of you love. It's marriage insurance.

FROM THE DRE'S DESK

SRE will start again on September 22, 2019.

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

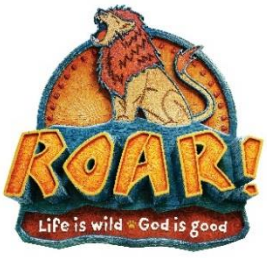
REGISTRATIONS: Registrations for 2018-2019 are now available at the office, and online. Please get your registrations for school of Religious Education this weekend. We would like to have all registered for next year now to plan for materials, classrooms and teachers. Please return registrations to Alicia or office. Fees are as follows: $40 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 $40 por cada niño, y no más de $150 cada familia.

NEEDED: TEACHERS! APPLY HERE FOR NEXT YEAR! Share your gifts and get the rewards in heaven.

We will need teachers for religious education on Sunday mornings from September to May.

If you see this, and are wondering "is this me?", inquire.



Vacation Bible School

August 5-9th

If you are interested in helping out this year you may contact Kathleen or Meg Haass at Meg Haass at rlhkbh@verizon.net.

Helpers and team leaders are still needed. Registrations are available now, online and at the parish office. Come join the fun!!!

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Theme: We are all invited to "come follow."

Question for Children: To follow Jesus means to do what is right. Name a time this past week when you followed Jesus by doing the right thing you were asked to do, the first time, without an excuse.

Question for Youth: The people in the story had lots of reasons why they couldn't follow Jesus. What makes it hard to be a disciple of Jesus? Why do you make the choice to follow Jesus even though it is hard?

Question for Adults: Sometimes we are like the people in the Gospel and have many excuses for why we cannot follow Jesus. Name a time this past week that you followed Jesus even though you had many excuses.

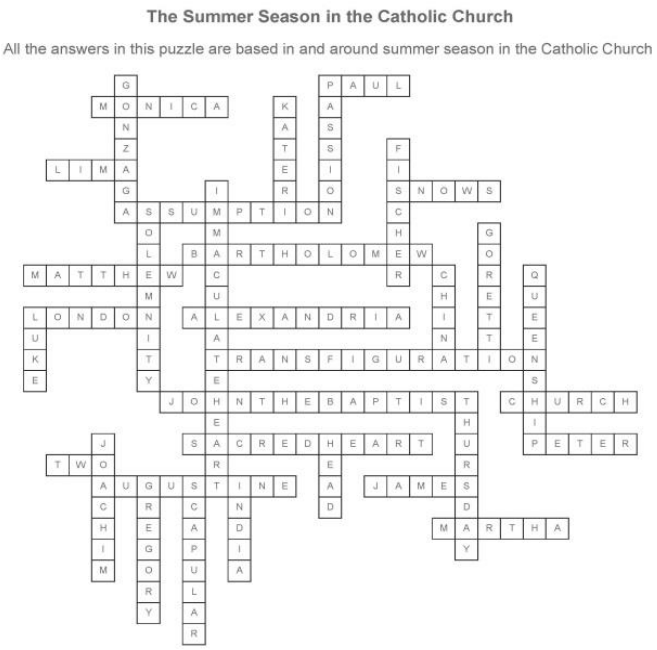
13º domingo en tiempo ordinario

Tema: Todos estamos invitados a "seguir".
Pregunta para los niños: Seguir a Jesús significa hacer lo correcto. Nombren una ocasión de la semana pasada en que siguieron a Jesús haciendo lo correcto que se les pidió desde el principio sin dar ninguna excusa.
Pregunta para los jóvenes: La gente de la historia tenía muchísimas razones para no seguir a Jesús. ¿Qué hace que sea difícil ser un discípulo de Jesús? ¿Por qué toman la decisión de seguir a Jesús aun cuando es difícil?
Pregunta para los adultos: A veces nos comportamos como la gente del Evangelio y tenemos muchas excusas para no seguir a Jesús. Nombren una ocasión de la semana pasada en que siguieron a Jesús aun cuando tenían muchas excusas.

Are you being called to the priesthood or religious life?

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 30, 2019 "Serve one another through love." Does a life of prayer and service as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life attract you?
Call Fr. Norm Carroll 302-573-3113 or email vocations@cdow.org.

Find out more about the priesthood: diocesanpriest.com
Find out more about the religious life: religiouslife.com
Let us help you to discover God's plan for your life.



COLUMNA DEL PÁRROCO PADRE JAMES LENTINI 30 DE JUNIO, 2019.

Queridos feligreses,

Algunas canciones de verano resumen el verano, tan resumidamente: "Los días de verano se alejan, pero, oh, oh, esas noches de verano". - John Travolta y Olivia Newton-John (Noches de verano). "Brisa de verano, me hace sentir bien, soplando el jazmin atravez de mi mente" "Seals and Croft (brisa de verano). "Oh, cuando miro hacia atrás ahora / ese verano pareció durar para siempre. / Y si tuviera la opción, / sí, siempre querría estar allí; / Esos fueron los mejores días de mi vida ". - Bryan Adams (verano del '69)." El viento de verano, vino soplando desde el otro lado del mar / Se demoró allí para tocar tu cabello y caminar conmigo ". - Frank Sinatra (viento de verano).

El cantante y las canciones tienen mucho que decir sobre la temporada que llamamos verano, una temporada que acaba de comenzar. ¿Pero sabes que? La Biblia también tiene algunas referencias interesantes al verano que vale la pena examinar. Entonces, mientras estamos en el modo de verano, quizás con las "Noches de verano" de Olivia Newton John y John Travolta deslizándose por nuestra mente, me atrevo a decir "relámpagos engrasados", echemos un vistazo a algunas referencias al verano en la Biblia:

1. Proverbios 6: 6-8: "Ve a la hormiga, oh perezoso, estudia sus caminos y aprende sabiduría; porque aunque no tiene jefe, ni comandante ni gobernante, ella procura su comida en el verano, almacena sus provisiones en la cosecha ". En otras palabras, verano no es un momento para no hacer nada o dormir toda tu vida. Esto es cierto, el grito de los padres al adolescente adormecido hibernando hasta el próximo año escolar. Aesop recogió este versículo de la Biblia con su fábula de la hormiga y el saltamontes.

2. Jeremías 8:20: "La cosecha ha terminado, el verano terminó, ¡pero aún no hemos sido salvos!" Los que leen las Escrituras saben que Jeremías se lamenta mucho, especialmente sobre la situación de su pueblo. Se lamenta de que se hayan alejado de Dios, y de que se pierda la oportunidad de volver a la fila. Siempre un buen recordatorio para nosotros mismos en nuestras vidas de fe cuando dejamos hasta mañana, los compromisos con Cristo que debemos hacer hoy.

3. Amós 8: 1: "Esto es lo que el Señor Dios me mostró: he aquí, una cesta de fruta de verano". No, Amós no estaba hablando de una cesta de regalo de 1-800-Flowers, sino que Dios le estaba mostrando a la gente de Amos la fruta madura para ser consumido, porque habían caído por su ira. Sabes, a veces las escrituras suenan tan bien, ¡incluso cuando parece que el ataque está en camino! Y solo para aclarar que no estoy leyendo un mensaje oscuro en una bonita línea de escritura, el resto de ese pasaje dice así: "Él preguntó: '¿Qué ves, Amos?' Y yo respondí: 'Una canasta de Frutas de fin de verano. 'Y el SEÑOR me dijo:' Ha llegado el fin de mi pueblo Israel; No los perdonaré más ".

4. Salmo 32: 3-5: "Porque guardé silencio, mis huesos se desperdiciaron; Gemí todo el día. Porque el día y la noche me pesó la mano; Mi fuerza marchita como en el calor del verano seco. Entonces te declaré mi pecado; Mi culpa no la oculté. Le dije: 'Confieso mi transgresión al SEÑOR', y tú me quitaste la culpa de mi pecado ". Este es el Salmo" para que te confieses mejor ". Básicamente, te está diciendo que, si no te arrepientes y confiesas, la mano pesada de la culpa descansará sobre ti y tu fuerza espiritual con la sequedad y la cruz. Se sentirá como un pasajero en la camioneta VW 1968 sin aire acondicionado, atascado en el tráfico, y las ventanas no bajarán. ¿Es eso lo que quieres sentir? ¡Revise el boletín para los tiempos de confesión (es lo "genial" que se debe hacer)!

5. Lucas 21: 29-31: [Jesús dijo]: "Considera la higuera y todos los demás árboles. Cuando sus capullos se abren, se ven por sí mismos y saben que el verano ya está cerca; de la misma manera, cuando vea que suceden estas cosas, sepa que el reino de Dios está cerca ". En el texto, justo antes de esta parte, Jesús les cuenta a sus seguidores acerca de señales que indican el fin de los tiempos, la gran tribulación y su segunda venida. Hace una analogía, a la de los signos que apuntan a la llegada del verano. Dicho de otra manera, para nosotros en Delmarva, este pasaje puede leerse: "Cuando el tráfico en la Ruta 1 se

desplaza a unas tres millas por hora, sabes que el verano ya está cerca". Tal vez una forma abreviada de decir esto: mira las señales de que Dios nos pone delante, y toma nota!

6. Proverbios 26: 1: "Como la nieve en verano, como la lluvia en la cosecha, el honor para un tonto está fuera de lugar". Un tonto, o quizás, para la multitud políticamente correcta, "la persona con problemas de sabiduría" - no lo hace No merecen honor, más que el verano produce nieve. Aunque, en referencia a este pasaje de las Escrituras, una gran lluvia durante la temporada de cosecha podría dar al tonto en Proverbios alguna falsa esperanza ... todavía no le dará ningún honor.

7. Génesis 8: 21-22: "[Jehová] se dijo a sí mismo: Nunca más maldeciré la tierra por causa de los seres humanos, ya que los deseos del corazón humano son malos desde la juventud; ni volveré a derribar a todos los seres vivos, como lo he hecho. Todos los días de la tierra, la siembra y la cosecha, el frío y el calor, el verano y el invierno, y el día y la noche no cesarán. "El Señor dijo esto después de que Noé, una vez en tierra firme, ofreció un sacrificio de gracias a Dios después de la gran inundación. Muestra que Dios cedió y le dio a la humanidad otra oportunidad ... y le dará esas cosas que necesitamos. Lo que este pasaje también nos dice es que además de la muerte y los impuestos, también podemos contar con la hora de la siembra, la hora de la cosecha, el frío, el calor, el verano, el invierno, el día y la noche. Con la promesa de que siempre serán un horario de verano, este pasaje le da algo de contexto y comprensión al maravilloso álbum de Beach Boys 1974, "Endless Summer". ¡Ahora puedo escuchar ese álbum con un entendimiento bíblico!

Y así, a medida que el viento de verano llega y la brisa del verano nos hace sentir bien, tengamos la seguridad de la presencia de Dios para nosotros y con nosotros, siempre, ¡sin importar la estación!

Tuyo en cristo

P. James Ientini

Pastor