



CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

May 16, 2021

Ascension of the Lord

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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 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)

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, 6 pm, Spanish
Saturday, 9 am, Spanish

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

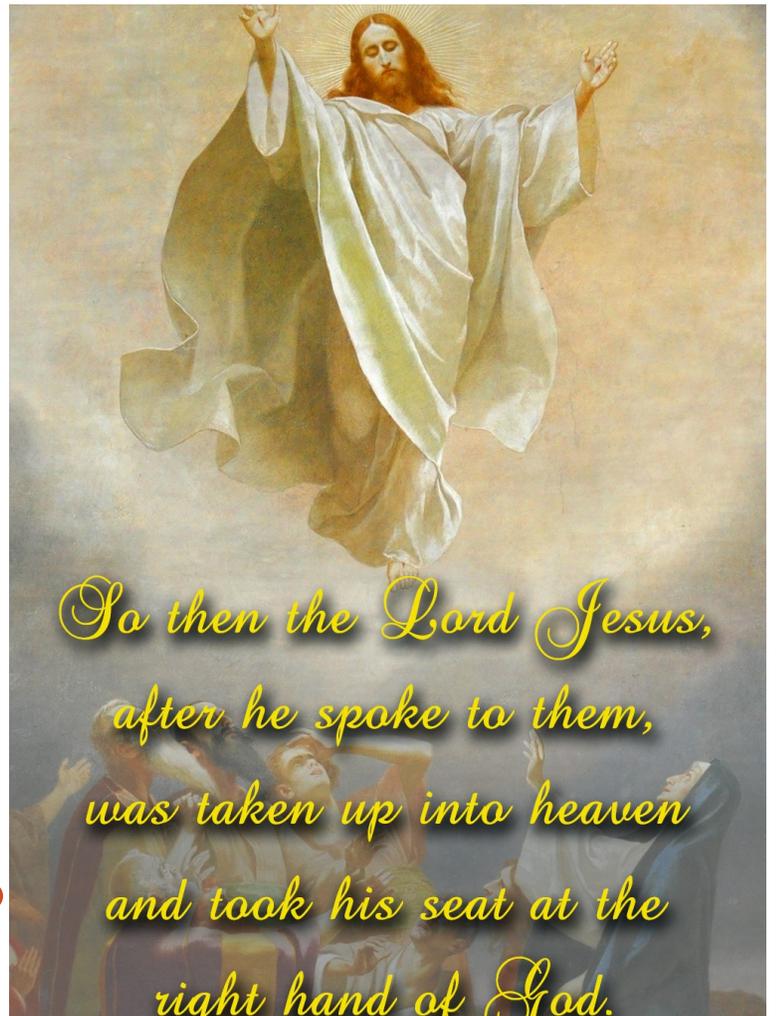
Sunday, 8:30, 11 am
Sunday, 1 pm, Spanish

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Thursday, 6 pm, Spanish
Saturday, 9 am, Spanish

CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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



*So then the Lord Jesus,
after he spoke to them,
was taken up into heaven
and took his seat at the
right hand of God.*

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 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

holycrossover.org
iccmarylodel.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.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, parishes must continue to adhere to all health and safety regulations without exception. Policies including wearing face masks, maintaining proper six-foot social distancing and proper hand hygiene remain nonnegotiable and are fundamentally rooted in protecting all people in our parishes and maintaining the health and safety of our community. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass and Masses on holy days remains suspended at this time.

Face masks are to be worn by all who are in the church. It is to be worn covering both the nose and mouth. Thank you for your cooperation.

WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

May 2, 2021

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Offertory	\$21,058	\$27,800	(\$6,742)
YTD	\$1,090,050	\$1,223,400	(\$133,350)
Needs	\$1,176	\$1,550	(\$374)

WEEKLY OFFERING (ICC)

Ending May 2, 2021

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Offertory	\$2,898
2nd	\$132

Please continue to mail in your contributions during this time. Many are still not attending Mass but we still need your support. 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.

Dear Parishioners,

Our Diocese, as you probably know has a new Bishop appointed to it, Msgr. William Koenig, effective July 13. This is a bit of an historical moment for the Diocese, as it will mark the first time since the 19th century that a Bishop was appointed and ordained here in the Diocese; the Bishops that are appointed to Wilmington have usually been Bishops already somewhere else (usually as Auxiliary Bishops). Our new Bishop will be ordained right here in the Diocese — as many of my priest friends have noted, very few priests in our Diocese have ever seen a Bishop ordained anywhere, let alone right here in our own backyard.

Order in the Court. What does ordination as Bishop mean? Well, in our Sacramental system there are three tiers of Holy Orders — for Deacons, for Priests and for Bishops. A Bishop is selected by the Holy Father from amongst his priests, and appointed as Bishop. That Priest (who was already ordained as a Deacon, and then a Priest), must now be ordained a Bishop. At his ordination he receives the fullness of holy orders, making him a successor to the apostles and a member of the college of Bishops.

Three Strikes You're In. To be ordained a Priest, a Bishop lays hands on the priesthood candidate in ministering the Sacrament of Holy Order, to be ordained a Bishop, three Bishops lay hands on the Bishop-elect. Why three? Well, kind of, to make sure the candidate is really truly and validly ordained. St. Isidore explained it this way: the practice “that a bishop should not be ordained by one bishop, but by [several] bishops, is known to have been instituted on account of heresies, and in order that the tyrannical authority of one person should not attempt anything contrary to the faith of the Church.” In other words, so a renegade Bishop doesn't go cowboy on us and start ordaining without the consent of the Church. Random fact: The three-Bishop rule doesn't apply if the Pope is the one ministering Holy Orders (and I have it from a good source that Pope Francis will not be flying into our Diocese for this ordination, so expect three Bishops to be doing the ordaining).

Of Coadjutors and other Churchy Terms. Once a Bishop is ordained... he is a Bishop, a member of what is called the Episcopacy. However, not every Bishop has a Diocese — immediately. Some are ordained and then serve as what are called “Auxiliary Bishops” — large Dioceses often have a Bishop and auxiliaries. For instance in Archdiocese of Philadelphia their Bishop is

Archbishop Nelson Perez, and he has four Auxiliary Bishops who work with him. In some cases, a Bishop's successor is appointed in advance and serves as a Coadjutor Bishop, who also assists the current Bishop, with the distinction that he automatically succeeds the current Bishop upon that Bishop's retirement, removal, or death. Fun fact: The Diocese of Wilmington was led by Bishop Edmond Fitzmaurice from 1925-1960; as he got older in age and had health issues, the Pope appointed a Coadjutor Bishop to succeed him, named Bishop Cartwright. Ultimately, the long-lived Fitzmaurice actually outlived his successor, and buried his own Coadjutor.

Installation. When an ordained Bishop is appointed by the Pope to lead a Diocese, he needs to be formally installed into that position. The installation is not the ordination — though the two can take place at the same ceremony — the ordination is a ministration of the Sacrament of Holy Orders, the installation is the ceremony that designates the Bishop to take possession of and lead the Diocese. It is like a coronation ceremony — so, to make an analogy, while Queen Elizabeth became Queen in 1952, her coronation did not come until 1953 (there is always a gap... sometimes long, sometime short). The installation of a Bishop is carefully planned and contains many signs, symbols, and imputed aspects of the role of Bishop.

Take Your Seat. What are some key moments in the installation? During the installation a letter from the Pope appointing the new Bishop will be read (after which it will be presented to the Chancellor and the College of Consultors [advisers to the Bishop]). The Bishop will then formally consent to take possession of the Diocese (this is like when a Pastor is installed in a Parish and takes legal and canonical possession of the parish property, except in this case the new Bishop takes possession of the Diocese in full). Ceremoniously, the new Bishop will be escorted to the cathedra, the bishop's chair, presented with a crozier, and then officially become the Bishop of the Diocese.

No Ordinary Time. Once a Bishop is installed as the Bishop of a Diocese he becomes what the Church calls, “the Ordinary” of the Diocese. Well, that sounds dull. But he is not “ordinary” in the sense of plain or dull. It has to do with the official or ordered exercise of authority. So, while the Pope has full, supreme, and universal power and jurisdiction over the whole Church, a bishop has power and jurisdiction over his own diocese:

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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
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HC STAFF

Parish Office	302 674 5787
Jane Green/Susan Cutrona	Receptionist, ext. 110
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Kenneth Trojan	Business Manager, ext. 119
Michele Dornberger	Records/Asst. Bus. Mgr., ext. 116
Arline Dosman	Dir. of Hispanic Ministry, ext. I18
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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Susan Venezia	Bookkeeper
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Linda Pollitt	Principal, ext. 111
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ADORATION CHAPEL (HC)

Even though we are not opening the Adoration Chapel at this time, anyone who was on the normal adoration schedule is encouraged to come into the church to pray during your assigned hour. The church is unlocked from 7 am to 7 pm and Our Lord is waiting for you to come spend time with Him. Our Lord is present in the tabernacle all day long and would love for you to spend time praying. It's a great way to get back into the routine of praying during your scheduled hour.

GOLF FOR LIFE!!

New Day Pregnancy Care Center is having a golf tournament to raise money to protect the lives of babies and to give hope to the mothers of unplanned pregnancies. You can help by forming a team of 4 players for \$75.00 a person or \$300.00 a team. Or you can sponsor a hole for \$150.00 or more! The scramble tournament is on May 22 with a shotgun start at 12:00. If you have any questions, please contact Cristina Mattes at cdmattes@gmail.com or call 302-222-0372. Thank you for helping!

CATHOLIC FORUM

Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/podcast each week. Next Saturday, May 22nd, learn about the annual John Cardinal Foley Communications Symposium when Father Thomas Dailey, OSFS, is the guest. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640, or listen online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts.

READINGS FOR MAY 23

PENTECOST

FIRST READING: ACTS 2:1-11

SECOND READING: GALATIANS 5:16-25

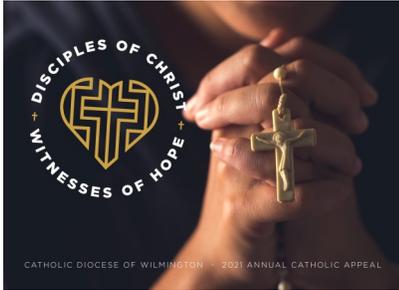
GOSPEL: JOHN 15:26-27; 16:12-15



Pray the Rosary during the month of May to our Blessed Virgin Mary.

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, WITNESSES OF HOPE

Many thanks to those who have responded to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal; your generosity is deeply appreciated. If you have not yet participated you can contribute to the



Appeal by using the pledge card and return envelope mailed to your home, by accessing the Appeal website at www.cdw.org/annualcatholicappeal and clicking “How to Donate” or by completing a pledge card located on the tables in the church or Gathering Space or Parish Offices. It is never too late to help someone in need.

The goal for Holy Cross is \$215,000. The goal for Immaculate Conception is \$25,000. We need help from each and everyone of you in order to help us reach our goal for the Annual Appeal. Please prayerfully considering sending in your pledge or donation today.

LEAVING ITEMS IN CHURCH

Please **do not** leave cards, religious items, clothing, or other such items in the lobby area of the Gathering Space. We cannot accept any of these items at this time. Due to the COVID restrictions.

PRO-LIFE INFORMATION

- Are you pro-life and searching for ways to make a positive impact? Get connected with others who are making a difference. Currently we are conducting prayer vigils on Friday mornings from 9 AM to Noon in Dover at Planned Parenthood. We will train. Contact Donna Latteri 862-266-1099.
- Euthanasia is murder. Life begins at conception and continues through natural death.
- Dover Interfaith Mission for Housing provides meals and shelter for homeless men and helps them rebuild their lives.

MASS INTENTIONS

MAY

17 MONDAY

HC 8:00 am Mother’s Day Novena

18 TUESDAY

HC 8:00 am Joe Froscone

19 WEDNESDAY

HC 8:00 am James Canalichio

20 8:00 am

HC 8:00 am Veterans & members of Military
ICC 6 pm For the People

21 FRIDAY

HC 8:00 am Teng L. Yao

22 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Francis J. Quigley, Jr.
HC 5 pm Ruth Bochnowski

23 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Dr. Jose Austria
ICC 8:30 am James & Elizabeth Griffith
HC 9:30 am Nicole Trinkle
ICC 11 am James Ward
HC 11:30 am Carlos Cintron
ICC 1 pm For the People

(LI = LIVING INTENTION

DM—DECEASED MEMBERS)

VOCATIONS

Whether you are in eighth grade, high school or college, this is “decision time.” This year is not just another year in school, but a special time in your life. This is a great opportunity to develop your gifts and talents.

So, work hard, do and be your best. Shape your own dreams and goals by using the rich talent with which the Lord has blessed you.

As you look at your future, consider a life of service in the Church. Think seriously about taking at least a part of your life and giving it to other people in the name of our Lord and through the Church. Even more than that, consider priesthood, sisterhood and the religious life. What a great contribution you could make to the world and God’s people!

Have a great year in school. Do your best. Make your education have such a positive effect on you that other people in this world will benefit from you and your talent.

In the meantime, in your daily prayers, pray for your vocation.

faith in action

MASS MINISTERS

PLEASE COME FORWARD TO HELP DISTRIBUTE HOLY COMMUNION AT THE MASS YOU ATTEND. THE PRIEST WILL INDICATE HOW MANY EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS ARE NEEDED.

Lector Schedule for May 2021

At Holy Cross:

5 pm Mass

May 15 Dennis Dixon
 May 22 Donna Kilby
 May 29 Fran Urick

7:30 am Mass

May 16 Edie Outten
 May 23 Rose Pritchett
 May 29 John Davis

9:30 am Mass

May 16 Mary Sherlock
 May 23 Tamra Baurys
 May 30 Sher Crossen

At Immaculate Conception

8:30 am Mass

May 16 Karen Cairns
 May 23 Bill Thompson
 May 30 Gerry Godfrey

11 am Mass

May 16 Laura Schlopitz
 May 23 Donna King
 May 30 Laura Schlopitz

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@iccmaryladel.org Thank you.

K OF C MOTHER'S DAY TREAT

The Knights of Columbus will provide donuts/pastries to all mom's on Mother's Day, May 9, in the lobby of Holy Cross School. It will be free for mom's but others will be charged \$5. It will be a take and go as you are leaving the church.

DIRECTORIES (HC)

The Parish Directories are in the Parish Office. If you would like to stop by the office to pick up your copy, please ahead of time and we will get your copy and have it for you to pick up.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

To love one another sounds simple, but anyone married even a short time knows that love can be a challenge when two wills conflict. Just for today, pretend you are God trying to love your spouse selflessly.

PARENTING POINTERS

Generally, a mother's love for her child is assumed and hopefully reciprocated. Yes, show love for your mother (or someone who has been like a loving mother to you) this weekend. Identify and share an act of sacrifice made on your behalf by your mother. What a gift!

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.

HOLY CROSS MEN'S GOLF LEAGUE 2021

A sign up meeting will take place on Wednesday, May 26 at 5 PM at Jonathan's Landing Golf Course club house. Nine-hole golf will be played on WEDNESDAYS, starting June 2 through August 25. Two man teams: individuals will be assigned a partner. For more information, call Phil Spampinato, 302-382-2979 or Dominic Venezia at 410-463-3211.

Registration: \$40 per person covers costs, league prizes, an end of season tournament and a donation to Holy Cross. Payment by cash or check is due at sign-up.

- Las inscripciones para las clases de Educación Religiosa del próximo año escolar 2021-2022 están abiertas
- Las aplicaciones para los que van a recibir los Sacramentos pueden ir a la página cibernética de la parroquia y bajar la aplicación completarlo a tiempo y entregarlo en la oficina de Educación Religiosa.
- **PREPARACIÓN SACRAMENTAL:** Los Sacramentos de la Reconciliación y la Primera Comunión, generalmente se reciben cuando el niño está en el segundo grado. Es responsabilidad de los padres inscribir a sus hijos a la edad adecuada para la Educación Religiosa a menos que su hijo este asistiendo a una escuela católica.
- Canon 914: Es responsabilidad, en primer lugar, de los padres y de quienes ocupan el lugar de los padres, así como del párroco, velar por que los hijos que han alcanzado el uso de la razón estén correctamente preparados y alimentados por el alimento divino, lo antes posible, precedida de la confesión sacramental; Corresponde también al párroco vigilar que no vengan al Santo Banquete niños que no hayan alcanzado el uso de la razón o que juzgue no estén suficientemente preparados.
- Recuerde que todavía tenemos que seguir las medidas de precauciones de guardar la distancia, usar mascarillas, lavarnos las manos con frecuencia y no aglomerarnos.
- Si hay algún adulto que no ha recibido su sacramento de la Confirmación y desea información sobre las clases por favor anótese con la Sra. Arline Dosman.
adosman@holycrossdover.org Recuerde que para ser un padrino tiene que tener todos los Sacramentos de Iniciación Cristiana.
- Nuestro mas profundo agradecimiento a todas las personas que de una manera u otra colaboraron con la ambientación de los predios de nuestra parroquia. Gracias por su tiempo y trabajo en mantener bella la casa del Señor para su honra y gloria.

ICC- EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

** Están abiertas las inscripciones para el próximo año, 2021-2022. Por favor devuelva las aplicaciones lo antes posible para que podamos ordenar libros y tomar decisiones de ubicación para el año escolar. **

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@iccmaryl.org

Queremos agradecer a nuestras catequistas por toda su ardua labor y determinación este año que el Señor les pague su esfuerzos de compartir la fe con nuestros niños , a los padres de familias y familiares por impartir la catequesis desde la casa. Sabemos que ha sido un reto. Que Dios los bendiga. A Donna, Meg, Brenda, Vincent, Kathy, Rose, Haydi, Sarah, Diane, Alan, Gordon, Hugo, Rosa, Sheyla, Oyuki y Horacio.

Reunión de voluntarios y ayudantes para la Escuela Bíblica de Verano será el martes, 18 de mayo, a las 7:00pm en el Salón. Si desea ayudar por favor venga a la reunión, invite a cualquiera persona que conozca que le gustaría ayudar. la Escuela Bíblica de Verano empieza el 2 de agosto hasta el 6 de agosto 2021 de 6-8:30pm

¡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@iccmaryl.org

Retiro para Catequistas: sábado, 22 de mayo de 9am-2:30- Almuerzo en el salón parroquial de la Inmaculada Concepción. Por favor llame o envía un correo electrónico para inscribirse.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC)

Thank you to all for a wonderful year under these different circumstances. We look forward to a more "normal" year when we start up in the Fall.

REGISTRATION FOR 2021/22 REL ED

2021-2022 Religious Education Class registration forms now available on line at <https://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation>

If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact Tammy Korosec at either tkorosec@holycrossover.org or call (302) 674-5787 X 122.

CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP (HC)

June 28 to July 1 we will be hosting teens from around the East Coast to assist the elderly and those who could use an extra pair of hands with yard work, painting, minor repairs, window washing, etc. We would prefer to do outside work if possible this year - please contact Linda Darling at ldarling@holycrossover.org if we may be of assistance to you or someone you know.

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.

10TH BISHOP OF WILMINGTON

Msgr. William E. Koenig named 10th bishop of Wilmington in announcement from Pope Francis. Pope Francis this morning appointed the tenth bishop of the Diocese of Wilmington, naming Msgr. William E. Koenig, a longtime pastor and administrator of the Diocese of Rockville Centre (N.Y.).

The appointment was announced in Washington by Archbishop Christophe Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States. Bishop-elect Koenig, 64, will be ordained a bishop July 13 and installed to succeed Bishop W. Francis Malooly, who more than two years ago turned 75, the age at which bishops are required to submit their resignation to the pope. Bishop Malooly has served as leader of the Catholic diocese in Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore since 2008.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/SRE (ICC)

***Registration for next year, 2021-2022 has begun. Please return forms as soon as possible so that we are able to order books, and make placement decisions for the school year. A table will be set up after Masses in front of the hall for registration.

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@iccmaryladel.org

Rice Bowls: Please place Rice Bowls in the collection bin in the back of church, or hall.

THANK YOU to our catechists for all their hard work and determination this year!! You shall be paid tenfold! And to our parents and families that have catechized at home this year! God Bless! Donna, Meg, Brenda, Vincent, Kathy, Rose, Haydi, Sarah, Diane, Alan, Gordin, Hugo, Rosa, Sheyla, Oyuki, and Horacio.

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.

Catechist Retreat: Saturday, May 22nd from 9am -2:30- break for lunch (by Ms. Alicia) at Immaculate Conception hall. Please call or email to register.

Vacation Bible School at ICC

Meeting of Volunteers and helpers on Tuesday May 18th at 7pm in our Parish hall. Please plan on attending if you wish to help, or know any one that does! Vacation Bible school will run from August 2-August 6, 2021 from 6-8:30pm

I was in my office the other morning when I heard Mrs. Swartzentruber come inside after her morning traffic duty. Flustered, she commented to Mrs. Stant, "somebody's gonna get hit out there one day, I can't believe parents are so careless on this parking lot! These are our kids we are talking about!"

Every enrichment teacher is assigned a spot for morning duty. You will find Mrs. S. just beyond the stop sign directing everyone to turn left to go around either to the designated drop-off area on the exit drive, or to an available parking space for parents who care to walk their children to the door.

Next, you will find Mrs. Williams. She is waiting at the crosswalk for those either walking to the ELC or those entering the Junior High Building, or those walking to the ramp door to bid their goodbyes. Mrs. Benini is shepherding the littles who are going to the ELC. These littles begin their day extra early because they have to be at a designated bus stop before the sun arises on most school days.

Mr. Seams also starts his day a little extra early because he has to post the flagger signs out on State Street. This is a requirement by the state and municipal powers serving as an indicator to motorists that there is a human being ahead slowing traffic flow for safety reasons. Both he and Mr. Pate are assisting our families re-enter State Street traffic. They are an invaluable.

Come rain, cold, wind, or the occasional not so kind remarks by parents, these four teachers will be found at their posts, all bundled up; protected against the elements.

I have often said that the physical layout of our school campus is a blessing and a curse. This year is proved to be a blessing beyond measure in that our three classroom buildings allowed us to avoid a hybrid opening to the school year. But, when it comes to the morning drop-off it is a bit of a curse. There is a twenty-minute window for arrival, and the closer we seem to get to that 800 am bell, the crazier and riskier the scenario becomes on what appears to be the southern branch of the Dover Speedway. Neither the signs, the cones, [please don't try to drive between them] or the human beings seem to make much of a difference. Students are heading in three different directions. Thankfully, the youngest are walked to the sidewalk

by their parents, in a relatively safe manner. But then mom or dad are off to the races because they have to get to work.

Many of our elementary children are walked to the ramp, while others are dropped off. This is where it can get a little dicey. PLEASE DON'T TRY TO MAKE A RIGHT TURN AT THE PARISH HALL. Mrs. Williams is directing traffic to go straight! Go to the designated drop-off on the exit drive, OR park the car and let the children walk to their respective buildings.

Drive like your kids live here.

You've seen the signs posted on lawns in neighborhoods all throughout the county. It is just another sign of the times in which we live. The need for speed, the willful carelessness behind the wheel and a willingness to sacrifice the safety of the poor pedestrian are all hallmarks of the American driver. But the last place where impulsive driving habits should be exercised are on a school parking lot.

Now, our dismissal procedures seem to be far more controlled. We have all of the enrichment teachers, Mrs. Stant, Mrs. Bifferato, Mrs. Speed all playing some role in seeing to the well-being of the children at dismissal. Mrs. Stant, Mrs. Bifferato and Mrs. Speed are located at the final point assisting the students in getting all of their belongings into the family vehicle. Would you believe it when I tell you that there are some parent drivers who don't even bring their vehicle to a complete stop???? Picture it... the child's leg is still outside of the car door, and the driver is halfway down to State Street. Unbelievable!

Have I struck a nerve? Am I talking to you? Are you guilty of any parking lot safety infractions?

Everyone is an important person. Everyone has important places to be. Everyone has important people to see. Believe me when I say that those people and places will be there if you take an extra few minutes to be cautious on the parking lot and drive at a reasonably slower speed.

Don't let Mrs. Swartzentruber's words become a reality.

Drive like your kids go to school here!!

“This power, which they exercise personally in the name of Christ, is proper, ordinary, and immediate, although its exercise is ultimately controlled by the supreme authority of the Church...” (#27). And it is for this reason, the bishop of a diocese is technically called “the Ordinary.” And while the Bishop has power as the Ordinary authority or power, he can, at times, delegate that power to others who exercise it “vicariously” — and the folks who do that are thus called “vicars.” But how that works could be a whole ‘nother article.

So, Who is our New Bishop? Bishop-elect William Edward Koenig is presently the Vicar for Clergy for the Diocese of Rockville Centre, New York. He is the son of the late Alfred and Mary Koenig. He has two brothers, Joseph and Michael, and a sister-in-law, Joan, who is married to Michael. He is also blessed by having six nephews and nieces. Bishop-elect Koenig was born on August 17, 1956 in East Meadows, New York (located in the borough of Queens in New York City). This New Yorker and future Bishop of Wilmington and his family were parishioners of St. Raphael’s Church in East Meadows. He attended St. Raphael’s Elementary School, St. Pius X Preparatory Seminary in Uniondale, New York, Cathedral College in Douglaston, New York and the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington, New York. Following his Ordination to the Priesthood, he engaged in post-graduate studies at Fordham University and received a Master of Social Work Degree.

As a Young Priest. Bishop-elect Koenig was ordained to the Priesthood at St. Agnes Cathedral on May 14, 1983. His first assignment as a Parochial Vicar was at St. Edward the Confessor Parish in Syosset, New York. This was followed by an assignment to St. James Parish in Setauket; there he assisted in Campus Ministry at Stonybrook University. In 1989, he was appointed Vocation Director; he took residence at Cathedral Seminary where he also assisted the staff of four other priests in helping to form seminarians from the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre for the Priesthood.

Director, Rector and Monsignor. In 1990, Bishop-elect Koenig was assigned as Director of Ministry to Priests while continuing to serve as Director of Vocations. Upon the completion of those assignments, Bishop-elect Koenig served from 1996 to 2000 as Parochial Vicar at St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, New York. In 2000, he was appointed Pastor of St. William the Abbot in Seaford, New York where he continued to serve until 2009. During his term as Pastor at St. Williams, Bishop-elect Koenig in 2007 was named Chaplain to His Holiness by Pope Benedict XVI (i.e., he became a Monsignor). From 2009-2020, he served as the Rector of St. Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre, New York, after which he served as the Vicar for Clergy for the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Number 10. On April 30, 2021, Pope Francis accepted the resignation of William Francis Malooly as Bishop of Wilmington (making him Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese until the new Bishop’s installation); he then announced the appointment of Msgr. William Koenig for ordination as Bishop and installation as Tenth Bishop of Wilmington. On July 13, 2021 Bishop-elect Koenig will be ordained to the Order of Bishop and installed as the Tenth Bishop of Wilmington.

The faithful of Holy Cross and Immaculate Conception Parishes look forward with joy and excitement to the ordination and installation of our new Bishop, William Edward Koenig. Our prayers are with him as he prepares for significant moments that lay ahead. I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Fr. James Lentini

Pastor