



# CHURCH *of the* HOLY CROSS

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## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

September 25, 2022

26th Sunday Ordinary Time

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### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

### SCHOOLS OFFICE HOURS

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

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Vigil, 5 pm  
Sunday, 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am Spanish

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

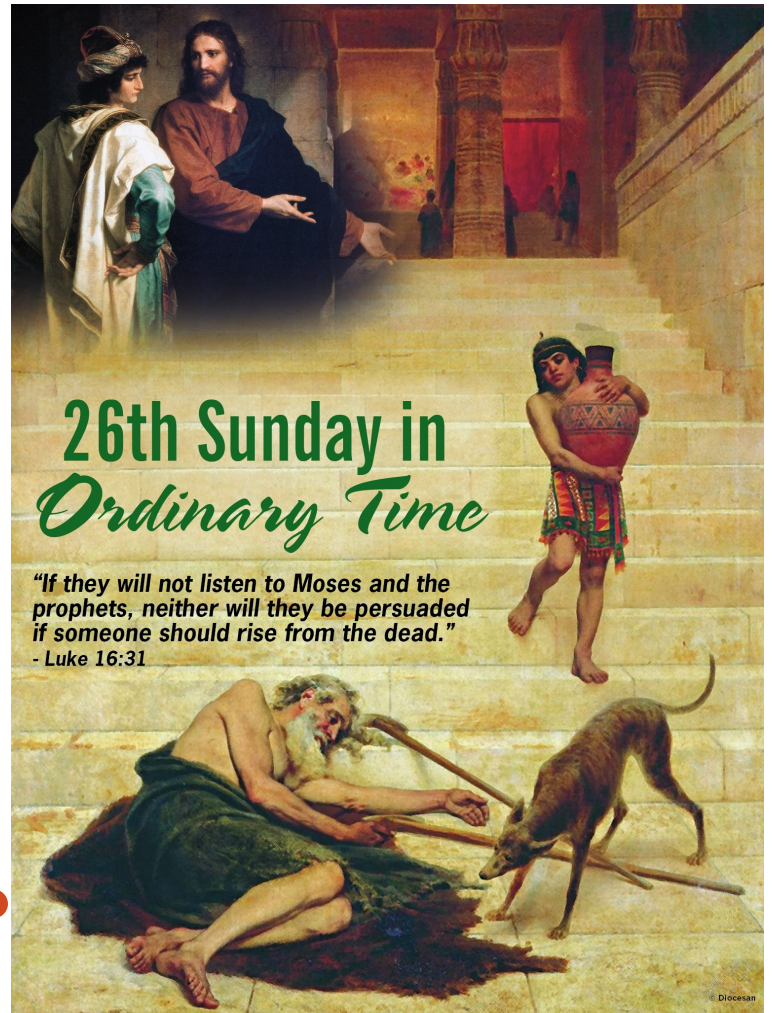
Monday-Saturday, 8 am  
Federal Holidays, 9 am only (Presidents Day,  
MLK Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day,  
Labor Day, Columbus Day)

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

### ADORATION CHAPEL HOURS

Daily, 5 am—9 pm



## 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead."*  
- Luke 16:31

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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*

## 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.

### LITTLE BOOKS

Immaculate Conception is taking orders for the Little Reflection books for the various liturgical seasons, Advent, Lent & Easter. The total cost is \$5.00 for the set.

**Orders and payment can be taken at HC or ICC Parish offices.**

The order will be placed on October 11, so all who wish to purchase must place their **order by October 9.**

### THE BIBLE IN A YEAR (ONLINE)

In English: Father Mike Schmitz  
<https://media.ascensionpress.com/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes>

In Spanish: Fray Sergio Serrano  
<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-espanol-registration>

### DIOCESAN "BLUE MASS"

Attention active and retired law enforcement, fire, EMT, and military personnel and their families. Bishop Koenig invites you to the 2022 Diocese of Wilmington "Blue Mass," on Friday, October 7 at 11:00 a.m. at Saint Elizabeth Church, 809 South Broom Street, Wilmington, Delaware. The "Blue Mass" honors the local, county, state, and federal law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and military personnel who live and work in Delaware and on Maryland's Eastern Shore. Those currently serving, the retired, and their families are invited to attend. More information is available at [www.cdown.org/BlueMass](http://www.cdown.org/BlueMass). Thank you for your service.

### WEEKLY OFFERING (HC)

September 11, 2022

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED	BUDGETED/ NEEDED	DIFFERENCE
Regular	\$23,627	\$27,125	(\$3,498)
YTD	\$272,715	\$293,750	(\$21,035)
Needs	\$1,206	\$1,604	(\$398)

### WEEKLY OFFERING (IC)

Ending September 11, 2022

OFFERTORY TYPE	RECEIVED
Regular	\$4,144
Second Collection	\$493

### SWITCH TO EGIVING (HC)

**Are you ready to "Fall into eGiving?"**

After the joyful summer months, the Fall season is a great time to streamline your stewardship. eGiving is a way to simplify your giving and provide steady, consistent support that helps us be ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in our community.

It's easy to get started. **Here are the ways to sign up:**

- Visit [faith.direct/DE251](http://faith.direct/DE251)
- Call Faith Direct Cust. Service at 866-507-8757

Go to [www.holycrossdover.org](http://www.holycrossdover.org) website and click on the Online Giving button.

Thank you and may God bless your generosity.

Dear Parishioners,

**Before we start this column, I want to make note that we have begun the multi-week change of having all Holy Cross weekday Masses, funerals, and confession times held at Immaculate Conception Church in Marydel. This is being done due to the roof replacement being done at Holy Cross. I want to thank the members of Holy Cross for their patience during this time of construction and I want thank the kind folks of Immaculate Conception Parish for being so welcoming to our displaced Holy Cross Parishioners. I thank everyone for their patience and understanding during this time!**

With the Feast of the Archangels coming up on Thursday (Sept. 29) and the Memorial of the Guardian Angels on October 2, I thought I prepare, at least allegorically, a little angel food cake for you all in this week's and next week's column. Let's talk about angels!

**A Capra-icious Assertion.** Movie Director Frank Capra was a bad guy... well, at least when it came to educating people about angels. I am sure most of you have seen Capra's seminal movie "It's a Wonderful Life" in which all of mankind learns that "Every time a bell rings, an angel gets it wings." That capriciously asserted bit of angel lore combined with various movies, TV shows and songs about angels have given us a skewed understanding of who or what an angel is. Heck, when I hear the word "Angel" I sometimes think of Farrah Fawcett, Kate Jackson and Jaclyn Smith (from "Charlie's Angels") but I don't mix them up with God's angels.

**Angelic Basics.** Let start with the basics: in God's creation -- at least as it has been revealed to us -- there are two types of beings with free will: humans and angels. As St. Thomas Aquinas might have posited in scholastic terms: Men and angels are not just different in degree they are different in kind. They are not up vs. down, in vs. out, tall vs. short -- they are aardvark vs. cashews. They are different in what they are. That is to say, men are not angels, angels are not men, nor can one ever become the other. To wit, angels are created by God in the supernatural realm (the invisible or spiritual realm), while men are created by God in the natural realm (the visible or physical realm). If a human being moves from the natural realm to the supernatural realm of heaven (as opposed to the other place), he becomes a saint, not an angel. If an angel falls from the realm of glory, as, for example, the angel Lucifer did, he becomes a "fallen angel" or "demon." Man can become neither a demon nor an angel -- as it is neither who, nor what, we were created to be. A human being's essence is that of a human person with a human

nature, an angelic being's essence is that of an angelic personage and an angelic nature.

**He's an Angel?** So, if you are at a funeral and you hear someone say "Uncle Luigi was a good man, but God took him home to be one of his angels," please realize that what that person said is theologically wrong. What that person put forth serves to diminish God's perfections (i.e., the person is saying that God didn't mean to make Uncle Luigi a human in the first place) as well as Luigi's humanity (i.e., human life has dignity and worth endowed by God -- it is who we are now and forever). Of course, when people say things like "Uncle Luigi is now an angel in heaven," they say it in a well-meaning moment of emotion; however, even the deepest felt emotion has to reach its end at the door of truth -- men do not become angels... ever. When the Penguins sang the 1958 hit, "Earth Angel, Earth Angel, won't you be mine" little did they know they made a great song but a greater error in theology.

**Knowing No-Wing.** Okay, then, you might ask, "What are angels if they are not good men and women attaining heavenly wings?" Let's start by plucking the angelic wings: angels don't have wings in the physical sense... angels are purely spiritual beings. They are from the realm of supernatural (the non-physical world). The Church holds that angels have appeared to mankind at different moments in history -- but those visible appearances are rare, and they are visions: They are the human mind attempting to put sight to that which is of the supernatural realm. In our human senses we cannot see angels as they are. While they may appear to us in some discernable form to be comprehensible, as Gabriel appeared to Mary, in their true form they are spiritual, not physical beings. So, how have people understood what an angel "looks like?" Mainly through artists who knew that angels -- at least the kind that draw near earth -- were God's messengers speaking his truth to us. Since they had this image of angels coming through the heavens to us, artists gave them wings to help us, in our human senses, to understand them better.

**Lofty Choirs.** Now, above I mentioned "angels -- at least the kind that draw near earth -- are God's messengers." You may wonder: are there any other kinds of angels? Yes, there are. There are nine ranks or choirs of angels -- each with a

## HC & ICC CLERGY

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

## HC CLERGY

Mr. Philip Belt	Deacon
Mr. John Harvey	Deacon
Mr. Richard Kosior	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	Receptionist, ext. 110
Diane Belt	Assistant to the Pastor, ext. 113
Kenneth Trojan	Business Manager, ext. 119
Michele Dornberger	Records/Asst. Bus. Mgr., ext. 116
Arline Dosman	Dir. of Hispanic Ministry, ext. 118
Tammy Korosec	CRE Religious Ed, ext. 122
Linda Darling	Youth Ministry, ext. 123
Justin Wurzel	Maintenance Director
Len Dornberger	Cemetery Administrator, ext. 135
Michael Perza	Dir. of Music Ministry, 302 698 9302

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## ICC STAFF

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Marilyn Dixon	Office Manager
Alicia Poppiti	DRE Religious Ed.
Susan Venezia	Bookkeeper
Arline Dosman	Dir. of Hispanic Ministry

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Marydel, MD 21649-0399

## HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

Catholic Education Pre-K3 to Grade 8  
302 674 5787  
holycrossdover.org/school

Linda Pollitt	Principal, ext. 111
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*Holy Cross School*  
631 S. State St.  
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## ST. MICHAEL'S FEAST DAY

On St. Michael's feast day, September 29, you are invited to join a special prayer time (rosary, lityny) in church after the 8am Mass, asking for his intercession for Delaware Law Enforcement Officers, our state police and their families. Please join us!

## RECENTLY DECEASED (HC)

**Our condolences to the families of:**  
*Gregory Downawell and Annmarie O'Donnell*  
May they rest in peace. Amen.

## NEW PARISHIONERS (HC)

Welcome to our newest registered family:  
*Nicholi, Belen, Fatima, Maximiliano and Ignazio Estrada*

## NEWLY BAPTIZED

Congratulations to our newly baptized members:

- *Andy Ivan Ramirez-Ramirez*
- *Alexia Saucedo-Ramirez*
- *Kaylee Louise Caskey-Wenck*
- *Tenley Anne Tatnall*



Today's second collection is taken in support of the diocesan tuition assistance program. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition. If you are not prepared to contribute today, you may drop your contribution off at the parish office or place it in next week's collection basket. For further information and on-line giving options, visit the Share in the Spirit website at [www.cdow.org/share-in-the-spirit](http://www.cdow.org/share-in-the-spirit)

## 27TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME (OCT 2)

**FIRST READING: HABAKKUK 1:2-3, 2:2-4**

The prophet is overwhelmed by all the violence he sees and asks why God tolerates evil deeds.  
**SECOND READING: 2 TIMOTHY 1:6-8, 13-14**  
Paul teaches that "the spirit of timidity" does not come from God and that we should not be ashamed of our testimony to Jesus Christ.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 17:5-10**

Proximity to Jesus does not guarantee unwavering faith.

## SAMARITANS

We are asking for food donations to provide balanced meals to families needing assistance: (small packs of ground beef, small tray pack/whole chicken, small beef/pork roasts, Peanut Butter/Jelly, canned Corn, Spaghetti/Sauce) We have a freezer and drop box inside the left door in the building behind the Rectory (unlocked 6AM-6PM)  
Thank you for your donations.

## FORTY DAYS FOR LIFE

40 Days for Life is an International pro-life movement dedicated to saving lives through prayer, education, fasting, and presence at abortion centers. This opportunity allows us to put into action our Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy, which are the core of Catholicism. We encourage praying the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy at the center. We are the last hope for the pre-born children. Just standing with a sign may change the heart of a woman/man seeking abortion; it has happened.

**Join us Wednesday Sept 28th.** Meet at the sidewalk of Planned Parenthood Dover from 10:30 – 12:00 for a Kick-off vigil. Signs will be provided. Then we meet weekly on Thursday from 8:30-4:30 through November 6th. We are asking for at least two people to cover 1-2 hour shifts. To sign up for shifts and for more information, call/text Donna Latteri 862-266-1099.

You may also go to our website, [www.40DaysForLife.com/Dover](http://www.40DaysForLife.com/Dover) to sign up for other hours. We ask for at least two people during every shift: 8:30-10:30/10:30-12:30/12:30-2:30/2:30-4:30 We would like to cover Monday through Friday for 6 weeks. Like us on Facebook: 40 Days for Life Dover.

## PRO-LIFE EVENT

Please come and join us on Life Chain Sunday, October 2, 2022, from Noon until 2:00 p.m. in front of Planned Parenthood of Delaware, located at 805 S. Governors Avenue, Dover. This Life Chain Event is meant to be introspective, prayerful, and peaceful. Even after the Supreme Court overturned 'Roe v. Wade', pro-death abortion forces are stronger than ever. If ever we needed you to attend a Life Chain it is now! Your prayers are requested. Contact Francis Urick, 302-233-4684.

## PRAY THE HOLY ROSARY

October is the month of the Rosary. As in the past are collecting names from those who wish to

## MASS INTENTIONS SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

### 26 MONDAY

HC 8:00 am Lorrie Siegel

### 27 TUESDAY

HC 8:00 am James Clacher

### 28 WEDNESDAY

HC 8:00 am H. Lloyd Alexander, Jr.

### 29 THURSDAY

HC 8:00 am Marilyn Saracer  
ICC 6:00 pm For the People

### 30 FRIDAY

HC 8:00 am Walter Mendonza

### 1 SATURDAY

HC 8 am Joseph Parlett  
HC 5 pm Paul Henry

### 2 SUNDAY

HC 7:30 am Clara Combs  
ICC 8:30 am Jim Ward  
HC 9:30 am Deacon Michael Siegel  
ICC 11 am Rose Cristiano  
HC 11:30 am Joan Weber  
ICC 1 pm For the People

(LI—LIVING INTENTION  
DM—DECEASED MEMBERS)

will pray the rosary daily during this month. Please stop by the table in the Gathering Space. Our Lady of Fatima says if people do what she tells us, many souls will be saved. Last year 15,080 rosaries were prayed by our Holy Cross families during October.



## ROSARY RALLY

The 105th Anniversary of Fatima and the Miracle of the Sun.

Our Lady requested that the Rosary be prayed daily for world peace and the conversion of sinners. Unite with us to pray at our **Rosary Rally on October 15, at 9 am, at the front of the church by Our Lady of Mt Carmel statue.**

Any questions, please call Carol O'Donnell at 302-359-4340. If you need a rosary, we can provide you with one. When we pray, Our Lady prays with us!!

HOLY CROSS OCT 1/2, 2022

		EMHC		SERVERS
5:00 PM	J. Bieker	M. Casey	A. Coast	
	M. Caccese	F. Ernst	E. Costa M. Costa	
				LECTORS
				R. Alderman J. Davis
7:30 AM	C. Brown	J. Davis	B. Gyamfi	
	J. Clendaniel	T. Dinan	E. Gyamfi S. Shevock	
				LECTORS
				C. Cuffee
9:30 AM	T. Arndt	D. Martinez	J. Beugre	
	K. Boyer	F. Hanlin	C. Beugre G. Maddalena	
				LECTORS
				T. Baurys J. Coffield
11:30 AM	C. Garcia	A. Luna	K. Espinosa	
	B. Guzman		C. Geronimo	
				LECTORS
				A. Luna

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8:30 AM	K. Durham			
	LECTORS			
				K. Cairns
11:00 AM	J. Carrow			
	LECTORS			
				D. King
1 PM	To be determined			

Are YOU interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Holy Cross or to the sick and homebound.? We'd love to have YOU step forward to serve in one of these ministries!!!

**Training sessions will be on Monday, Oct 24, at 6 pm or Tuesday, Oct. 25, at 1:30 pm in the Church. Please call the Parish Office to sign up for either class.**

If you are a current EMHC and have not taken the renewal course, please call the office to sign up for one of these session. You must take the class to continue serving as an EMHC.

ADORATION CHAPEL (HC)

Can you spare an hour to spend with Jesus? Our Adoration Chapel is open from 5 am to 9 pm Monday through Sunday We have openings where you can spend quality time with Our Lord. Call Joann Pate today at 674-4496 to reserve a time for you.

SUNDAY	6 am, 10 am, 5 pm, 8 pm
TUESDAY	6 am, 3 pm, 8 pm
WEDNESDAY	11 am
THURSDAY	12 pm
SATURDAY	12 pm, 1 pm, 2 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Are you looking for a way to involve your children in the celebration of the Mass? The Children's Choir warmly



welcomes school age children (6-13) to sing at the 5:00 Mass on the first Saturday of each month. We meet for practice at 4:00 on those Saturdays in the choir room to the right of the entrance to the worship space. It's that simple! Please have your children join us on October 1.

ICC CATECHISM CLASS

Catechism Faith Formation Program: Journey Around the World and Deep into the Faith Catholicism faith formation program begins Monday, September 26th, 7-9pm in the ICC Parish Hall, \$20 per person covers cost of the participant guidebook, Contact Alicia Poppiti, DRE at dre@iccmmarydel.org or 410-482-8939. Registration in advance necessary, to order books.

With creator and host Bishop Robert Barron, you will learn what Catholics believe and why while being immersed in the art, architecture, literature, beliefs and practices of the Catholic tradition. The Catholicism Faith Formation Program brings the beauty, goodness and truth of the Church to life so that you can better understand and share your faith. Bishop Robert Barron is an acclaimed author, theologian and podcasting priest. An innovative teacher of the Catholic Faith who uses the tools of the new media to further the New Evangelization, Bishop Barron is also the founder of Word on Fire Catholic Ministries.

- Tenemos El Foro Cristiano todos los viernes de 6:00 – 8:00 de la tarde en el salón Mateo/Marcos. hasta el 2 de junio tendremos la formación es para toda la familia. Este año el curso será sobre Signos, símbolos, sacramentos y sacramentales.
- Se le agradece a todos los que contribuyeron para que el Kermes y Torneo de Fútbol, fuera todo un éxito. Fue un día lleno de camaradería, trabajo, diversión y muchas manos que hicieron el trabajo más ligero. Todos los fondos recaudados son para nuestra parroquia. Que el Señor que nos permitió reunirnos una vez más y nos regaló un día maravilloso para su honra y gloria.
- El Movimiento “Conquistando Naciones para Cristo” tendrá un Retiro de Sanación Interior, para hombres y mujeres adultos del 7-9 de octubre, 2022. Donación es de \$125. Dirección 474 Fleming Landing Rd. Townsend, DE Para mas información llame al 302-442-5587,302-415-5036 y al 410-533-6374.
- Es muy importante inscribir a sus hijos a tiempo para la Educación Religiosa. Las Inscripciones para la Educación Religiosa y Preparación para la Confirmación (HC - 2023) Las aplicaciones para inscribirse para la Preparación para la Confirmación 2023 se pueden encontrar en el sitio web de la parroquia en [holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christianformation/k-8-formation](http://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christianformation/k-8-formation). Si tiene alguna pregunta o inquietud, no dude en comunicarse con Tammy Korosec en [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org) o llame al (302) 674-5787 X 122
- Si usted está interesado en participar y compartir sus talentos como lector, ministerio de música, ujier, ministros Extraordinario de la Comunión, Arte y Ambientación, dar Clases Pre - bautismales. Por favor hable con los coordinadores de los ministerios o llame a la oficina al 302-674-5787 ext. 118
- La virgen peregrina está visitando casas, si usted desea tener la virgen en su casa por una semana por favor hable con la Sra. Marta Espinosa.

## ICC- EDUCACIÓN RELIGIOSA

- El comienzo del año de Educación Religiosa para sus hijos esta encima de nosotros. Por favor entregue las aplicaciones de inscripción. Si no tiene una aplicación vaya a la

oficina de la parroquia e inscriba a su niño.

- SE NECESITAN CATEQUISTAS PARA, QUINTO GRADO.
- Reunión de padres de familia el 18 de septiembre, a las 12 mediodía en el Salón.
- La inscripción para el año escolar 2022-2023 está abierta, las inscripciones están disponibles para todas las familias y aún se aceptan. Debe inscribir a sus hijos cada año. Vuelva a Alicia Poppiti ahora, para que podamos estar seguros de tener suficientes maestros, libros y espacio en las aulas.
- Las Clases de Educación Religiosa son los domingos por la mañana, comenzando 25 de septiembre hasta el 7 de mayo, de 9:40 a 10:50 a.m. Póngase en contacto con Alicia Poppiti @ 410-482-8939 o [dre@iccmaryl.org](mailto:dre@iccmaryl.org) para obtener más información.
- REUNION DE PADRES DE FAMILIA: Fecha: martes, 20 de septiembre de 2022. Hora: 7:00pm: Salón o el domingo 25 de septiembre, 2022 a las 12 mediodía en el salón de la oficina o a las 2:45 en el Salón.
- Confirmación de Adolescentes
- Reunión de Padres de Familia es muy informativo será el martes, 27 de septiembre, 2022 a las 00 pm en el salón o el domingo, 2 de octubre a las 12 mediodía en el salón de la oficina o a las 2:30pm en el salón. Se les contestara todas sus preguntas.
- Las inscripciones ya están disponibles.
- Nuevos Inscribiéndose: [https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/new\\_sre\\_registration\\_form\\_2021.pdf](https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/new_sre_registration_form_2021.pdf)
- Retornando Inscribiéndose: [https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/sre\\_registration\\_form\\_2021.pdf](https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/sre_registration_form_2021.pdf)
- Forma A en Ingles: [https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/form\\_a\\_-\\_new.pdf](https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/form_a_-_new.pdf)
- Forma A en Español [https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/form\\_a-spanish1\\_.pdf](https://www.iccmaryl.org/uploads/6/9/0/4/69049539/form_a-spanish1_.pdf)

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (HC)

Classes 9/25.22 at 3:00pm ; next class 10/9/22.  
Interested in enrolling a student in Religious Education? Registration forms available at <https://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation>

If you have any questions contact Tammy Korosec Early L either 302-674-5787 x122 or [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org)

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### LAFF (Living as a Family of Faith Catechesis) Next class Oct 9 at 10:30 am in the Matthew/Mark Room in the Early Learning Center.

Interested in enrolling a student in LAFF? Registration forms available at <https://holycrossover.org/teaching-the-faith/christian-formation/k-8-formation>  
If you have any questions please contact Tammy Korosec at numbers above.

### ADULT FORMATION (HC)

#### What We Believe: The Beauty of the Catholic Church. Discover the Amazing Riches of the Catholic Faith

Presented by Marcellino D’Ambrosio and Andrew and Sarah Swafford and filmed on location in Rome. This explores the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church—who we are, what we believe, how we live, and God’s amazing plan for our lives. Whether you’ve been Catholic your entire life or are coming to discover the Church for the first time, this study will help you grasp the extraordinary riches of the Catholic Faith as never before.

Sessions start September 20th and end November 22nd ; Tuesdays at either 9:00am or 7:00pm in the Matthew/Mark room in the ELC.

Fee: \$30 includes study guide, book, map, and 1 year digital access

Facilitated by Deacon Bob McMullen

If are interested in registering please contact Tammy Korosec at either [tkorosec@holycrossover.org](mailto:tkorosec@holycrossover.org) or call (302) 674-5787 X 122 as soon as possible.

### CONFIRMATION AT HOLY CROSS

#### Confirmation Classes:

Sunday, September 25 at 3:30 pm  
Wednesday, September 28 at 6 pm

#### Catholic Heart Work Camp Info Meeting:

Come find out more about CHWC Monday evening, September 26 at 7 pm in the Matthew/Mark room. We plan on attending camp this year in Drexel Hill, PA on June 25-30. Come listen to teens who have attended camp in past years - ask questions and learn more about an amazing week of service that awaits you. Any teen in 7th through 12th grade welcome to join us next summer.

### SRE AT IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

*Beginning of the year is upon us! Please get your registrations in.* Classes start on Sunday, September 25th at 9:40am. Program runs through May 7th.

Religious Education registration for the 2022-2023 school year are available to all families registered in the parish, and are stilling being accepted. Please get them back or come register as soon as you can, so we can have enough teachers, books and materials for your children.

Please stop in the office and get your children registered today. Please return to Alicia Poppiti at the ICC Religious Education office. You can also download and print from our website to register

If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to contact Alicia Poppiti @410-482-8939 or [dre@iccmaryladel.org](mailto:dre@iccmaryladel.org) for more information. If you have any difficulty with affording RE, please call Alicia Poppiti, and the office can assist you.

**\*\*Teacher still needed for 5th grade\*\*** Your Assistance is requested for our School Year Religious Education: Wanted, to share faith and knowledge, as we are in need of Catechists, Assistants, substitutes and helpers for next year for Religious Education on Sunday mornings, from September 25th until May 7th, 9:40-10:50am. Contact Alicia Poppiti @410-482- 8939 or [dre@iccmaryladel.org](mailto:dre@iccmaryladel.org) for more information. We offer wonderful and faith filled formation days for you as well.

#### First Reconciliation/Communion for Immaculate Conception:

Parent meetings are on the following days, and at least one parent needs to attend this meeting. Parent gathering:

Dates: Sunday, September 25, 2022  
Time: 12noon or 2:15pm  
Place: Parish Hall

#### Youth Confirmation for Immaculate Conception:

Parent Information Session is on Tuesday, September 27th, 2022 at 7pm in the parish hall or Sunday, October 2nd at 12noon in the Parish office or 2:15pm in the hall. This is a very important time that will cover several significant points and dates, and you will be able to have any questions you might have addressed.



There are some things that bear repeating, there are some that don't. Repetition aids in the remembrance of important facts. Repetition is a teaching tool. We use it all the time, especially with our youngest Crusaders. Where would we be without the repetition and memorization of our multiplication facts and mathematical formulas? Heavens!

It will be my epitaph; the financial investment made in a Catholic education renders a return that no one can put a price on. There is no substitute for the lifelong impact of the solid foundation laid by a Catholic education. Yes, you've heard it before--- you can't build on sand! There are innumerable websites where one can google the benefits of a Catholic education for those who do their research before sinking money into an investment. The following reasons abound throughout, the common denominator is easy to find.

- Challenging Curriculum
- Christ as our model
- Involved Parents
- High Expectations
- Safe, Supportive Environment
- Compassionate Community

We celebrated our Feast Day on the 14th of September with a schoolwide procession led by Father Ferris. It is so important to bring the relevance of the cross to the forefront, and not just for the students. The procession concluded as everyone entered the church prior to Mass. I couldn't help but wonder what our new students were thinking throughout our prayers and proceedings.

We are excitedly looking forward to our first (hopefully not our last) Pet Parade and Blessing as we observe the Feast of St. Francis. This event is being coordinated by our Publication Design class and provides an awesome opportunity for these students to demonstrate school spirit and leadership.

There are several schoolwide events planned for October as we observe this Marian month and its dedication to the Most Holy Rosary.

So you see, it's not just the strong academic foundation that is thoughtfully laid to our students, but the rightful exposure to elements of our faith that make the lifelong impression in the lives of our students and alumni.

There's also a healthy measure of fun and games added to the academic and spiritual segments of student life at HCS. All work and no play.....

Believe me when I tell you the Friday evening air was filled with fun, friendship, and festivity on the first Home and School Association sponsored Family Movie Night in a quite a few years. The parking lot was filled and the field resembled one great big picnic. The food truck lines were long, and the screen was ginormous as the 1971 version of the musical Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory danced across it. We are so grateful to Mrs. Galloway for her generosity and guidance in the planning portion of the evening. A trunk-load of thanks to the moms and dads who volunteered to serve on future planning committees for more spirited fun and great family events.

Speaking of "trunks"..... do you have your costumes and candy yet??

Perhaps the stories can best be told by those who have lived the experience. The stories can best be told by those who expound upon that lasting impact of their Catholic education many years later. The stories can best be told by the graduates of Holy Cross School who have their own children sitting in the same classrooms in which they once occupied a seat. The stories can best be told by those who are current students and have friends in other schools and realize the value of their Catholic education.

From a grateful graduate currently attending NYU...

*I wanted to reach out because I was having a moment (or many) of immense gratefulness for my education at Holy Cross, and really wanted to thank you all. I cannot describe the many times I have thought back to you all with so much appreciation.*

From a grateful parent....

*"I know my daughter is no longer a student at Holy Cross, but I just wanted to say thank you again for all you did for her last year. Initially she was only set to take honors geography and honors English. However, when she started Algebra 1 she let the teacher know she'd learned all of the material and the same happened for Physical Science. She even beat out seniors while making a bridge for the class! She will now have honors Algebra 1 and honors Physical Science! Thank you so much for pushing her, it definitely paid off and I'm forever grateful for your prayers. We miss you all and hope you have a blessed school year!"*

And, I have shared this letter from a current student before; but remember what I said about repetition? Here are just a few snippets from a grateful student.

*"I have gone to your school since I was in kindergarten, and I have only good things to say....."*

*"A very important aspect of Holy Cross is the teaching of Catholic values...students learn the proper beliefs and attitudes that good Christians should possess."*

*"Everyone that I talk with always speaks highly of Holy Cross."*

*Holy Cross is truly a terrific school and I think anyone who wants the finest Catholic education should attend it."*

We all agree. But; as I mentioned last week there are those who cannot afford tuition costs that come with a Catholic education.

**This is Share in the Spirit weekend. Would you find it in your heart to donate to the Diocesan Tuition Assistance fund?**

**From their website; "Every single family who receives tuition assistance pays for a portion of their child's tuition. Your participation in this campaign helps to support hard-working families to make the dream of a Catholic education a reality."**

True story. There is a JH student who was slated to leave us in October due to a family move. She approached me after Mass and happily informed me of their decision to stay in Dover because HC is the best school she has ever attended.

Holy Cross is truly a terrific school and I think anyone who wants the finest Catholic education should attend it." Amen!

different purpose as created by God. You may have heard of some of these other angels at Mass, without even realizing that angels were being spoken about.

With that background, let us examine those nine choirs (types) of angels. Let's start by understanding the proper "order" for these angels. Angels are ranked, so to speak, highest to lowest, based on their understood proximity to God. Think of it like a medieval king's court – the people most important are those sitting closest to the king. And so, too, it is with angels. The higher ranked choirs are those closest to Him and His throne, and they are grouped in threes:

### **Group 1: Angels of the Heavenly Court**

**1. Seraphim.** The Seraphim are, as the 1960s song might put it, the leaders of the packs. These angels are the guardians that are astride God's holy throne in heaven. At Mass when we say "Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts" we are imitating the words which the Seraphim use to praise God around his holy throne, as noted in the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 6:1-7. Impressing even the Buffalo Wild Wings and KFC crowd, according to Scripture, the Seraphim have six wings (two cover their face, two cover their feet and two are for flying). Here is how the Prophet Isaiah describes his encounter with the Seraphim when he was called by God to preach his word, and was worried that as he had sinned in his speech during his life, he might not be the one to speak for God:

*In the year King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord seated on a high and lofty throne, with the train of his garment filling the temple. Seraphim were stationed above; each of them had six wings: with two they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they hovered. One cried out to the other: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts! All the earth is filled with his glory!" ... Then one of the seraphim flew to me, holding an ember which he had taken with tongs from the altar. He touched my mouth with it. "See," he said, "now that this has touched your lips, your wickedness is removed, your sin purged." (Isaiah 6:1-3, 6-7)*

**2. Cherubim.** The Cherubim (a.k.a. Cherubs) are the second of the nine choirs of angels. Most people don't like being called two-faced but imagine having four faces! The Cherubim do... they have the faces of a man, an ox, a lion and an eagle. While the Seraphim have six wings, the Cherubim only have four, but their wings are also covered with eyes (I guess if God is the teacher, they are the pupils). The Cherubim are guard-like (though not guardian) angels. Thus, we are told that they stand guard as heavenly attendants to God, endlessly praising Him. Similarly, in Genesis, the Cherubim stand guard at the way to the tree of life: *"The Lord God therefore banished him from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from which he had been taken. He expelled the man, stationing the cherubim and the fiery revolving sword east of the garden of Eden, to guard the way to the tree of life." (Genesis 3:23-24)*

**3. Thrones.** The Thrones are like the gateway to see the Big Guy... no lower ranked angel (#4-9) gets to stand before God, unless the Thrones – doing the will of God – let them in. The Thrones and some of the lower angel choirs are referenced in Colossians 1:16, *"For in Him were created all things in heaven and on earth, the visible and the invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers; all things were created through Him and for Him."* These references, which many might take to be earthly political descriptions, are actually references to types of angels.

**To Be Continued.** The final six types of angels, in their two choirs, will be explained in next week pastor's column. And we enter into October very soon, I commend you during that tenth month of the year to heed the message of God's angels, to pray the rosary, and to respect life! God bless you all!

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. James Lentini  
Pastor