

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 15, 2018



Upon appearing to His followers on the actual night of the resurrection, the exceptional greeting Jesus first offered to His disciples, was: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." As Holy Week moved into the Sacred Triduum and Easter Week dawned, a preponderant conflict flouted the reverence and joy of the St. Anthony's community and Jesus' first resurrection greeting evolved as nothing but an evangelical mandate for us.

With the convenience of today's social media, rumors flew – speculation abounded - undue presumptions were formulated. Amid the frenzy, finally, and thankfully, our minds and hearts turned to the Gospel. And so, drawing on the Spirit of Matthew 5:21-26 and Matthew 18:17-18, the first steps toward a stable resolution of the parish-school disagreement was formulated as a working effort toward consequential reconciliation between the parties involved, i.e., the parish and its high school community at Padua Academy. This method of conciliation is naturally characterized as reticent - not a matter for public disclosure. As the work of reconciliation commences and continues, that which can be made public will be communicated.

I suspect that time will be an issue as restoration proceeds. I am deeply grateful for the many parishioners who have supported the goals and objectives of the Parish Planning Commission, some of whom will be asked to offer their ongoing thoughts and ideas that can bring forth resolution and peace as we all move forward for the greater good of St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Let us pray for success and let us cling to the Easter gift of the Lord: "Peace be with you."

Fr. Nick

"Sadness is that mental pain which is caused by the involuntary evils which affect us. These may be external - such as poverty, sickness, contempt of others - or they may be internal - such as ignorance, dryness in prayer, aversion, and temptation itself."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized...

**Ava Kathryn Ferrante
Ella Grace Koziski**



In your charity, please pray for
Lilliana D'Orazio
all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Monday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/16 MR. & MRS. JOSEPH KARPINSKI FAMILY
Tuesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/17 FELIX A. MEDENILLA, JR. LUCILA R. MEDENILLA
Wednesday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/18 STELLA COFRANCESCO FAMILY
Thursday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/19
Friday, 6:45 AM 8:00 AM	4/20 GABRIELE GIULIANI DAUGHTER
Saturday, 6:45 AM 5:30 PM	4/21 MICHAEL PARISI JOHN MCCLEMENT
Sunday, 7:00 AM 9:00 AM 11:00 AM	4/22 PARISHIONERS MARY ELLEN ROSENELLO ALDO & TERESA FABRIS MARK METTENHEIMER CARRIERI-RUSSO FAMILY



Next Sunday's Readings

1st Reading:

Acts 4:8-12

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29

2nd Reading:

1 John 3:1-2

Gospel:

John 10:11-18

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 04/08/18

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION:	\$11,655.13
Budget:	\$11,361.51
Actual vs. Budget This Week:	+\$ 293.62
Percent Difference This Week:	+ 2.6%
Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:	-\$ 4,931.74

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Mateo Ahumada
Roger Chao
Thomas DiGuglielmo
James Ganey
Mark Johnson
Charles Rosenberg, Sr.
Albert Vietri

Nancy Brown
Mary T. DiBiasi
Tommy DiVirgilio
Richard Jakotowicz
William J. Nardo, Jr.
Jimmy Silicato
Robert Walton

Marianne Calvarese
Judi DiFrancesco
Christopher Ganey
Bonita Della Rocca Jodz
Kelly Panella
Larry Silvestri
Annmarie White

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

Catholic Forum



Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, April 22nd, learn about the work of

the Diocesan Tribunal when **Fr. Mark S. Mealey, OSFS**, Judicial Vicar is interviewed. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

Vocations

Today's readings contain powerful references to Eucharist and Reconciliation. In every generation, God calls men to serve as priests so that His holy people can continue to be nourished and strengthened by these Sacraments. Is He calling you? If you think so, call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/Vocations.

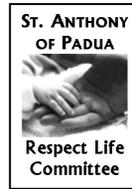
Great Family Fun

... at St. Helena's Carnival, 602 Philadelphia Pike, Monday, April 30 through Saturday, May 5. Dinners in the school hall start at 5PM. Midway opens at 6PM. Admission: \$5/night, \$15/week for ages 13 to 59. **Mega-Passes**, good for unlimited rides and free Carnival admission all week are \$45 per person! **Family Nights**—Tuesday & Wednesday--Ride all night for \$20 per person! Entertainment and great food every night under the Big Top. Rides! Games! Prizes! Food! Baked Goods! Basket Raffles and much more!

Rekindle the Fire

...of your faith on May 12th, Sacred Heart Oratory, 10th and Madison Sts. in Wilmington DE from noon to 6 PM with Holy Mass at 5:15. Special guest speakers: Msgr. Charles Pope, Fr. Denis Wilde, John Horvat II, and Fr. Richard Heilman. Learn how to engage in spiritual warfare and to fight the good fight! \$30/pp (\$20/student) includes box lunch and materials. Sponsored by Catholics of the Cross. For questions, call 302-723-9254. To sign up: ffcdelaware.com/events.html.

Respect Life: Fact of Life



"I do not believe the promises of the Declaration of Independence are just for the strong, the independent, the healthy. They are for everyone - including unborn children."

George W. Bush

Second Collection

Next weekend, April 21st and 22nd, there is no scheduled second collection.

150th Anniversary

Let us Rejoice in the Lord! Our Diocese is 150 years old! For video highlights of the Diocese of Wilmington's 150th Anniversary Opening Mass, a calendar of coming events, information about our Historic Churches Pilgrimage Program, Convocation 150 coming on November 3rd, links, videos, podcasts, and more, go to www.cdow.org/150th. Also, follow all the action on social media at www.facebook.com/cdow150th, and @CDOW150th on Twitter and Instagram.

Book Offer

"Catholic Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington" by Fr. Tom Peterman is now available to order as a great gift for Easter, birthdays, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and more. New low price of \$30 includes shipping and handling. To order and pay, petermanpublication@gmail.com or mail your check for \$30 to Rev. Thomas Peterman, 2505 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808.

Mother's Day Rose Sale



The Knights of Columbus will be selling roses before and after all Masses the weekend of May 12-13 to benefit Birthright of Delaware. The roses are priced at \$2.00 each, \$5.00 for three, \$18.00 per dozen, and \$35.00 for a bouquet of twenty-five. Please consider honoring Mom with a red rose, the symbol of life, while helping moms facing crisis pregnancies choose life for their babies. Your past generous support has made this program a success year after year!

BVM Sodality Bake Sale



Before and after all Masses
Saturday & Sunday, April 21st & 22nd
All are invited to bake.

Parish Calendar

Wednesday

6:00 PM, YAC Mtg. (Ballad Rm.)

Thursday

7:30 PM, Choir Rehearsal

Saturday & Sunday

Sodality Bake Sale at the 5:30, 7:00,

9:00 & 11:00 Masses

Sunday

10:00 AM, PREP (Grade School)

Monday, April 16

through

Sunday, April 22

(All events listed in the Parish Calendar are in church unless otherwise noted.)

Grade School Calendar

Monday

1:30 PM, St. Mark's Visit

Friday

8:00 AM, Grade School Mass



Saint Mark's Nature Camp

What's in Your Backyard!

June 18-22, 2018

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Ages: 12-13 (Grades 6 and 7)

Cost: \$300

Contact: Wynne Esbitt

wesbitt@stmarkshs.net

Saint Mark's High School Middle School Band Camp

When: June 18-22 2018, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Who: Students who will be in Grades 6, 7, or 8 in September, 2018

Cost: \$110.00 per camper

Why: The purpose of the camp is to keep students playing during the summer months and to build on the skills they have learned at their schools during the school year.

Questions??? Please contact Mr. Art Bookout at 302-757-8781 or abookout@stmarkshs.net.

Visit: www.stmarkshs.net/page/news--events/summer-band-camp to register!

Jesus House

Tuesday, April 24, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm Day of Reflection:

Ignatian Discernment: Understanding God's Call with Fr. Nicholas Amato. You and your friends are invited to a

day of recollection focusing on how we might better discern God's will for us. Learn to better understand where, through the events of your life, God is drawing you. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center, 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302-995-6858.

Cost is \$15 per session. Please visit our website (jesushousecenter.org) or call our office for more information, weekly topics or to register.

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal "Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith"



St. Luke recalls for us in today's Gospel that it was only when Jesus opened their eyes and minds through his explanation of the scriptures and the breaking of the bread that the two disciples on the road to Emmaus came to recognize Him.

As men and women of faith, we are like those disciples, living our lives in the real world, walking along with Jesus who is always there accompanying us, whether we recognize Him or not.

Our Lord teaches us that at the end of our mortal life, He will call us to be with Him for all eternity. He will do so because of His great love for us and because of our response to do what He has asked: to feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked and attend to the needs of our brothers and sisters not only in our parishes and diocese but throughout the world.

The Annual Catholic Appeal, with its theme, "Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith" challenges each of us to bear witness to our faith and open our minds and hearts to bring those less fortunate closer to God's table. To know Christ is to know His message of salvation; to love Christ is to imitate His love for all people; and to serve Christ is to manifest His teachings through acts of Christian Stewardship.

This weekend you are invited to participate in the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal. Please respond by pledging a sacrificial gift to this important campaign.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal".