ST. JOSEPH PARISH / PARROQUIA SAN JOSE

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT
We, the faithful of St. Joseph Parish, willingly accept our baptismal call to gather and worship as a community, to proclaim the Word of God, and to serve in the image of Jesus Christ.

MISIÓN DE LA PARROQUIA
Nosotros, los fieles de la Parroquia de San José, aceptamos de buena voluntad nuestro llamado bautismal a reunirnos y adorar como comunidad, a proclamar la Palabra de Dios, y a servir en la imagen de Jesucristo.

OUR CHURCHES & SACRAMENT SCHEDULE

St. Joseph Church:
371 East Main Street, Middletown, DE, 19709
302-378-5800
Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30
Misa Dominical: 2:00 PM (Español)
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:30 AM
Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:00 PM

St. Rose of Lima Mission:
301 Lock St, Chesapeake City, MD, 21915
Sunday Masses: 8:00, 9:30 AM
Tuesday Mass: 8:30 AM
Reconciliation: Sunday at 9:00 AM

St. Francis Xavier Shrine:
1640 Bohemia Church Road, Warwick, MD, 21912
GPS address: 1690 Bohemia Church Road
Mass Dates:
April 19—4:00 PM, May 17—4:00 PM,
May 25 —10:00 AM, Sept 20—4:00 PM,
October 25—4:00 PM

COUNCIL EXECUTIVE OFFICERS
Finance Council: John Sanders (410-275-1428)
Pastoral Council: Tom Kane, Jr. (302-983-8265)
Efforts on the part of the Catholic community, other faith groups, the Medical Society of Delaware, the Delaware Health Care Association, Saint Francis Healthcare, and advocates for persons with disabilities, kept physician-assisted suicide legislation from becoming law in 2017, 2018 and 2019. Yet, some lawmakers in Delaware still think that they know better than the medical community and will continue to bow to outside special-interest groups and promote physician-assisted suicide. You are invited to become informed and involved in this important issue. Visit cdow.org/StopAssistedSuicide for information.

**Presider’s Intentions**

*This week, our presiders will offer Masses for these intentions:*

**Monday, February 17**
8:30 AM (SJ)  
Jack Crimian

**Tuesday, February 18**
8:30 AM (SR)  
George Shestock

**Wednesday, February 19**
8:30 AM (SJ)  
Doris Young

**Thursday, February 20**
8:30 AM (SJ)  
Catherine, William, Jack & Wallace

**Friday, February 21**
8:30 AM (SJ)  
Joseph Singley

**Saturday, February 22**
5:00 PM (SJ)  
Patricia LaMarche

**Sunday, February 23**  
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30 AM (SJ)  
John Walsh.
9:30 AM (SJ)  
Richard Michael Thompson
11:30 PM (SJ)  
Marie Proko
2:00 PM (SJ)  
Phil Hayes
8:00 AM (SR)  
Michael Powell, Jr.
9:30 AM (SR)  

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**Pastoral Office Staff**

Rev. Msgr. David F. Kelley, V.C., Pastor  
Rev. Christopher P. Hanley, Associate Pastor  
Michael A. Boyd, Sr. Deacon  
David Feaster, Deacon  
Tim Enright, Deacon (retired)  
Bob Altmiller, Facilities Manager  
Peggy Barrow, Business Manager  
Vidette Benn, Parish Secretary  
Lauren Cataldi, Organist  
Diana Gotthold, Formation Office  
Rosemary Hadland, Coordinator of Music Ministry  
Mary Kirk, Director of Religious Education  
Elizabeth Teixeira, Sacristan  
Antonia “Tonie” Vandenberg, Ministerio Hispano  
Mark Winterbottom, Confirmation Coordinator

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**General Information**

E-mail: office@stjosephmiddletown.com  
Website: www.stjosephmiddletown.com

Pastoral Center / Centro Pastoral:  
371 E. Main Street  
Middletown, DE 19709  
(entrance on Cleaver Farm Road)  
302-378-5800, 302-378-5808 (FAX)  
(toll-free from Maryland: 888-433-1874)  
Ministerio Hispano: 302-378-5800, Ext. 104

Office Hours / Horario de la Oficina:  
Monday – Thursday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM  
Friday: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Christ the Teacher Regional Catholic School  
2451 Frazer Road  
Newark, DE 19702  
302-838-8850  
www.christtheteacher.org  
Sr. LaVerne King, RSM – Principal

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**Ash Wednesday**

Ash Wednesday is on February 26 ushering in the season of Lent. In preparation for the celebration of our Ash Wednesday liturgies, parishioners are invited to return last year’s blessed palm. Please return all blessed palm by February 23. Receptacles are available in both churches beginning February 15/16.

Our Ash Wednesday liturgies with distribution of ashes are scheduled as follows:  
8:30 AM Mass in St. Joseph Church  
Noon Liturgy of the Word in St. Joseph Church  
7:00 PM Mass in St. Joseph Church  
7:00 PM Mass in St. Rose of Lima Church.
**The Word in Our Lives**

**Readings for February 23, 2020**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18**
The LORD said to Moses, “Speak to the whole Israelite community and tell them: Be holy, for I, the LORD, your God, am holy. ‘You shall not bear hatred for your brother or sister in your heart. Though you may have to reprove your fellow citizen, do not do so because of him. Take no revenge and cherish no grudge against any of your people. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD.”

**Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13**

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23**
Brothers and sisters: Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person; for the temple of God, which you are, is holy. Let no one deceive himself. If any one among you considers himself wise in this age, let him become a fool, so as to become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness in the eyes of God, for it is written: God catches the wise in their own ruses, and again: The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain. So let no one boast about human beings, for everything belongs to you, Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or the present or the future: all belong to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God.

**Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48**
Jesus said to his disciples: “You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. But I say to you, offer no resistance to one who is evil. When someone strikes you on your right cheek, turn the other one as well. If anyone wants to go to law with you over your tunic, hand over your cloak as well. Should anyone press you into service for one mile, go for two miles. Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow. “You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have? Do not the tax collectors do the same? And if you greet your brothers only, what is unusual about that? Do not the pagans do the same? So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

**La Palabra en Nuestra Vidas**

**23 de Febrero 2020**

**VI Domingo Ordinario**

**Primera Lectura: Levítico 19, 1-2, 17-18**
En aquellos días, dijo el Señor a Moisés: “Habla a la asamblea de los hijos de Israel y díles: ‘Sean santos, porque yo, el Señor, soy santo. No odies a tu hermano ni en lo secreto de tu corazón. Trata de corregirlo, para que no cargues tú con su pecado. No te vengues ni guardes rencor a los hijos de tu pueblo. Ama a tu prójimo como a ti mismo. Yo soy el Señor’ ”.

**Salmo Responsorial: Salmo 102, 1-2. 3-4. 8 y 10. 12-13**

**Segunda Lectura: 1 Corintios 3, 16-23**
Hermanos: ¿No saben ustedes que son el templo de Dios y que el Espíritu de Dios habita en ustedes? Quien destruye el templo de Dios, será destruido por Dios, porque el templo de Dios es santo y ustedes son ese templo. Que nadie se engañe: si alguno de ustedes se tiene a sí mismo por sabio según los criterios de este mundo, que se haga ignorante para llegar a ser verdaderamente sabio. Porque la sabiduría de este mundo es ignorancia ante Dios, como dice la Escritura: Dios hace que los sabios caigan en la trampa de su propia astucia. También dice: El Señor conoce los pensamientos de los sabios y los tiene por vanos. Así pues, que nadie se glorie de pertenecer a ningún hombre, ya que todo les pertenece a ustedes: Pablo, Apolo y Pedro, el mundo, la vida y la muerte, lo presente y lo futuro: todo es de ustedes; ustedes son de Cristo, y Cristo es de Dios.

**Evangelio: Mateo 5, 38-48**
En aquel tiempo, Jesús dijo a sus discípulos: “Han oído que se dijo: Ojo por ojo, diente por diente; pero yo les digo que no hagan resistencia al hombre malo. Si alguno te golpea en la mejilla derecha, presenta también la izquierda; al que te quiera demandar en julio para quitarte la túnica, dale; y al que te quiera quitar tu manto, déle también el manto. Si alguno te obliga a caminar mil pasos en su servicio, camina con él dos mil. Al que te pide, dale; y al que quiere que le prestes, no le vuelvas la espalda. Han oído que se dijo: Ama a tu prójimo y odia a tu enemigo. Yo, en cambio, les digo: Amen a sus enemigos, hagan el bien a los que los odian y rueguen por los que los persiguen y calumnian, para que sean hijos de su Padre celestial, que hace salir su sol sobre los buenos y los malos, y manda su lluvia sobre los justos y los injustos. Porque, si ustedes aman a los que los aman, ¿qué recompensa merecen? ¿No hacen eso mismo los publicanos? Y si saludan tan sólo a sus hermanos, ¿qué hacen de extraordinario? ¿No hacen eso mismo los paganos? Ustedes, pues, sean perfectos, como su Padre celestial es perfecto”.”
How do we share God’s love in our community?
A simple gesture of asking someone how their day is going or if they need any help goes a long way. With the recent celebration of St. Valentine’s Day remember to share the love God gives you with your fellow neighbor. God bless!

_The Finance Council_

**Team 2 will clean on Thursday, February 20**
Loretta Williams, Captain
Christine Laphan       Anthony Davies
Shirley Stafford      Peggie Calvani
Ellie Collins         Loan Moquin
Ed Fitzgerald         Kathy Ursitti
Arleen Lyons          Marlene & Jim Jacono
Silvana Sposanto      Joe Ruff
Ella Garvime         Joanne Russell
Audrey Taylor         Doris Dill
Luciana Mufuka
For more information or to volunteer, please call Loretta Williams, 302-378-8635.

**PAT’S PIZZA**
Pat’s Pizza Family Restaurant, located at 311 N. Broad Street in Middletown, will donate a portion of all receipts we return to them. Please place your saved receipts in the collection basket or drop them off at the parish office. We are blessed that our local businesses continue to support our parish. Please thank them for their generosity when you visit Pat’s.

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**SECOND COLLECTION**
There will be a second collection next weekend for Catholic Relief Services and Latin America. Please be as generous as you can.

**BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE**
The Bereavement Committee is looking for volunteers to assist on an “as needed basis” for funerals.
We need assistance at the mass for Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers and Lectors.
If there is a luncheon, we would need assistance at the hall, which can include setting up, serving, providing a baked good or cleaning up.
Please call Dee Headley to volunteer at 302-740-4212.

**REDNER’S RECEIPTS**
The CCEA collects Redner’s receipts. Receipts can be put in the collection basket or dropped off at the church or CCEA office. Please submit the whole receipt as partial receipts will not be considered. Refunds from the Redner receipts covers the expenditure for meats purchased by the food pantry staff for our clients. Donation of Redner’s receipts are down. Please use your Redner’s Reward Card! Thank you for your assistance, it is appreciated.

**Advertiser of the Week**

_esquire Plumbing & Heating & Air Conditioning_

Please be sure to visit and check out those businesses who advertise in our bulletin. Your support of these sponsors is one way to say thank you for their generosity.

Are you currently an Amazon user? If you are, you could be donating to St. Joseph Parish at no extra cost to you. How you might ask? By using the following link: smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0263935.
Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to the charitable organization of your choice. Thank you for choosing St. Joseph Parish as your Amazon charitable organization.

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MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Try gazing lovingly into each other's eyes for one minute. ... Probably you will end up laughing. See, I made you laugh. Yes, it's corny - but fun.

PARENTING POINTERS

Wednesday, February 26, is Ash Wednesday. Discuss with your family whether there is something you would like to "give up" or "do" in common. Can you go beyond giving up sweets? Consider "fasting" from social media for a day.

PARISH LIFE

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

We remember in prayer all those who are ill, especially:

Oremos por los enfermos:


We also remember in prayer their caregivers and all others in need of our prayers.

También recordamos en oración a sus cuidadores y a todos los demás que necesitan nuestras oraciones.

If you submitted a name to be added to the sick list and you know that the person is no longer sick or that they are deceased, could you please call the office at 302-378-5800 to have them removed. Thank you.

MAY THE ANGELS LEAD THEM INTO PARADISE

Please remember in your prayers our deceased parishioners, loved ones and benefactors.

Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

CARNIVAL

ST. JOSEPH PARISH CARNIVAL

The dates of the 2020 Carnival are July 14th thru July 18th! Mark your calendars! Hope to see you there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- Mardis Gras social at St. Rose of Lima, a family event. Friday, February 21, 6-9 PM, RSVP to jbrenner6543@gmail.com
- Charity is at the heart of our work and our faith.
- Lent starts February 26. Sign up on-line to help at the Fish Fry dinners.
- https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/3172349/true#/invitation
- Want to join our Council? Contact Ted Cieslak at t_cieslak@verizon.net.

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PUNTEROS DE CRIANZA

Miércoles 26 de febrero, es miércoles de ceniza. Hablen con su familia si hay algo que le gustaría "renunciar" o "hacer" en común. ¿Puedes ir más allá de renunciar a los dulces? Considere el "ayuno" de las redes sociales por un día.

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MOMENTOS DE MATRIMONIO

Intente mirar amorosamente a los ojos del otro durante un minuto. ... Probablemente terminarás riendo. Mira, te hice reír. Sí, es cursi, pero divertido.
**2019 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

There are two ways to receive your 2019 contribution statement: via regular mail or email. 
If you would like it via regular mail, please contact the parish office at 302-378-5800 to request one. We will need your name, address, telephone & envelope/id number.

If you would like it via email, please email vbenn@stjosephmiddletown.com with the subject line: CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT 2019. We will need your name, address, telephone & envelope/id number.

**STATEMENTS ARE NOT PREPARED UNLESS REQUESTED.**

**CARNIVAL KICKOFF MEETING**

Please join us, on Wednesday, March 11th at 7:00PM in the Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome, as we start planning the next parish carnival. We look forward to new ideas from fellow parishioners as we continue to improve our 22 year tradition. Questions Contact: Dominic Marra 302 598 2814, Email: dommarra@aol.com

Carnival Co Chairs: Dominic Marra, Jake Vukich

**PRESIDENTS’ DAY**

**ANNUAL LENTEN FISH DINNERS**

*A Ministry of Old Bohemia Council No. 6543*

**K OF C FISH FRY**

February 28th at St. Rose of Lima
March 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th at St. Joseph
Menu Includes: Fried Haddock, Baked Tilapia, French Fries, Macaroni & Cheese, Stewed Tomatoes, Cole Slaw, Rolls, and beverages.
Desserts offered for purchase by the Columbiettes

Dinner served from 5:00pm to 6:45pm
Adults: $12, Seniors & Students: $10
Children under 10: Eat Free
All Take-out Meals: $12

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND SACRAMENT PREPARATION NEWS!**

Registration forms for Religious Education and the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Eucharist and Confirmation will be available on the parish website, www.stjosephmiddletown.com on Monday, March 2nd. Religious Education registrations are accepted from registered parishioners on a first-come, first-served basis until August 31, 2020. No registrations will be accepted after August 31, 2020, except from families that are relocating to our parish, moving from their existing religious education program to our program. **In order to ensure both the accuracy of our records and the safety of our students, we will be unable to process any registration that does not include all required information, payment, and/or documentation. Incomplete registrations will be returned.**

If your child has completed grade one, either in our Religious Education program or in Catholic school, and is enrolling in grade two, you must complete a separate form to register for the sacramental preparation program for Reconciliation and Eucharist. This is a separate process from Religious Education class registration and has a separate schedule and fee. The Confirmation preparation program also has a separate registration form, schedule and fee.

In conjunction with the Diocese, we also offer a Special Needs Religious Education program. Contact the Religious Education Office at 302.378.5800, ext. 107 for further information.

St. Joseph Parish has one of the largest Religious Education programs in our diocese. We are always in need of volunteers and gratefully welcome those that are willing to share their time, talent and faith. We look forward to working with you and your family.

**SOCIAL CONCERNS**

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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY**

302-463-6255

DEDICATED TO THE SERVICE OF THOSE IN NEED IN THE MOT AREA
**LENTEN ACTIVITIES**

### ST JOSEPH CHURCH
- **Weekend Masses:** Saturday @ 5:00pm, Sunday @ 7:30am, 9:30 am, 11:30am, 2:00pm (Spanish)
- **Weekday Masses:** Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday @ 8:30am
- **Confessions:** Saturday @ 4:00 - 4:30pm, **not on April 11—Holy Saturday**
- **Stations of the Cross:** Friday @ 7:00pm - February 28, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3
- **Knights of Columbus Fish Dinners:** Friday @ 5:00 - 6:45PM - March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3
- **Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage 2019 - Saturday, April 6:**
- **Evening Mass of the Lord’s Supper:** Holy Thursday, April 9 @ 7:00pm
- **Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Holy Thursday, April 9 @ 9:00pm
- **Stations of the Cross in Spanish:** Friday April 10 @ 1:30pm
- **Solemn Liturgy:** Good Friday, April 10 @ 3:00pm

### ST ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH
- **Weekend Masses:** Sunday @ 8:00am, 9:30 am
- **Weekday Mass:** Tuesday @ 8:30am
- **Confessions:** Sunday at 9:00AM
- **Knights of Columbus Fish Dinners:** Friday @ 5:00 - 6:45PM - February 28
- **Stations of the Cross:** Tuesday @ 8:00am - March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7
- **Lauds/Morning Prayers:** Friday @ 9:00 am - April 10 & Saturday, April 11 @ 9:00 am

### CHESAPEAKE CITY ECUMENICAL ASSOCIATION
**WEDNESDAY SOUP & BREAD 6:30PM & SERVICE 7:30PM**
The Chesapeake City Ecumenical Association is holding Lenten Services preceded by a Soup and Bread Supper on Wednesdays during Lent. Soup and Bread will be served at 6:30 PM and the service is at 7:30 PM. Attendees are asked to bring items to help supply the Generation Station Out of School Program meals.

- **February 26:** Ebenezer AME Church, Route 310, Woodstock Farm Lane, South Chesapeake
  - Speaker: Rev. Cynthia Laurie. *Bring 100% juice*
- **March 4:** no soup & bread, Bethel AME Church, 201 Second St, Corner Pine & 2nd St, South Chesapeake City
  - Speaker: Rev. Volodymyr Klanichka. *Bring Sides: Potatoes, Noodles & Rice*
- **March 11:** St. Basil Ukrainian Catholic Church, 231 Basil Ave, South Chesapeake City
  - Speaker: Deacon Michael Boyd. *Bring Canned Meats*
- **March 18:** 1st Presbyterian Church, 351 Biddle St. North Chesapeake City
- **March 25:** St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, 301 Lock Street, North Chesapeake City
  - Speaker: Rev. Christopher Brown. *Bring Canned Fruit or Fruit Cups*
- **April 1:** United Methodist Charge (Trinity), 3rd and Bohemia Street, South Chesapeake City.
  - Speaker: Rev. Scott Burkley. *Bring Canned Vegetables*
- **April 8:** St. St. Peter’s Anglican Church, 1069 Frenchtown Rd. Elkton, MD
  - Speaker: Fr. Jack Clark. *Bring 100% fruit juice*

### ACTIVIDADES CUARESMALES
-Vía Crucis Todos los viernes a las 7:00 p.m. en inglés
-Jueves Santo La Cena Del Señor Misa 7:00 p.m., 9 de abril
-Reposición del Santísimo Sacramento Jueves 9 de abril a las 9:00 p.m.
-Vía Crucis / Estaciones de la Cruz en español Viernes santo 10 de abril a la 1:30 p.m.
-Liturgia solemne Viernes Santo 10 de abril a las 3:00 p.m.
**BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUP**

We are studying the Bible series called "Genesis to Jesus". We meet the 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays of the month at 6:00 pm. Please call Jan Faust (302) 584-8703 for further information. A second group, hosted by Ed Sumner & Ellen Losse, meets on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month to discuss the readings for the following Sunday. Please call Ed at 302-449-2387 or Ellen at 302-449-5532 for directions.

**ROSARY AT BROADMEADOW**

The Rosary is prayed each Wednesday at 10:00 AM at Broadmeadow Nursing Home. Any parishioner is welcome to attend and participate. We are also in need of people to lead the rosary. If you are able to help please call Helen Gaden at 302-376-0711.

**THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION COMMITTEE**

THE HARVEST IS RIPE, WANT FIELD WORK?

Are you interested in helping the adults of St. Joseph and St. Rose of Lima learn, live, and share their Catholic faith? The Adult Faith Formation Committee meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. Contact us if you want to share in the joy of this work. Contact Larry Bock at labock44@comcast.net.

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**SEASONS OF HOPE**

If you’re in need of consolation after losing a loved one, this Christ-centered faith sharing group is for you. We will meet one (1) day a week, on Wednesday for six (6) week sessions from Jan 8-Feb 12 and Mar 1-Apr 22, except Apr 8th. Prayer, scripture, faith sharing and fellowship will begin at 11:00am - 12:00 noon. For more details or to join us please call Dee Headley at (302)740-4212. All materials will be provided to you. We look forward to welcoming you.

**DID YOU KNOW...**

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the book of Numbers in the Bible gets its name from “numbering” the people? The Latin Vulgate translation gave the name as the Lord told Moses in the second year of the exodus from Egypt to count all men 20 years and older. The intent was to number those able to go to war. Another census took place just prior to entering the Promised Land for the same reason. Later King David took a census mentioned in 2 Samuel and 1 Chronicles. This census is controversial for two reasons. Some say David was incited by the Lord, some by Satan, depending on the source. Later we read David was punished for this sin, probably because he was motivated by pride. Centuries later Ezra counted the people returning from the exile in Babylon and a temple offering was taken to rebuild the temple. Today data tells us more and more people are leaving the Church and more and more have no religious affiliation at all ("nones"). Will we be counted among the faithful? Pray, read, study, and receive Eucharist often.

**SABÍAS....**

El libro de Números en la Biblia toma su nombre de "numerar" a la gente? La traducción de la Vulgata Latina dio el nombre que el Señor le dijo a Moisés en el segundo año del éxodo de Egipto para contar a todos los hombres de 20 años o más. La intención era numerar a aquellos capaces de ir a la guerra. Otro censo tuvo lugar justo antes de ingresar a la Tierra Prometida por la misma razón. Más tarde, el rey David realizó un censo mencionado en 2 Samuel y 1 Crónicas. Este censo es controvertido por dos razones. Algunos dicen que David fue incitado por el Señor, algunos por Satanás, dependiendo de la fuente. Más tarde leemos que David fue castigado por este pecado, probablemente porque estaba motivado por el orgullo. Siglos después, Ezra contó a las personas que regresaron del exilio en Babilonia y se tomó una ofrenda del templo para reconstruir el templo. Hoy en día los datos nos dicen que cada vez más personas abandonan la Iglesia y que cada vez más no tienen afiliación religiosa ("nones"). ¿Seremos contados entre los fieles? Ore, lea, estudie y reciba la Eucaristía con frecuencia.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY**

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets weekly at 9:30 am in the Parish Center. Come join us as we discuss the readings for the upcoming Sundays. Any questions, please call 302-378-5800.
**Around the Diocese**

**GOOD NEWS**


**RESURRECTION PARISH 50TH ANNIVERSARY LENTEN RENEWAL**

The Freedom to Believe: Becoming an Adult Catholic Presented by Fr. Simeon Gallagher OFMCap The renewal will consider the great challenge of growth in faith. As St. John Henry Newman once said, “The only evidence of life is growth.” Monday, March 2, 2020 through Thursday, March 5, 2020. 8:30 a.m. Mass followed by Renewal Talk / 7:00 p.m. Prayer followed by Renewal Talk. A renewal is a time of special grace for all adults of all ages. Please join us. Resurrection Parish 3000 Videre Drive Wilmington, DE 19808 302-368-0146. https://resurrectionde.org/parish-lent-renewal

**HOLY ANGELS MARDI GRAS PARTY**

Come experience Mardi Gras right here in Delaware. Tuesday, February 25, 6-9pm. Holy Angels (in Fremont Hall), 82 Possum Park Road, Newark. Family friendly. Free admission. Drinks and food available to purchase at the event. 50/50 and Racin’ Cajun Raffle drawings at 8:30pm. Contact the Parish for more information at 302-731-2219 or Phyllis510@comcast.net. RSVP encouraged but not required

**LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR COOKS FOR A CAUSE**

Sunday, February 23, 2020, from 3:00-8:00 pm at Feby’s Fishery, 3701 Lancaster Pike in Wilmington. Reservations are preferred by calling Feby’s at 302-998-9501.

Bring your family & friends and join the Little Sisters of the Poor for a fun-filled evening and fabulous meal as they celebrate their 151st Anniversary of caring for the elderly poor in America! A percentage of the evening's proceeds from the DiFebo family will be donated to help the Little Sisters care for the needy elderly at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in Newark. The event also includes a 50/50 raffle and silent auction items, including an Apple Watch! For further information, call 302-368-5886 or visit www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org.

**DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON CATECHETICAL DAY**

**ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS!**

The Office for Religious Education invites you to attend Catechetical Day on March 21, 2020 at St. Thomas More Academy with Bishop W. Francis Malooly. Catechetical Day allows the opportunity to celebrate those who have been giving effective witness for years and are living the call within their religious education programs, families, and the larger community. Directors/Coordinators of Religious Education and Catechists will be honored for anniversary years of service. These years are: 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35+.

This year's Catechetical Theme is "Stay With Us." Bob McCarty, D. Min. is the keynote speaker for the event. For more information or to register, please call the Diocesan Office for Religious Education at 302-573-3130 or contact your Parish Religious Education Office. The deadline for registration is March 2, 2020. For more information please visit www.cdow.org/CatecheticalDay2020.

**THE CATHOLIC MEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF DELMARVA**

The Catholic Men’s Fellowship of Delmarva will hold their 1st annual conference on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at the Church of the Holy Cross in Dover from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.Featured speakers include Jesse Romero and Father Ed Meeks via live-stream from Baltimore, and Kevin Wells, who will be speaking on-location in Dover. The conference theme is “The Holy Family/Your Holy Family.” Bring your son. Bring your dad. Bring your buddy. The tickets are $35.00 pp or $65.00 for a father and son going together. For more information, and registration information, visit facebook.com/CatholicMensFellowshipofDelmarva.
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<td><strong>THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AND OLD BOHEMIA COLUMBIETTES ARE COLLECTING THE SUPPLIES FOR THE RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE AFTER ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND!</strong></td>
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