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UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM
Blue Hen Student Mass: 6:30 PM
Daily Mass: 12:30PM

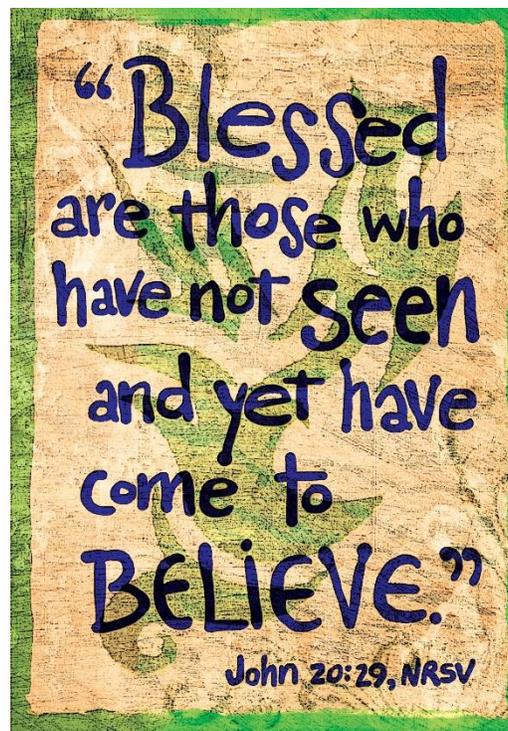
Confession

Tuesday: 5:30 – 6:30 PM
or by appointment

Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 10 AM – 2 PM
or by appointment

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 8 APRIL 2018



*"We must live every moment of our life as if it were our last."
~ St. Francis de Sales*

READINGS

8 April
Acts 4:32-35

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)
Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24
1 John 5:1-6

John 20:19-31

15 April
Acts 3:13-15, 17-19

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
Psalm 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9
1 John 2:1-5a

Luke 24:35-48

OFFERTORY

1 Apr 2018

\$10,938.48

Year to Date
Goal for Fiscal Year
(7/1/17 – 6/30/18)

\$214,441.87

\$265,000.00

Next 2nd Collection

29 Apr 18

St. Thomas More Charities

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Upcoming Classes:

April 8
April 15
April 22
April 29



Please visit www.udcatholic.org for info/details

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Day of Service with DSW - April 14
Spend a day in service to those in need in the city of Camden, NJ with DeSales Service Works.

Pancake brunch – April 22 @ 12:30 PM

Oratory Formal - April 28 @ 8 PM
Join us for a night of dancing – complete with DJ, tasty hors d'oeuvres, and lots of fun!

Student Dollar Dinner Nights - Fridays @ 6pm
Come enjoy a pasta dinner, every Friday at 6pm!

Please visit www.udcatholic.org for signups/details

WE BELIEVE SERIES

Come check out our new student faith series led by students for students!

Throughout the month of April, we will continue an exploration of why we believe what we believe as Catholic Christians. Explore big questions and more. Open to all students of all faith backgrounds and beliefs!

Upcoming Topics:

April 9th – What does the Gospel really mean?
April 16th – Why believe in the Catholic Church?
April 23rd – Why believe in the Sacraments?
April 30th – Why believe in prayer of intercession to Mary and the Saints?
May 7th – What does Love really mean?

W.I.L.K. 2018 WATER WALK



Come out to the Water Walk & support Water is Life, Kenya – working to bring clean water to the people in Kenya.

Saturday, April 28 from 10:00 am– 1:00 pm

Join us as we carry water around the reservoir & experience a small part of what women in Kenya do each day as they walk to fetch water for their families.

All funds collected will help us finish Phase II of the clean water project in Kuku, Kenya (water storage, latrines, and sanitation trainings).

For more info, or to donate to our team UD Catholic, visit www.waterislifekenya.com

HISTORY OF THE OBLATES OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES IN NORTH AMERICA

In 1893, the first Oblates priests came to the United States, serving chaplaincies in the New York City area. In 1903, Salesianum School was established as a high school for boys in Wilmington, Delaware; it remains a valued and prominent ministry of Catholic education to this day. After early years of expansion, the American Province flourished during the 1940s and 1950s with many vocations from schools it conducted in the Wilmington, Philadelphia, Toledo, Detroit, and Niagara Falls areas. A seminary and house of formation were established at Childs, Maryland, and Hyattsville, Maryland, just outside Washington, DC. In 1966, the American Province was split into the Wilmington-Philadelphia Province, which encompassed the eastern and southern states, and the Toledo-Detroit Province, which encompassed the central and western states.

In 1967, the American Provinces celebrated with the many and varied branches of the Salesian Family the 400th anniversary of the birth of St. Francis de Sales. For this occasion, Pope Paul VI promulgated a special papal letter entitled "The Gem of Savoy," as a testimonial to the contribution St. Francis de Sales made to the Universal Church, calling him "uniquely a man for our times" and the inspiration for the reforms of Vatican II.

Allentown College of St. Francis de Sales was founded by the Oblates at the invitation of Bishop Joseph McShea of the Diocese of Allentown in Pennsylvania. Students began taking classes in September 1965, and the campus became home to hundreds of young men studying for the Oblate priesthood and brotherhood at Brisson Seminary, named for our founder. With more than 50 years of fine academic programming and campus development, DeSales University now serves more than 3,100 students and offers bachelor, master, and doctoral degrees.

During the early 1970s several parishes — from North Carolina to Pennsylvania — were entrusted to Oblate care, and this foreshadowed the profound impact that Oblates would have in parochial ministry in the years to come. The latest addition came in 2015 through the invitation of Bishop Malooly, who invited the Oblates to care for St. Thomas More Oratory at the University of Delaware. Oblates would also venture to new high schools in Virginia and Florida, from the 1960s through the 1980s. We are pleased to maintain our relationship with Bishop Ireton High School in Alexandria, Virginia, where we served for more than 40 years.

With more Oblates transitioning from high school ministry to work in parishes, the list of church communities we lead has grown. Parishioners' response to Salesian spirituality has been encouraging beyond measure, prompting more Oblates to consider service in parishes. The Oblates were also adept in responding to the social needs of the people before us. Many were called to serve as hospital and military chaplains, drug and alcohol counselors, and social service agents to alleviate the grave challenges of poverty.

In addition to a growing interest among Oblates to work full-time in churches, the decline in men entering religious life impacted our ability to staff high schools. Additionally, some dioceses closed schools in response to changing demographics. In addition to Salesianum School and DeSales University, the Oblates now support Father Judge High School, which we began in 1954. We also were proud to found Nativity Preparatory School of Wilmington, an tuition-free middle school that provides inner-city boys a Catholic education. Additionally, we co-endorse Cristo Rey Philadelphia High School that offers boys and girls from economically challenged families a college-prep curriculum and work-study program in professional environments that help finance the school.

The present ministry of the Oblates rests in our commitment to advancing the Gospel through the example of St. Francis de Sales. This gentleman saint's embrace of the gentleness and humility of Jesus is central to our ministry, especially as we joyfully seek to address the violence and injustice that threatens the Kingdom of God that Jesus so lovingly began.

ONGOING PROGRAMMING

ROSARY MON 7:30 PM

Come join us to pray the Rosary before the Blessed Sacrament

PRAYER & MEDITATION TUE 5:30 PM

Looking for some quiet prayer & meditation time during your busy day?

Stop by the O on Tuesdays from 5:30-6:30

5:30 – 6:30	Exposition & Adoration
5:30 – 6:30	Sacrament of Reconciliation Available
6:30	Benediction

BINGO OUTREACH TUE 6:30 PM

The Jeanne Jugan Home is a retirement home in Newark run by the Little Sisters of the Poor. We volunteer our time by spending an hour playing bingo and talking with the residents. We leave from the Oratory at 6:30 and are back by 8:15PM.

BIBLE STUDY WED 7-8:30 PM

Looking for a student Bible study? Join us as we look ahead to the Sunday scripture readings and discuss how they affect our lives. Stop by and share the challenges of living out the gospel on campus.

Student Leaders: Mary Kate Prieto & Mike Palmer

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY WED 11AM

Community Bible Study meets weekly on Wednesdays from 11 – 12 to look ahead at the Sunday readings. Bible Study is led by Fr. Ed and welcome to all non-students. Call or email for more information - udcatholic@gmail.com

FAITH JOURNEY/ADULT CONFIRMATION

Sign-up online. Feel free to call or email with questions. Contact – udcatholic@gmail.com

Need to receive the sacrament of Confirmation? Thinking about joining the Catholic Church? Faith Journey classes will be meeting on 4/ 11, 4/16 & 4/23. Call or email for more information - udcatholic@gmail.com

OTHER INFORMATION

FOR THE SAKE OF GOD'S CHILDREN

For the Sake of God's Children is the safe environment program of the Diocese of Wilmington, designed to keep young people participating in ministry around the diocese free from harm. Participants include the Bishop, all priests, deacons, seminarians, religious, all lay employees and volunteers. For more information visit www.cdow.org and click the FSGC logo.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

If you have a family member serving in the armed forces or know a UD student or alum serving, please bring in a picture with the name & unit address of the soldier to and include in our prayers. Please include the name and connection to the soldier for our display board.

MAA 8TH ANNUAL 5K & SISTER WALK

Join the MAA community on Sun. April 29th for the 8th Annual 5K and Sister Walk. Don't miss the pre-registration rate available until April 13th: \$20/per person or \$50/per family. Fee includes T-shirts. Trophies will be awarded after the race in the gym. To register, go to www.MountAviat.org or contact Janie at 831-233-1467 or janietrumbull@gmail.com. Mass will take place at 8:00 am, race starts at 9:15.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Disciples of Christ, Witnesses of Faith

Next weekend is Commitment Weekend for the Annual Catholic Appeal. Once a year, our Bishop asks each of us to make a commitment to support the work of diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish can offer on its own. Your gift helps bring Christ to those who seek His presence - the poor, the sick, the distressed, children and elderly. Learn more by reading the campaign insert in this week's Dialog or visiting the diocesan website at www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal."

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE

Birthingright of Delaware will once again be holding its Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale at the Oratory. Please support Birthingright's pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Masses on Mother's Day weekend, May 12th & 13th. Roses cost: \$2/one, \$5/three, \$18/Dozen, \$35/Twenty five. Your help will truly make a difference! Thank you in advance for your generosity!

OPEN MIC NIGHT / ART SHOW TO BENEFIT WATER IS LIFE KENYA

Sign up to share your talent. APRIL 27 @ 7pm
Music, poetry, dance, open to all ages.
Art show downstairs in the Social Hall.