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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:30 AM

Daily Mass: (Mon. – Fri.) 12:30PM

Blue Hen Student Mass will resume February 16th

Confession

Tuesday: 5:30 – 6:30 PM

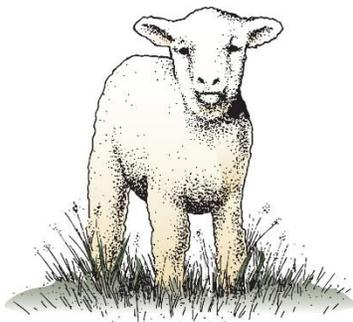
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Office Hours

Monday – Friday: 10 AM – 2 PM

or by appointment

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 19, 2020



Behold,
THE LAMB OF GOD,
who takes away
THE SIN
OF THE WORLD!"

JOHN 1:29, ESV



We, the community of St. Thomas More Oratory, are the home of Catholic Campus Ministry at the University of Delaware. We are empowered by the Spirit and inspired by St. John Henry Newman's motto: Heart Speaks to Heart to reach out inclusively to make Jesus present to all who share their journey with us.

We commit ourselves to the mission of Jesus Christ, which has been entrusted to us.

The St. Thomas More Oratory is administered by the Oblates of St. Francis De Sales, a congregation of priests and brothers dedicated to the spirit of St. Francis De Sales and their founder, Blessed Louis Brisson.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Upcoming Confirmation Classes

January 26
February 2
February 16

Upcoming RE Classes

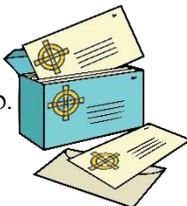
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Offertory Envelopes

Are available for pickup in the social hall. Children's envelopes and Online Giving basket vouchers are also available for pickup.

2020 calendars are also available outside of the office



Trustee Election

Our annual Trustee Election will be held this Sunday, January 19, 2020.

Last week, a 6.4 magnitude earthquake hit Puerto Rico, killing one man, causing dozens of buildings to be destroyed and leaving tens of thousands of people without power. For many residents of Puerto Rico, this is the third time they have been impacted by a natural disaster. Hurricane Maria hit the island two years ago and Hurricane George struck in 1998.

We pray for all our brothers and sisters who have been affected by this earthquake. We also pray for our first responders and rescue crews that are assisting in recovery efforts.

Donations are being accepted by Catholic Charities USA at www.catholiccharitiesusa.org.



Pilgrimage to Annecy

Travel to Annecy, France and learn about the life and work of St. Francis De Sales as you visit the towns & churches where he ministered.

June 29 – July 4, 2020

Pilgrimage fee is \$700

Including food, lodging, and busing

Travelers are responsible for making their own air-travel arrangements, one lunch, and one dinner.

For more information, visit udcatholic.org or pick up a flyer outside of the church office.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



Cape May Beach Retreat

Feb 28 – Mar 1

Plan ahead to get away for a weekend at the Jersey Shore in Cape May Point, NJ. Sign up early for our student led beach retreat – great food, lots of fun.

Spring Break with DSW

March 28 – April 2

Make a difference with your Spring Break and join us as we take part in service with DeSales Service Works in the city of Camden.



Please visit www.udcatholic.org for signups/details

Dear Friends-

Two of our fellow parishioners, Elizabeth, who is a UD student and her husband, Eric, lost their apartment and its contents in a fire that began in the unit below their own on December 29. This is especially challenging right now as Eric and Elizabeth are also expecting their first child, a great joy in whom their focus needs to be. I am asking if, out of the goodness of your heart, you might help this young married couple at this challenging time. A Go-Fund me account has been set up to assist them: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/6fxt76-apartment-fire> Thank you so much for whatever you might be able to do to be of help.

Sincerely yours,
Father Michael

Saint of the Week

St. Agnes

Feast day: January 21



Agnes may have been only 12 or 13 when she died a martyr's death in Rome. According to tradition, she refused to consider marrying and consecrated her maidenhood to God. When a persecution broke out, she left home and offered herself for martyrdom, probably dying by being stabbed in the throat, a common form of Roman execution. She was buried in a cemetery in the Via No mentana, where a church honoring her was built about 350. Her name and feast date were listed in a calendar of martyrs in 354. She is the patron of girls.

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READINGS

January 19th

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

John 1:29-34

January 26th

Isaiah 8:23-9:3

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Matthew 4:12-23

OFFERTORY

This Month

January 2019

Jan. 5, 2020 \$12,749.00 *Jan. 6, 2019: \$ 6,011.49*
Jan. 12, 2020 \$ 4,391.00 *Jan. 13, 2019: \$ 6,412.50*

Year to Date \$142,609.00
Goal for Fiscal Year \$270,000.00
(7/1/19 – 6/30/20)

Next 2nd Collection **February 9, 2020**
Black & Indian & Home Missions

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat.	Jan. 18	5:00pm	† Katherine Seward
Sun.	Jan. 19	9:30am	† Dolores Zannino
		11:30am	St. Thomas More Oratory Community
Mon.	Jan. 20	12:30pm	Peace & Conversion of Sinners
Tues.	Jan. 21	12:30pm	† Dorothy Darwicki
Wed.	Jan. 22	12:30pm	Joseph Miller
Thurs.	Jan. 23	12:30pm	† Paul Baglini
Fri.	Jan. 24	12:30pm	† McConnell – Farabaugh Families
Sat.	Jan. 25	5:00pm	† John McGrellis
Sun.	Jan. 26	9:30am	St. Thomas More Oratory Community
		11:30am	William Bampfield

Salesian Sunday Reflection Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



In today's Gospel the testimony of John the Baptist proclaims that Jesus, the Son of God, comes to take away the sin of the world. St. Francis de Sales remarks:

John the Baptist accepted and proclaimed Jesus as the Son of God. Others refused to acknowledge Jesus as Savior. John the Baptist had great humility. The first step into humility is not to seek to be held or esteemed for what we are not. John the Baptist rejected the honors and titles offered him. He could have led others to himself but instead he recognized Jesus as the Redeemer and pointed others to Him.

Now success can be an excellent thing: if we enjoy and rejoice in it because it gives glory to God, who is the author of our accomplishments. Yet, success and ambition are both capable of seducing the human heart. Unfortunately, our human nature is all too anxious to attract whatever is to its advantage. People seek ways to erect idols and images that are regarded as gods among them. How many of us are greatly taken with worldly elegance, prestige, superiority, and personages? In this we act quite differently from John the Baptist. His spirit was far from that of our times. Walking in humility, he accepted the greatness of Our Lord, and recognized his dependence on the Son of God to guide him.

John the Baptist refused to be moved by pretense. A lover of truth, he suffered martyrdom. While we may not be called to martyrdom, we ought to have the courage to suffer and fight when small temptations present themselves. If we wish to enter the combat against evil, we must be armed with a humility that recognizes our dependence on God's greatness and goodness. If we wish to grow in divine love, let us begin by imitating John the Baptist in accepting the Master of truth and goodness into our hearts. And then, let us lead others to Our Savior: Light to all nations.

(Adapted from the writings of St. Francis de Sales, especially Sermons, L. Fiorelli, ed.)

ONGOING PROGRAMMING

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 include in our prayers. Please include the name and connection to the soldier for our display board.

ROSARY

MON 7:30 PM

Come join us in praying 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 6 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 Leader: Jenn Wallach

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY

WED 11AM

Community Bible Study meets weekly to look ahead at the Sunday readings. Join us Wednesday mornings throughout the semester. All are welcome! Contact the office for more information.

FAITH JOURNEY/ADULT CONFIRMATION

Need to receive the sacrament of Confirmation? Thinking about joining the Catholic Church? Sign-up online. Feel free to call or email with questions. Contact – 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.

MAA'S ANNUAL CREAM PUFF DAY

Delicious, homemade cream puffs (a specialty of the Oblate Sisters) are available for pre-order until January 31st. Pricing is \$2.75 each or \$33/dozen. Pick up is Friday, February 7th from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. MAA is located at 399 Childs Road, Childs, MD 21916. Delivery is available for large orders in Elkton & Newark. To order, or for more info, contact Pat Seigel at 410.398.2206 or visit www.MountAviat.org.

S.A.C.R.E.D.

Don't miss out on a fun filled and informative way to celebrate our Catholic Faith and to enter the season of Lent as Salesianum offers SACRED for the 20th time. Join us as we seek to gain new insights into the rich meaning of our Catholic faith as seen through the lens of Salesian Spirituality. SACRED will be hosted by Salesianum School on Feb. 29 from 8am to 3pm. Registration is \$45 (\$40 if paid online by Jan.31) and includes coffee, a light breakfast, a hot Italian lunch and 2 sessions of workshops. Reconciliation is offered at 8 AM and Noon, Wine and Cheese Social follows at 3:15 PM. More info at <http://sacred.salesianum.org>

FAN THE FIRE YOUTH RALLY

St. Mark's High School is excited to host our 1st annual Fan the Fire Youth Rally for teens in grades 9-12 on Sat., Mar. 14, 2020 from 9am – 5:15pm. Fan the fire is an exciting one day Eucharistic centered retreat that includes national speakers like Bob Perron, praise and worship lead by Sean Patrick Malloy, awesome workshops by regional presenters, Reconciliation, Holy Hour, lunch, and closing Mass with Bishop Malooly. For more information or to find out how to register, please visit our website at www.fanthefirerally.com.