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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

MAY 19, 2019
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



“Reputation is rarely proportioned to virtue.”

~ St. Francis de Sales

READINGS

May 19th
Acts 14:21-27

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Psalm 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13

Revelation 21:1-5a

John 13:31-33a, 34-35

May 26th
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23

John 14:23-29

OFFERTORY

5 May 19	\$5,709.00
12 May 19	\$5,691.94

Year to Date	\$242,178.58
Goal for Fiscal Year (7/1/18 – 6/30/19)	\$270,000.00

Next 2nd Collection May 19, 2019
Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund



*Congratulations
First Communicants!*



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| Andres Fragale | Liam Hudson |
| Giancarlo Fragale | Aurora Juck |
| Christopher Hainey | Kathryn Mayer |
| Tristan Hanson | Quinn Rivera |
| Julia Hanson | Jack Sullivan |
| | Collin Zarzycki |

PRAYER BEFORE EXAMS

Good and gracious God, this is a stressful season, and the mountain of work ahead of me overwhelms me, yet I trust in you. I know that when I put my faith in you, even when it's as small as a mustard seed, miracles can be accomplished. I pray that as I study throughout these coming days, as I soak up knowledge and memorize facts, as I read and process and write, that you would be renewing my mind and strengthening my spirit. Help me to persevere through the massive to-do lists and the busy schedules, and help me to keep my eyes fixed on you throughout it all.

As I enter my exam rooms, I pray you would blanket me in your peace. Ease any anxieties, calm my restless mind, and give me focus on the task at hand. I pray that I would know my worth is in you alone, not in any grade I do or do not make, not in any assignment or test or teacher's opinion. I pray that I would be comforted by your nearness. Thank you for the gift of this education, Jesus. I pray that these final exams would be a celebration of all I have learned in this season, and that I would be grateful for all that I have experienced and for all the ways I have grown. May I glorify you by how I choose to live my life. And may almighty God bless + in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Midnight Breakfast – May 23 – 9pm – 12am
Free breakfast cooked by the UD religious leaders at the United Methodist Church on Main Street.

Congratulations Fr. Ed & Kim!

This past week, both Fr. Ed & Kim were honored for their hard work and tireless dedication within their ministry.

Fr. Ed was awarded the St. John Bosco Diocesan Award for **Youth Ministry**. This award recognizes adult leaders who have served as a positive role model for youth in their parish.

Kim was awarded a YoUDEe Lifetime Achievement Award for her years of dedication both as our Campus Minister as well as her work throughout campus as chair of the University Religious Leaders Organization.

MANY congratulations and thanks to both Fr. Ed and Kim for all the work you have done to help minister and grow the spiritual needs and lives of students and young people throughout your ministry!

**LAST 6:30 BLUE HEN STUDENT
MASS OF THE SEMESTER:
Sunday, May 26th**



Daily Mass
Mon – Fri 12:30pm

Saturday
5:00pm

Sunday
9:30am & 11:30am

Memorial Day
Monday, May 27
Daily Mass – 9:30 AM

Confessions
Tues 5:30 – 6:30pm
or by appointment

REFLECTIONS ON FIRST COMMUNION

Bread Stories

You know, we all have a bread story. You may not think of it right away, but I am sure you have a bread story. Maybe it's a story about grandma in the kitchen making bread from scratch, rolling it out and letting you knead the dough. Maybe it's the smell of fresh bread baking on a Saturday morning. I don't know what your bread story is, but I don't think it would take you too long before you found one. Everybody's got a bread story.

My bread story began in 1986 when I became a brother and was assigned to Bishop Ireton High School. It was there that the students began to call me BRED. There were the obvious jokes – Bread Stick, Breadcrumbs, Wonder Bread, and Bread for the world. With each joke, even if they did not realize it, there was an implied connection to Bread for Life. More seriously, I have a bread story from another country – from my visit to France. There was something about their bread, baguettes, that was different from the bread we have here in the States. The bread did something to that experience that made it especially memorable.

There is another bread story I once read which sticks with me, Tony's bread story. Tony traveled with a group of people to Nicaragua. They not only visited the cities of the country, but they went out into the villages as well. There, they said, was poverty unlike any they had ever experienced before. They would stay in each village for two and three days at a time, meeting and visiting with the families and children who lived there. And sure enough, on their last day in the village there would be a big meal where all would gather to send their visitors off with prayers and well wishes. For those who had visited, it was an opportunity to thank their hosts for their hospitality.

On the last night, the dozen or so American visitors came out to a table that was spread wide with all the meals that had been brought from each of those villager's houses. And there, in the middle of that long table, sat one loaf of Wonder Bread and six bottles of Coke. The significance of these items was not lost on anybody who was sitting in that room. They knew that in order to get that Wonder Bread and those Cokes, somebody walked 15 miles to the nearest town where they could be purchased. And somebody sold a piece of livestock to be able to afford that meal.

Tony said of all the communion experiences he has ever had in his whole life, the most powerful and most memorable happened at that village party with Wonder Bread and Coke. In that moment, all present became the Body of Christ, as these poor Nicaraguan villagers poured out the gifts of hospitality to strangers who were now friends.

We all have bread stories. Our story, the Christian story, is full of bread stories. Jesus calls himself the Bread of Life, and the prayer he teaches us, in its central moment, is all about bread. "Give us this day our daily bread." These bread stories culminate in that last supper where Jesus takes the bread, breaks it, distributes it and says, "This is my body which is given for you."

Today, First Communicants, is the beginning of your Bread Story – when you will receive Jesus, the Bread of Life, for the first time. Our prayer for each of you is that as you receive Communion today, and each and every time from this day forward, that you remember as you receive the Body of Christ that you are loved just as you are. We are all challenged to become what we receive – the Body of Christ. This begins with kind words and thoughtful actions.

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 & Jenn Wallach

COMMUNITY BIBLE STUDY **WED 11 AM**

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

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

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.

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.

CYM FALL SPORTS REGISTRATION

CYM Fall Sports registration opens June 15th. We would love to welcome your son or daughter for Volleyball, Football, Soccer and Cross Country. There is a team for every young athlete, either at your parish or nearby. Don't delay, practices begin in August! For questions visit www.cdowcym.org/athletics or mcarucci@cdow.org.

CATHOLIC FORUM

Beginning Saturday, April 27, 2019, "Catholic Forum," the radio program produced by the Diocese of Wilmington, will air on Relevant Radio® 640 AM each Saturday morning at 11:00. This is a change from its current broadcast Sunday mornings on WDEL. This change allows for both a stronger broadcast signal to reach more of the Diocese, as well as a longer broadcast time of 30 minutes. After Catholic Forum airs on broadcast, it is available online at cdow.org/CatholicForum or by searching Catholic Forum on Apple, iHeartRadio, and Spotify podcasts.

FEAST OF THE VISITATION

Celebrate the Feast with Fr Brian Lewis at St Joseph on the Brandywine at 10 Old Church Road, Wilmington 19807. Prayer begins at 5PM with Eucharistic Adoration for the preservation and protection of the sanctity and dignity of all human life from conception to a natural end. Followed by Mass at 6PM, with the Blessing of the Diocesan Life-Sized Rosary, made by the Iannone Family and praying of the Rosary afterwards. For more information call (302) 897-3022

DIOCESAN MASS FOR VOCATIONS

You are invited to join Bishop Malooly in prayer and support of those discerning a call to the Priesthood, Consecrated Life and Permanent Diaconate at the Diocesan Mass for Vocations, Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Peter, 500 N. West Street, in Wilmington. More information is available at www.cdow.org/vocations.