



CATHOLIC CAMPUS MINISTRY at the  
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

MAY 5, 2019  
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



*"You learn to speak by speaking, to study by studying, to run by running, to work by working;  
in just the same way, you learn to love by loving.*

~ St. Francis de Sales

## READINGS

May 5<sup>th</sup>

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

Revelation 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

May 12<sup>th</sup>

Acts 13:14, 43-52

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Psalm 100:1-2, 3, 5

Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

John 10:27-30

## OFFERTORY

7 April 2019	\$6,217.00
15 April 2019	\$5,459.00
22 April 2019	\$8,838.96
29 April 2019	\$4674.00

Year to Date	\$227,777.64
Goal for Fiscal Year (7/1/18 – 6/30/19)	\$270,000.00

Oblates Ministries: **\$5,138.00**  
February 16, 2019

Next 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection **May 19, 2019**  
Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

### Upcoming Classes

May 12<sup>th</sup>

May 19<sup>th</sup>



First Holy Communions  
May 19<sup>th</sup> at the 9:30 am Mass

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Free Dinner Fridays – Fridays @ 6pm**  
Students, come enjoy a pasta dinner every Friday at 6!

**Senior Dinners – May 9 & 13 @ 6pm**  
Join Fr. Ed & Kim for dinner at the Oblate residence  
to celebrate your accomplishments!

**Open Mic Night – May 10 @ 7 – 10pm**  
Sign up to share your talents, or come enjoy the talents of others!

**Class of 2019 Brunch – May 12 @ 12:30pm**  
Celebrate the Class of 2019 at our final brunch of the  
academic year – Boston Market, pancakes & more

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

Please visit [www.udcatholic.org](http://www.udcatholic.org) for signups/details

## ORATORY PARISH SURVEY



A short parish survey is currently available both in the chapel and on the website. Responses to the survey will be crafted into a report to be given to our new pastor as he arrives to help him gain insight into our Oratory community. We ask that you please share with us your thoughts and ideas by filling it out and returning them to the office.

## MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE



Birthingright of Delaware will be holding its Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale at the Oratory. Please support Birthingright's pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Masses.

**Mother's Day Weekend**  
**May 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>**

**\$2/one, \$5/three, \$18/dozen,  
\$35/twenty five**

Your help will truly make a difference!  
Thank you in advance for your generosity!

For more info about Birthingright, please visit  
[birthingright.org/wilmington](http://birthingright.org/wilmington)

# Introducing Our New Pastor



## Fr. Michael Vannicola, OSFS

Originally from Wilmington, Delaware, Father Michael Christopher Vannicola is a member of the Oblates of Saint Francis de Sales, a Congregation of Priests and Brothers dedicated to spreading the spirituality of Saint Francis de Sales, their patron, and committed to continuing the work of Blessed Louis Brisson, their founder. Father Michael graduated from Holy Angels School in Newark in 1991 and Salesianum School in Wilmington in 1995. In 1999, he graduated from Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia with a Bachelor's Degree in History and was certified as a Secondary School teacher in Social Studies that same year.

At SJU, Father Michael was Head Resident of the Central Campus and chaired the university's disciplinary board. At the same time, he served as the Chair of the National Advisory Panel on Student Concerns to The College Board. He is an inducted member of Alpha Sigma Nu (the National Jesuit Honor Society), Phi Alpha Theta (the National Honor Society for History), Pi Sigma Alpha (the National Political Science Honor Society) and Kappa Delta Pi (the International Honor Society in Education). In 2006, Father Michael earned a Master of Divinity Degree from the Washington Theological Union and was ordained a priest that same year. Father Michael has taught history, government and theology at Georgetown Visitation Preparatory School in Washington, DC and at Salesianum School in Wilmington, Delaware (his alma mater). He then served as Assistant Principal/Dean of Faculty and Director of Activities at Salesianum before arriving in Naples, Florida in 2009. In 2010, Father Michael was installed as Pastor of Saint Ann in Naples after serving a year and a half as the parish's Administrator. Four years later, Father Michael was also appointed as a Chaplain of the Naples Police Department and is a Full Member of the International Conference of Police Chaplains. He also currently serves as a Provincial Councilor (a leadership position in the province of his religious community), as a member of the Presbyteral Council and the College of Consultors for the Diocese of Venice in Florida, is a Knight of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem and a Fourth Degree member in the Knights of Columbus. Father Michael is most proud to be the oldest of four brothers and uncle to two wonderful nephews.

Fr. Michael will be presented to the parish  
at all Masses May 25-26, 2019

## 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 Jujan 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://www.cdow.org) and click the FSGC logo.

### **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER**

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Springtime! It is a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is – our next Marriage Encounter Weekend is November 1-3, 2019 in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information visit our website at [www.wvme-delmar.org](http://www.wvme-delmar.org) or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833

### **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL**

*As I Have Done For You, You Should Also Do*

Thank you to everyone who made a pledge to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families within our diocese. Pledge envelopes are available on the table as you exit, and can be placed in the offertory basket. Thank you for your generosity and support. To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal, visit [www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org); click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal".

### **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](http://cdow.org/CatholicForum) or by searching Catholic Forum on Apple, iHeartRadio, and Spotify podcasts.