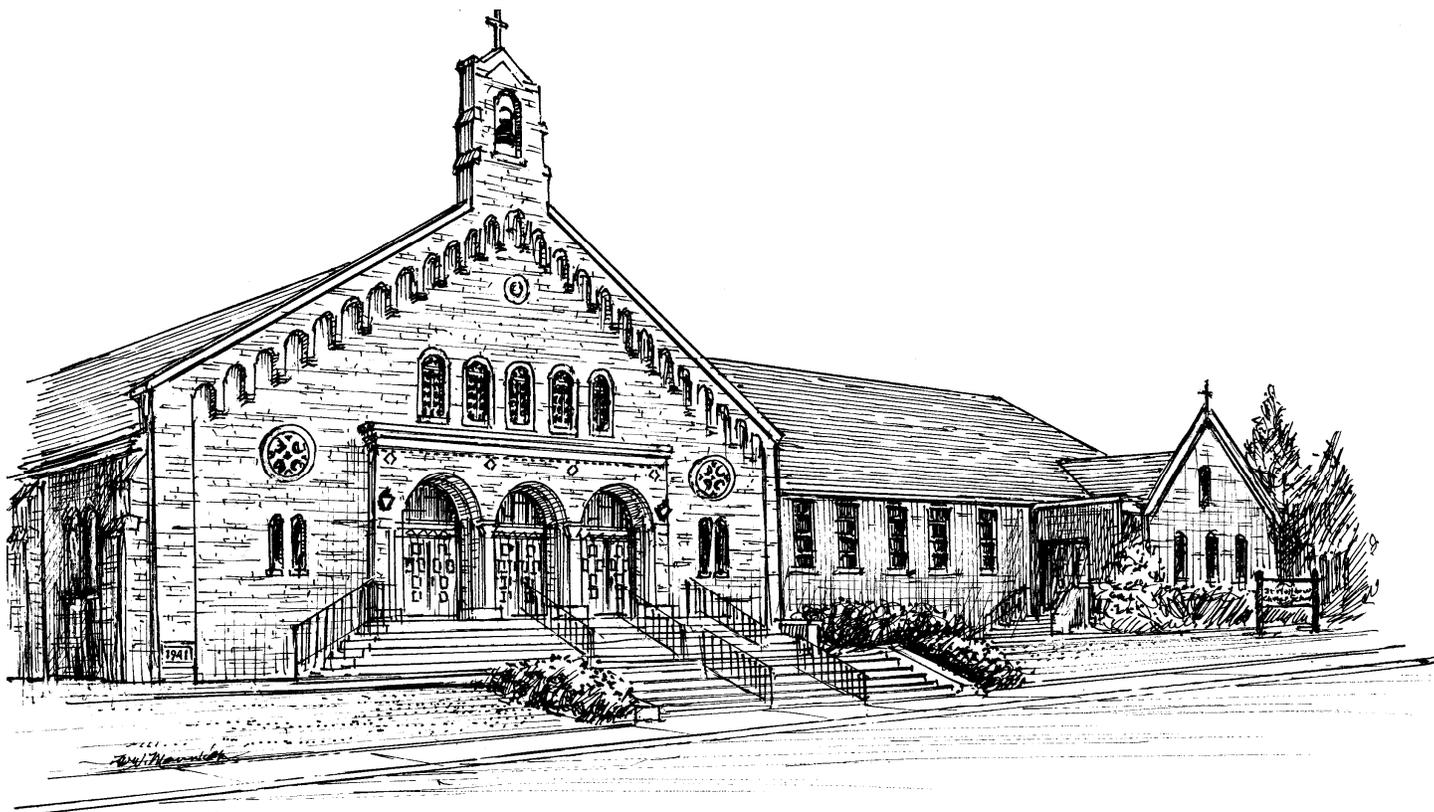


Saint Matthew Roman Catholic Parish

A Sponsor of All Saints Catholic School



Church Location: 901 E. Newport Pike, Woodcrest • Wilmington, DE 19804

Parish Mailing Address: 1013 E. Newport Pike, Wilmington, DE. 19804

Mass Schedule

Daily (Monday — Friday): 7:00 am and 8:30 am

Saturday: 8:30 am and 5:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am and 11:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday afternoon beginning at 3:30 pm

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptism is celebrated the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 12:45 pm. Baptismal Preparation Program for the parents is held on the 1st Wednesday of every other month. Please call the Parish Office for more information.

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact one of the Parish Priests or Deacons
AT LEAST ONE YEAR before your wedding date.

New Members

Welcome! Please register in the Parish Office.

Vy. Rev. Joseph J. Drobinski, Pastor

Rev. William M. Hazzard, In Residence

Rev. William J. Klapps, U.S.N. Retired

Mr. Harold R. Chalfant, Permanent Deacon

Mr. William A. Kaper, Permanent Deacon

Mr. Michael T. Wilber, Permanent Deacon

Miss Patricia Berrigan, Director of Religious Education

Annie Adams, Music Director

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — All who believed were devoted to the teachings of the apostles, the communal life, the breaking of the bread, and prayer (Acts 2:42-47).

Psalm — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — God has given us an undiminished inheritance, safeguarded for us in heaven (1 Peter 1:3-9).

Gospel — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

BELIEVING

New birth, new life, good news! These themes run throughout today's scripture readings. The first reading from the Acts of the Apostles describes the joyful early days of the newly born church, when members devoted themselves to instruction, the communal life, the breaking of bread, and the prayers. The passage from Peter's first letter echoes that joy, and assures those who now believe though they never saw Jesus that their faith will lead to their salvation.

But amid all the joy, the Gospel reading calls us to sober reality. Not everyone can believe so easily. Even an apostle can doubt this astonishing news of the Resurrection. Across the centuries, Jesus reaches forward to touch us today: "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

Second Sunday of Easter or of Divine Mercy April 27, 2014

Monday, April 28

Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9

Jn 3:1-8

7:00 AM—Arthur & Tess Tucker

8:30 AM—Novena

Tuesday, April 29

Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1-2,5

Jn 3:7b-15

7:00 AM—Mass

8:30 AM—Stanley Szymanski

Wednesday, April 30

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9

Jn 3:16-21

7:00 AM—Mass

8:30 AM—Antonio Bucci

Thursday, May 1

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2,9,17-20

Jn 3:31-36

7:00 AM— People of the Parish

8:30 AM—Amy Essick

Friday, May 2

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1,4,13-14

Jn 6:1-15

7:00 AM—Mass

8:30 AM— Filomena DiLoreto

Saturday, May 3

1 Cor 15:1-8 /Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14

8:30 AM— Joseph Swarter

5:00 PM— Grady D. Young, Sr.

Sunday, May 4

Acts 2:14,22-33/Ps 16:1-2,5,7-11

1 Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

7:30 AM—John Ratsep

9:00 AM— Felice and Maria DiPilla

11:30 AM—Peg Wallig

Thank You For Your Generosity: \$ 4,599.84

.For a complete list of groups and phone numbers, please visit www.saintmatthewsparish.org and click on "CONTACT US" LINK. You may also call the Parish Office at 633.5850.

The DEADLINE for bulletin submissions is -

April 28, 2014



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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

One of the great Easter traditions is “mystagogy,” an ancient word meaning “reflection on the mysteries.” It is a style of catechesis, or passing on the faith. People who have shared an experience, in this case those who have been baptized at Easter, are urged to recall their experience, reflect on its meaning, and apply their insights to their new way of life.

There is an aspect of an experience that is simply not available until you’ve had it. For example, you may think you know weddings inside out; you’ve been to dozens, seen hundreds in the movies or on television, but until you’ve said “I do” to another, there is a certain knowledge unavailable to you. Those who go down into the waters of baptism as adults have similar experiences; they have all taken baths before, but not like this one! Mystagogy helps such persons to uncover the deep meaning of the experience, their sense of a new beginning, of God’s abundant love, of forgiveness, of community.

It takes time for the power of the Easter Vigil to work its wonders for us. Those who are newly baptized are called “neophytes,” meaning “newly planted.” The tender buds of spring need care and nurturing, and our new brothers and sisters need your prayer and your faithful example.

FIRE

Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.

LOOK

Sorrow looks back, worry looks around, faith looks up.

Sanctuary Lamp/Candle

The parish is providing another opportunity to memorialize your loved ones. If you would like to have the red sanctuary candle lit for the cost of \$10.00, you can do so on a weekly basis by calling the parish office at 633.5850.

The week of April 28th the candle has been lit in memory of Leonard and Rose Becker.



School Tours are available any time if you are interested in any of our programs. All Saints is a Pre K (ages 3 and 4) through Grade 8 school. Please call Stephen Adams, Assistant Principal., if you are interested in obtaining more information about All Saints or would like to schedule a tour 302.995.2231 or sadams@ascscde.org

2nd Annual ASCS Golf Outing—April 28, 2014

Sponsored by Healthy Smiles of Delaware, Dr. Patrick Sweeney

Don't miss the 2014 ASCS Golf Outing/Dinner/Auction

Proceeds will go towards iPads for the school.

Last year was a huge success with over 80 golfers and dinner guests. A gourmet dinner with carving stations, open bar and silent auction will be worth the trip if you are not a golfer. Auction Items Up for Bid!

Orthodontic Work from Penna Orthodontics

Famous Tavern Party for 100 including Pizza & Beer

Disney Hopper Passes for Four!

2 Pews of Front Row Seating (seats 8 each) -8th Grade Graduation at Saint. Mary of the Assumption

2 Pews of Front Row Seating (seats 8 each) - Christmas Eve 4:00 Mass at Saint Mary of the Assumption

4 Front Row Parking Spots at ASCS for easy pick up

Lunch with Mrs. Thompson at Seasons Pizza for 8 students—during school day

Lunch with Mr. Adams at Seasons Pizza for 8 students during school day

Vice Principal for the day with Mr. Adams

Principal for the day with Mrs. Thompson

Class of 2014 ASCS Fleece blanket, including the 8th grade class pictures!

BVM Sodality—Please join us for the Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday, May 3rd. The crowning will take place inside the Church immediately following the 8:30 am Mass and Rosary. We will then continue outside and crown the statue of Mary located near the parking lot (facing Maryland Avenue). We encourage everyone to bring flowers to present to Mary for the Crowning. All are welcome. After the Crowning, we would like to invite everyone downstairs to the Open Area to share light refreshments. We look forward to seeing you on May 3 for this blessed event to honor Mary. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Barbara Becker-Graham at 994-1164.

Little Sisters of the Poor to host 7th Annual Rock for the Aged on Saturday, May 10th from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm at Jeanne Jugan Residence, 185 Salem Church Road, Newark, Delaware 19713. Proceeds will benefit medical needs (resident beds and mattresses). Individuals, youth groups and other organizations are invited to form teams and collect sponsors. Participants will enjoy Music, Games, Prizes, Cake Walk, Baked Table, Theme Baskets for Raffle, Food, Plants, Karaoke and 50/50 Drawing.

Please visit our website for up-to-date details at <http://www.rockfortheaged.com/> or contact Debbie Strengari at 302.368.5886, denewark@littlesistersofthepoor.org.

Religious Education

Thank you to all who participated as altar servers, greeters, readers, presenting the gifts, and ushers at our 9 o'clock Family Focus Mass during this past year, and thank you to all who brought the coffee and donuts. We will resume the Family Focus Mass in September.

A special thank you to Nathaniel Kohl who came every Sunday to take our Young people out for the Liturgy of the Word for Children. We will continue this until Sunday May 1th, and resume again in the Fall.

Sunday, May 4th our children will be receiving their First Communion at the 11:30 am Mass.

On Sunday, May 11th we have a First Communion Mass at 11:30 am.

Rosary of the Blessed Mother will be recited **after the 8:30 Mass on Mondays and on Saturdays.**

There are many prayer needs in our families and the Church and our Country. Please take 15-20 minutes of the first part of your day to join us.

You will not be disappointed in what can happen in your life when you put God first. It is very exciting to watch Him work in our lives and the lives of our family. He, Himself, has put Mary as an intercessor for us.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be on the 1st Monday of each month following the 8:30 Mass.

Please join us to pray for our families, our Church, our Country and peace.

If you have any questions, please call Sonyia(302) 584.2521

Parish Drive For The Poor and Needy Scheduled

The Spring 2014 Parish Drive for the Poor and Needy, sponsored by the Society of St. Vincent DePaul, will be held Saturday and Sunday, May 3-4, 2014 at St. Margaret of Scotland Church on Frazer Road at route 40 in Glasgow.

Items accepted include, in Good Condition Only, gently used clothing, furniture, house wares, small appliances, toys, blankets, sheets etc., which will be donated to Catholic Charities Catholic Thrift Shop. In addition, non-perishable food and personal care items will be accepted for our Emergency Food Closet. Donations will be accepted Saturday from 5 pm—7 pm, and Sunday, from 8 am—12 pm. Volunteers will be there to help load the items onto the truck, and tax receipts will be available. For more information, please call 834-0225.

Holy Spirit—Hispanic Ministry's Car Wash

Need to wash away all that winter grime off your car? Holy Spirit's next Car Wash is scheduled for May 3rd and 4th. Cars are \$5 and trucks are \$8. Washing will take place on Saturday, May 3rd from 1:00—6:00 pm, and on Sunday, May 4th from 8:00 am—12:00 pm. Holy Spirit Church is located at 12 Winder Road., New Castle. Proceeds go to the Parish and Hispanic Ministry events.

On behalf of the environmental committee I would like to extend a very special "Thank You" to the many volunteers who worked so hard in cleaning and decorating the church for our celebrations and to all those who helped to celebrate our liturgy so beautifully over the Easter season. Your sacrifice of time and spirit of church unity is appreciated.

Pancake Breakfast after the 7:30, 98:00, and 11:30 Mass on Sunday May 18th at the gym (Foley Hall).

Sponsored by the Activities Committee

Cost is \$5.00 per person.

All proceeds to benefit the purchase of new Nativity pageant and Way of the Cross costumes.

Memorial Walkway

The St. Matthew "Memorial Walkway" in front of the Blessed Mother statue. Bricks are available to purchase in honor of a loved one living/deceased or special occasion (confirmation, wedding, birthday, anniversary, etc.) Please contact the parish office at 633.5850 for additional information.

St. Matthew Prayer Chain

If you or someone you know is in need of prayers and for their intentions to be included in our prayer chain, call 994-5117 or e-mail lodonnell12@verizon.net

The Activities Committee meeting will be held on Sunday April 27th at 11:30 am in the open area of the school. New members welcome.