

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Amos 8:4-7

The prophet Amos expressed disgust over people who take advantage of the poor. He describes businessmen scheming to cheat the poor, then declares that God will "never forget the things they have done."

Second Reading: 1 Timothy 2:1-8

Paul urges the Christians to pray for all people, especially those in authority. Paul even asked them to pray for the kings who denounced Christ's teachings, because God wants all people to be saved through Jesus.



Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Jesus tells a story about a servant who tries to cheat his employer. The owner is impressed because he would do the same thing himself. Jesus then describes the importance of being trustworthy in small matters, as well as in greater ones. He then states that no one can serve two masters faithfully, so people cannot give themselves completely to both God and money.



For the Week of September 18th through
September 24th

Sunday

Am 8:4-7; 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Monday

Prv 3:27-34; Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13; Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Mt 9:9-13

Thursday

Ecl 1:2-11; Lk 9:7-9

Friday

Ecl 3:1-11; Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Ecl 11:9—12:8; Lk 9:43b-45



The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 17th

4:00 p.m. Anita Gelderman

Sunday, September 18th

8:00 a.m. Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

10:00 a.m. Marie Gillin

Monday September 19th

8:30 a.m. Bennett Lamond

Tuesday, September 20th

8:30 a.m. Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

Wednesday September 21st

8:30 a.m. Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

Thursday, September 22nd

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Friday, September 23rd

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Saturday, September 24th

4:00 p.m. Marie Gruber

Sunday, September 25th

8:00 a.m. Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

10:00 a.m. Edith Follin

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE

PARISH: Remember in your prayers the sick of

the parish: *Barron*

Scott, John Troffo,

Valerie Lindyberg,

Patricia Dana, Ryan

Elizabeth Quintero,

Elizabeth Montague, Angela Wilmer, Faith King,

Ray Brilz, Jennifer Willis, Agnes Knoedler, Saylor

Willis, and Delores Carmen, and all those whose

names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS located in the front foyer.



MAY THE ANGELS LEAD THEM INTO

PARADISE: Please remember in your prayers Doug Doescher, Father of Heather Doescher, and all our deceased parishioners, loved ones, and benefactors. Grant them eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2016: “Prayer: The Faith Prayed”

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on **September 18, 2016** and will focus on the theme “Prayer: The Faith Prayed.”

Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

During the 10:00 Mass this weekend, the following Catechists will be commissioned, or sent forth, to share the faith with both children and adults in our parish. Please pray for them as they witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ:

Julie Armstrong	Kitty Neff
Susan Brush-Harr	Chrissy Nelson
Marcie Cooper	Lauren Pierce
Dominique Ellingsworth-Mohen	Justin Poole
Mary Jo Frohlich	Allison Provonche
Sheila Gierisch	Dana Ramirez
Maria Grimes	Steve Sappey
Emily Grimes	Erin Schweinsburg
Linda Keating	Ally Shearon
Ted Kremer	Dana Squares
Allison LaPointe	Dick Swanson
Nancy Lindyburg	Rosie VanZant
Matthew Atao	Brett VanSant
Dot Mench	Kris Vollmer

Sharla Moore

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD - Would you like to know more about Scripture and deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ? Using the readings of the day, we try to understand what God is revealing to us and how it impacts our lives as Catholic Christians.

Join us in the church foyer immediately following the 10:00 Mass at Sacred Heart beginning September 18th

NEW BIBLE STUDY! First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community

This Bible study will begin on **Monday, September 19th, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. The study will continue for 11 weeks and conclude on November 28th. If there is sufficient interest, a second class may be offered during the day. A minimum of 10 participants will be necessary for either class to be offered. There is a \$24.00 materials fee. Registration forms are at the doors of the church. For more information please contact Barbara Kelly at barbara.kelly.dre@gmail.com, or call 410-778-4650.

SAINTS OF SEPTEMBER

VINCENT DEPAUL

Feast Day: September 27



Born in 1581 in France, Vincent de Paul became a priest at the early age of 19. He became famous for his kindness and generosity.

As a young priest, Vincent was captured by Turkish pirates at sea and sold into slavery. He eventually escaped, along with his master, whom he had converted. He came into close contact with the king and queen of France in both spiritual and diplomatic roles, but eventually, his concern for the poor of France became his full-time work.

Vincent went to many places to visit the sick, the elderly and the poor. He spent time with them and did what he could to take care of them. But, Vincent knew it would take more than what he could do on his own to really make a difference. He realized he needed more money and more people to help all those who needed help.

Vincent began to ask wealthy people to donate money that he distributed to the sick and poor of his community. Vincent was so nice and charming that the wealthy didn't mind giving him money—especially for such a worthy cause.

Vincent also gathered other men and women who were willing to dedicate their lives to God and help the poor. Each day he and his followers gave soup and bread to as many as 16,000 poor persons. The men formed into the religious community of priests called the Vincentians. The women became the Daughters of Charity. Many parishes today have a St. Vincent de Paul Society which carries on Vincent's work with the poor.

Because of all of his work raising money and helping the poor, Vincent is now considered the patron saint of charitable societies. He died in Paris in 1660 and was canonized by Pope Clement XII in 1737.

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at



Sacred Heart Catholic Church on **October 11th**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.**

DIOCESAN NEWS

ANNUAL MARIAN PILGRIMAGE TO BE HELD ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1ST

Families with children of all ages, parishioners, the faithful and their guests are invited to join Bishop Malooly and pilgrims from across the Diocese of Wilmington to honor Our Lady Queen of Peace in our annual pilgrimage, **Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 9-5** at Holy Spirit Church, New Castle, DE. Dr. Anthony Esolen, Professor of English at Providence College, author of *Reflections on the Christian Life* and *Defending Marriage*, translator of Dante's *Divine Comedy*, and contributor to *Magnificat* magazine will be the Keynote speaker. Events include Mass for First Saturday at 9 a.m., recitation of the Most Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet, Confessions, Eucharistic Adoration. Families with children encouraged to attend. Children's activities provided.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS -

Bishop Francis Malooly invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at **2:00 PM on Sunday, October 23, 2016** at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required**. Please make your **reservations by October 15** by filling out the information below and returning it to the Office for Marriage and Family Life, 1626 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806 or ljackson@cdow.org.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Offertory - Week Ending 9/11/16 Week 11

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 09/11 Wk.11	\$5,233	\$875	\$6,346	-\$238
YTD Wk. 11	\$61,375	\$11,965	\$69,806	\$3,534

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COLLECTION: This weekend there will be a second collection for the Religious Education program at all masses. Donations will be used to subsidize Religious Education events such as the Confirmation Retreat for high school students & the Day Apart Retreat for our Catechists. Please consider directly supporting these efforts.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Senta Burton with any questions at 410-778-3160, or senta.burton@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

2016 SHARE IN THE SPIRIT TUITION ASSISTANCE COLLECTION

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for struggling Catholic families. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring that the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Since the Church has the mission to educate and since this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

It is in light of this reality that we ask you to consider supporting next week's Share in the Spirit collection. Thank you.

