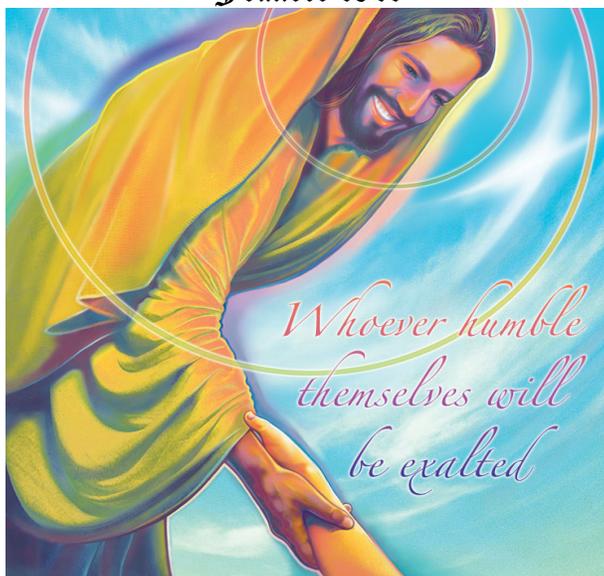


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Schedule of Liturgies

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY EUCHARISTS:

7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM

DAILY EUCHARISTS:

7 AM; 12:05 (Mon. - Fri.) 8:00 AM (Saturday)

HOLY DAY EUCHARIST: As announced

SICK CALLS: Anytime

RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

Saturdays: 4 to 4:45 PM; Anytime by appointment

BAPTISMS: By appointment with at least one preparation session for new parents.

WEDDINGS: Engaged couples wishing to marry in the church should contact a Parish Priest at least one year prior to the planned wedding date to begin the marriage preparation process. The year-long process includes diocesan pre-marriage classes and meetings with clergy.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**

COUNCIL #15436: Council

meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m., Family Center Conference Room. Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. Contact Paul Thorson, 302-229-5644, LTCThorson@gmail.com or John Strusowski, 302-753-2928, johnstru@comcast.net.

FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS: All are welcome to join the *Knights of Columbus Council #15436* at the First Saturday of the month devotions to Our Lady of Fatima at 8 a.m. in the church.

RIGHT AND WRONG

What is morally wrong can never be politically right.

—Anthony Ashley Cooper

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 5, 2017

The greatest among you must be your servant.

— Matthew 23:11

Religious Education

November is a month to focus both on thanks to God for the many gifts he has given us, and on giving, not just things, but ourselves in service. Many thanks to the Confirmation students and families who staffed the Catholic Charities truck this weekend, and to all who donated food for the Kevin Sullivan Food Closet Thanksgiving Baskets. It is not too late to help with Thanksgiving Baskets! If you have not yet brought your donations to class, here is a list of suggested items:

Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2: 3 boxes of potatoes and 2 cans or jars of turkey gravy

Grades 3 and 4: 3 boxes of stuffing mix and 2 cranberry sauce

Grades 5 and 6: 3 canned yams or sweet potatoes and 3 canned fruit

Grades 7, 8 and 9: 2 each of canned corn, green beans, peas, carrots, and canned fruit

Monetary donations for turkeys are also much appreciated – call the Religious Ed office for more information: 656-7185.

Many Blessings, Eva

Stockings for Soldiers



Our St. Joseph on the Brandywine Knights of Columbus is sending some Holiday cheer to our brave troops in Afghanistan. These troops would love to receive a special stocking from home. We need your help to fill them up. We will be collecting donated items and cards November 4th - November 19th. **PLEASE TAKE A FLYER IN THE VESTIBULE FOR A LIST OF SUGGESTED DONATION ITEMS AND WAYS TO VOLUNTEER.** Look for the Red plastic bins in the church vestibule to place all your donations. The Knights contact is Paul Thorson, [302-229-5644](tel:302-229-5644), LTCThorson@gmail.com.

Simple Ways to Get

Your Family Involved at Mass

Families involved in church feel more of a connection than those whose participation is limited to simply attending. If you are interested in becoming an Altar Server, usher, Eucharistic Minister, or lector, let us know by calling 658-7017.

A Gentle Reminder: Please know that scheduled mass intentions for the week have always included deceased as well as living intentions. Sometimes announcements of names in church are inadvertently misread. We apologize if you've experienced this in honor of your loved one!

Pastor's Notes

The Greatest Among Us

Whom do you admire? Is it the President of the United States or a movie star or a billionaire? These are people whom the world exalts as great. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they have places of honor wherever they go. Would you like to follow in their footsteps?

The scriptures for today offer different examples for us to follow. Jesus tells us that the greatest among us are the servants. These are the people we are to honor and imitate. We are called to be like Paul, who worked hard to serve the needs of his communities, and Jesus, who gave his life in service to the world.

Words of Welcome

As announced in church last week, effective November 1, Rev. John E. Olson will be assigned to St. Joseph on the Brandywine Parish Community as Associate Pastor.

Rev. John Olson is the son of Kevin Olson and Suzanne Fornal Olson of Long Island, New York. He attended St. Mary's Grammar School in Roslyn, New York and Chaminade High School in Mineola, New York. He graduated cum laude from Duke University in Durham, North Carolina with a Bachelor of Arts degree in German and History with a business certificate. He earned a Master of Science degree in International Relations from Troy University in Troy, Alabama. He served as an officer in the United States Air Force and was assigned, for a time, at Dover Air Force base in Dover, Delaware. He was honorably discharged from active duty in 2002 with the rank of Captain.

Father Olson earned a Master of Divinity and a Master of Theology degree from Immaculate Conception Seminary in South Orange, New Jersey and was ordained by Bishop Michael A. Saltarelli on May 19, 2007 at Saint Peter's Cathedral in Wilmington. Father Olson has ministered as Associate Pastor of the following parishes of the Diocese of Wilmington: Our Lady of Fatima Church, Saints Peter & Paul Church, and Church of the Holy Cross. Fr. Olson is ending a year of missionary service with the Neo catechumenal Way.

As Fr. Olson begins his assignment, let us assure him of a warm welcome and a prayerful remembrance from our faith community.

In Honor of Our Heroes



A United States flag is provided, at no cost, to drape the casket or accompany the urn of a deceased veteran who served honorably in the U. S. Armed Forces. It is furnished to honor the memory of a veteran's military service to his or her country.

The VA will furnish a burial flag for memorialization for:

- A veteran who served during wartime;
- A veteran who died on active duty after May 27, 1941;
- A veteran who served after January 31, 1955;
- A peacetime veteran who was discharged or released before June 27, 1950;
- Certain persons who served in the organized military forces of the Commonwealth of the Philippines while in service of the U.S. Armed Forces and who died on or after April 25, 1951;
- Certain former members of the Selected Reserves

Who Is Eligible to Receive the Burial Flag?

Generally, the flag is given to the next-of-kin, as a keepsake, after its use during the funeral service. When there is no next-of-kin, VA will furnish the flag to a friend making request for it. For those VA national cemeteries with an Avenue of Flags, families of veterans buried in these national cemeteries may donate the burial flags of their loved ones to be flown on patriotic holidays.

How Can You Apply?

You may apply for the flag by completing VA Form 27-2008, Application for United States Flag for Burial Purposes. You may get a flag at any VA regional office or U.S. Post Office. Generally, the funeral director will help you obtain the flag.

Funerals fill an important role for those mourning the loss of a loved one. By providing surviving family and friends with an atmosphere of care and support in which to share thoughts and feelings about death, funerals are the first step in the healing process. It is the traditional way to recognize the finality of death. You can have a full funeral service even for those choosing cremation. Planning a personalized ceremony or service will help begin the healing process. Overcoming the pain is never easy, but a meaningful funeral or tribute will help.

*Today We Say Thank You
Today We Raise Our Flags
We Remember You Offered
Your Life to our Land*

Adult Formation

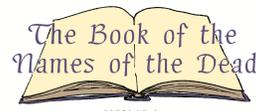
Fr. Leonard Klein will hold six Bible Study Lectures on the "Book of Revelation" on Mondays, Nov 6 & 7th. They will run from 10:30am - 12:00pm. His overview is: "The Book of Revelation has through the history of the Church contributed both to undue confusion and undue certainty. Too often the central message of the victory of Christ is lost. Fr. Leonard Klein will lead a course looking at the complex symbolism and the simple announcement of the Gospel that make up the message of the last book of the Bible." REGISTRATION: 1): Website: www.stjosephonthebrandywine.org 2): Send an e-mail with your name to aff@stjosephonthebrandywine.org 3): Call: 302-652-2264; Please leave your phone number and e-mail address.

AFF Book Club next meets Monday, November 20, 12:45-2:00PM in the Family Center. All are welcome. Register at <http://stjosephonthebrandywine.org> or email aff@stjosephonthebrandywine.org. We will be discussing *Wise Blood* by Flannery O'Connor. Flannery O'Connor, considered one of the best short story writers of the 20th century, depicts the limits of worldly wisdom and the mysteries of divine grace in the "Christ Haunted" Protestant South. Her work was informed by her experiences growing up as a Catholic in the South.

Raffle Tickets - Sisters of St. Francis

A donation of \$10 entitles you to 6 chances and the possibility of winning any one of 4 great monetary prizes? The Sisters of St. Francis will be selling raffle tickets after Masses on November 11 & 12. The purchase of raffle tickets can be done by cash or check payable to the Sisters of St. Francis.

Respectfully displayed



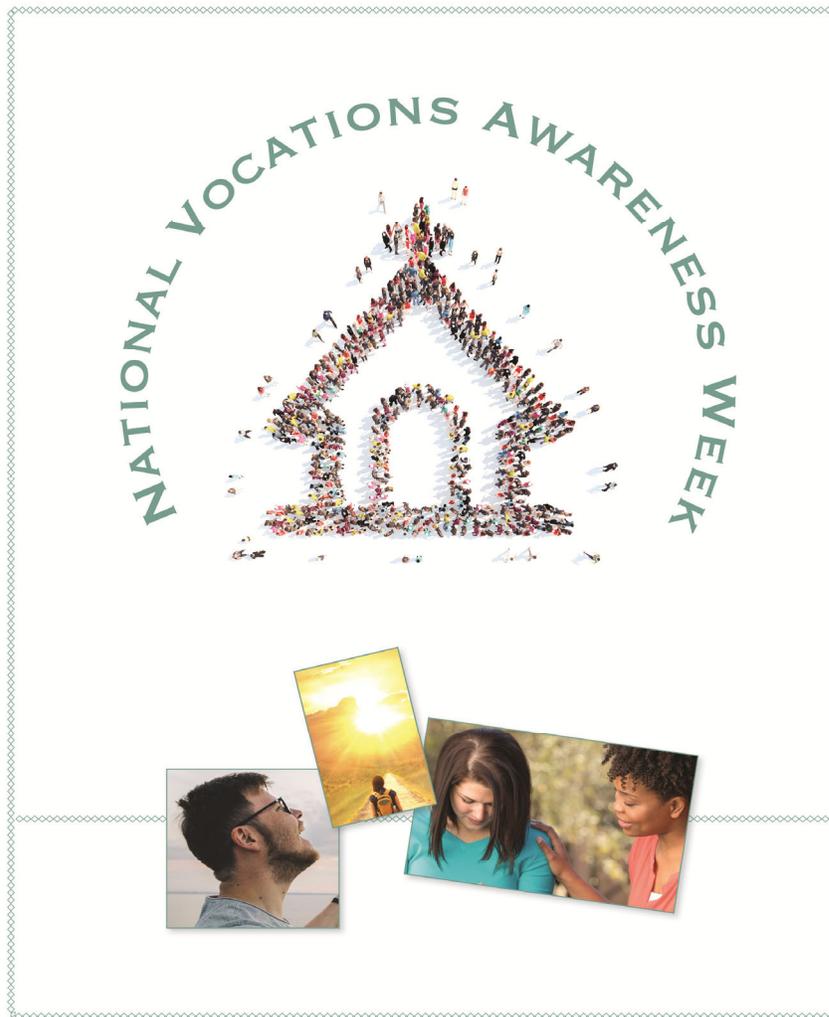
on the altar

during November

- *Why choose a Catholic Cemetery?*
- *When should you choose your Family Burial Place?*
If you would like to know more, take a card in the back of church for some answers.

Emmanuel Dining Room - Friday, November 10

St. Joseph's continues to provide a chicken meal to Emmanuel Dining Room once a month. Volunteers purchase and cook 24 chicken thighs and/or bring various desserts (stuffing is made the morning of delivery). Our next date to deliver our meal for Emmanuel Dining Room is Friday, November 10th Please have your cooked chicken and desserts at the Family Center by 9 A.M. on that day. If you would like to assist in making the stuffing, we meet at the Family Center at 8 A.M. to do that. We can always use more chicken cookers. Peg Janes (302) 656-3635.



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National Vocation Awareness Week

November 5 - 11

This is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations.

Come & Seek

A program that offers men interested in finding out more about the priesthood an opportunity to socialize with priests and like-minded men who wish to learn more about vocations. Dates and times of gatherings are subject to change, so call prior to attending or visit the Vocations website <http://www.cdow.org/catholic-diocese-of-wilmington-offices-and-ministries/vocations/>

For the priests, deacons, religious women and men of our Diocese, that they be blessed with every grace they need to live as models of faith for all believers, we pray to the Lord!

Delaware Right to Life Annual Banquet

Speaker - Fr. Stephen Imbarrato. Hear his story and learn how you can become on fire for LIFE! Thursday, November 9, 5 - 9 p.m., \$45 per person. Register: www.derighttolife.org.

Holiday Hope

As a service to the community, Doherty Funeral Homes is sponsoring a free program designed to help grieving families and individuals cope with the holidays. Sunday, November 13th 1:00 – 3:30 p.m. at Deerfield Golf Club, Newark. Refreshments will be provided. Call (302) 999-8277 by Friday, Nov. 10.

Nov. 10 & 11: Holiday Craft Show, St. John the Beloved Parish. Friday 4-8 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Proceeds benefit parish food closet and outreach to Emmanuel Dining Room. Also spaghetti and ravioli dinner Friday 5-7 p.m. huge attic treasures flea market from 8-9 a.m. on Saturday for \$5 entry fee. No entry fee after 9 a.m. Breakfast buffet on Sunday, Nov. 12, from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Book Buddy Service

Sign up for Book Buddy Service through the NCC Library and have a friendly volunteer bring reading material to your home and your caregiver. The service is free. Registration forms are available at all libraries or nccde.org or call (302) 395-5656 for more information or help to enroll.

Ad Lumina Christi Healing Retreat

This mid-week retreat at Malvern Retreat House will be led by renowned evangelist, preacher and retreat director Kathleen McCarthy. The November 13-17 retreat that begins Monday evening and concludes Friday morning is designed to uplift men and women looking for physical, spiritual and/or emotional healing. For more information or to register, please call 610-644-0400 or visit malvernretreat.com.

St. Teresa of Calcutta Women's Retreat

All women are welcome to attend this November 17-19 retreat that will be directed by a former close associate of St. Teresa of Calcutta, Fr. Tom Sullivan. A first class relic of St. Teresa of Calcutta, along with the presence of some of St. Teresa's Sisters of Charity, will be incorporated into this powerful weekend at Malvern Retreat House. The theme for the weekend will focus on the mission of St. Teresa of Calcutta and the message of Our Lady of Fatima. For more information or to register for this retreat, please visit malvernretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Nov. 4

5:00 p.m. Elsie V. Brown requested by Joe & Betty Campanella

Sunday, Nov. 5

7:30 a.m. Parishioners

9:00 a.m. Fred Crowley, Sr. by Dr. & Mrs. Garry Lyons & family

10:30 a.m. Open intention

Monday, Nov. 6

7:00 a.m. Novena

12:05 p.m. Stanley Dziegielewski by Deldeo family

Tuesday, Nov. 7

7:00 a.m. Novena

12:05 p.m. Frank Fountain by Dolores Fountain

Wednesday, Nov. 8

7:00 a.m. Barbara (healing) by Joyce & Donald

12:05 p.m. Carolyn Ennis by Alan & Claudia Jordan

Thursday, Nov. 9

7:00 a.m. Barbara (healing) by Joyce & Donald

12:05 p.m. Fanelli family by Annie & Alex Jordan

Friday, Nov. 10

7:00 a.m. Barbara (healing) by Joyce & Donald

12:05 p.m. Helen C. Krienen by family

Saturday, Nov. 11

8:00 a.m. Barbara (healing) by Joyce & Donald

5:00 p.m. Cathy & Gene Kelleher (50th wedding anniversary)

Daylight Saving Time

Change Your Clock

Change Your Batteries

Ends 2:00 AM on Sunday, November 5



“Do as I say, not as I do.” The Pharisees, at the time of Christ, were focused on their position in society and looked for the honor and privilege that their position provided. They focused on following the letter of the law, but struggled to allow the truth to be embedded in their hearts. The Lord has provided us with rules and guidelines to follow, but if one only focuses on following them externally, one misses out on the greater truth revealed to us through Christ. These rules, that direct our behavior, should also open our hearts. Take a moment this week to reflect on your faith. Ask God to open your heart to the meaning behind the guidelines, and pray they will bring you closer to God.