

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, October 6

NO FIRST SATURDAY MASS

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

Ann Satterfield

SUNDAY, October 7

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

Pearl Collier

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

Ted Selby, Jr.

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

People of the Parish

Tuesday, October 9

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel

Intentions of Mark Spiering
& Family

Wednesday, October 10

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Kenny & Eileen Simmons

Thursday, October 11

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel

Deceased Members of the
Charles L. Knott Family

Friday, October 12

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth

Joseph Salvemini

SATURDAY, October 13

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

People of the Parish

SUNDAY, October 14

28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

Ralph Downs, Sr.

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

Steve Wood

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Raymond Davis

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

SEPTEMBER 29 – OCTOBER 12

St. Benedict Church:

In Honor of Pearl Sutton

St. Elizabeth Church:

Intentions of Peter Schirmer V

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF
STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

Weekend of September 29 & 30, 2018

Envelopes	\$ 2,266.00
Loose	\$ 533.03
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$ 2,799.03
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Deficit (Below Budget)	(\$ 2,300.97)
Campus Ministry Support	\$ 504.00
Poor Box	\$ 64.74

The phrase in today's psalm, "May you see your children's children," is really a prayer for a long life. The good steward knows that every day is a gift from God, to be lived with joy and thanksgiving. "May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!"

A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



How might our hearts have been made hard towards God and our neighbor?

Much of our human experience is interwoven with what others are doing or by how they are influenced. Our society, every society and culture, is made by what people choose as their priority. When we look at some of our most well-known ancient historical cultures, what do we notice, what can we say was their priority?

Looking at Greek, Roman, and Egyptian art, we can see into the past and what was documented – this gives us some insight into their priorities, what they wanted remembered. Notice the art of these people had typically focused on daily life, influence of the god or gods, and an understanding of an afterlife. When we truly study Egyptian art, what do we see as their focus? We are confronted with the reality of afterlife – that the body and its surroundings for the afterlife truly mattered; the art that surrounded pharaohs and royal families and then the subjects within the kingdom present to us this reality. Notice the historical data that remains for these cultures and see how artistically they let themselves be known throughout history.

What can we say about ourselves? Look at what Mother Church desires us to know and what she wants us to historically pass on to the next generation: faith seeking understanding – faith seeking the ultimate relationship – a relationship with God, the Most Holy Trinity. For almost two thousand years life has been very different for humanity – unlike prior to the revelation of God through the experience of the Incarnate Savior, Jesus Christ, when humanity did not personally know God on the human level. We, fortunately, have been born after the revelation of Jesus Christ, but that comes with greater responsibility, a responsibility that causes us to have greater accountability to God Himself.

Today, the Scriptures speak of the institution of Marriage. Jesus points out that under Natural and Divine Law Marriage was made one way and it was the hardness of the human heart that caused Moses to acquiesce to the people's demands and desires to change it. Jesus categorically states that this is not what His Father created nor that in which he asked humanity to participate.

Look at the artwork of the church. What is her focus? What story is being told over these past two thousand years? What will history reveal in the future about those who lived in our parish, in the universal Church, to those who live in another thousand years? What artwork will instruct the future generations about our relationship with God? Blank walls do not speak. What artwork adorns your walls?

Remember, you are a Temple of the Holy Spirit, a building built not by human hands but by God Himself. What beauty is the artwork you are revealing to the world by what you do throughout your life? God wants his spouse, the Church (you as a member), to remain faithful, that no one or anything may harm this relationship we are called into. He desires an everlasting relationship.

Harden not your hearts as the people of Moses' time did...

Thank you to those who adorned your hearts with the Rosary during the Living Rosary this past Thursday evening. May our Blessed Mother remember you by the rosary you prayed for the benefit of those who need to experience the Light of God in their lives.

Pax Christi,

Vy. Rev. John B. Gabage, V.F.



Father Norman Carroll

will celebrate 25 years of priesthood

Join him to celebrate the Eucharist

in Thanksgiving

on Sunday, October 21

at 4:00pm

at St. Elizabeth in Wilmington

Fr. Carroll was pastor here 2000-2009.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

We will be starting classes for First Reconciliation in just a couple of weeks. Letters and registration forms will be going out in the mail shortly.

Confirmation preparation classes start this weekend directly after religious education class ends and the class lasts from 10:45 to 11:15. They will usually meet every other week. Letters and registration forms for Confirmation will be going out in the mail shortly also.

PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE

WE REMEMBER ♦ WE CELEBRATE ♦ WE BELIEVE

BAPTISMS

Charles Kenneth King, son of David & Alyssa King

Troy Alexander Coursey, son of Jeffrey & Amanda Coursey

We celebrate the beginning of a life of faith for these newly baptized infants as they receive the gift of new life in God's spirit and become a part of the fellowship of the Church through the Rite of Baptism.



HALLOWEEN AT ST. BENEDICT

Come out for an evening of socializing and evangelizing from 6:00-8:00pm on Halloween night, October 31st outside St. Benedict Church. Bring a bag of Halloween candy and enjoy some hot beverages and snacks with fellow parishioners while giving out candy to the children of the Ridgely community. Costumes welcome if you are so inclined (nothing scary, please).

SEE THE INSERT IN TODAY'S BULLETIN FOR ALL THE NEWS ABOUT OUR
UPCOMING 50TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR ON NOVEMBER 9/10.

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

YOUTH MINISTRY BONFIRE ~ THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7th 6-8pm

Dress for the weather! We'll have a bonfire for grades 6-12 complete with hamburgers, hotdogs, and S'mores! Bring your friends, hang out & play some games. **NOTE:** This event will be at Dan and Marlinda Tuel's home, NOT at the church hall. 24276 Asbury Rd, Denton. RSVP's appreciated to Pam King 410-708-5450 pamelaking829@gmail.com or Kathryn Belmonte 443-752-8315 kathryn.belmonte@gmail.com

SODALITY NEWS

SODALITY OPEN HOUSE ~ The Blessed Virgin Mary Ladies' Sodality will host an Open House this Tuesday, October 9th. The evening will begin with the recitation of the Rosary at 6:30p.m. in St. Benedict Church followed by Mass. The Open House, with refreshments and information about the Sodality and its mission and projects, will follow Mass in the Parish Hall. All parish women over the age of 18 are encouraged to join us!

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ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE MASS



A Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on All Soul's Day, Friday, November 2nd, at 7pm at St. Benedict Church. During this mass, we will honor and pray especially for the repose of the souls of those people who have been buried from St. Benedict and St. Elizabeth's Churches since November 2, 2017. **If you**

lost a loved one or friend during the past year that you would like us to include in the Remembrance Mass, simply contact Lori in the Parish Office (410-634-2253) with the person's name. Then, please join us for the mass on November 2nd. Refreshments will be served in the parish hall after Mass.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

This Sunday, October 7th marks the start of **Respect Life Month**. This year's Respect Life theme is "Every Life – Cherished, Chosen, Sent". "The essence of our identity is that we are created in God's image and likeness and loved by Him. Nothing can diminish the priceless worth of any human life. Every person is **cherished**. God creates every person for eternal union with Himself and continually invites us to embrace a loving relationship with Him. Every person is **chosen**. We are called to be messengers of God's love, treating one another as cherished and chosen by Him. In doing so, we help build a culture that respects all human life. Every person is **sent**... let us embrace our daily mission to help others encounter God's transforming, life-giving love."

- Excerpt from USCCB 2018 Respect Life Sunday Message

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, October 7

• 2nd Collection – Building Maintenance

• Super Sunday Breakfast – 9:30 a.m. - Hall

• Teddy Bear Package collection after all

Masses and at Super Sunday Breakfast

• Rel. Ed./RCIA classes – 10:10-10:50 a.m.

• Youth Ministry Bonfire – 6-8p.m. – Tuel Home
(24276 Asbury Rd., Denton)

Monday, October 8

• K of C 1st Degree Exemplification (if
needed) – 7:30 p.m. - Hall

Tuesday, October 9

• Rosary led by BVM Sodality, followed by
Mass in St. Benedict Church – 6:30 p.m.

• Adult Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – RR

• BVM Sodality Open House – 8:00 p.m. - Hall

Wednesday, October 10

• Mass at Britton Woods Nursing Home –
10:00 a.m.

• Finance Council Meeting – 1:00p.m. – RR

• Parish Council Executive Committee Mtg. –
6:00 p.m. – Pastor's Office• Youth Ministry Team Meeting – 6:30 p.m. –
RR• Parish Leadership Night – 7:00 p.m. – begins
with prayer at 7pm in the FLC Chapel

Thursday, October 11

• Adult Bible Study – 9:30 a.m. – RR

• Mass at Homestead Manor Nursing Home –
3:00 p.m.• 1st Reconciliation Prep. – 6:15 p.m. – Hall/GR

Sunday, October 14

• 2nd Collection – World Mission Sunday• Hospitality provided by Knights of Columbus
in Parish Hall – 9:30a.m.

• Rel. Ed./RCIA classes – 9:45 -10:50 a.m.

• Confirmation Prep. – 10:45-11:15a.m. – 10th
Grade Classroom• Ridgely Car Show – 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
(Knights Funnel Cake Booth)

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...

Patricia Brady ♦ Peggy Brittingham ♦ Jane Cade ♦ Joan Mollick ♦ Terry Franz ♦ Kathleen Green ♦ Patricia McWilliams ♦ Julia Seiler ♦ Helen Dill ♦ Cheryl Harris ♦ Judy Edmonston ♦ Edie Crank ♦ Patricia Freedman ♦ Sandy Keating ♦ Michael Alt ♦ Michael Keating ♦ Nial Straley ♦ Christina Jewell ♦ Debbye Jackson ♦ Kenny Winn ♦ Jessica Haddaway ♦ The Clegg Family ♦ Dot Bornhoeft ♦ Clark Johnson ♦ George Sinacourbe ♦ Fr. Bill Graney ♦ Marlinda Tuel ♦ Ken & Carolyn Swain ♦ Linda Nickum ♦ Bob Rouse ♦ Janet Kibler ♦ Karen Coward ♦ Kelly Presnell ♦ John Vranich ♦ Ron Safchick ♦ Anne Henderson ♦ Rita Miedl ♦ John Burbank

VOCATIONS NEWS

Moses tells Joshua, son of Nun, "Would that all the people of the Lord were prophets!" Each of us, by virtue of our baptism, is called to live as a prophet of the Lord. Might God be inviting you to live out that role as a priest, a religious sister, a religious brother or a deacon? Call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; vocations@cdow.org). Don't forget to check out website: www.cdow.org/vocations/!

Please pray for our diocesan seminarians:

Michael Preston

Brennan Ferris

John Enemuo

Craig Kursinsky

Adam Bauer

James Gebhart

ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR ~ NOVEMBER 9 & 10, 2018

Planning for our 50TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR is underway.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ~ The Bazaar is one of our parish's two major annual fundraisers and it takes many hands to make it a success. We are looking for volunteers to assist in a number of areas:

- Sorting & pricing items donated for the White Elephant Sale as well as staffing the White Elephant rooms on November 9 & 10
- Selling 50/50 Raffle tickets at the event
- Volunteer at the Parish Market table for a block of time
- Selling tickets for the Friday Night dinner after weekend masses beginning on October 20/21
- Set-up and Clean-Up for event
- Decorating for event

We will have our next Bazaar Planning Meeting on Tuesday, October 23rd at 6:30p.m. in the Parish Hall.

If you are interested in helping with one of the above areas of need or helping in any other way, please attend the meeting or contact Tom Lough at 410-754-7199.

HONORING OUR "GOLDEN VOLUNTEERS"

Have you been a chairperson of one of our bazaars during its 50-year history? Or, have you logged significant time as a volunteer in any capacity in support of past bazaar's? If so, we want to recognize you as a "Golden Volunteer" V.I.P. at this year's 50th Anniversary Celebration. If you attend the bazaar on either Friday, November 9th or Saturday, November 10th, **stop by the V.I.P. Booth located at the window at the main entrance of the hall** to pick up your special button and an extra door prize ticket. And, if you are in attendance at the Friday night dinner, join us as we cut the special 50th Anniversary Cake (and help us to get a group photo of our V.I. P's). We thank and wish to honor all volunteers who have made our Parish Bazaar such a success and a great community event through the years!



CHESAPEAKE CHICKEN DINNER ~ A Chesapeake Chicken Dinner will be held in the Parish Hall on Friday, November 10th in conjunction with the Annual Bazaar. There will be two seatings for the dinner – 5:00-6:30pm and 6:30-8:00p.m. The menu will include Chesapeake Chicken (a chicken breast with a crab cake) served with a baked potato, green beans, rolls, dessert, beverages/coffee. Tickets are \$15 per person and will be on sale after all masses beginning on October 20/21.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO SUPPORT THE BAZAAR BY DONATING TOWARD THE PURCHASE OF CRAB MEAT?

One of the main expenses of the Bazaar is the purchase of the food that is required for the event. If you would like to make a monetary donation toward the purchase of crab meat for the Friday Night dinner, you may place cash or a check payable to St. Benedict Church in a white envelope marked "Crab Meat Donation for Bazaar" and place it in the collection basket at any mass or drop it off at the Parish Office.

PARISH MARKET ~ This year, we hope to have a wide variety of items to offer at the Parish Market tables. We are looking for donations of handmade items/crafts, wreaths, fresh canned jams, jellies, sauces & salsa's, ornaments, etc... So, if you like making things, please consider making a few items to donate to the market. 100% of the profit for sale of items at the Parish Market goes to the parish.

FESTIVE SILENT AUCTION – In past years, many wonderful theme baskets and handmade items have been donated for our Silent Auction, which is a part of the Bazaar. **Consider donating a theme basket, a handmade item or another item for the auction.**

WHITE ELEPHANT DONATIONS ... Time to scour your garages, attics and closets... we want your **GENTLY USED** items for the White Elephant sale at the parish bazaar. We respectfully request that you refrain from donating any clothing items and, please, no old TV's. PLEASE BE SURE ALL DONATED ITEMS ARE CLEAN AND IN GOOD WORKING ORDER. White Elephant donations will be accepted after our November Super Sunday (November 4th) beginning at 11am in the Parish Hall and on Monday, November 5 through Thursday, November 8 from 10am-5pm (donations will also be received up until 7pm on Tuesday evening, 11/6). Volunteers will be needed for Monday, November 5 – Friday, November 9 from 10am-5pm each day to sort and price White Elephant donations. Please contact Tom Lough at 410-754-7199 if you would like to volunteer.

AROUND THE DIOCESE & COMMUNITY

The **Queen Anne's Chorale Christmas Concert** is on **Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Todd Performing Arts Center, Chesapeake College, Wye Mills, MD.** The theme is "Peace on Earth" and features Vivaldi's "Gloria" with chamber orchestra, seasonal selections and the ever-popular audience sing-along. Ticket price is \$20/adult and Children (through high school age) admitted free. To obtain advance tickets, please contact St. Benedict's/St. Elizabeth's parishioner, Sharon Balling at 410-479-2395 or by e-mail at: edwardballing@comcast.net This is the 30th year for the Chorale and is the first of two concerts to be presented in the 2018-2019 season.

PILGRIMAGE to the land of saints and scholars with Fr. Mike Gallagher, May 14-23, 2019. Enjoy the natural beauty of Ireland: Galway Bay, the lakes of Killarney and the Cliffs of Moher. Visit the Marian Shrine of Knock, Belfast and Dublin. For information go to www.WELCOME TO GTR, Click on Welcome... and then on Pilgrimages.

EVANGELIZATION CORNER

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Join the Church of Yes

It's all too easy to fall into the identity of the "church of no": capitalizing on Thou Shalt Nots and prohibitions as if being against things is the best or only route to sanctity. Church teaching on divorce, after all, is more about respecting marriage than rejecting those who fail at it. We lose sight of how essential it is to be *for* things: not simply against casual or serial marriages but supportive of those all around us struggling to make their families work. How do you defend, not "marriage," but real marriages?

Today's readings: Genesis 2:18-24; Hebrews 2:9-11; Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

"It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him."