

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, November 17

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Intentions of Heather Robuck

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

Jim Bradley

SUNDAY, November 18

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

People of the Parish

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

Deceased Members of the

Charles L. Knott Family

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Intentions of Maistin Fountain

Tuesday, November 20

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel

Thomas Duggan

Wednesday, November 21

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Vincent Randazzo

Thursday, November 22

THANKSGIVING DAY

9:00a.m. St. Benedict

Robert G. Gabage

Friday, November 23

9:00a.m. St. Elizabeth

Deacon Arcy Passwaters

SATURDAY, November 24

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth

CONFESSIONS

5:30p.m. St. Elizabeth

Joseph Dombroski

SUNDAY, November 25

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,

KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict

Robert G. Gabage

8:30 a.m. St. Benedict

People of the Parish

11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth

Larry Kutlik

TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS

NOVEMBER 10 – NOVEMBER 23

St. Benedict Church:

In Memory of Robert G. Gabage

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD

Weekend of November 10 & 11, 2018

Envelopes \$ 3,355.00

Loose \$ 733.70

TOTAL OFFERTORY \$ 4,088.70

Weekly Budget \$ 5,100.00

Deficit (Under Budget) (\$ 1,011.30)

Building & Maintenance \$ 1,048.55

Poor Box \$ 113.00

The readings today speak of the end of the world and the coming of the kingdom. The bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship says clearly that "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now." May our good stewardship help us to be numbered among the chosen on the last day.

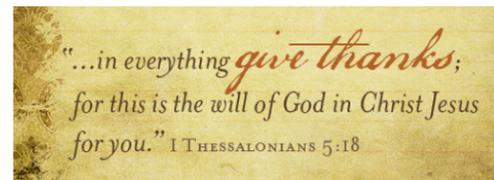
A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, we hear the Scriptures that set our thoughts and our sights on the life hereafter. We are called into knowing that what we do in this life does matter – what we do develops habits of behavior. This behavior becomes the hallmark for how we will be included in the life that will last forever.

As Christians we believe that God has sent His Son for a distinct purpose – to teach humanity where to find its purpose. We are instructed by Jesus Christ to live according to how God thinks – not as human beings think. We are called to be like God, to always focus on the good of others, to promote the other in Love – that each person will know their own value in the corporation of the human family which is called into eternal life in God.

We also approach our nation's holiday of Thanksgiving. This holiday in the Christian Community occurs every day. We are grateful to almighty God for what he has done for us and continues to do for us as His adopted sons and daughters. We are able to offer our thanks to almighty God by what we do. The invitation to participate in charity is an invitation to participate in the activity of God that we know is a call to Love.



The Holiday of Thanksgiving is a time where we as Americans can offer our gratitude to Almighty God for how we as citizens have come to enjoy the rights and privileges we enjoy. The liberties we enjoy have been afforded us by the acts of

those who have served us in military services, government, and those who have encouraged us to live rightly in accord with our citizenry. We also give thanks to those who trust in God as they farm. The bounty of the earth is a gift from God and a meaningful cooperation with faith – the ability for humanity to offer appreciation to God for the creation of plants and animals – that which we afforded good health through the ability to have sustenance that nourishes our bodies – the Temple of the Holy Spirit.

At Mass the offertory is a time where we give God what we made out of what He created. In creation, God made all that we as human beings need to maintain life in our corporeal existence. As we develop the sense of self in and through what we are given out of Love by God we come to understand we share in the creative nature of God by making food stuff out of what God has given us. Our intellect, which is also God-given, enables us to creatively make the meal we are nourished by. We give thanks for farmers and watermen who supply the culinary artists, chefs, nutritionists, cooks and bakers with the ingredients they need to feed those who hunger.

We give thanks to God for what he has given us in this community of faith – people who understand and live for and in the Love of God.

Thank you to all who participate with me in making our gratitude known to God and others by who we are in what we do – Loving our fellow man as Christ has loved us.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Pax Christi,

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

EVANGELIZATION CORNER

33rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Christ the light shine

It used to be that sensible people shrugged off most apocalyptic talk as a religious scare tactic. After all, only Chicken Little seriously believes the sky is falling and life as we know it is ending! Yet the present global situation makes apocalypse sound pertinent, even descriptive of the texture of our times. The light of hope can seem dimmer than ever; nonetheless, when fear begins to sound like the wisest course and paralysis the only option, hold fast to the Good News and its promise of light and life!

Today's readings: Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away."

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

N.U.T.S. (Neighbors United to Serve)

Annual THANKSGIVING DINNER

This year, Neighbors United to Serve (N.U.T.S.), a community group comprised of volunteers from several area churches including SB/SE, will be preparing its 27th Annual Thanksgiving Day Community Dinner to share the blessings of Thanksgiving with over **1100 people in our local community**. Volunteers are needed to assist with food preparation on Wednesday, November 21st at St. Luke's UM Church in Denton from 8:30-11:30a.m. Volunteers are also needed on Thanksgiving morning (Thursday, November 22nd) to help with food packaging at St. Luke's in Denton from 6:00-9:00a.m. Dinner reservation forms can be requested by e-mailing carolinecountynuts@gmail.com or visiting web form at <https://sites.google.com/site/nutsthanksgiving/home/request-a-meal>. All reservation forms must be received by November 19th.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

There will be NO RELIGIOUS ED./R.C.I.A. CLASSES next Sunday, November 25th in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. We wish a Happy Thanksgiving to all our religious ed students, catechists, classroom assistants, and hall monitors. We are grateful to God for all of you and all that you contribute to our Religious Education program!

LITURGY

FUNERAL PLANNING PACKAGES are available in the Parish Office. If you would like a package, please contact Lori Parks.

PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE

50TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY BAZAAR ENJOYED BY MANY...

Again, this year, our Parish Holiday Bazaar was an awesome celebration of community! From Friday night's Chesapeake Chicken Dinner to Saturday's visit from Santa and the many vendors and delicious food – great fun was had by one and all! Many thanks to Bazaar Co-Chairpersons, **Tom Lough, Linda Schirmer** and **Donald King** and White Elephant Chairperson, **Pat Centofante**, and the small army of volunteers who assisted them for all their hard work in organizing this event. Many thanks go out to parishioners who attended the event and who donated everything from baked goods to theme baskets to White Elephant items. Congratulations to **Ann Haywood**, the lucky winner of the 50/50 Raffle and **Carla Moure** who won the beautiful sweater handmade by Greta Scanlan.

SENIOR BREAKFAST ~ 'CHRISTMAS MORNING MEMORIES'

All parish Seniors age 65 and over are invited and encouraged to come to our Senior Mass & Breakfast on Tuesday, December 4th. Mass will be celebrated at 9:00a.m. at St. Benedict Church followed by a Christmas morning breakfast in the Parish Hall. Bring your memories of your childhood Christmas mornings to share and if you have any toys, decorations or photos from your childhood Christmas celebrations, please bring those along, too. Please RSVP by contacting the Parish Office – 410-634-2253 or LParks@beparish.com.

10th ANNUAL 5K RUN & WALK FOR THE "WELL" OF IT

May 2019 be a year of new beginnings! The date and location of this year's 5K Run & Walk for the "Well" of It may be all new, but our mission remains the same – to raise funds in support of Lifetime Wells International, parishioner Ken Wood's well drilling mission in Africa.

WHEN: Tuesday, January 1, 2019

WHERE: Hunter's Oak Golf Course, 500 Amberly Farm Lane, Queenstown MD

Please mark your calendar and make plans to join us. Registration forms will be available soon.

THEOLOGY ON TAP ON BREAK UNTIL JANUARY

Our Theology on Tap Group will take a break during the months of November and December and will resume on the 4th Wednesday of January (January 23).

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

TEDDY BEAR PACKAGES DELIVERED!



Greetings from the Knights of Columbus! Our Teddy Bear Package Drive was a massive success due to your generous donations of over 160 packages! I could not have been prouder of our parish as we skipped over the pond and helped children in need. The donations we presented were welcomed by receptive staff members at the University of Maryland Children's Hospital. As you can see in the photo to the left, we even exceeded their

expectations. Overflowing their carts was most certainly an objective that we were striving for and we succeeded. All the nurses were in astonishment as well as people that were just passing by. One of the staff members said we must have a very blessed parish community and we could not agree more with that statement. The generosity of our parish is astounding and only reaffirms what I have called St. Benedicts/Elizabeth's Parish in the past - a Mighty Mouse parish, small in stature but gigantic in our works! This is an event we should all take some pride in, and an event I hope will become an annual function.

Thank you and God Bless,

Peter Schirmer V, Knights of Columbus St. Joan of Arc council 12054

LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY

Sunday, November 18

• 2nd Collection – Catholic Campaign for Human Development

• Hospitality provided by Sodality – 9:30a.m. – Hall

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

• Becoming Dynamic Catholics (Adult Faith Formation) – 9:45 a.m. - Hall

• Confirmation Prep. – 10:45-11:15 a.m.

Monday, November 19

• Self Defense Class for Youth – 6:00-7:30p.m. – Parish Hall

Tuesday, November 20

• Adult Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – RR

Wednesday, November 21

• NUTS Dinner Prep – 8:30-11:30a.m. – St. Luke's UMC, Denton

• Knights of Columbus Meeting – 7:30p.m. – Hall

Thursday, November 22

HAPPY THANKSGIVING!

• PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

• NUTS Dinner Prep – 6am-9am – St. Luke's UMC, Denton

• Mass – 9am – SB Church

• NO Adult Bible Study

Friday, November 23

• PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

Sunday, November 25

• 2nd Collection – Poor Box Support

• NO Rel. Ed./RCIA classes

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 ♦ Christina Jewell ♦ Debbye Jackson ♦ Kenny Winn ♦ Jessica Haddaway ♦ The Clegg Family ♦ Dot Bornhoeft ♦ Clark Johnson ♦ George Sinacourbe ♦ Fr. Bill Graney ♦ Ken & Carolyn Swain ♦ Bob Rouse ♦ Janet Kibler ♦ Karen Coward ♦ Kelly Presnell ♦ John Vranich ♦ Ron Safchick ♦ Rita Miedl ♦ Nelson Owens ♦ Philomena Cirillo ♦ Mary Ann Brothers ♦ Earl Harden ♦ Roy Dean ♦ Ed Centofante ♦ Fr. Mike Gallagher ♦ Heather Robuck ♦ Tobey McWilliams

VOCATIONS NEWS

In today's gospel, Jesus tells his disciples "heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away." What is his word for you? How does he want you to live out your life? Is he calling you to marriage or to the single life? Or is your vocation to religious life and/or priesthood? If you think it might be the latter, call or write Fr. Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113; vocations@cdow.org). Visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations/

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

JOB OPENING AT ST. MARTIN'S HOUSE ~ Saint Martin's House in Ridgely is seeking an overnight Resident Program Assistant. This is a part-time position that could become a full-time position. If you are interested in finding out more, please call Melanie at 410-634-2537, Ext. 104.



PAINT NIGHT FUNDRAISER FOR SAINTS PETER & PAUL POST PROM

You are invited to attend a Paint Night Fundraiser at SS Peter & Paul School, 900 High Street, Easton, on Friday, December 7, 2018 from 6:00-9:00p.m. The artist-led session includes all the supplies needed to paint a Christmas Cookie Tray. Cost is \$35 for adults and \$20 for students if paid by December 1st. Cost goes up to \$40 per adult and \$25 per student at the door. If you plan to attend, please register by contacting Amy Schisler at 410-725-1693 or amyschisler@me.com.