

**MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS**

Saturday, January 20

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. St. Elizabeth  
CONFESSIONS5:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth  
Joseph Dombroski**THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday, January 21

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict  
Mary Usilton8:30 a.m. St. Benedict  
People of the Parish11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Robert Bennett

Tuesday, January 23

9:00a.m. FLC Chapel  
Mary Lou Wilreker

Wednesday, January 24

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Charles Roger Vogt, Jr.

Thursday, January 25

9:00 a.m. FLC Chapel  
Michael Duggan

Friday, January 26

9:00 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Francis Xavier Gibbons

Saturday, January 27

4:30 – 5:10 p.m. ST. BENEDICT  
CONFESSIONS5:30 p.m. ST. BENEDICT  
Bob Sherman**FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Sunday, January 28

7:15 a.m. St. Benedict  
Anne Musachio8:30 a.m. St. Benedict  
Margery Remaniak11:15 a.m. St. Elizabeth  
Beverly Sherman**TABERNACLE LIGHT INTENTIONS**

JANUARY 20 – FEBRUARY 2

St. Elizabeth Church:

Intentions of Cathy Heinson

St. Benedict Church:

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GIFT OF STEWARDSHIP BACK TO THE LORD**

Weekend of January 13/14, 2018

Envelopes	\$ 9,893.00
Loose	\$ 876.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERTORY</b>	<b>\$10,769.00</b>
Weekly Budget	\$ 5,100.00
Surplus (Above Budget)	\$ 5,669.00
Building & Maintenance	\$ 1,047.25
Poor Box	\$ 527.00

**2017 TAX LETTERS**

If you use offertory envelopes and would like to receive a statement of your 2017 Offertory contributions for tax purposes, please contact Marie Freeman to request a copy: 410-634-2253 or [mfreeman@beparish.com](mailto:mfreeman@beparish.com).

**A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



We celebrate the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, and we are confronted yet again with the message to repent for the kingdom of God is at hand. Each one of us is a member of the Kingdom of God because of our baptism into Christ. Yes, the Kingdom is truly at hand because of the nature of the church and its membership in Christ. We have certain responsibilities to God and to each other. To recall the call is important. The call is often associated with the first apostles/disciples of Christ. However, that call continues into our age. There are three calls or ways of living the truth of ourselves

and of the Christ who lives in us. We are called to live as single, married, or religious. Each of these calls is a way to purify our activity in our society and to best serve our means to eternal life – that is to be authentic and genuine to our call.

Sometimes the call brings us into situations like that of Jonah whereby we are brought to a land to preach in an unlikable situation. Each one of us is faced with the story of Jonah when we are confronted with modern advancements in thought that set humankind back into the darkness of sin. We are challenged to live in a society that does not promote Christian values and that promotes an indifference to God. More and more, we see and hear of people who do not believe in God – proclaiming themselves as agnostic or an atheist. Society is perpetuating the love of the person as if God is not part of the person and we as a Christian community are suffering the consequences of such thinking.

If you were Jonah, what would God ask you to communicate to your immediate family members and local community? What would you be asked to say to leaders of nations? Would you be asked by God to communicate the message of “I am okay if you are okay?” What is the most immediate need for every person in our society to possess? The need for God? I hope you said Yes to the latter. Each one of us truly can begin by starting with ourselves, making straight our crooked ways and gaining security with the God who made us.

Let us begin with looking into our own call – our vocation – and to live it correctly for the benefit of glorifying God each day. Let us encourage the call that each person is asked to answer in their own lives and promote Godliness in a society that is in such need for change.

*Pax Christi,*  
*Rev. John B. Gabage*

**P.S. Remember, 5:30 Mass is at St. Benedict Church next weekend, January 27<sup>th</sup>.**

**CEMETERY NEWS****PLEASE REMOVE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS**

If you placed Christmas decorations on your loved one's grave at Holy Cross Cemetery in Greensboro, we kindly ask that you remove them by the end of this month. In early February, members of our Cemetery Committee will remove any decorations that remain. Thank you.

**AROUND THE DIOCESE/COMMUNITY****SAINTS PETER & PAUL CAR RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Take a chance to win a new car and support Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic School at the same time! For the cost of \$10/ ticket or \$50 for 6 tickets, you can take a chance to win a 2018 Ford Mustang (vehicle donated by Dave & Peggy Wilson and the Preston Automotive Group). Contact Marie Freeman at the Parish Office to obtain tickets. The drawing will be held on April 14, 2018 at the Sabre Spirit Celebration. Need not be present to win.

**PILGRIMAGE to Greece with Fr. Mike Gallagher.** Walk in the footsteps of St. Paul in Athens, Corinth and Ephesus. Sail the Aegean Sea with stops in Crete, Mykonos and Santorini. as well as visit Mary's final home. Dates: October 22-30, 2018. For more information, call Caroline at 1-800-334-5425 or go to [www.syversentouring.com/gallagher](http://www.syversentouring.com/gallagher). Caroline will offer a discount of \$200.00 to those who register by March. I do hope you will be with us.

**99+ EFFECTIVE WAYS TO EVANGELIZE**

- #49 – Work at a booth promoting Catholicism or Christian values at a fair.
- #50 – Seek spiritual direction for yourself. Give spiritual direction as a friend.  
We all need an objective shoulder to lean on.
- #51– Support and promote pro-life agencies and organizations.

**CHRISTIAN FORMATION**

**ATTENTION CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** – Some of our 10<sup>th</sup> graders preparing for Confirmation have not yet turned in their Confirmation name information. Please send an email to Maureen Duggan-Cassidy at [mduggan@beparish.com](mailto:mduggan@beparish.com) with that information as soon as possible. Also, your Service Commitment Forms are due on January 21<sup>st</sup> and you should be prepared to give your Service Presentation that day as well.

**PARISH AND FAMILY LIFE****WE REMEMBER + WE CELEBRATE + WE BELIEVE**

**CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY SOON:** Joshua Remaniak (1-23), Joshua Parks (1-24), Annemarie Chouinard (1-25), Wade Belay (1-27), Cathy Lough (1-27), Clarence Blazejak (1-30), Pam Catalano (1-30)

**BAPTISMS****Jake Everett Curtin,**

son of Jason &amp; Katie Curtin

**Margaret Elizabeth Pasciak**

daughter of Leo &amp; Samantha Pasciak



We celebrate the beginning of a life of faith for these newly baptized children 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.

The **SPRINGFEST 2018 DECORATING COMMITTEE** will meet on Tuesday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00p.m. in the Parish Hall. If you have a knack for decorating and would like to gather with fellow parishioners to help with decorations for this fun event, please join us. This year's Springfest Dinner & Auction will be held on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>.

**THIS MONTH'S FREE RESOURCE FROM DYNAMIC CATHOLIC**

This month's free evangelization resource from Dynamic Catholic is a CD entitled **My Spiritual Journey**. The CD tells the story of Dynamic Catholic founder, Matthew Kelly. 40 copies of the CD will be distributed to parishioners after the 7:15a.m. Mass at St. Benedict Church next Sunday, January 28.

**BE BOLD. BE CATHOLIC.®**

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**YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS**

**Our annual Youth-Ministry sponsored Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm in the Parish Hall.** Tickets will be on sale after all masses this weekend or at the Parish Office during the upcoming week.

A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. Cost is \$8 per person with a \$30 max for families. This event is

always well attended and supported by our parish. Thanks to all of you for your past and future support!

**YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY****THEOLOGY ON TAP****First Gathering this Wednesday, January 24<sup>th</sup>!**

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Theology on Tap of Caroline County invites young adults (and those young at heart) to come for good food, good drinks and meaningful conversation. Join us as we dive deeper into our faith and listen to speakers who are prepared to discuss important topics that are relevant to the world today. Theology on Tap is for those who are searching for their faith as well as those who already have a strong foundation. Our main goal is to offer a casual and fun setting for young adults to meet new

people and explore their faith in a straightforward way. We welcome all practicing and non-practicing Catholics – there is always room at the table! The evening starts at 6:30 pm with 30 minutes of social time followed by a talk/ discussion from 7-8pm. **Meetings will be held the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month starting January 24, 2018 at Cohee's 404 Restaurant and Lounge: 26171 Shore Hwy. Denton.** For more information, please contact:

Caitlin Daly: email: [cailinjeandaly@gmail.com](mailto:cailinjeandaly@gmail.com) /cell: 571-765-0450

Emily Powell: email: [emp11689@outlook.com](mailto:emp11689@outlook.com) / cell: 410-829-4201

**SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY**

Members of our Social Concerns Ministry will be passing out the white food bags after all masses next weekend, January 27/28. Bags should be filled with items for the His Hope Haven Homeless Shelter. A list of requested items will be included in next weekend's bulletin. Bags will be collected on February 3 & 4 prior to all masses.

**LIFE IN THE PARISH FAMILY**

Sunday, January 21

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Catholic University & Catholic Communications
- Confessions after 8:30 a.m. Mass - St. Benedict Church
- Hospitality provided by Ladies' Sodality – 9:30a.m. – Parish Hall
- Religious Ed./RCIA Classes – 9:45-10:50a.m.
- Confirmation Class – 10:45a.m.

Tuesday, January 23

- Adult Bible Study – 7:00 p.m. – RR
- Social Concerns Meeting – 7:00pm – Pastor's FLC Office

Wednesday, January 24

- Theology on Tap – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Cohee's Restaurant

Thursday, January 25

- Adult Bible Study – 9:30a.m. – RR

Friday, January 26

- Deacons Meeting – 1:00 p.m.
- Youth Ministry Spaghetti Dinner Set-Up – 4:00-7:00 p.m. - Hall.

Saturday, January 27

- Social Ministry passing out food bags
- Confessions - 4:30 p.m. – **St. Benedict Church**
- Mass – 5:30 p.m. – **St. Benedict Church**
- Youth Ministry Spaghetti Dinner - 5:00-8:00pm - Hall

Sunday, January 28

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection – Energy Offset
- Catholic School Students in Ministries @ Mass (Catholic Schools Week begins on January 28<sup>th</sup>)
- Social Ministries passing out food bags.
- Hospitality provided by Ladies' Sodality – 9:30a.m. – Parish Hall
- Religious Ed./RCIA Classes – 9:45-10:50a.m.

**REMEMBERING IN PRAYER THIS WEEK...**

Alex Wood	Patricia Brady
Kathie Cowell	Peggy Brittingham
Jane Cade	Ralph Downs, Sr.
Joan Mollick	Barbara Jean Motter
Terry Franz	Charmaine Sullivan
Tom Moran	John Bornhoeft
Arcy Passwaters	Patricia McWilliams
Kathleen Green	Marci Ritter
Joe Ernest	Jeanne Dombroski
Julia Seiler	Ron & Ann Blazejak
Earle Wood	Ida Martin
Keith Poptanich	

**VOCATION REFLECTIONS**

The Epiphany celebrates the glory of God shining through to humanity in the person of Jesus Christ. Each day, religious sisters, religious brothers, deacons and priests use their time and energies to help us see the glory of God in the world around us. This week, pray that God bless our Diocese with an increase in priestly and religious vocations. And if you think God might be calling you to serve in a religious vocation, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org)). Be sure to visit our website: [www.cdow.org/vocations!](http://www.cdow.org/vocations!)

*Please pray for our diocesan seminarians:*

Michael Preston	Craig Kursinsky
Brennan Ferris	Adam Bauer
John Enemuo	James Gebhart