



St. Michael Catholic Church Mission of St. Dominic

17510 Horsehead Road
Brandywine, MD 20613
240-681-3551
stmichaelbaden.org



22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time August 30th, 2020

Dear friends:

September 4th is first Friday. Every month on the first Friday, we have a second Mass at 7:30 PM, followed by Eucharistic adoration, confessions, and the Rosary, concluding with Benediction at 9 PM. Benediction is a blessing that the priest or deacon gives you with the Holy Eucharist in the monstrance. As we know, the blessing of a priest received by a Christian in the state of grace is a powerful sacramental. Jesus the High Priest mediates his grace through his minister which protects us from evil and strengthens us in our walk with Jesus. However, at Benediction, the priest or deacon wears a veil over his shoulders covering his hands to indicate that the blessing is coming directly from the Sacred Heart of Jesus in Eucharist.

Three hundred and fifty years ago, Jesus appeared St. Margaret Mary and permitted her to rest her head upon His Heart. Disclosing to her the wonders of His love, He told her to make this known to all mankind and to diffuse the treasures of His goodness by calling attention to his Heart in the Holy Eucharist. He requested to be honored under the figure of His Heart of flesh.

He appeared radiant with love and asked from us an expiatory love signified by frequent Communion, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the observance of a Holy Hour before his Eucharistic Presence. In what is known as the "great apparition" which took place during the octave of Corpus Christi, He showed her his Heart and said, "Behold the Heart that has so loved men . . . instead of gratitude I receive from the greater part (of mankind) only ingratitude . . .", and He asked for a feast of reparation on the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi, commanding her to consult her spiritual director, Father de la Colombière.

Today still, the Lord invites us to "lay our heads upon his Heart" while at Adoration as He reveals the wonders of his love to us. Come and rest in His love at adoration.

The next morning, we will be back for First Saturday Mass and devotions as our Lady requested 250 years later at Fatima. Mass will be at 8 AM followed by adoration, the rosary, confessions, and a 15-minute reflection by Fr. Flum on the mysteries of the Rosary. We hope to see you there!

Sacred Heart of Jesus, we Love You! Fr. Martin Flum



In *Evangelium vitae*, Pope St. John Paul II wrote that, "A mother welcomes and carries in herself another human being, enabling it

to grow inside her, giving it room, respecting it in its otherness." (EV 99) Often the first and most basic way that a mother welcomes and cares for her child is by attending to her own health. In doing so, she ultimately contributes to the wellbeing of her child, as the health of mother and child are inextricably connected. After her child is born, a mother's devoted care continues as she nurtures this new life and attends to her child's every need.

As healthcare costs continue to rise, obtaining access to adequate medical care can be challenging, particularly for single women in poverty. According to 2014 statistics, 75 percent of women who chose abortion were low income. The financial strain of medical care can often place significant burdens on both pregnant and parenting mothers. 2016 data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reveals that 15 percent of women in the United States received inadequate prenatal care. As we walk with mothers in need, we pray that our efforts will help mothers and their children gain access to quality, life-affirming medical care and address this fundamental need. Take action:

- This month we celebrated the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, seek her intercession for mothers and children by offering a Rosary for this month's intention.
- Give up sleeping on your pillow one night. Offer this small sacrifice for mothers and children who have difficulty accessing adequate medical care.
- Offer some other sacrifice, prayer, or act of penance that you feel called to do for this month's intention.

"Thus have I gazed toward you in the sanctuary to see your power and your glory." (Psalm 63:3)

*The parish and mission are being called to become **centers of Eucharistic love**. These hours are not yet filled:*

Mondays: 12-1 PM

Once you have signed up for a weekly holy hour, you are committed to having at least one family member in the Church adoring Jesus for the entirety of that hour. If you would like to be on our substitute list, call the office at (240) 681-3551. *Your guardian angel will rejoice!*

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS - August 16, 2020

St. Michael	Offertory Collection	\$ 5589.00
St. Dominic	Offertory Collection	\$ 1504.00

Parish Seafood Dinner

Saturday, September 26th, 2020

How would you like to help out at the parish dinner?

It will be lots of fun!

Call (301) 440-4295

Curbside Pick-up

This year the Parish dinner will be strictly curbside pick-up with no dining in. As a parish community, we will miss the opportunity to greet each other, share stories, and play horseshoes! The main area of the hall will be set up for assembly of the dinners which will be ordered curbside and delivered by runners. **And there will be CRAB CAKES!!!** The Bakesale table will be outdoors and the raffle tickets will be available when you order your dinner. Our raffle will include a 50/50 and a hand-painted glass window. **We will also be auctioning off dinner prepared by and shared with Fr. Flum on a date TBD!**

Becoming Catholic...?

Are you or is someone you know interested in Catholicism? Or perhaps you grew up Catholic, but then drifted away from the Church, and are now considering coming back. Maybe you are an adult Catholic but have not received all the sacraments of initiation: Baptism, First Communion, or Confirmation? Anyone who fits into one of these categories should come to RCIA class (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults). Even if you are not already decided about converting/returning to Catholicism, we encourage you to come. There is no pressure on those who attend; this is simply a chance to get more information about what it truly means to "be Catholic" and what we actually believe. Call the Parish Office (240)681-3551 to let us know you would like to participate, and/or for more information.



"When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, 'What are you looking for?' They said to him, 'Rabbi' (which translated means Teacher), 'where are you staying?' He said to them, 'Come and see.'"- John 1:38-39a

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA – SECOND COLLECTION

Next weekend, Sept. 5-6, parishes in our archdiocese will be taking up the National Collection for **The Catholic University of America** in Washington, D.C. Now, more than ever, the University is strategically positioned to pave the way forward and help the laity play a significant role in the Church and society. Our support of the National Collection will help educate graduates who will leave campus ready to impact the Church, the nation, and the world. We appreciate your generosity.

FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is open every month on 2nd Saturdays. This month: **September 12th** from **9am - 11am**. As always, we accept any nonperishable items, but there is need for: sugar, flour, cooking oil, cake mixes, corn muffin mixes and soups. Thank you so much for your continued help to others in need!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	08/29/20	5:00 PM	Parishioners
Sunday	08/30/20	8:00 AM	Paul & Edna Reid
Sunday	08/30/20	10:00 AM	Charles "Junior" Makle +
Sunday	08/30/20	11:30 AM	The Shlagel Family
Monday	08/31/20	7:00 AM	Ann Proctor +
Tuesday	09/01/20	8:00 AM	James & LaCole Cole
Wednesday	09/02/20	7:00 AM	Ann Proctor +
Thursday	09/03/20	8:00 AM	Jackie Chapman +
Friday	09/04/20	7:00 AM	Carl Guy +
Friday	09/04/20	7:30 PM	Willie Stewart +
Saturday	09/05/20	8:00 AM	Joseph Nicholas Burch +

Voter registration

To check your registration status, go to:

www.CheckYourVoterRegistration.com

To obtain a national voter registration form:

www.eac.gov/voters/national-mail-voter-registration-form

"Elections would not be possible without the good people who serve as election judges, and we need more of them for the upcoming presidential election. Election judges get paid! If you are interested, go to www.elections.maryland.gov and click "Get Involved" under "Quick Links" Please sign up as soon as possible! If you are interested in working at a voting location, please sign up to be an election judge." (PGCo. Board of Elections)

This is a great way to serve our nation.

Please PRAY for our SICK

For those who suffer from chronic illness, especially Austin Aley, Joe Aviles, Christopher Becker, Arlene Bloom, Madison Brady, Ann Canter, Aldrin Castillo, Charlene Cardwell, Tom Cardwell, Jayne Cassella, Joyce Chambers, Thomas Chambers, Ann Clifford, Greg Connick, Leah Danielson, Leo Dixon, Marysa Dixon, David Dixon, Dorothy Dunston, Angela Farmer, Kathy Fisher, Patricia Gray, Mabel Hamilton, Barbara Harding, Florence Henderson, Amanda Hubbard, Crystal Johnson, Bernice Kirby, Marie Knobel, Wanda Langley, Betty Lindsay, Kenny Lindsay, Adam Lumpkins, Mr. Maida, John Martone II, Rita Miller, Michael Mohun, Claire Mason, Ralph and Regina Nasatka, Fannie Newman, Yvette Parker, Carolyn Parson, Joyce Pickeral, Rev. Robert Pittman, Betty Proctor, Garland Proctor, Gary Reinhardt, Marsha Reinhardt, Shawn Reinhardt, Dawn Russo, Frances N. Sewell, Dee Smith, Geraldine Stewart, Tom & Patricia Stuart, George Thomas, Marion Walzel, Shirley Watson, Ken Wilson, Skip Wilson, Terry Wilson, and Belinda Windsor, may their crosses be joined to the Cross of Jesus.