

ST. POLYCARP CHURCH

In
The Silver Lake Deanery
Of
The Diocese of Wilmington

Rev. James D. Hreha, Pastor

Deacon Frank Weber



Pastoral Council—Kathy Curlett

Finance Council—Kevin Titus



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 10:30 am

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 am

LIVE STREAM MASS: Saturdays at 4pm,

Tuesday & Wednesday at 8:30 am.

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30–3:30 pm or by appointment

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Monday—Friday, 9 am to 3 pm

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For those in need—St. Vincent de Paul Society

(302) 264-6630



First we pray,
then we golf!



Parade Marchers!

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WELCOME

We're glad you joined us today. If you are new to the parish, please consider registering. Forms can be found at the Church doors or online at www.saintpolycarp.org.

THE SACRAMENTS OF OUR CHURCH

Baptism: Catechesis is provided for parents and godparents. Contact the Parish Secretary to register.

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults): If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation), contact Deacon Frank at the Parish Office or email DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org.

Marriage: Formation is provided for couples. Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Contact the Parish Office.

Vocations: Contact Rev. Norman Carroll at (302) 573 – 3113

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Office.

Nursing Home Communion Services: DHCI, 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am. Pinnacle, 1st Wednesday of the month at 1:15 pm.

For Funerals: Contact the Funeral Home of your choice. They will then coordinate with the Parish Office.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 14, 2024

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE – QUESTIONS TO PONDER

~ In what ways do you feel unequipped to share God's Word with others? Why does God choose those who feel unfit for the task?

~ How do you feel when you hear the words that we were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world?

~ Jesus sends his disciples two by two. Who walks alongside you as you share God's word with others?



NATIONAL
**Eucharistic
Congress**

The **National** Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN begins this week. Let us pray for all those who will be participating in this spiritual experience.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS, OCTOBER 5, 2024 Ocean City (MD) Convention Center



Catholic Diocese of Wilmington
2024 EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS
OCT. 5, 2024 OCEAN CITY, MD

A Day of Faith and Fellowship! Come to the Eucharistic Congress at the Ocean City Convention Center on October 5, 2024. Themed "The Eucharist: The Source and Summit," it promises to be a milestone in our faith journey. Experience inspiring talks, vibrant liturgies, and a unique sense of community. Be a part of this blessed occasion—celebrate the gift of the Eucharist with us! For additional information, visit: www.cdow.org/EucharisticCongress

EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT!

Coming soon, Our Sunday Visitor is publishing a National Eucharistic Congress Commemorative Issue. This 100-page issue will inspire our parishioners through simple, meaningful ways to grow in a deeper love for Jesus Christ in the Eucharist and to live their Catholic Faith more fully every day. It will also contain a variety of inspirational and catechetical content from well-known Catholic priests, scholars, and inspirational speakers. Our Liturgy Committee will be selling this issue after Mass at the Church entrances for \$2.00/issue in early July. This will coincide with the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis July 17th through July 21st.



"My grace is sufficient for you." Consider a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. God's grace is all you need. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (302) 573-3113 or via email: vocations@cdow.org.

LET US PRAY

Intentions for the Week

Saturday, July 13	St. Henry/Blessed Virgin Mary
4 pm Sofia Crisostomo	- Betty Pingol
Joan Peculski	- Danny & Lorraine Marshalewski
Wilfredo Cuyco	- Margarita Sevillena
Sunday, July 14	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 am Rosalice Alex	- Joan Werres
Brenda June DiMichel	- The Marvian Family
Diane Kravitz	- Deacon Frank & Debbie Weber
Monday, July 15	St. Bonaventure
No Mass	
Tuesday, July 16	Our Lady of Mount Carmel
8:30 am Parishioners	
Wednesday, July 17	
8:30 am Sylvia Vessels DuRoss	- Jim DuRoss
Edwin Camacho	- The Marvian Family
Healing Intention for John Seals	- John Kravitz
Thursday, July 18	St. Camillus de Lellis
No Mass	
Friday, July 19	
No Mass	
Saturday, July 20	St. Apollinaris/Blessed Virgin Mary
4:00 pm Joan Peculski O'Drain	- Judy Lamborn
Edward Biter	- Sue Orlando
Sylvia Vessels DuRoss	- Jim DuRoss
Sunday, July 21	16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:30 am Diane Kravitz	- Neda Biggs
Father Tom Flowers	- Deacon Frank Weber
Steven Mazz	- Lori & Mike Sanders

Please Pray for Our Sick & Those in Need of Our Prayers

To have someone's name added to the Bulletin for prayers, please email submission@saintpolycarp.org or call the office and leave a message. Names will remain on the prayer list for eight weeks unless other arrangements have been requested.

Henry Humphres, Jimmy Wiggins, William Neilson, William Green, Carol Timmons, Jim Challandes, Alison Seewald, Bob Reeder, Lauren Travers, Marguerite Maguire, Lisa Wisniewski, Kathleen Gianjullo, Amanda Acord, Susan Scaggs, J. R. Peck, Josefina Ocasio, Diana Bullins, Kenny Bullins, Bobby Bullins, Teresa Tier, Bridget O'Connell, Maureen Robinson, Robin Husman, Milli Burris Alvarez, Lyllie Deter, Dottie Patterson, Laverne Dykes, Janet Alexander, Kay Gallihar, Grace Wagner, Cathy Connell, Joe Donofrio, April Doyle, Andrea Laws, Kaysie Borgman, Angel Grasso, James Dean, Violet Farkas, Greg Kujala, Holly Powell, Lily Griffiths, Patty Moon, Deirdre Moor, Linda Blow, Mariann Pierson, Jaci Stokes, and residents of Pinnacle and DHCI.

We Pray for our Deceased

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Prayer Chain: To request prayers or to be part of our Prayer Chain, contact Laverne at laverne427@icloud.com or call (302) 653 - 8064.

Rosary by Telephone: Tuesdays at 11 am. The dial in number is: 1-701-802-5254/PIN: 1747300#.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tuesdays, 9 am - 8 pm - Chapel, At the end of the 4 pm Vigil Mass, before the 2nd Sunday of the month.

Flame of Love Rosary: Thursdays at 6:30 pm - Chapel

Divine Mercy: Fridays at 3 pm - Chapel.

SPEND TIME WITH BLESSED SACRAMENT

This Saturday, July 13th

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (Eucharistic Adoration) will take place this Saturday, July 13th, following the prayer after Communion at the 4 pm Vigil Mass. All are invited to stay to pray.

Please remember not to leave before Fr. Jim. When you do leave, please do so in silence.

Eucharistic Revival

(to be prayed before the Blessed Sacrament)

Lord Jesus, as we gather at your altar, you give yourself to us in the Most Holy Eucharist, so that we might become what we receive.

By your holy presence we are blessed. May we be transformed forever by your love that stretches forth to us from this altar. May your sharing in our humanity humble us to share in your divinity.

Heal our brokenness with your real presence and help us to draw strength from you in the Eucharist. Unite us to you in this Sacrament that brings healing and redemption.

As we glorify you by our lives, give us grace and courage to share your love with a world sorely in need of your mercy. May your true presence bring hope to those on the peripheries, dry the tears of the poor and the wounded, and end our divisions.

May your Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity be a constant source of revival for us. Let us become one with you as we seek the peace of your kingdom where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

LITURGY



2025 MASS INTENTION BOOK

Opening Monday, July 15, 2024

It is a beautiful part of our Catholic tradition to have Masses celebrated for the repose of the soul of a departed loved one or for the living intention of an individual.

The New 2025 Mass Intention Book will open on **Monday, July 15th**. You can reserve a Mass or offering by calling the parish office between the hours of 9 am – 3 pm, or anytime via email at office@saintpolycarp.org.

- The Mass Intention is \$10.00.
- The Sanctuary Lamp may be lit for an entire week (Sunday through Saturday) either in the Church or Chapel for \$10.00.
- Bread and Wine Offering for daily Mass is \$10.00.

The Maximum number of Mass cards and/or offerings is six per person since the availability of Mass intentions and offerings is limited. There is a maximum of three Intentions per Mass.

PRAY THE ROSARY BY PHONE

The Brother Vincent Columbiettes invite you to pray the Rosary every Tuesday morning. Call (701) 802-5254 between 10:30 am and 11:00 am, which is our caring and sharing time. Enter this access code when prompted 1747300#, then announce yourself, stay on the line, and follow along as we say the Rosary. It is easy and fun, and you can do it from anywhere, as long as you have a phone. Please join us and tell us who we can include in our prayers.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The Adult Faith Formation (Connected in Christ) is inviting the parishioners of both St. Polycarp Parish and St. Dennis Parish to join them in the library after the 8:30 am Mass on **Tuesdays beginning July 16**. We will be watching a video series by Bishop Cozzens on The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church. In this time of Eucharistic Revival in the Church, what better way is there for us to participate than to learn more about the mystery which is the basis of our faith? We close with prayer at 11 am. If you have any questions, call Cookie Ruane at (302) 540-6429.



DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Use this QR code or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



Religious Education Classes
Grades PK – 9

Registration is now open for 2024-2025

Visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/religious-education/> for information and/or to print the registration form or you can use this QR code.

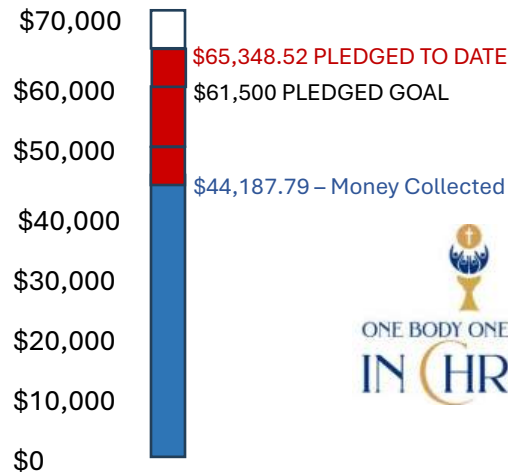


For more information, contact Mrs. Erica Taylor, Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE) at (302) 653 – 4101 or dre@saintpolycarp.org

FAITH & CHARITY APPEAL

Congratulations!

We've reached our goal in PLEDGES!



Figures as of 7/9/24

To date, our parish has pledged \$65,348.52!! Total collected towards the pledge amount is \$44,187.79, leaving \$21,160.73 still to be collected. It is important that everyone follows through with payments on pledges. Once we reach our goal in collected donations, we will receive back half of the money collected above the goal for projects around our campus.



Currently, 181 households have participated. If your household has not participated, it's not too late! We encourage those households who have not participated to prayerfully consider participating in this annual event. Every gift counts, no matter how small. Pledge cards can be found at the doors of the Church. You can also give online at www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal", or simply scan this QR code with your cellphone.

IN & AROUND THE DIOCESE

BULL ROAST

**THE 2024 St. DENNIS CHURCH
BULL ROAST FUND RAISER IS HERE!**

153 N. Main Street, Galena, MD
Saturday, July 27th

COME ONE, COME ALL, PLEASE!

Our "Drive Thru" Bull Roast Fund Raiser is scheduled for Saturday, July 27th. This year we will again have optional outdoor seating (weather permitting) and a Corn Hole game.

MENU – Back by popular request - ½ a fried chicken, delicious PIT roasted beef, 2 ears of locally-grown corn on the cob, homemade potato salad plus 2 rolls with butter and a bottled water for \$25.

The famed St Dennis Bake Sale will also be available for purchasing dessert as you exit the property.

Advance ticket purchases are recommended as a limited number of meals will be prepared. Drive up ticket purchases on the day of the event are possible.

Tickets may be purchased at the church before and after the weekend Sunday Masses (8am and 11am in Spanish) OR by calling [Jim at 717-575-1235]

Pick up of meals with curbside service is on July 27th from 11am until 2pm. Please follow the directed traffic pattern. ENJOY!

HAPPENING ELSEWHERE



Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held August 9 - 11, 2024 and again on October 4 - 6 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

St. Dennis Parish

153 N. Main Street Galena, MD
(410) 648 – 5145 www.stdennischurch.org
stdennischurchoffice@gmail.com



WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen communication in your marriage!!! No group sharing required. The next weekend is November 1-3, 2024 at the Brighton Suites in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. For

information or to register visit our website <http://www.wvme.org> or call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-648-2228.

Don't forget to check out our **Bulletin Overflow**
www.saintpolycarp.org/overflow

FINANCE COUNCIL



St. Polycarp Golf Committee would like to thank Father Jim and all of the parishioners who helped us by praying for dry weather. We did indeed play golf on Sunday. The weather was hot, but nice and dry. We had 8 foursomes who played golf and had lunch from Outback. 91 people joined us for dinner which was catered by Roma's. A good time was had by all with good food lots of raffle prizes and good company. Thanks to all of our sponsors, golfers, diners and those who worked behind the scenes to make a profitable event for our church. To see more pictures:

<https://saintpolycarp.org/st-polycarp-5th-annual-golf-tournament-and-dinner-sunday-june-30th-2024/>

COLLECTIONS

OFFERTORY

Date	Offertory	Children's Offertory	Total Offertory
June 30	\$4056	\$4	\$4060

SECOND COLLECTIONS

SVDP/Poor Box	Father's Day	Parish Utilities
\$43	\$10	\$37
Works of the Holy Father		Church in Europe
\$488		\$82

JUNE eGIVING

Offertory	Poor Box/SVDP	Parish Maintenance
\$11,175.50	\$795.50	\$368
Father's Day	Works of the Holy Father	Priest's Retirement
\$362	\$178	\$617

Collection information for the weekend of July 6/7 will be published in next weekend's bulletin.



The Second Collection this weekend (July 13th and 14th), is for Parish Utilities. As you can imagine, with the recent heat waves, we are expecting high utility bills due to the air conditioning.

Second Collection next weekend (July 20th and 21st) is for the Church in Africa and Eastern Europe.

Please consider signing up for eGiving. Recurring, catch up and one-time gifts can be made. Visit faith.direct/DE831 or you can use Text-to-Give.



Text "Enroll" to (302) 202-2251 or you can use this QR code for easy giving.

Thank you for your continued generosity.



50/50 MONTHLY DRAWING!

JUNE WINNER - \$35.50

Congratulations to Daniel Marshalewski!

\$1.00 per chance! Proceeds benefit our PSR.

Simply place \$1 per chance in one of the envelopes found at the doors of the Church. Place the envelope in the collection basket or drop off at the office. Enter as many times as you like for the month! Each dollar gets you one chance for that month! Winner pulled monthly on the last Monday of the month! Winner gets half; PSR gets half!

Thank you for supporting our PSR!

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

For the most up-to-date information
 Visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/calendar/>
 Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9 am to 3 pm

Saturday, July 13 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm MASS - Adoration
Sunday, July 14 ALL DAY - FLOORS - Hallways Next to Church/Sacristy 10:30 MASS
Monday, July 15 6 pm Youth Group Social (Hall/Kitchen)
Tuesday, July 16 8:30 am MASS 9 am - 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) 9 am Adult Faith Formation - Connected in Christ (Library) 10:30 am DHCI Communion Service (at DHCI) 11 am Columbiettes Rosary (Telephone) 1 pm CFC General Meeting & Executive Committee (Room 4) 6:30 pm Facilities Planning Meeting (Library)
Wednesday, July 17 8:30 am MASS 9:30 am Pastoral Staff Meeting (Library) 6:30 pm Baptismal Class - Advance Registration Required (Room 7) 7 pm K of C Officers Meeting (Library)
Thursday, July 18 10 am Seasons of Hope (Library) 6 pm Girl Scouts Meeting (Hall) 6:30 pm Digital Ministry (Library) 6:30 pm Parish & Family Life (Room 7) 6:30 pm Flame of Love Rosary (Chapel)
Friday, July 19 3 pm Divine Mercy (Chapel)
Saturday, July 20 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm MASS

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