Most Reverend William E. Koenig, *Tenth Bishop of Wilmington*
Very Reverend Joseph W. McQuaide, iv, *Rector–Pastor*
Deacon Anthony J. Gallo Deacon Roberto Ortiz
XXI Sunday in Ordinary Time/XIII Sunday after Pentecost *August 23, 2026*

Scheduled Masses

Saint Patrick
Sunday: *8 am, 9:30 am, *11 am, 5 pm
Mondays & Wednesdays: *5:30 pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays: 5:30 pm
First Fridays: 5 pm Adoration; *6 pm
First Saturdays: *9 am

Cathedral of Saint Peter
Sunday: 9:30 am
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays: 12:10pm
Saturday: 4 pm
* *Mass offered in Latin*

Saint Mary
Sunday: 8 am
First Saturdays: 11 am

Please invite your family and friends to join you at Sunday Mass.

Confession Schedule

Saint Patrick
Monday–Thursday
4:30–5:15 pm

Cathedral of Saint Peter
Monday, Wednesday & Friday
11:30 am–12 noon

Other Sacraments

Please contact the Rector-Pastor through the parish offices to arrange for the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Anointing, or Marriage.

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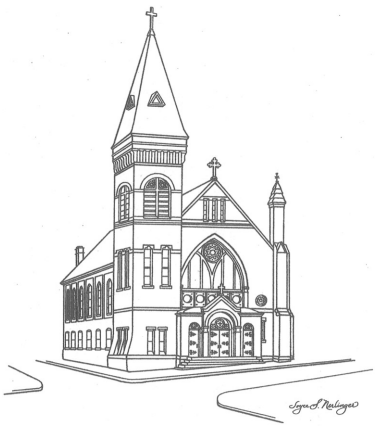

Saint Patrick

15th and King Streets
founded 1880

Cathedral of Saint Peter

6th and West Streets
founded 1816

Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception

6th and Pine Streets
founded 1858

Mass Intentions for the Week

Date	Celebrant	Time	Church	Intention
August 22	Fr. McQuaide	4 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Dorothy Furry †
August 23	Fr. Dillingham	8 am	St. Mary	John C. Riley †
	Fr. McQuaide	*8 am	St. Patrick	Michael Wagner
	Fr. Dillingham	9:30 am	Cathedral of St. Peter	Starr & Swalkowski Families †
	Fr. McQuaide	9:30 am	St. Patrick	Kevin Bolinski †
	Fr. McQuaide	*11 am	St. Patrick	John & Angeline Giampalmi †
	Fr. Dillingham	5 pm	St. Patrick	*Pro Populo*
August 24	Fr. McQuaide	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Joseph John Howard †
	Fr. McQuaide	*5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Jane Steele
August 25	Fr. McQuaide	5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
August 26	Fr. McQuaide	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Michael J. Kirlin, Sr. †
	Fr. McQuaide	*5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Justin Smith †
August 27	Fr. Dillingham	5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Louise Restak Ollstein †
August 28	Fr. Dillingham	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Beth A. Constantinou
August 29	Fr. Dillingham	4 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Frank & Mildred Brennan †
August 30	Fr. Dillingham	8 am	St. Mary	*Pro Populo*
	Fr. McQuaide	*8 am	St. Patrick	John Peyton †
	Fr. McQuaide	9:30 am	Cathedral of St. Peter	William & Alice Kirlin †
	Fr. Dillingham	9:30 am	St. Patrick	Dale Weston †
	Fr. McQuaide	*11 am	St. Patrick	James & Frances Conte †
	Fr. McQuaide	5 pm	St. Patrick	Little Sister of the Poor

*indicates Mass is offered in Latin
† indicates a person who is deceased

Pray for the Sick of our Churches

Sabina Abbadessa; Carla Barkley; Michael McGee-Belk; Katie Buckley; Helen Callahan; Beth Ann Constantinou; Michael Dineen; Ann Domenic; Paul Lundmark; Jean Manlove; Bill Muzzi; Betty O'Malley; Erlene Rohles; Elvira Sarnecky; Norma Sudler; Donna Tusi

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- ST MARY–WILMINGTON (34)
- ST PATRICK (44)
- ST PETERS CATHEDRAL (1)

Cathedral of Saint Peter	**WEEKLY OFFERTORY**		
	Received	***Budgeted/ Needed***	***Difference***
August 15/16	$1,119	$2,608	($1,489)
YTD	$8,446	$18,253	($9,807)
Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception			
	Received	***Budgeted/ Needed***	***Difference***
August 16	$283	$705	($422)
YTD	$2,559	$4,932	($2,373)
Saint Patrick			
	Received	***Budgeted/ Needed***	***Difference***
August 16	$2,287	$4,735	($2,448)
YTD	$19,704	$33,147	($13,443)

Friday, August 28 is the feast of *Saint Augustine*

Augustine Aurelius was born on November 13, 354, in Tagaste, North Africa. His father was a pagan; his mother, St. Monica. Still unbaptized and burning for knowledge, he came under the influence of the Manicheans. He left Africa for Rome, deceiving his mother, who was ever anxious to be near him. She prayed and wept. A bishop consoled her by observing that a son of so many tears would never be lost. Grace was playing a waiting game; there still was time, and the greater the depths into which the evil spirit plunged its fledgling, the stronger would be the reaction.

Augustine recognized this vacuum; he saw how the human heart is created with a great abyss; the earthly satisfactions that can be thrown into it are no more than a handful of stones that hardly cover the bottom. And in that moment grace was able to break through: the tears of his mother, the sanctity of Milan's Bishop Ambrose, the book of St. Anthony the hermit, and the sacred Scriptures wrought his conversion, which was sealed by baptism on Easter night 387. Augustine's mother went to Milan with joy and witnessed her son's baptism. It was the greatest event of his life; grace had conquered. Augustine accompanied his mother to Ostia, where she died.

Augustine's episcopal life was filled with mighty battles against heretics. His most illustrious victory was that over Pelagius, who denied the necessity of grace; from this encounter he earned the surname "Doctor of grace." As an emblem Christian art accords him a burning heart to symbolize the ardent love of God which permeates all his writings.

Excerpted from *The Church's Year of Grace*, Pius Parsch

Summer Movie Series

Next Showing: Friday, August 28

Ratatouille

Saint Patrick Hall

Door opens at 6:30—Movie shows at 7 pm

Popcorn & Snacks Provided

Bring lawn chairs & inflatables for seating

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Saturday, October 3, 2026

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Feast of Saint Monica | Catholic Saints

Throughout her life, St. Monica constantly prayed for the conversion of Augustine, her beloved son. In a moment of desperation, she even asked for the bishop's help. In response, he said, "the son of those tears surely will not perish." Truly, as this bishop remarked, Monica's tearful prayers helped build her son into the Doctor of Grace. In this video, join Dr. Gray and Dr. Sehorn as they discuss this great Saint.

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An offering from the Augustine Institute

Lectors for Next Weekend

Cathedral, 4 pm	Kathy Blackwelder
St. Mary, 8 am	Sean Reilly
Cathedral, 9^{30} am	Rose Marie Binns-Watson
St. Patrick, 9^{30} am	Stephanie Thomas
St. Patrick, 5 pm	Sheila Dunne

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 29th & 30th
Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2; Matthew 16:21-27

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