Most Reverend William E. Koenig, *Tenth Bishop of Wilmington*
Very Reverend Joseph W. McQuaide, iv, *Rector–Pastor*
Deacon Anthony J. Gallo Deacon Roberto Ortiz

XXVI Sunday in Ordinary Time | XVIII Sunday after Pentecost *September 27, 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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open Mondays to Thursdays, 9:30 am to 3:30 pm

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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
Sept. 26	Fr. McQuaide	4 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Elsie McNutt †
Sept. 27	Fr. Dillingham	8 am	St. Mary	Anna Bender-Wass †
	Fr. McQuaide	*8 am	St. Patrick	Evelyn Weston †
	Fr. Dillingham	9:30 am	Cathedral of St. Peter	Joseph Hannas †
	Fr. McQuaide	9:30 am	St. Patrick	*Pro Populo*
	Fr. McQuaide	*11 am	St. Patrick	Janice & James Conte †
	Fr. Dillingham	5 pm	St. Patrick	Mary Dunne †
Sept. 28	Fr. McQuaide	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Sister Mary Columbra Brienza †
	Fr. McQuaide	*5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Brehany Family
Sept. 29	Fr. McQuaide	5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Adrienne Suarez
Sept. 30	Fr. McQuaide	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	November Reinoehl †
	Fr. McQuaide	*5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Michael & Rose DellaCamera †
October 1	Fr. Dillingham	5:30 pm	St. Patrick	Holy Souls in Purgatory †
October 2	Fr. Dillingham	12:10 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Beck Family
	Fr. McQuaide	*6 pm	St. Patrick	Robert Blakely, Sr. †
October 3	Fr. McQuaide	*9 am	St. Patrick	Ronald Edward Joswick †
	Fr. McQuaide	11 am	St. Mary	Paije Holmes-Redden
	Fr. Dillingham	4 pm	Cathedral of St. Peter	Pro Populo
October 4	Fr. Dillingham	8 am	St. Mary	Intentions of Padre Pio
	Fr. McQuaide	*8 am	St. Patrick	Brian Lenhard †
	Fr. Dillingham	9:30 am	Cathedral of St. Peter	Most Reverend William E. Koenig
	Fr. McQuaide	9:30 am	St. Patrick	Gerald "Jerry" Watson †
	Fr. McQuaide	*11 am	St. Patrick	Joseph A. Toro †
	Fr. Dillingham	5 pm	St. Patrick	Sister Lourdes Miranda, LSP

*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; Karen Jankowski; 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***
Sept. 19/20	$1,099	$2,308	($1,209)
YTD	$18,034	$27,692	($9,658)
Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception			
	Received	***Budgeted/ Needed***	***Difference***
Sept. 20	$567	$577	($10)
YTD	$8,070	$6,923	$1,147
Saint Patrick			
	Received	***Budgeted/ Needed***	***Difference***
Sept. 20	$8,280	$5,385	$2,895
YTD	$65,947	$64,615	$1,332

Wednesday, September 30th is the feast of

Saint Jerome, Priest & Doctor

One of the greatest Biblical scholars, Jerome was born in Dalmatia around 345. Educated locally, he then studied rhetoric in Rome, before returning to Aquilea to set up a community of ascetics. When that community broke up after three years Jerome went to the east. He met an old hermit, who inspired the saint to live in a bare cell, studying the Scriptures.

He learned Hebrew from a rabbi. Then he returned to Antioch and was reluctantly ordained priest. With his bishop he visited Constantinople and became friendly with Saints Gregory Nazianzen and Gregory of Nyssa. And then in 382 he went again to Rome, to become the personal secretary of Pope Damasus. Here he met his dearest friends, a wealthy woman called Paula, her daughter Eustochium and another wealthy woman named Marcella.

Here too he began his finest work. Commissioned by the pope, he began to revise the Latin version of the psalms and the New Testament, with immense care and scholarship. Jerome eventually translated the whole of the Bible into the Latin version which is known as the Vulgate. But when Damasus died, his enemies forced the saint to leave Rome.

Accompanied by Paula and Eustochium, Jerome went to Bethlehem. There he lived for thirty-four years till his death in 420 as a monk. The saint set up a hospice for the countless pilgrims to that place. His scholarship, his polemics, his treatises and letters often provoked anger and always stimulated those who read them. 'Plato located the soul of man in the head,' he wrote, 'Christ located it in the heart.'

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Your Journey Through the Bible

Join fellow parishioners for a year-long Adventure through the Bible

The Great Adventure

Sept. 16-Dec. 16; Jan. 13-Feb. 3; Feb. 17-21; Apr.7-21

Saint Patrick's Classroom
(2nd floor of the parish offices)

The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

$40 per person includes Study Guide and materials

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Authentic Masculinity

Saturday, October 3, 2026

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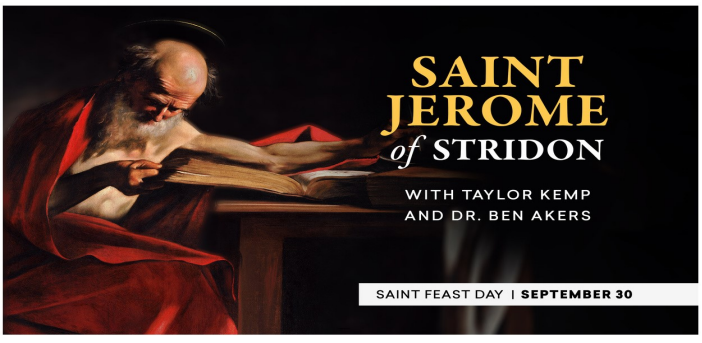

St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

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An offering from the Augustine Institute

Lectors for Next Weekend

St. Mary, 11 am	David Poccynek
Cathedral, 4 pm	Kathy Blackwelder
St. Mary, 8 am	Mary Jane Lisansky
Cathedral, 9:30 am	RoseMarie Binns-Watson
St. Patrick, 9:30 am	Becky Yerak
St. Patrick, 5 pm	Sheila Dunne

Saturday Morning: Job 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Oct. 3rd & 4th
Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

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