

A newsletter from us for all of you.

# THE DOVE

## MAY 2024 - CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



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**SERVICES** (The office sends a weekly email with links to the posted services.)

**8 a.m.** In-Person Holy Eucharist Rite II and live-streamed and posted to YouTube

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The Right Reverend Santosh K. Marray, *Bishop of Easton*

The Reverend Joseph M. Rushton, *Rector*

The Reverend Alisha M. King, *Deacon*

Bonnie Rease, *Bookkeeper and Secretary to the Rector*

Monica Martin, *Senior Warden* • John Frombach, *Jr. Warden*

Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School* • Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*

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*"Seeking Christ With Others While Sharing The Christ Within Us"*



FROM THE RECTOR



### ***My Dear Church of the Holy Spirit Family,***

During May of 2024 our Gospel texts are from what is often referred to as 4th Gospel. This is the account attributed to John the Evangelist or more accurately referred to as the Johannine Tradition. This month we will transition from the post-Easter period, onto the Feast of Ascension, (celebrated 40 days after Easter) then onto the Feast of Pentecost (50 days after Easter) and the coming of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles. It is the presence of the Holy Spirit that provides the disciples with the strength and impetus to take on the mission that keeps them from being held up in the house and moves them out into the streets. From those streets the Apostles begin preaching all that they learned during their time traveling with Jesus.

At our baptism and confirmation, we commit ourselves to sharing in the mission of the Apostles, which is the mission of Jesus. We commit that we will, by words and action, proclaim the acceptance, love, and forgiveness that is so essential to our understanding of God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

***May 5, 2024***

***Sixth Sunday of Easter – Year B***

***John 15:9-17***

*“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends.”*

Jesus said to his disciples, “As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.”

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one’s life for one’s friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me, but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.”

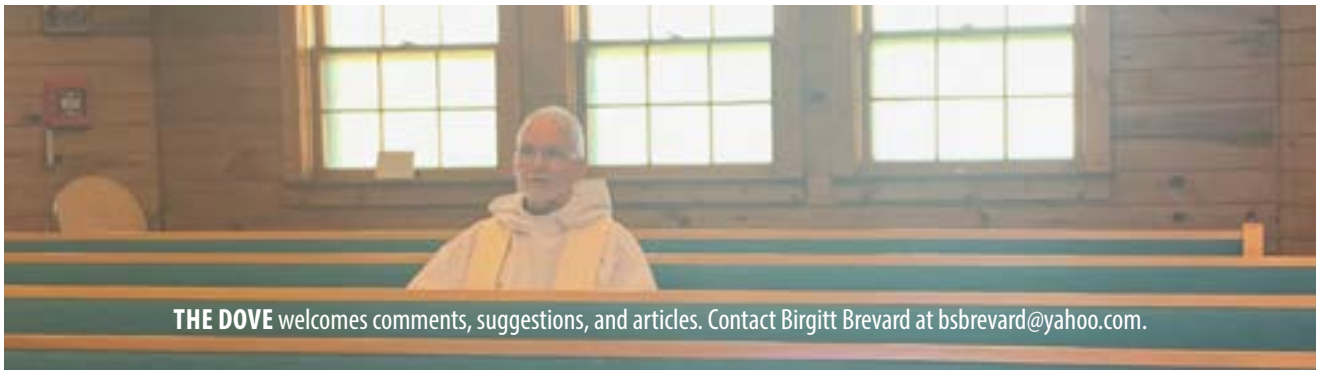
***May 12, 2024***

***Seventh Sunday of Easter – Year B***

***John 17 3: 6-19***

*“I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.”*

Jesus prayed for his disciples, “I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one.



THE DOVE welcomes comments, suggestions, and articles. Contact Birgitt Brevard at [bsbrevard@yahoo.com](mailto:bsbrevard@yahoo.com).





They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

**May 19, 2024**

**Day of Pentecost – Year B**

**John 12:20-33**

*“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason, I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.”*

Jesus said to his disciples, “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.”

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.”

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**May 26, 2024**

**Trinity Sunday – Year B**

**John: 3:1-17**

*For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.*

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So, it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?”

“Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.”

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.”

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

As you read through this May issue of the Dove, you will find how some of what we do at the Church of the Holy Spirit continues to reflect God’s presence among us and to love and honor God and members of the community of Ocean City, MD.

***May God continue grant us the Blessing of safety and health for a love-filled 2024!***

In Christ’s Love,  
Father Joe Rushton



**Open the camera app on your phone. Hold your phone so that the QR code appears in view. Tap the notification that has popped up. Now you are linked to the church’s website.**





### PARISH PRAYER LIST

**OUR PARISH:** Our staff, our vestry and its officers, and our ministries and committees.

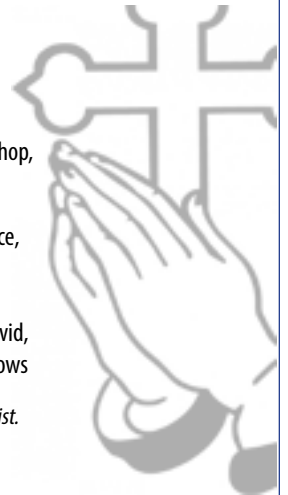
**OUR PARISH FAMILY:** Bill Johnston, John Frombach, Sara & Frank Price, Jack Panuska, Rochelle Desimone, Joe D., Bob Wauhup, Katherine Wauhup, Victoria DeSilver, Jane Florentino, Jane, Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl, Fr. Joe Rushton

**OUR EXTENDED FAMILY:** Marie Duffy, Jim, Janetta & Ron Mescola, Michael Wertz, Mary Pines, Pat Borkowski, Willem & Joyce, Kelly, John Haller, Chas Kinelski, Wendy Purnell, Claudia & Bill Troy, J. Paul, Jennifer Giro, Rosa Lee, Pam Barrier, Gen Haller, The Payne Family, Judah, Deanna Turner, Ron Jones, Ladd Layton, Gloria Lebling, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Edith Vogl, Bob Spradlin, Flo Donoway, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Ronin Kenneth Haines, Dee, Lane & Liam, Anne Grabenstein, Bruce, Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Jane E., Sandy, Jim Popa, Marian Cannon, Linda Rolfes, Ziggy, Mary, Sabrina & Joey Helms, Margo Cahill, Nancy Meadows

Please notify the office or complete a yellow prayer card to include loved ones on our prayer list and to remove loved ones from our prayer list.

\*Memorial Cards are available through the Parish Office

In the unfortunate event that a member of your family requires hospitalization or other acute care, notify the parish office at 410.723.1973 or Father Rushton at 410.279.2582.



#### MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/05	Cathy Moody	05/22	Alicia Lynn Frombach
05/09	Caleb Elmer	05/26	Steve Trowbridge
05/11	Grayson Arauz	05/27	Jake Dougherty
05/12	Kathy Elmer	05/29	Rosie Hemming
05/14	Caroline Cathell	05/29	Matthew Arauz
05/21	George Brous	05/30	Haisley Jean Martin

#### ANNIVERSARIES

05/06	Patti & Steve Trowbridge
05/14	Diane & John Frombach
05/22	Birgitt & Rudy Brevard
05/24	Jane & Tom DiGirolamo
05/27	Marie Bahno & Deb Conran
05/27	Joe Rushton & Nick Codd
05/29	Helene & Donald Clifton

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, we are very sorry! Please notify the church office with the appropriate date so we can update our files.



### OPERATING INCOME/VESTRY APPROVED 04/08/24

	March	YTD Mar.	YTD Budget
<b>OPERATING INCOME</b>	<b>\$15,864</b>	<b>\$36,107</b>	<b>\$32,175</b>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$10,888</b>	<b>\$35,277</b>	<b>\$37,347</b>
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$4,976</b>	<b>\$830</b>	<b>(\$5,172)</b>

### UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

<b>MAY</b>	Military Appreciation Month	
	Asian Pacific American Heritage Month	
	Jewish American Heritage Month	
05/01	May Day	
05/05	Cinco de Mayo	
05/07	National Teacher Appreciation Day	
05/12	Mother's Day	
05/12	International Nurses Day	
05/18	Armed Forces Day	
05/27	Memorial Day	
<b>05/02</b>	<b>National Day of Prayer (In front of City Hall)</b>	Noon
<b>05/04</b>	<b>Marina Condominium Meeting</b>	10 a.m. - Noon
<b>05/13</b>	<b>Vestry Meeting</b>	7 p.m.
<b>05/19</b>	<b>Hope4Recovery</b>	4 p.m.
<b>05/25</b>	<b>Sails One Condominium Meeting</b>	9 a.m. - Noon
<b>HOLD THE DATES:</b>		
<b>06/23</b>	<b>Church Picnic</b>	2 p.m.
<b>06/30</b>	<b>Bishop's Visit (Followed by a coffee hour)</b>	10 a.m.
<b>08/05</b>	<b>Quarter Auction</b>	TBD
<b>AA MEETINGS Every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m.</b>		
(Parish Hall)	Parish Hall is reserved from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.	
<b>Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.</b>		
	Parish Hall is reserved from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.	

### YOUR VESTRY

**2024:** Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter  
**2025:** Birgitt Brevard, Sue Flaherty  
**2026:** Marena Konoski, Monica Martin

Monica Martin, Sr. Warden	443.235.8942
John Frombach, Jr. Warden	443.497.2039
Melanie Konoski, Treasurer	443.497.2163
Jackie Carey, Registrar	443.735.4275
Bonnie Rease, Bookkeeper/Secretary	
Tim DeSilver, Music Minister	
Kathy Elmer, Sunday School	





► **QUARTER AUCTION** *(Jackie Carey & Marena Konoski)*

The quarter auction committee is happy to announce the date of this year's quarter auction: **August 5**. Yes, it's a ways off, but we would be most happy if you could start thinking about how you could contribute to the success of our very important fundraiser. Of course you can solicit for prizes, but if the thought of that makes your toes curl, there are other ways to help.

We'll be kicking into medium and then high gear as the date approaches, and more information will be forthcoming, but if you have any ideas of how you could help, we'd be delighted to hear them.

**Contact Jackie at 443.735.4275 or Marena at 443.944.3276 for more information.**



► **OCEAN CITY CLUSTER OF CHURCHES ACTIVITIES** *(Jackie Carey)*



The Ocean Cluster of churches (St. Paul's Berlin, St. Paul's by-the-Sea, Church of the Holy Spirit) has several events in the works for the summer and fall. The hope is that members of all three churches will take part, expanding our outreach and increasing chances for fellowship.

We are planning a paper/non-perishable goods drive for Hope4Recovery. This is to supply residents with items they may not be able to purchase with food stamps, such as paper towels and napkins, Kleenex, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish detergent and the like.

Let your imagination run! The delivery date will be July 21, and we will accept donations up to that day. But we won't start collecting till June 23, so there's time to think about what you'd like to contribute. There will be reminders in The Dove and in the bulletin starting June 23.

We are hoping to restart the three-parish picnic, which was well-attended and a lot of fun until Covid interfered. The proposed date is September 8 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Stephen Decatur Park in Berlin. It will be potluck, with attendees bringing food for themselves and others. More details will follow!

And we continue to feed the residents of Hope4Recovery House on a monthly basis, staying to share the meal with them. They are most appreciative, enjoying the food and the company. In May, the dinner is on the 19th, and we are responsible for salad and bread.

**For more information about the Cluster and its activities, contact Jackie at 443.735.4275.**

► **SHARE THE RIDE RESOURCE** *(Melanie Konoski)*

I would like to create a **Share the Ride** resource for any parishioner in need. If you need a ride to and from church each or any Sunday, please **contact Melanie Konoski at 443.497.2163**.

By the same token, if any parishioner would like to provide transportation to and from church each Sunday, please also contact Melanie Konoski.





WHO? WHEN? WHERE? WHAT? WHY? HOW?

► **CINCO DE MAYO** (More info [here](#))

Cinco de Mayo, or the fifth of May, is a holiday that celebrates the date of the Mexican army's May 5, 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. The day, which fell on Friday, May 5 in 2023, is also known as Battle of Puebla Day. While it is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico, in the United States, Cinco de Mayo has evolved into a commemoration of Mexican culture and heritage, particularly in areas with large Mexican-American populations.

► **MOTHER'S DAY** (More info [here](#))

Mother's Day is a holiday honoring motherhood that is observed in different forms throughout the world. In the United States, Mother's Day 2024 falls on Sunday, May 12. The American incarnation of Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S. holiday in 1914. Jarvis would later denounce the holiday's commercialization and spent the latter part of her life trying to remove it from the calendar. While dates and celebrations vary, Mother's Day traditionally involves presenting moms with flowers, cards and other gifts.

► **MEMORIAL DAY** (More info [here](#))

Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, began during the American Civil War when citizens placed flowers on the graves of those who had been killed in battle. After World War I, it came to be observed in honour of those who had died in all U.S. wars, and its name changed to Memorial Day.

► **ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER HERITAGE MONTH** (More info [here](#))

Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month emerged from the Asian/Pacific American Heritage Week that the U.S. Congress established in 1978 to coincide with anniversaries of significant events in Asian American history. In 1992 President George H.W. Bush permanently designated the month of May as an annual observance of Asian/Pacific American Heritage. President Barack Obama changed the tribute's name to Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month in 2009.

► **JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH** (More info [here](#))

Jewish American Heritage Month (JAHM) is an annual recognition and celebration of American Jews' achievements and contributions to the United States of America during the month of May.

President George W. Bush first proclaimed the month on April 20, 2006, as a result of cooperation with Sen. Arlen Specter (R-PA), as well as the Jewish Museum of Florida and the South Florida Jewish Community. Since then, annual proclamations have been made by Presidents Bush, Obama, Trump, and Biden.





## ► NATIONAL MILITARY APPRECIATION MONTH (More info [here](#))

National Military Appreciation Month, also known as Military Appreciation Month, is a month-long observance in the United States, dedicated to people who are currently serving in the United States military. Each year, the observance runs from May 1 to May 31.

Senator John McCain proposed the month-long observance on February 9, 1999. On April 30, 1999, Congress designated National Military Appreciation Month as a month-long observance. Congress chose May because many military related observances such as Memorial Day and Loyalty Day are celebrated and observed on that date. Congress recognized the month after a unanimous vote of 93–0 in April of that year.

## ► INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY (More info [here](#))

International Nurses Day (IND) is an international day observed around the world on May 12 (the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth) each year, to mark the contributions that nurses make to society.

The International Council of Nurses (ICN) has celebrated this day since 1965. In 1953 Dorothy Sutherland, an official with the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, proposed that President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaim a "Nurses' Day"; but he did not approve it.

In January 1974, May 12 was chosen to celebrate the day as it is the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing. Each year, ICN prepares and distributes the International Nurses' Day Kit. The kit contains educational and public information materials, for use by nurses everywhere. As of 1998, May 8 was designated as annual National Student Nurses' Day.

## ► MAY DAY (More info [here](#))

May Day has its roots in astronomy? Traditionally, it was the halfway point between the spring equinox and the summer solstice! In ancient times, this was one of the Celtic cross-quarter days, which marked the midway points between the (four) solstices and equinoxes of the year.

As with many early holidays, May Day was rooted in agriculture. Springtime festivities filled with song and dance celebrated the sown fields starting to sprout. Cattle were driven to pasture, special bonfires were lit, and doors of houses as well as livestock were decorated with yellow Mayflowers. In the Middle Ages, the Gaelic people celebrated the festival of Beltane. Beltane means "Day of Fire." People created large bonfires and danced at night to celebrate.

WHO? WHEN? WHERE? WHAT? WHY? HOW?





## ► THE STORY ABOUT YOU...WILL BE BACK NEXT MONTH...

Every person has a story and we want to know. We would like to highlight one person per month in the DOVE. **So why don't you share your "life's adventure"?** Email your story to [bsbrevard@yahoo.com](mailto:bsbrevard@yahoo.com). Either **type directly into your email** or **send as an attachment in Word**. Font size no larger than 12 points and no more than one side of an 8.5" x 11" page. Please also email a photo of yourself you would like us to use (high resolution jpg or png file). **Please label your email with "THAT'S MY STORY". Have fun!**

## ► FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE (More info [here](#))

Often called "the Lady with the Lamp," Florence Nightingale was a caring nurse and a leader. In addition to writing over 150 books, pamphlets and reports on health-related issues, she is also credited with creating one of the first versions of the pie chart. However, she is mostly known for making hospitals cleaner and safer places to be.

Florence Nightingale was born on May 12, 1820, in Florence, Italy. Although her parents were from England, she was born in Italy while they were traveling. Both Florence and her older sister Parthenope were named after the Italian cities where they were born. When they returned to England in 1821, the Nightingale family lived in two homes. They had a summer home in Derbyshire called Lea Hurst, and a winter home in Hampshire called Embley. Growing up in a wealthy family, Florence Nightingale was homeschooled by her father and expected to get married at a young age. However, when she was a teenager, Nightingale believed she received a "calling" from God to help the poor and the sick.



Even though it was not a respected profession at the time, Nightingale told her parents that she wanted to become a nurse. Her parents did not approve of her decision and wanted her to get married and raise a family. Nightingale still wanted to be a nurse and refused marriage. Eventually, her father allowed her to go to Germany for three months to study at Pastor Theodore Fliedner's hospital and school for Lutheran Deaconesses. After finishing her program in Germany, Nightingale went to Paris for extra training with the Sisters of Mercy. By the time she was 33, Nightingale was already making a name for herself in the nursing community. She returned to England in 1853 and became the superintendent and manager of a hospital for "gentlewomen" in London.

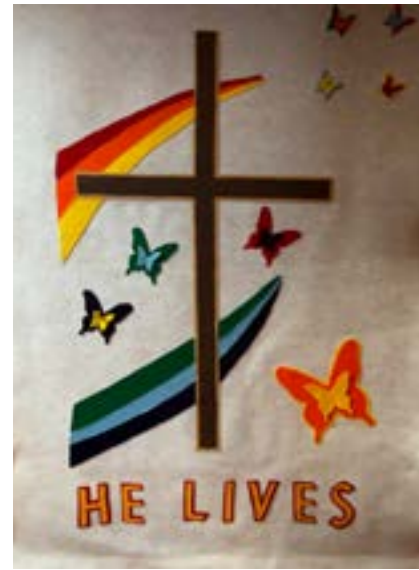
When the Crimean War began in 1854, the British were unprepared to deal with the number of sick and injured soldiers. The lack of medical supplies, overcrowding, and unsanitary conditions caused many people to complain. Newspapers began to report about the terrible state of medical care. The Secretary of War, Sidney Herbert asked Nightingale to manage a group of nurses that would go treat the wounded soldiers. She agreed, and on November 4, 1854, Nightingale and 38 nurses arrived at the British camp outside of Constantinople. When they got there, the doctors were unwelcoming because they did not want to work with female nurses. However, as the number of patients increased, the doctors needed their help. The nurses brought supplies, nutritious food, cleanliness, and sanitation to the military hospital. They also provided individual care and support. Nightingale was known for carrying a lamp and checking on the soldiers at night, so they gave her the nickname "the Lady with the Lamp." Within six months, Nightingale and her team transformed the hospital. The death rate went down from 40 percent to 2 percent because of their work.

When Nightingale returned from the war, she continued to improve the conditions of hospitals. She presented her experiences and her data to Queen Victoria and Prince Albert in 1856. This data was the reason they formed a Royal Commission to improve the health of the British Army. Nightingale was so skilled with data and numbers that in 1858 she was also elected as the first woman member of the Royal Statistical Society. In 1859, Nightingale continued to spread her healthier medical practices by helping to set up the Army Medical College in Chatham. That same year, she published a book called *Notes on Nursing: What it is, and What it is Not*. Her book gives advice on good patient care and safe hospital environments. As a result of her efforts during the war, a fund was set up for Nightingale to continue teaching nurses in England. In 1860, the Nightingale Training School at St. Thomas' Hospital was officially opened. In her later years, Nightingale was often bedridden from illness. However, she continued to advocate for safe nursing practices until her death.

Although Florence Nightingale died on August 13th, 1910 at the age of 90, her legacy continues. Two years after her death, the International Committee of the Red Cross created the Florence Nightingale Medal, which is given to excellent nurses every two years. Also, International Nurses Day has been celebrated on her birthday since 1965. In May of 2010, the Florence Nightingale Museum at St. Thomas' Hospital in London reopened to honor the hundredth anniversary of Nightingale's death.





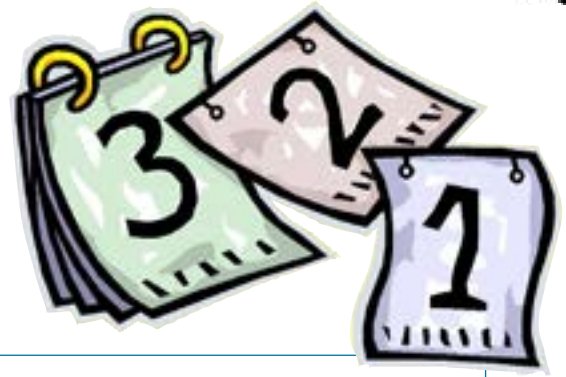






# YOUR SCHEDULE FOR MAY

**8 a.m.** **10 a.m.**



**USHERS/GREETERS**

05	Skip & Jackie Carey	Ann Dougherty
12	Skip & Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty
19	Skip & Jackie Carey	Ann Dougherty
26	Skip & Jackie Carey	Joe Dougherty

**LECTORS**

05	Jackie Carey	Monica Martin
12	Birgitt Brevard	Marena Konoski
19	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach
26	Birgitt Brevard	Joe Dougherty

**ACOLYTES**

05	Skip Carey	Monica Martin
12	Skip Carey	Marena Konoski
19	Skip Carey	Diane Frombach
26	Skip Carey	Melanie Konoski

**CHALICE BEARER**

05	Skip Carey	Carolyn Johnston
12	Skip Carey	Melanie Konoski
19	Skip Carey	John Frombach
26	Skip Carey	Monica Martin

**ALTAR GUILD**

05	Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
12	Diane Frombach & Monica Martin
19	Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
26	Diane Frombach & Monica Martin

**COUNTERS**

05	Rudy Brevard & Melanie Konoski
12	Rudy Brevard & Sue Flaherty
19	Ann Dougherty & Barbara Wachter
26	Diane Frombach & Monica Martin

**COFFEE HOUR**

05	Pancake Breakfast
12	Diane Frombach
19	Melanie & Marena Konoski
26	Diane Frombach

**QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION** (Melanie S. Konoski)

Are you aware of the option to donate to the Church of the Holy Spirit as a Qualified Charitable Distribution?

A qualified charitable distribution (QCD) is a distribution from your individual retirement account (IRA) to a qualified charity. You must be age 70½ or older to make a qualified charitable distribution, which is not taxed and does not get included in your taxable income.

If you qualify, QCDs can also count toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) that anyone age 73 or older must meet each year if they have a traditional IRA. Also important: You don't have to itemize on your tax return to take advantage of a QCD.

To see if you meet the qualifications to process a QCD, please contact your tax preparer or your financial advisor. This may be a good opportunity for you to satisfy your pledge or make a one-time donation to benefit you and the church.





May 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	1 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	2 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m. National Day of Prayer at Noon in Front of City Hall	3	4 MARINA CONDO MEETING Parish Hall 10 a.m. - Noon
5 EUCCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. 	6	7	8 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	9 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	10	11
12 EUCCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. 	13 VESTRY MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	14	15 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m.	16 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	17	18
19 EUCCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. HOPE4RECOVERY - 4 p.m.	20	21	22 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 6 p.m. SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JUNE DOVE CONTENT	23 AA MEETING Parish Hall - 7 p.m.	24	25 SAILS ONE CONDO MEETING Parish Hall 9 a.m. - Noon
26 EUCCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.	27 	28	29	30	31	1

**OCEAN CITY EVENTS**

**OC CONVENTION/PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

4001 Coastal Hwy., Ocean City, MD

- 05/02 7 - 9 p.m. **The Olivia Show**
- 05/03 - 05 **OC Bride Fest**
- 05/04 7 - 9 p.m. **Mid-Atlantic Symphony Orchestra**
- 05/16 - 19 **Cruisin' Ocean City**

- 05/02 - 04 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. **Spring Fest**
- 05/05 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. South end of the Boardwalk at the Inlet Parking Lot
- 05/04 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. **Berlin Jazz, Blues, Wine & Breds!**  
Downtown Berlin, Main Street
- 05/04 3 - 5 p.m. **Pop-Up Opera With OperaDelaware**  
Freeman Arts Pavillion, 31806 Lakeview Dr., Selbyville
- 05/08 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. **Civil Rights On The Shore**  
The Charles H. Chipman Cultural Center  
325 Broad St., Salisbury
- 05/09 - 12 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. **Ocean City Jeep Week**  
Ocean City Inlet Parking Lot, S. 2nd St., Ocean City

MORE INFO: <https://www.oceancity.com>



**WORCESTER COUNTY  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY 2024**

- 08 All Day
- 14 All Day
- 21 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- 27 All Day

**Early Dismissal for Students:  
Professional  
Development  
Schools Closed for Students:  
Countywide Professional  
Development Day /  
Presidential Primary  
Board of Education Meeting  
Schools/Offices Closed:  
Memorial Day**

MORE INFO: <https://www.worcesterk12.org>





# ABOUT THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



March	1968	Ground broken for the Chapel of the Holy Spirit.
June 23	1968	First service, the Rev William R. Dewees rector; one service average; attendance 33.
July 14	1968	Building dedicated and blessed.
Sept. 1	1968	Last service for the first year. Building completed in fall.
June - August	1969	Same as previous year.
	1970-75	Two services held each Sunday. June-first Sunday of September. Some of the priests were William Dewees, Elmer Baker, L. Barton, Edward Bushong. Average attendance 45.
May 30-Sept 5	1976	Two services (more at 8.) Priests: Walt Reuschling and N. Acton. Average attendance 66. Steeple added.
May 29-Sept. 18	1977	Two services. Priests: N. Acton and L Barton. Average attendance 95 (again, more at 8.)
May 28-Sept 17	1978	Two services. Vicar Walt Reuschling. Average attendance about 95. About equal attendance at services.
	1979 thru 1984	Pattern about the same as 1979. Attendance increases gradually to about 110, flags and fair linens dedicated in 1979 and mid-week prayer service added in 1984.
May 26	1985	Chapel becomes a year-round mission and John Wright is the vicar. Two services May thru Oct. Attendance about 97. One service Oct. thru Dec. Attendance about 71.
	1986	One service Jan thru May and Sept thru Dec. Two services May thru Sept. John Wright vicar. John Wright completes 21 months of service, June 1985 to Feb. 1987
	1987	One service winter months, two in summer. John Wright, John Hurd, and Norbert served as priests. Average attendance drops to 50s. December 1 – Full time Vicar Larry Hill begins service.
	1988	Two services in the summer: Saturday evening at 6 p.m. and one on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Attendance begins to build to average 66.
	1989	Average attendance 89 in 1989. Trailer used for Sunday School.
	1990	Average attendance 103 October 1 - parish hall dedicated.
Jan. 25	1991	Chapel receives parish status and is called Church of the Holy Spirit. Two services for longer time of the year. Average attendance 154.
	1992	Continued growth - average attendance 178.
	1993	Fall of 1993: Additions begin to church and parish hall.
	1994	New additions dedicated in March. Father Nickerson and Father Larry Hill serve as priests. Two services year-round. Average attendance 166.
	1995	Larry Hill leaves as rector in Nov. and Father Nickerson fills in.
June 17	1996	Ronald Robinson begins as new Rector. Average attendance 124.
	1997	R. Robinson rector. Two services, one midweek on Wed. Average attendance 151.
	1998	R. Robinson rector. Two Sunday services. Average attendance 165.
Jan.17	1999	R. Robertson's last service and now only one service with Graham Rowley or Richard Swartout. Average attendance drops to 96.
	2000	Rev. Philip Houghton becomes rector May 7 and serves until Oct. 29. Rev Bill Truitt begins services on Nov. 5. Only one service during this year. Average attendance 84.
	2001	Easter Sunday begins two services. Rev. Truitt serves thru May. Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom (priests from SPBTS) begin serving in June. Average attendance 92.
	2002	Father Bryan Glancey and Father Ken Thom continue to serve. Average attendance 96.
	2003	Father Walt Reuschling begins serving Jan.26. Average attendance at the two services 100. Father Glenn A. Duffy called as rector and begins services June 1. Average attendance 109.
	2004	Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Average attendance grows to 145.
	2005	Father Glenn A. Duffy, rector. Mortgage paid off for parish house and church additions in June. Average attendance 121.
	2006	Average attendance 126.
	2007	Parishioner since 2000, Carl Mosley ordained as deacon by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton; Average attendance 112.
	2008	900 sq. ft. addition for new kitchen started. Average attendance 108.
	2009	Average attendance 101.
	2010	Kitchen completed. Average attendance 101.
	2011	Average Attendance 101.
	2012	After completing seminary and a Master's Degree from 2008-2011 through the Nashotah House in Wisconsin, Deacon Carl Mosely ordained a priest by the Rt. Rev. James Shand, Bishop of Easton. Barry Neville of St. Paul's Berlin served at Holy Spirit from Jun.-Dec. as part of his educational program to become an ordained deacon. Average attendance 95.
	2013	After serving as assistant priest at Holy Spirit and supply priest in the Diocese of Easton, Father Carl Mosley was appointed to St. Mary's in Bridgeville, Delaware. Average attendance 96.
	2014	Father Glenn A. Duffy retires after the December 7th annual meeting. Father G. Allen LaMontagne begins serving as priest-in-charge on Dec.14. Average attendance 84.
	2015	Parishioner since October 2014, Deacon Sherry Snyder begins service in June. Average attendance 74.
	2016	Father G. Allen LaMontagne retires on September 30. The Reverend Doctor Mark Cyr is brought in as Interim Rector on November 1. Average attendance 75
October 1	2017	The Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton becomes rector.
January 21	2018	Welcoming a new rector & renewal of ministry service with Bishop Santosh Kumar Marray April 22. 50th Anniversary Celebration.



# THE DOVE



## SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the June 2024 issue of "THE DOVE" Wednesday, May 22, 2024.

Please submit your content in Microsoft Word document with text only, no designs. Email your letters, ideas, articles, comments, information, photos, questions - carefully labeled to **Birgitt Brevard at [bsbrevard@yahoo.com](mailto:bsbrevard@yahoo.com)**.

**NOTE:** Dates, times, locations mentioned in this newsletter are subject to change. All information has been edited to the best of our abilities. Be kind and understanding. PEACE!

**REMEMBER the May 22 deadline.**

## QUOTE FOR MAY

*"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be."* — Ralph Waldo Emerson



*"Seeking Christ With Others While Sharing The Christ Within Us"*

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