

A newsletter from us for all of you.

THE DOVE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

May 2026



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DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,

Warmer weather and spring bring the promise of new growth and beauty of nature that suddenly seems to bloom from within the earth. So it is with Christians, as we have just celebrated the Easter holiday of Christ's bringing to each and every one of us new life by his death for sin and the promise of eternal life. This brings forth the new hope and new enthusiasm for the world around us that seems to bloom from within us.

We will soon be in the season of Pentecost, a time to come to the realization that the Holy Spirit came, not only to the Apostles, but to you and me, to be with us while we await his second coming. It is a time of focusing on the growth of our faith, the growth of our commitment to serve a risen savior, and a time of growth to serve others in our communities, to bring to them the good news of Jesus Christ.

Take the time to explore the beauty of the world around us and share that beauty with those you meet each and every day.

**God Bless,
Father Carl**



MEETING GOD *(An inspirational story about faith)*

A little boy wanted to meet God. He knew it was a long trip to where God lived, so he packed his suitcase with Twinkies and a six-pack of root beer and he started his journey.

When he had gone about three blocks, he met an old man. He was sitting in the park just staring at some pigeons. The boy sat down next to him and opened his suitcase. He was about to take a drink from his root beer when he noticed that the old man looked hungry, so he offered him a Twinkie. He gratefully accepted it and smiled at him. His smile was so pleasant that the boy wanted to see it again, so he offered him a root beer.

Again, he smiled at him. The boy was delighted! They sat there all afternoon eating and smiling, but they never said a word. As it grew dark, the boy realized how tired he was and he got up to leave, but before he had gone more than a few steps, he turned around, ran back to the old man, and gave him a hug. He gave him his biggest smile ever.

When the boy opened the door to his own house a short time later, his mother was surprised by the look of joy on his face. She asked him, "What did you do today that made you so happy?" He replied, "I had lunch with God." But before his mother could respond, he added, "You know what? He's got the most beautiful smile I've ever seen!"

Meanwhile, the old man, also radiant with joy, returned to his home. His son was stunned by the look of peace on his face and he asked, "Dad, what did you do today that made you so happy?"

He replied, "I ate Twinkies in the park with God." However, before his son responded, he added, "You know, he's much younger than I expected."

Too often we underestimate the power of a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment, or the smallest act of caring.



▶ OUTREACH NEWS

The Outreach Team has identified a local Delaware **family in need of food assistance**. Our **ADOPT A FAMILY FOR MOTHER'S DAY** Program will begin immediately and **continue through the month of May**. **Non-perishable food items will be collected**. Donations can be placed in the regular food bins in the back of the church. All foods collected will be delivered to the family.

In addition, we **welcome donations of Food Lion gift cards**. These will be used to purchase perishable items, including milk, eggs, meats, and fresh fruits and vegetables.

Please feel free to contact Sue Flaherty at 410.430.2100 with any questions.





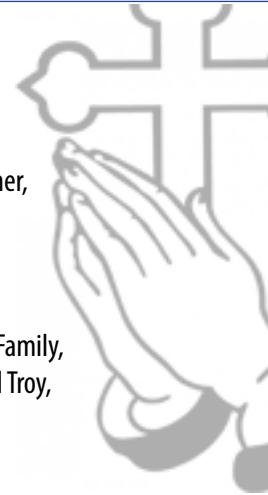
PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

OUR PARISH FAMILY: Rudy Brevard, Claudia Quemore, Jack Panuska, Lloyd Martin, Ron & Marcy Chrisner, Birgitt Brevard, Skip, Bill Johnston, Sara Price, Rochelle Desimone, Katherine Wauhup, Victoria DeSilver, Jane, Cris, Carol Lee Hensyl

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Bonnie H., Nicole, Sharon Trezise, Andi Mangels, Janet B., Shelia, Alex Naylor, Leann, David, Gene, Faye Graham, Harry Spahn, Teresa, Anne Siddoway, Steve, Robyn Diesel, The Walsh Family, Terri & Ron Rickards, Marie Duffy, Jim, Michael Wertz, Pat Borkowski, Willem & Joyce, Kelly, Claudia & Bill Troy, Jennifer Giro, Deanna Turner, Ladd Layton, Alisha Kornfuehrer, Bob Spradlin, Steve Hall, Bobby Wertz, Anne Grabenstein, Nicki Ridenour, David, Phyllis, Linda Rolfes

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



MAY BIRTHDAYS

05	Cathy Moody	21	George Brous
08	Larry Anderson	27	Jake Dougherty
09	Caleb Elmer	29	Matthew Arauz
11	Grayson Arauz	29	Rosie Hemming
12	Kathy Elmer	30	Haisley Jean Martin

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

14	Diane & John Frombach	24	Jane & Tom DiGirolamo
22	Birgitt & Rudy Brevard	29	Helene & Donald Clifton

For missed birthdays or anniversaries, notify the church office to update our files.

YOUR VESTRY

2026: Marena Konoski, Monica Martin
2027: Ann Dougherty, Barbara Wachter
2028: Alex DeSilver, Sue Flaherty

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, *Parish Administrator*
 Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*
 Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School*



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.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

MAY 2026

05/02	Marina Condo Meeting	10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
05/05	Cinco de Mayo	
05/10	Mother's Day	
05/11	Vestry Meeting	7 p.m.
05/15	CounterClox Gathering	5 - 7 p.m.
05/17	Hope4Recovery Meeting	4 p.m.
05/25	Memorial Day	
05/23	Sails One Condo Meeting	10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
05/26	Cluster Meeting	1 p.m.

St. Pauls Episcopal Church, Berlin

SAVE THESE DATES FOR JUNE

JUNE	Pride Month
06/19	Junteenth
06/21	Father's Day

AA MEETINGS (Parish Hall)

Every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m.
 Parish Hall is reserved from 5 - 7:30 p.m.
Every Thursday evening at 7 p.m.
 Parish Hall is reserved from 6:15 - 8:30 p.m.

Vestry meeting minutes, 2026 approved budget and financial statements are posted in the parish hall outside of the kitchen.



TAKE A SPLASH

We are selling raffle tickets for a Private Pool Party at the Ocean Pines Indoor Pool (South Gate in Ocean Pines on Cathell Road.) The party includes 2 hours of private use of the pool for 50 guests with three lifeguards!

Times available are Saturday evenings (5 to 7 p.m.) and Sunday afternoons (3 to 5 p.m.) with scheduling required before the date of your private party. The certificate is valid until September 2027. Tickets are \$5 each, 3 for \$10, and 8 for \$20. The drawing will be at the 2026 Crab Feast.

See Monica Martin or Katie Coffman for tickets. You can contact Monica Martin at 443.235.8942 with questions or to purchase tickets.

Let's start splashing!



BIDS ACCEPTED:

Sunday, April 26 through Sunday, June 28, 2026

Samsonite MOBILE OFFICE

Carry on Bag with Handle and Rollers



VALUE: \$219.99

STARTING BID: \$25.00

Increments of \$5.00 only!

Place Your Bid Today...

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - SILENT AUCTION 2026



EVERGE
VORTEX™ GAMING CHAIR
BONDED LEATHER SEATING SURFACES

VALUE: \$159.99

Gaming Chair

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STARTING BID: \$25.00
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BIDS ACCEPTED:
Sunday, April 26 through Sunday, June 28, 2026

Place Your Bid Today...

COMPUTER/DESK CHAIR

(Rutherford Manager Chair)

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BIDS ACCEPTED:
Sunday, April 26 through Sunday, June 28, 2026

STARTING BID: \$25.00

Increments of \$5.00 only!



Place Your Bid Today...

VALUE: 109.99

Rutherford Manager Chair

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Easter at the Church of the Holy Spirit



MAUNDY THURSDAY



GOOD FRIDAY





EASTER SUNDAY

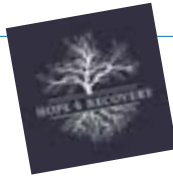








▶ ANOTHER DINNER AT THE HOPE4RECOVERY HOUSE



The Ocean Cluster of churches continues to take dinner to the Hope4Recovery (H4R) House once a month. On Sunday, April 19, we joined residents of the H4R House for another plentiful and delicious dinner and good conversation.

If you would like more information or to be involved, contact Jackie Carey at 443.735.4275.

(Photo below is of volunteers, NOT residents.)



The Gears Are Turning....

At Counter Clox!

Friday, May 15, 2026 • 5 - 7 p.m.

COUNTER CLOX • 104 N. Main St., Berlin, MD



Remember the song from "Camelot": "Tra la, it's May, the lovely month of May"? Well, it's the lovely month of May and the Ocean Cluster of churches is planning another outing. We've been going, as you might know, to Windmill Creek Winery and Farm Kitchen, which has been a lot of fun. But it's been so popular, we've about outgrown the space. Last time, 26 people showed up; at least five who normally come couldn't, and had they been able to, we'd have been sitting on each other's laps. So we're going to try a new venue. **CounterClox in Berlin has graciously agreed to host us on May 15 from 5 to 7 p.m.** For those of you who aren't familiar, it's on Main Street. In a past life (a very past life!), it was Berlin Hardware. It's been several other restaurants over the course of its transformation, and now it's CounterClox. An added bonus: The lady who runs it is also the lady who spearheads Homes4Hope, of which Hope4Recovery is a part. In case you've forgotten, **Hope4Recovery is a residential treatment facility for men in recovery from addiction.** The local Episcopal churches have supported this ministry for several years by bringing dinner to the residents monthly.

If you are interested in being part of this project or just want more information, call Jackie at 443.735.4275. And in any case, we'll see you on May 15!



CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT
100TH STREET, COASTAL HWY, OCEAN CITY MD 21842

OUR LOT IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC PARKING



Scan to Park
Park in our lot.
Point your phone camera at the QR code and follow the instructions. That's it!

No app required • Quick and easy payment • Safe and secure

HELP SPREAD THE WORD

*"Looking for a good place to park?
The Church of the Holy Spirit Welcomes You!
Tell a friend."*

Every person who parks here, helps support our church community.

Thank you for sharing!

Share The Good News:

- Facebook
- NextDoor
- Reddit
- Neighborhood groups
- Local event pages
- With friends and neighbors





► **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, **reach out to Melanie Konoski at 443.497.2163**. Also, if any parishioner would like to provide transportation to and from church each Sunday, please contact Melanie Konoski.



JOIN US AT THE **JUNE 19** BALL GAME

Let's do it in style!

ONLY 25 SEATS AVAILABLE.
First come - First serve! No exceptions.



- WHO:** Church of the Holy Spirit
- WHEN:** June 19, 2026
- WHERE:** Arthur W. Perdue Stadium
6400 Hobbs Road, Salisbury, Maryland 21804
- WHAT:** **Luxury Suite Night with the Shorebirds!**
DELMARVA Shorebirds vs. Myrtle Beach Pelicans
- DOORS OPEN:** 6:05 p.m.
- GAME TIME:** 7:05 p.m.
- TRANSPORTATION:** On Your Own or Share A Ride
- COST:** \$40*
- SIGNUP:** Contact the Church Office at 410.723.1973 or ask a Vestry Member
- PAYMENT:** **All payments are due by May 10, 2026**
Make checks out to "Church of the Holy Spirit"



***Our Shorebirds Luxury Suite includes:**

- Fully Furnished Suite with Television
- Private Restroom
- Limited Refreshments Included
- Balcony Seating with Padded Seat Bottoms
- Inside Window Seats
- 10 Lot A Parking Passes (please share your ride)
- Heating & Air Conditioning
- Group Welcome on Videoboard
- Fireworks

Same price for every attendee - no discounts.





YOUR SCHEDULE FOR MAY



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

USHERS/GREETERS

03	Jackie Carey	Ann Dougherty & Diane Frombach
10	Jackie Carey	Marena & Melanie Konoski
17	Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey	Phyllis Brian & Melanie Konoski
24	Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey	John Frombach & Marena Konoski
31	Jackie Carey	John Frombach & Monica Martin

LECTORS

03	Jackie Carey	Kate Hemming
10	Jackie Carey	Alex DeSilver
17	Tom DiGirolamo	Melanie Konoski
24	Jane DiGirolamo	Marena Konoski
31	Jackie Carey	John Frombach

ACOLYTES

03	Jackie Carey	Melanie Konoski
10	Jackie Carey	John Frombach
17	Tom DiGirolamo	Marena Konoski
24	Jackie Carey	Monica Martin
31	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach

CHALICE BEARER

03	Jackie Carey	Melanie Konoski
10	Jackie Carey	John Frombach
17	Jackie Carey	Marena Konoski
24	Jackie Carey	Monica Martin
31	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR MORNING PRAYER/HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE

31	Jackie Carey	Monica Martin
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ALTAR GUILD

03	Sue Flaherty & Diane Frombach
10	Sue Flaherty & Monica Martin
17	Jane DiGirolamo & Barbara Wachter
24	Diane Frombach & Monica Martin
31	Jane DiGirolamo & Barbara Wachter

COUNTERS

03	Ann Dougherty & Claudia Quemore
10	Sue Flaherty & Melanie Konoski
17	Sue Flaherty & Barbara Wachter
24	Melanie Konoski & Claudia Quemore
31	Rudy Brevard & Sue Flaherty

COFFEE HOUR

03	Pancake Breakfast
10	Diane Frombach
17	Monica Martin
24	Diane Frombach
31	Marena & Melanie Konoski

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.





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 MARINA CONDO MEETING 10 a.m. -12 p.m. 2
3 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. PANCAKE BREAKFAST after 10 a.m. Service	4	5 CINCO DE MAYO	6 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	7 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	8	9
10 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. MOTHER'S DAY	11 VESTRY MEETING 7 p.m.	12	13 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	14 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	15 COUNTERCLOX GATHERING 5 - 7 p.m.	16
17 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m. HOPE4RECOVERY 4 p.m.	18	19	20 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	21 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	22 JUNE DOVE Content Deadline	23 SAILS ONE CONDO MEETING 10 a.m. -12:30 p.m.
24 EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.	25 Memorial Day	26 CLUSTER MEETING - 1 p.m. St. Pauls Episcopal Church, Berlin	27 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	28 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	29	30
31 MORNING PRAYER/HOLY EUCHARIST SERVICE 8 & 10 a.m.						

▶ SHOUT OUT TO ALL WHO SEND PHOTOGRAPHS
 Thank You! Your photos and your efforts to improve this newsletter are highly appreciated. Just please keep in mind that not all can be included to avoid duplication and overload. You are wonderful!

OCEAN CITY 2026

- 05/01 MAY FIRST FRIDAY
- 05/10 MID-ATLANTIC SYMPHONY
- 05/15, 22, 29 FAMILY MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE PARK
- 05/16 HISTORY & HYMNS
- 05/26 LITTLE FEAT: THE LAST FAREWELL TOUR
- 05/28 - 31 OCEAN CITY JEEP WEEK



WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS MAY 2026

- 05/19 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting
- 05/25 ALL DAY Schools/Offices Closed

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

MORE INFO ABOUT THESE EVENTS, CLICK [HERE](#)





About Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo (Spanish for 'Fifth of May') is an annual celebration held on May 5 to celebrate Mexico's victory over the Second French Empire at the Battle of Puebla in 1862, led by General Ignacio Zaragoza. Zaragoza died months after the battle from an illness, however, and a larger French force ultimately defeated the Mexican army at the Second Battle of Puebla and then occupied Mexico City. Following the end of the American Civil War in 1865, the United States began lending money and guns to the Mexican Liberals, pushing France and Mexican Conservatives to the edge of defeat. At the opening of the French chambers in January 1866, Napoleon III announced that he would withdraw French troops from Mexico. In reply to a French request for American neutrality, the American secretary of state William H. Seward replied that French withdrawal from Mexico should be unconditional.



More popular in the United States than in Mexico, Cinco de Mayo has become associated with the celebration of Mexican-American culture. Celebrations began in Columbia, California, where they have been observed annually since 1862. The day gained nationwide popularity beyond those of Mexican-American heritage in the 1980s due to advertising campaigns by beer, wine, and tequila companies; today, Cinco de Mayo generates beer sales on par with the Super Bowl. In Mexico, the commemoration of the battle continues to be mostly ceremonial, such as through military parades or battle reenactments. The city of Puebla marks the event with various festivals and reenactments of the battle.

Cinco de Mayo is sometimes mistaken for Mexican Independence Day—the most important national holiday in Mexico—which is celebrated on September 16, commemorating the Grito de Dolores ("Cry of Dolores") in 1810, that initiated the Mexican War of Independence from Spain. Cinco de Mayo has been referenced and featured in entertainment media, and has become an increasingly global celebration of Mexican culture, cuisine, and heritage.

EVENTS BEFORE THE BATTLE OF PUEBLA

Cinco de Mayo has its roots in the second French intervention in Mexico, which took place in the aftermath of the 1846–48 Mexican–American War and the 1858–61 Reform War. The Reform War was a civil war that pitted Liberals (who believed in separation of church and state and freedom of religion) against Conservatives (who favored a tight bond between the Catholic Church and the Mexican state). These wars nearly bankrupted the Mexican Treasury. On July 17, 1861, Mexican President Benito Juárez issued a moratorium in which all foreign debt payments would be suspended for two years. In response, France, Spain, and the United Kingdom held a convention in London and joined in alliance to send naval forces to Veracruz to demand reimbursement. France, at the time ruled by Napoleon III, decided to use the opportunity to establish an empire in Mexico that would favor French interests, whereupon Britain and Spain negotiated with Mexico and peacefully withdrew. The empire was part of an envisioned "Latin America" (term used to imply cultural kinship of the region with France) that would rebuild French influence in the American continent and exclude Anglophone American territories.



For more information, click [here](#).





About Mother's Day

Mother's Day is a celebration honoring the mother of the family or individual, as well as motherhood, maternal bonds, and the influence of mothers in society. It is celebrated on different days in many parts of the world, most commonly in March or May. It complements similar celebrations honoring family members, such as Father's Day, Siblings Day, and Grandparents' Day.

Countries around the world have a multi-century history of a day to celebrate mothers.

In the United States, the modern version of the holiday began in the early 20th century at the initiative of Anna Jarvis. She organized the first Mother's Day service of worship and celebration at Andrews Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, West Virginia, which serves as the International Mother's Day Shrine today. It is not directly related to the many traditional celebrations of mothers and motherhood that have existed throughout the world over thousands of years, such as the Greek cult to Cybele, the mother deity Rhea, the Roman festival of Hilaria, or the other Christian ecclesiastical Mothering Sunday celebration (associated with the image of Mother Church). However, in some countries, Mother's Day is still synonymous with these older traditions.

For more information, click [here](#).

About Memorial Day

Memorial Day is a federal holiday in the United States for mourning the U.S. military personnel who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. It is observed on the last Monday of May. It is also considered to be the unofficial beginning of summer.

Memorial Day is a time for visiting cemeteries and memorials to mourn the military personnel who died in the line of duty. Volunteers will place American flags on the graves of those military personnel in national cemeteries.



The first national observance of what would become Memorial Day occurred on May 30, 1868. Then known as Decoration Day, the holiday was proclaimed by Commander-in-Chief John A. Logan of the Grand Army of the Republic – a fraternal organization of veterans – to honor Union soldiers who had died in the American Civil War. This national observance followed the example of many local observances which were begun between the end of the Civil War and Logan's declaration. Many cities and people have claimed to be the first to observe it; however, the National Cemetery Administration, a division of the Department of Veterans Affairs, credits Mary Ann Williams of the Ladies Memorial Association of Columbus, Georgia with originating the idea of an annual date to decorate the graves of Civil War veterans with flowers.

Official recognition as a holiday spread among the states, beginning with New York in 1873. By 1890, every union state had adopted it. The world wars turned it into a day of remembrance for all members of the U.S. military who fought and died in service. In 1968, Congress changed its observance to the last Monday in May, and in 1971 standardized its name as "Memorial Day." Two other days celebrate those who have served or are serving in the U.S. military: Armed Forces Day, which is earlier in May, a ceremonial U.S. day of commemoration for honoring those currently serving in the armed forces, and Veterans Day on November 11, a legal holiday which honors all those who have served in the United States Armed Forces.

For more information, click [here](#).





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.
September	2023	Reverend Alisha M. King joins Reverend Joseph Michael Rushton as Deacon-In-Residence and serves until November 2025.
February	2025	Father Joseph Rushton retires and Father Carl Mosley is appointed Priest-In-Charge.



THE DOVE



SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the June 2026 issue of "THE DOVE" is Friday, May 22, 2026.

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**.

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!

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8 a.m.

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

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The Right Reverend James J. Shand, *Assisting Bishop of Easton*
The Reverend Carl E. Mosley, *Priest-In-Charge*
Andy E. Diaz Reyes, *Lay Latino Pastor*
Bonnie Rease, *Parish Administrator*
Monica Martin, *Senior Warden* • John Frombach, *Junior Warden*
Kathy Elmer, *Sunday School* • Tim DeSilver, *Music Minister*



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