A newsletter from us for all of you.

THE DOVE

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

July 2026

You missed it!
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FOR OUR COUNTRY

"1892 Book of Common Prayer"

Almighty God, who hast given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of thy favor and glad to do thy will.

Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues.

Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in thy Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to thy law, we may show forth thy praise among the nations of the earth.

In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble, suffer not our trust in thee to fail; all which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

▶YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Lee lives in a condo here in Ocean City and she has to move out for nine months. Work will be done on the exterior of the whole building, however Lee has to continue paying her condo expenses. She is seeking help through possibly house sitting for anyone who is interested - trying to minimize additional living costs.

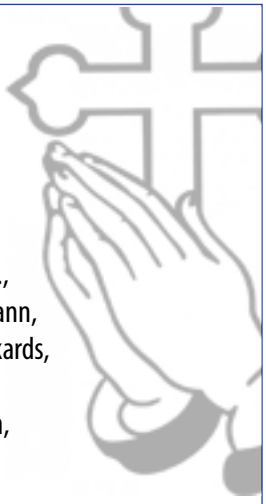
Lee has to be out of her appartment from October 9, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Her insurance will not cover any relocation costs and has cancelled her contract.

If you feel it in your heart and have the means/space to help, please call Lee Wilford at 410.458.0743.

SOAR LIKE AN EAGLE (Inspiring Short Story About Life *Link*)

Did you know that an eagle can foresee when a storm is approaching long before it breaks?
Instead of hiding, the eagle will fly to some high point and wait for the winds to come.
When the storm hits, it sets its wings so that the wind can pick it up and lift it above the storm.
While the storm rages below, the eagle soars above it.
The eagle does not escape or hide from the storm; instead, it uses the storm to lift it higher.
It rises on the stormy winds which others dread.
When the storm of life or challenges hits us, we can rise above them and soar like the eagle that rides the storm's winds.
Don't be afraid of the storms or the challenges in your life.
Use it to lift you higher in your life.

PARISH PRAYER LIST



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

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

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY: Caden Latchaw, Matthew Hippas, George Postell, Dawn Streeks, Terry, Harry E., Susan Penn, Irene Toth, Frederick, Beau Pusey, Bonnie H., Nicole, Sharon Trezise, Andi Mangels, Shelia, Leann, David, Gene, Faye Graham, Harry Spahn, Teresa, Anne Siddoway, Steve, 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.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

03 Rochelle Desimone
03 Bonnie Rease
07 Nato Vidal
10 Lee Evans
12 Lloyd Martin
14 Cris Rattay
19 Candy Mitchell
21 Marena Konoski
21 Kay Saxon
28 Skip Carey
30 Terry Moody

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

01 Nancy & John Veldhuis

For missed birthdays or anniversarys, 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

JULY 2026

07/15	Berlin Beer Company	5 - 7 p.m .
07/19	HOPE4RECOVERY	4 p.m.
07/27	Quarter Auction	
	Doors Open at	5:30 p.m.
	Auction Begins at	7 p.m.

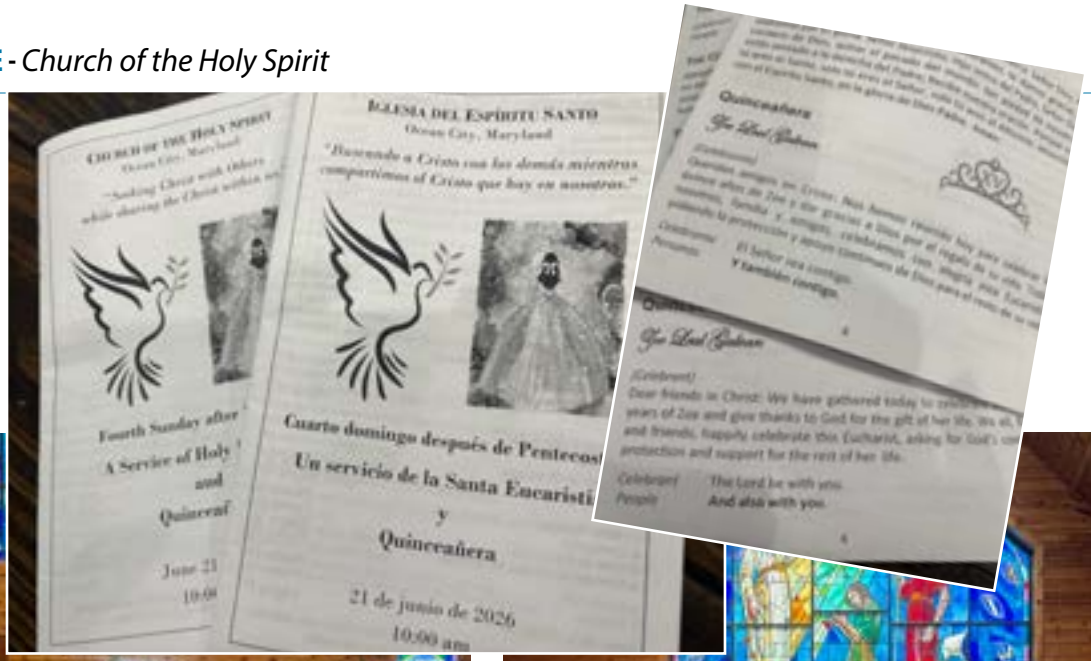
SAVE THESE DATES FOR AUGUST & SEPTEMBER

08/11	Cluster Meeting	1 p.m.
	St. Paul's, Berlin	
09/13	Crab & Chicken Feast	2 - 5 p.m.
09/13 - 10/04	Non-Perishable Items For H4R	
09/22	Bus Trip to National Cathedral	
	Washington, D.C.	
	Contact St. Paul's Berlin at 410.641.4066	

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.


IGLESIA DEL ESPÍRITU SANTO
Ocean City, Maryland
"Buscando a Cristo con los demás mientras compartimos el Cristo que hay en nosotros."
Cuarto domingo después de Pentecos
Un servicio de la Santa Eucaristi
y
Quinceañera
21 de junio de 2026
Quinceañera
Dear friends in Christ: We have gathered today to
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

▶CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SILENT AUCTION WINNERS

Here are the highest bidders:

1. GAMING CHAIR:	**Sue Flaherty**	**$60**
2. DESK CHAIR:	**Father Carl Mosley**	**$75**
3. SAMSONITE TRAVEL CASE:	**Karen Russo**	**$250**

Thank you Katie Coffman for coordinating this fundraiser.

▶OUTREACH NEWS *(Sue Flaherty)*

I would like to thank everyone who participated in our food drive during the month of May. Non-perishable foods and a gift card were collected during our "Adopt a Family for Mother's Day" program. These were given to a local family with two teenagers in need of temporary assistance. The family was very appreciative. Thank you for your generosity!

▶THE 3-YEAR-OLD CHURCH PRESENTATION, often called Las Presentaciones, is a cherished Hispanic and Catholic tradition. It honors the presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the temple at age three. Families bring their child to the altar for a special blessing, expressing gratitude for the child's life and seeking divine protection.

"Quick Pix"

▶EARLY BIRDS

Good to see the young, the younger, and the youngest!

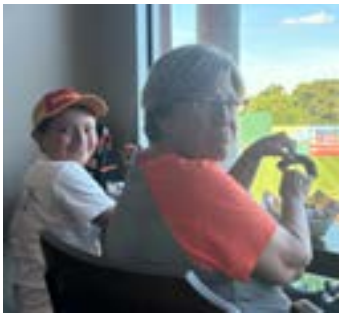
▶AFTER THE H4R DINNER

Guess who is missing ...? Guess who took a long afternoon nap ...?

WHAT A BLAST!

A huge thank you to all Church of the Holy Spirit friends who attended the June 19 baseball game at the Arthur W. Perdue Stadium - DELMARVA Shorebirds vs. the Myrtle Beach Pelicans.

Just like last year, we enjoyed the company, the food, and all the little extras the evening had to offer. And yes - the Shorebirds won again!



Prost! Berlin Beer Company

Cool down with friends!

The Berlin Beer Company is a local craft brewery located in the heart of historic Berlin, Maryland. They pride themselves in bringing together friends, families, and neighbors, through their passion for crafting the highest quality beer and experiences possible.

Since we enjoy each others' company while sharing food, beverages (beer, wine, ...), and conversations, we thought this may be a great new location for another gathering. So get out of the heat and let's have fun!

Wednesday, July 15, 2026
5 - 7 p.m.

BERLIN BEER COMPANY
115 Broad Street, Berlin, MD 21811

You don't need to pre-register to attend, but if you could let Jackie know that you are thinking of it, it would help with planning. And if you decide at the last minute to join us, that's perfectly fine.

For more information, or to say you'll come, call Jackie at 443.735.4275.

▶SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED

We will be providing backpacks filled with school supplies to area students through Worcester G.O.L.D.'s (Giving Other Lives Dignity) **"School Supplies for Students"** program.

Once we receive the names of our sponsored students, as well as their school and grade-level specific supply lists, we will post cards with items requested at church. If you choose one or more lists, please shop for the items and return them to the church.

Be on the lookout for the drop-off date.

We would like to get the items into the hands of the students before school starts on August 31, 2026.

You are also welcome to contribute by **cash or check**. Donations can be mailed to the church or placed in the collection plate on Sunday mornings. Please be sure to label your check or envelope with "School Supplies."

If you have any questions, please text or call Sue Flaherty at 410.430.2100.

▶PARKING LOT UPDATE

Summer is here and we have seen an increase of people paying to park. Remember **there is NO CHARGE to park while attending church-related services/events at the Church of the Holy Spirit.**

We encourage members to use the "No Parking" spaces. These were intended to be left open for members. Also, if the lot is filling up, consider leaving spots closer to church for people with physical challenges.

For questions, speak with Katie Coffman, Terry Moody, Monica Martin, Sue Flaherty, or Father Carl.

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!

▶ 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.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT QUARTER AUCTION

Something Different And Fun - Join Us!

WHEN: **Monday, July 27, 2026**

WHERE: **Church of the Holy Spirit**
10001 Coastal Highway • Ocean City, Maryland 21842

TIME: **Doors open at 5:30 p.m.**
Auction starts at 7 p.m.

FOOD: **Available for purchase** *(gluten-free options available)*

TICKETS: **$12** *(including a paddle)*
Additional paddles are $2 each, or three for $5.
(They are limited, so get yours now.)
"All-in" paddle for $45 available.

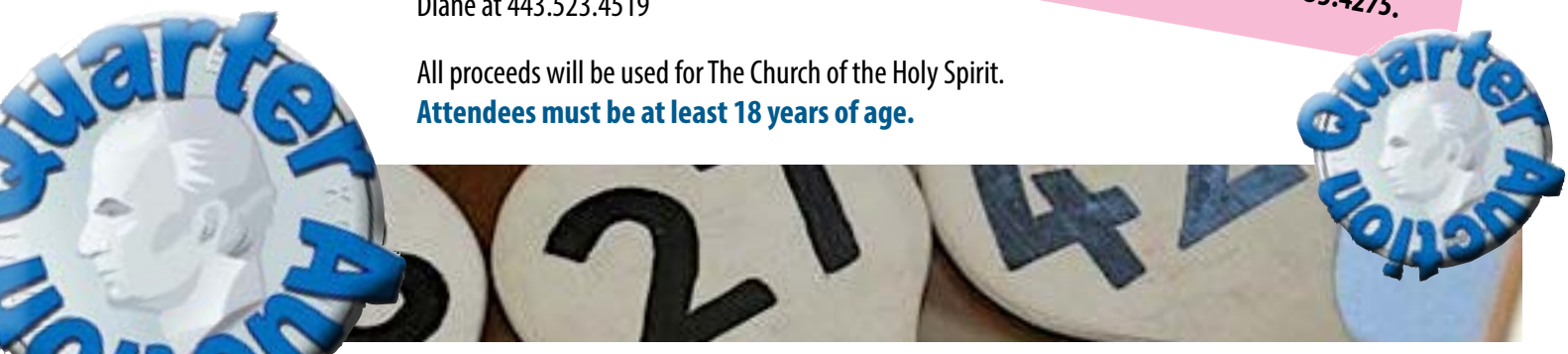
CONTACT: Jackie at 443.735.4275
Diane at 443.523.4519

All proceeds will be used for The Church of the Holy Spirit.
Attendees must be at least 18 years of age.

YOU WANT TO CONTRIBUTE?

Please do! **New or in like-new condition - we'd love to have it for the quarter auction!** If you'd like to do something but can't think of what (besides attending and bidding on prizes!), **we always welcome monetary donations. Please bring your contribution(s) before July 5.**

And if making desserts is your thing, we ask that **desserts be finger food** (cupcakes, brownies, cookies, etc.; please **NO** pies or cakes, they're too messy) and are packaged and ready to go. Questions? **Ask Jackie at 443.735.4275.**



SPLASH WITH THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

SILENT AUCTION FOR PRIVATE POOL PARTY

(The party includes 2 hours of private use of the pool for 50 guests with 3 life guards! Scheduling required before the date of your private party.)

Ocean Pines Indoor Pool
located at the South Gate
in Ocean Pines on Cathell Road

BIDS OPEN:

Sunday, August 2, 2026

BIDS CLOSE:

Sunday, August 30, 2026
(The Winning Bidder Will Be Notified August 30.)

STARTING BID:

- **$150**

(Value of Pool Party: $415)

INCREMENTS OF:

- **$10**

You can contact Katie Coffman at 301.641.2079 with questions.

Church Of The Holy Spirit Crab & Chicken Feast

(Limited tickets available at the door.)

DATE: **Sunday, September 13, 2026**

TIME: **2 - 5 p.m.**

TICKET SALE STARTS AUGUST 1

WHERE: **The Church of the Holy Spirit**
10001 Coastal Highway
Ocean City, Maryland 21842

COST: **$55** (Adults)
$20 (Children 6 - 12)
Free (Children 6 & under)

DINE IN: Includes crabs, fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, desserts, & drinks.
(Please bring your own mallets!)

CARRY OUT: Includes 6 crabs, 2 pieces of fried chicken, corn on the cob, hush puppies, drink, & dessert.

Crabs are medium-large to large from Rippon's Seafood and the fried chicken is provided by Higgins Crab House.

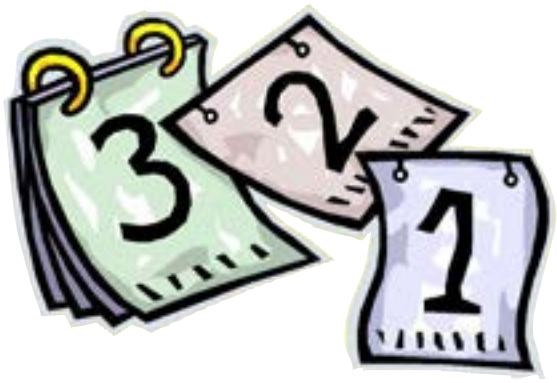
CHANCE AUCTION & 50/50 RAFFLE

TICKETS: **Contact Monica at 443.235.8942 or purchase at 8 and 10 a.m. services.**

PROCEEDS: Benefit The Church of the Holy Spirit & Outreach Programs.

REFUNDS: Provided only in the event we need to cancel the crab feast.

YOUR SCHEDULE FOR JULY



	8 a.m.	10 a.m.

USHERS/GREETERS

05	Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey	Pat Panuska
12	Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey	Ann & Joe Dougherty
19	Birgitt Brevard & Jackie Carey	Marena & Melanie Konoski
26	Jackie Carey	Ann & Joe Dougherty

LECTORS

05	Birgitt Brevard	Alex DeSilver
12	Birgitt Brevard	None (Baptism, no Lectors needed)
19	Tom DiGirolamo	Rosie Hemming
26	Jane DiGirolamo	Tim DeSilver

ACOLYTES

05	Jackie Carey	Marena Konoski
12	Jackie Carey	Melanie Konosi
19	Tom DiGirolamo	John Frombach
26	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach

CHALICE BEARER

05	Jackie Carey	Marena Konoski
12	Jackie Carey	Melanie Konosi
19	Jackie Carey	John Frombach
26	Jackie Carey	Diane Frombach

ALTAR GUILD

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

COUNTERS

05	Rudy Brevard & Sue Flaherty
12	Ann Dougherty & Barbara Wachter
19	Rudy Brevard & Melanie Konoski
26	Ann Dougherty & Claudia Quemore

COFFEE HOUR

05	Monica Martin
12	Marena Konoski
19	Diane Frombach
26	Marti McNiff & Suzi Windemuth

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.

July

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.	3	4
5 **EUCHARIST 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 **EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.**	13	14	15 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m. BERLIN BEER COMPANY - 5 - 7 p.m.	16 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	17	18
19 **EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.** HOPE4RECOVERY - 4 p.m.	20	21	22 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m. AUGUST DOVE Content Deadline	23 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	24	25
26 **EUCHARIST 8 & 10 a.m.**	27 QUARTER AUCTION Doors Open: 5:30 p.m. Auction: 7 p.m.	28	29 AA MEETING Parish Hall 6 p.m.	30 AA MEETING Parish Hall 7 p.m.	31	1

▶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

07/04	4TH OF JULY FIREWORKS N. DIVISION STREET BEACH FIREWORKS AT NORTHSIDE PARK
07/04, 11, 18, 25	FREE KIDS CRAFT SATURDAYS
07/05, 12, 19, 26	SUNDAES IN THE PARK WITH FIREWORKS
07/09, 16, 23, 30	SUNSET PARK PARTY NIGHTS
07/09, 16, 23, 30	THURSDAY NIGHT FIREWORKS

MORE INFO ABOUT THESE EVENTS, CLICK HERE

WORCESTER COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS JULY 2026

07/02	ALL DAY	**Schools & Offices Closed: INDEPENDENCE DAY (Observed)**
07/14	10:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.	**Board of Education Meeting**
08/31	ALL DAY	**First Day of the New School Year**

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

About the 4th of July

Independence Day, in the United States, the annual celebration of nationhood held on July 4. It commemorates the passage of the Declaration of Independence by the Continental Congress on July 4, 1776. This document announced the separation of the 13 North American colonies from Great Britain. In 1870 the U.S. Congress made Independence Day an unpaid holiday for federal workers, and in 1938 it became a paid federal holiday. Also called the Fourth of July, the holiday is celebrated across the United States with parades, fireworks shows, picnics, concerts, and other festivities. Independence Day is also notable for its displays of patriotism, as many Americans commemorate the day by flying the American flag and dressing in the flag's colors of red, white, and blue.

THE HISTORY

The Continental Congress had voted in favor of independence from Great Britain on July 2 but did not actually complete the process of revising the Declaration of Independence—originally drafted by Thomas Jefferson in consultation with fellow committee members John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Roger Sherman, and William Livingston—until two days later. The celebration of the declaration's completion was initially modeled on that of the British king's birthday, which had been marked annually by bell ringing, bonfires, solemn processions, and oratory. Such festivals had long played a significant role in the Anglo-American political tradition. Especially in the 17th and 18th centuries, when dynastic and religious controversies racked the British Empire (and much of the rest of Europe), the choice of which anniversaries of historic events were celebrated and which were lamented had clear political meanings. The ritual of toasting the king and other patriot-heroes—or of criticizing them—became an informal kind of political speech. This was formalized in the mid-18th century, when the toasts given at taverns and banquets began to be printed in newspapers.

In the early stages of the revolutionary movement in the colonies, during the 1760s and early '70s, patriots used such celebrations to proclaim their resistance to the British Parliament's legislation while lauding King George III as the real defender of British liberties. However, in many American towns the marking of the first days of independence during the summer of 1776 took the form of a mock funeral for the king, whose "death" symbolized the end of monarchy and tyranny and the rebirth of liberty.

During the early years of the republic, Independence Day was commemorated with parades, oratory, and toasting in ceremonies that celebrated the existence of the new country. These rites played an equally important role in the evolving federal political system. With the rise of informal political parties, they provided venues for leaders and constituents to tie local and national contests to independence and the issues facing the national polity. By the mid-1790s the two nascent political parties were holding separate partisan Independence Day festivals in most larger towns. Perhaps for this reason, Independence Day became the model for a series of (often short-lived) celebrations that sometimes contained more-explicit political resonance, such as George Washington's birthday (February 22 but celebrated on the third Monday in February, or Presidents' Day) and the anniversary of Jefferson's inauguration as U.S. president (1801–09).

The bombastic torrent of words that characterized Independence Day during the 19th century made the holiday both a serious occasion and one sometimes open to ridicule—like the increasingly popular and democratic political process itself in that period. With the growth and diversification of American society, the Fourth of July commemoration became a patriotic tradition that many groups—not just political parties—sought to claim. Abolitionists, women's rights advocates, the temperance movement, and opponents of immigration (nativists) all seized the day and its observance—in the process, often declaring that they could not celebrate with the entire community while an un-American perversion of their rights prevailed.

With the rise of leisure, the Fourth of July emerged as a major midsummer holiday. The prevalence of heavy drinking and the many injuries caused by setting off fireworks prompted reformers of the late 19th and early 20th centuries to mount a Safe and Sane Fourth of July movement. Later in the 20th century Independence Day declined in importance as a venue for politics, although it remained a national holiday marked by parades, concerts of patriotic music, and fireworks displays. It continues to be a potent symbol of national power and of specifically American qualities—even the freedom to stay at home and barbecue.

NOTABLE CELEBRATIONS

The first organized Independence Day celebrations were held in Philadelphia and Boston in 1777. In Philadelphia the festivities included fireworks and bell ringing. In honor of the 13 colonies, a fleet of ships fired 13-cannon salutes, and a cannon was fired from each of 13 galleys. In Boston the day was celebrated with fireworks and shells fired over the city's commons.

In the 21st century both cities continue to host annual Fourth of July celebrations that also focus on their ties to the history of the American Revolution, including performances by military bands and events held at important sites. In Boston the USS Constitution—a warship that was launched in the city in 1797—is sailed around Boston Harbor and fires a 21-gun salute.

In Williamsburg, Virginia, where the Virginia Convention had passed resolutions on May 15, 1776, urging the Continental Congress to declare American independence from Britain, the celebrations include a public reading of the Declaration of Independence, marching bands, and sing-alongs of patriotic songs. In Washington, D.C., the U.S. capital, the holiday is marked with free concerts and a fireworks display over the National Mall.

FOURTH OF JULY TRADITIONS

Parades and fireworks are typically the most popular ways that Americans commemorate Independence Day. Alameda, California, is believed to have the longest Independence Day parade route in the country, at 3.3 miles (5.3 km) long. Many communities also host carnivals and concerts featuring local entertainment or military bands performing patriotic tunes. The American flag is ubiquitous on the Fourth of July, as many Americans like to display their patriotism by flying the flag outside their home and dressing in red, white, and blue. Parks, parade vehicles, and even pets are often festooned in patriotic decorations.

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 in1984.
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.

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SUBMISSIONS

The content deadline for the August 2026 issue of "THE DOVE" is Wednesday, July 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.**

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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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