

## April 2026



### Our Gathering

**April 9, 2026 11am**

**St. Edmond Church**

#### Schedule

- ❖ Mass
- ❖ Lunch (in the church hall basement)
- ❖ Business Matters
- ❖ On-Going Formation – Divine Mercy with Kathleen Murphy
- ❖ Evening Prayer

### EVENING PRAYER

April 2026

(Please remember to bring your **Christian Prayer** book, your **Liturgy of the Hours Vol. 2**, or your cell phone to use the Divine Office app for Evening Prayer as we are making an effort to cut down on paper use. Thank you!)

#### Evening Prayer

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

1 vol. Page 429 (antiphons, psalms & canticle)

Page 444 (reading, etc.)

(Vol. II) 4 vol. Page 531 (antiphons, psalms & canticle) Page 603 reading, etc.)

Hymn: At the Lamb's High Feast

1 vol. Page 1556 #116

4 vol. Page 540

Presider: Nela Wintjen

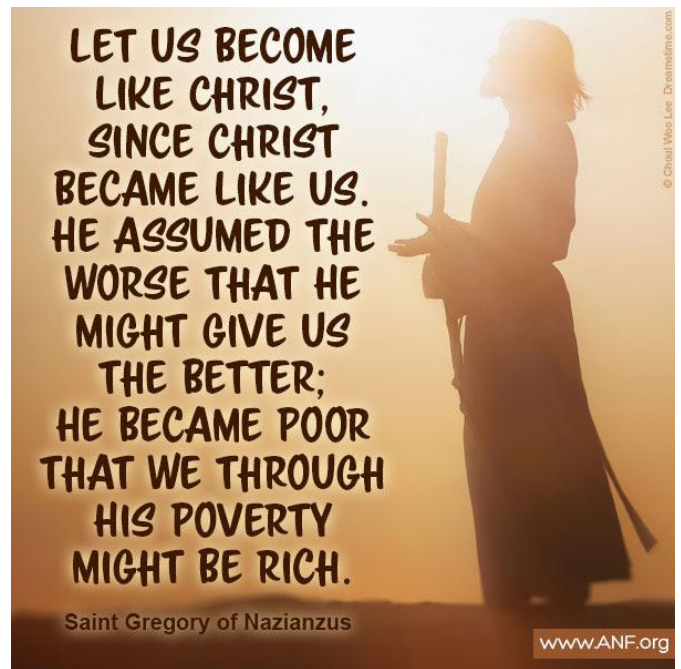
Antiphonarian: Diane Zell

Reader: Tom Carter

#### 2026 Theme

Preach the Gospel at all times,  
and when necessary, use words.

### Minister's Message



*Easter is a season of profound transformation, a time when the old gives way to the new and the broken is made whole. It is a reminder that God's power is made perfect in weakness, and that His grace is sufficient for all our needs.*

**- Saint Faustina Kowalska**

**May God Bless our Fraternity abundantly.  
Happy Easter. Kathleen**

Please bring your Rosary to our gathering,  
as we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy  
as part of our formation this month.

## Formation, Formation, FORMATION!

But I trust in you, oh Lord; I say: "You are my God." -  
Psalm 31:14

Trusting Me is a moment-by-moment choice. After I performed miracles in the wilderness, my chosen people trusted Me completely, but only for a while and the grumbling soon began, as things became difficult.

Isn't it the same with us? We trust when things go well. When things go wrong, our trust-flow slows down. We either do continue to trust...or rebel, resenting Your way. We are free to do either. Choosing to trust, or not, is a huge fork in the road.

Stay on the path of Life with Me, enjoying My presence. Trust Me in all circumstances.

"Jesus I trust in You." (St Maria Faustina Kowalska).

"Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they traveled in the desert without finding water. When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. ( That is why the place is called Marah.).

So the people grumbled against Moses, saying " What are we to drink?" Then Moses cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became sweet. There the Lord made a decree and a law for them, and there He tested them. (Exodus 15: 22-25)

But I trust in You, Lord; I say, " You are my God.  
(Psalm 31:14).

"Jesus I trust in You." ( St Faustina)

### Shepherd's Office

Shepherd's Office is in need of these items  
this month:

**Deodorant**

**Lip balm**

**Protein bars**

**Granola bars**

**Fruit cups**

**Women's underwear ( panties and bras, all  
sizes)...new, please**

\$10 Gift cards to McDonalds OR Burger King  
are always welcome!

**Remember doing small things with great love  
is pleasing to Our Lord.**

### **April Birthdays**

Andrea Lipchak	4/4
Beverly Stoner	4/6
Patty Derrick	4/15

### **May Birthdays**

Loretta Hanley	5/8
Carolyn Protin	5/13

### **April Professions**

Rhona Prescott	4/20/2010
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### **May Professions**

Pat DuBois	5/16/2004
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## **April Desserts**



Bev Stoner  
Elena Spitzer  
Sandy Paulen

**Pope Leo's Prayer Intention**  
**March 2026**

**For priests in crisis**

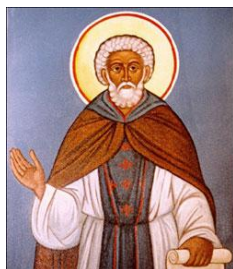
**Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.**



**Council Members**

**Minister: Kathleen Murphy 301-535-7011**  
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**Formation Dir: Rhona Prescott 302-864-7280**  
**Councilor: Tom Carter 302-344-1414**

**Franciscan Saint of the Month**



**St. Benedict the Moor – April 4**

**We pray for all our fraternal sisters and brothers and for the special intentions of:**

Fran Butler, ofs  
Bonnie Coté, ofs  
Nicole Meringolo, ofs  
Marilyn Butler Murphy  
Joe O'Neill, ofs  
Jim Mullen, ofs  
Judy Bennett, ofs  
Carolyn Protin, ofs  
Kathleen Murphy, ofs  
Rhona Prescott, ofs

**We pray for our deceased relatives and friends and especially:**

John Zell, ofs  
Mary Lou Zell, ofs  
Deacon Buddy Bianco, ofs  
Deacon Bob Leonzio  
Barbara Petrisko, ofs  
Bill Farrell, ofs  
Bill Walker, ofs  
Dee Matthews, ofs  
Laraine Hoffman, ofs  
Florence Bianco, ofs  
Celine Mallonee, ofs  
Alicia Bourne, ofs  
Fr. Ronald Pecci, ofm  
Lucy Deiaco, ofs  
Maury Robb, ofs  
Diane Barbacano, ofs  
Dick McCarthy, ofs  
Linda Sciallo, ofs  
Janice McCarthy, ofs



## Pennies & Nickels



### ***Thank you...***

for your continued support of our Common Fund.

Each month we donate:

**\$200. to Shepherd's Office in Georgetown, DE**

**\$50. to Nurses & Neighbors in Rehoboth, DE**

If you are unable to attend the gathering, send your donation check, payable to St. Clare Fraternity, to our temporary treasurer:

**Mary Ellen Tully  
32738 Harburg Dr.  
Lewes, DE 19958**

### Please remember ...

If work, health issues or significant family obligations hinder you from attending the gathering, please contact our vice minister, Pepper Tully  
973-809-2344  
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## Future Fraternity Gatherings

**2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month**

**Please make note!**

**2026**

**May 14<sup>th</sup>**

**June 11<sup>th</sup> (St. Jude)**

**July 9<sup>th</sup> (St. Jude)**

**August 13<sup>th</sup> (St. Jude)**

**September 10<sup>th</sup> (St. Jude)**

**October 8<sup>th</sup>**

**November 12<sup>th</sup>**

**December 10<sup>th</sup>**

## **One remaining Pilgrimage event at Capuchin College Saturday, May 9 – Adoration with Francis**

Jubilee Year of St. Francis of Assisi  
**PILGRIMAGE EVENTS  
SPRING 2026**

Saturday, February 14	Adoration with Francis
Saturday, March 21	Theological Reflection
Saturday, May 9	Adoration with Francis

**All events from 1:00 - 3:00pm**

- Plenary Indulgence for the Jubilee Year
- Veneration of Relics
- Confession
- Adoration

*"Hold back nothing of yourselves for yourselves, that He Who gives Himself totally to you may receive you totally!"  
Letter to the Entire Order, St. Francis*

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