

St. Joseph's Church

THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



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DEACON
Deacon Robert J. Cousar

Summer Office Hours Effective June 1, 2018

Tuesday - Thursday, 10 am - 3 pm

Parish Secretary: parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org

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Website: www.stjosephfrenchst.org

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday — 10:00 am Tuesday to Thursday — 12:10 pm

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm Holy days — As announced

The Church is open for Prayer & Meditation Tuesday—Friday from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

Confessions are heard on Saturday at 4:30 pm and by appointment.

Notary Services
Available
Upon Request.
See Loretta Young

MARRIAGE:

All couples contemplating marriage are asked to give the Pastor at least one year prior notice in order to satisfy all diocesan requirements for marriage.

All couples must attend either Pre-Cana Classes or make an Engaged Encounter.

BAPTISM:

Before a child is Baptized, the parents and Godparents must participate in a Pre-Baptismal program. Please call the Pastoral Center to make arrangements.

NEW PARISHIONERS:

Welcome! We encourage new families moving into the area to stop in or call the Pastoral Center and complete a parish registration form.

CARE OF THE SICK AND

HOMEBOUND: The Pastor, Deacon, and special ministers of Holy Communion will gladly bring Communion to anyone who is ill or otherwise unable to get to Mass. The Pastor and Deacon make regular visits to local hospitals. **Please notify the Parish Office if any parishioner is ill or hospitalized.**

CHANGE OF ADDRESS, EMAIL, TELEPHONE NUMBER: Contact the Parish Office if your personal contact information changes.

June 03, 2018

Most Holy Blood & Body of Christ

- ▶ CCD meets in Parish Center following center
- ▶ June 03 ~ Ladies Sodality Meeting — 8:45 am
- ▶ June 03 ~ Caribbean Mass & A Taste of the Islands
- ▶ June 09 ~ KPC Meeting in Parish Center, 10:00am
- ▶ June 10 ~ Baccalaureate Mass for graduates
- ▶ June 17 ~ Father's Day
- ▶ June 24 ~ Confirmation with Bishop Malooly
- ▶ June 24 ~ KPCLA Meeting in Blue Room, 12:30 pm
- ▶ August 05 ~Parish Picnic

THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." - Jn 6:51

Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses.

Thank you for your generosity!!!

Mass Intentions
June 02, 2018– June 10, 2018

Saturday, 06/02	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/03	10:00 AM	
Monday, 06/04	—	No Mass
Tuesday, 06/05	12:10 PM	
Wednesday, 06/06	12:10 PM	
Thursday, 06/07	12:10 PM	
Friday, 06/08	—	No Mass
Saturday, 06/09	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/10	10:00 AM	

PARISH STAFF	
Pastor:	Rev. Paul M. Williams, OFM
Deacon:	Robert J. Cousar
Parish Secretary:	Loretta L. Young
St. Vincent dePaul Society:	Fayetta Jackson
Director Religious Education:	Mary Polk

Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

“This is my body.” we hear in today’s Gospel. “This is my blood.” When we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, the sacrifice Jesus made of his own body and blood, the sacrifice we **are all invited to share, we receive the Body and Blood that are truly Christ’s own.** Then, nourished by his Body and Blood, we are called to go forth as the body of Christ, carrying forward his mission in the world today.

Fr. Paul

Parish Council Nominations

We are seeking four candidates that are willing to serve on parish council. The council is advisory to the pastor and helps coordinate activities and plan for the future. The parish council meets monthly on the third Wednesday. If you are willing to share your talent and a little time to build up the kingdom of God, please see Fr. Paul, any member of parish council or simply call the parish office.



Calling all Graduates

Please submit names of graduating high school seniors and college graduates to parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org. In addition to the baccalaureate mass on June 10, we would like to recognize all graduates by posting their names in the bulletin.

Parish Bus - May Schedule



DATE	DRIVER
Sunday, June 3	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, June 10	Vanel Fleury
Sunday, June 17	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, June 24	Daniel Mims

Question of the Week

Do I feel different after receiving the Body and Blood of Christ in the Eucharist? How can I take the Body of Christ that I receive in the Eucharist and make a difference in the what I say and do? How can I help build up the kingdom of God in the world?

Parish Council Meeting Highlights —Wednesday, May 16, 2018

Renovations Update: We have requested permission and Bishop Malooly has granted permission to formally begin the process for renovations to the fellowship hall. All improvements over \$25,000 requires approval by the Bishop. The next step is to submit our renovations package to the Building Committee for the Diocese. We plan to complete this step by the end of May. Afterwards the Diocesan Building Committee will meet with us and our architect. We have had a lot of no bids, because contractors are busy. **But we've had a few more contractors who looked at our project and we're expecting additional bids.**

Summer Schedule: No mass on Mondays and Fridays beginning June 1st and the office will be closed on Mondays and Fridays. beginning June 1.

Upcoming surgery: Fr. Paul will have his knee surgery on June 28 and will not return to the office until after labor day. We are seeking a Franciscan priest to cover during this time. The other option is to seek a diocesan priest. We may not have our weekday mass during this time. Fr. Paul will recuperate in the friars convalescent home in New Jersey.

Facebook: Council agreed to the development of a parish Facebook account that will be linked to our website and the Facebook account managed by Chuck Tarver.

Emmanuel Dining Room: Effective June 1st, the First Friday meals donated by the parish will be **supported by the Ladies Sodality and Knights of Peter Claver. The Ladies Auxiliary's participation is pending the organizations vote.**

Building Maintenance : We continue to experience leaks in the fellowship hall pipes, but we are still able to repair the leaking sections. Chair lift key was missing and we had to make copies from our spare key. We need to earnestly focus on de-cluttering and organizing closets and storage space prior to the start of fellowship hall renovations.

Parish Council Elections: Four positions are up for election and we will have elections prior to end of June.

CARIBBEAN MASS & A TASTE OF THE ISLANDS



Join us as we celebrate Heritage Month with a Caribbean themed Mass on Sunday, June 3rd at 10:00 AM. Then join us in our Fellowship Hall for a taste of food favorites, prepared by our parishioners from the islands.



SAVE THE DATE



Divided By Water



Together By Culture



"ATIBA" ON THE STEEL DRUM

QUILT RAFFLE NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRY
During the Month of May, raffle tickets for the "Bear Hunt" Quilt will be sold in the Church Hall after the 10 AM Mass. The tickets are \$3 each or 5 for \$10. Ticket sales will support Kateri Circle Members who will be attending Annual Tekakwitha Conferences. Winning Ticket drawn on September 30, 2018. Thank you for your support!

Cape Cod Bus Excursion

Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary St. Josephine Bakhita Court 383 is sponsoring a 5 day/4 night bus excursion to Cape Cod, Sept 10 -14, 2018. Please consider vacationing **with friends from the Diocese. It's an all inclusive trip with a total cost of \$800.** You can reserve your seat for only \$200. Contact Deborah Robinson, 302.494.5709 for more detail and to make your reservation.



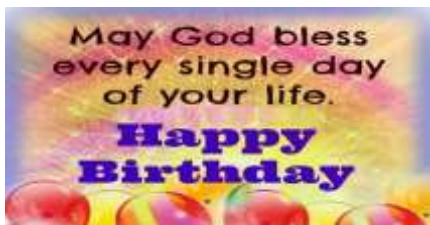
On Saturday May 19th nine young ladies of the Blessed Mother Junior Sodality attended the cooking school of Chef Joanne Delaversano. Joanne specializes and teaches Italian cooking classes. Ryan Toy provided chef aprons and caps for the young ladies.

The Young ladies made and decorated **cookies and cupcakes under Joanne's** direction. Also assisting Joanne was Rosina Rank and Nancy DeMenco. The girls were so excited — we may have future bakers from this group.

Happy Birthday!

June

Joan McLaughlin	02
Yareli Barranco	02
Jaeda Johnson	03
Donna May	04
Judy Gallagher	04
Stacey Lowery	05
Jerrold MacFarlane	07
Loretta Young	07
Rose Porter	08
Bernadette Winston	08
Mimose Fleury	09
Mich'ele Porter	10
Kymyr Tucker	10
Pamela Fletcher	12
Charmaine Doyle Horton	12
James Thomas	12
Danielle Simmonds	13
Judith Smith Brown	16
Fr. Paul Williams	16
David May, Jr.	17
Deidre Ann Robinson	17
Margaret Levesque	18
Earl MacFarlane	18
Nicholas Willis	18
Gavin McClain	20
Charmaine Doyle	21
Jenny Lynn Traynor	22
Charles Wing	23
Dylan Granger	24
Monique Mirabeau	25
Giavanna Cecere	26
London Louise Simmonds	26



Note: Apologies if your name does not appear on the birthday list. If this is the case, please call the parish office at 302.658.4535 or email the parish secretary at parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org Please include your

Liturgy Schedule June 2018

Saturday, June 02, 5:00 p.m.

Herb Sterling ~ Lector
Debbie Sterling ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 03, 10:00 am

Jalyn Walker ~ Altar Server
Denise Scales ~ Greeter
Stephanie Bolden ~ Lector
Gail Rando ~ Lector 2
John Rando ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
Jed Donahue ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister



Saturday, June 09, 5:00 p.m.

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector
Denise Scales ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 10, 10:00 am—Happy Mother's Day!

Ramaj Gray ~ Altar Server
Fayetta Jackson ~ Greeter
Geraldine Cochran ~ Lector
J. Hilton ~ Lector 2
Marie Cousar ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
Barbara Pulliam ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 16, 5:00 p.m.

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 17, 10:00 am

Jamia Walker ~ Altar Servers
Deirdre Ann Robinson ~ Greeter
Judy Gallagher ~ Lector 1
David Fisher ~ Lector 2
Janice Jolly ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
Denise McIntyre ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 23, 5:00 p.m.

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 24, 10:00 am

DaViona Perrigon ~ Altar Server
Janice Jolly ~ Greeter
Herb Sterling ~ Lector
William Ray ~ Lector 2
Debbie Sterling ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
To Be Determined ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 30, 5:00 p.m.

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

Parish Leadership

Parish Council is advisory to the pastor on matters of the church such as the mass schedule, improvements to the building, parish social life, etc. The Council meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm and all parishioners are invited. **Parish Council does not meet in June, July, August or December. The next meeting is April 18, 2018.**

Fr. Paul Williams, President
Deacon Cousar, Ex Officio
Linda Abili Vincent Caesar
Kathy Hodges Chantal Jackson Derrick Johnson
Deirdre Robinson Damita MacFarlane
Doris Matthews John Rando
Cheryl Riviere Loretta Young

The **Finance Committee** is responsible for helping the pastor with creating and managing the budget and to ensure the parish is fiscally sound. Members are appointed by the pastor and meet quarterly. Current committee members are:

Deacon Bob Cousar, Chair
Dana Crumety
Judy Gallagher
Herb Sterling
Bertley Wharton

TRIP TO THE BATHROOM

Little people sometimes find it necessary to make a bathroom visit during mass to relieve boredom if nothing else. Fellowship hall and the bathrooms are unsupervised and accessible to outsiders. For the safety of our little ones, their grown-up should accompany them when they take a break. Nothing has happened and we want to be sure it doesn't.

Parking Lot

During the weekdays, the parking spaces are not available. In addition, please do not park in the pastors' or volunteer parking slots. These slots are available on Sunday, but never during the weekday. If you have a special request, please call the office. Thank you.

Sunday Morning Fellowship

We've been blessed to have the coffee and pastries donated on each Sunday of the month as indicated below.

- ◆ 1st Sunday - Ladies Sodality
- ◆ 2nd Sunday - Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary
- ◆ 3rd Sunday -
- ◆ 4th Sunday - Krispy Kreme donuts hosted by Kathy Hodges



Thank You!
Thank You!

THANKS FOR BEING HERE!

If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of Saint Joseph's Parish we invite you to complete the Parish Registration form below and place the completed form in the Offertory basket or send to the Parish Office. Someone from the Parish Office will contact you.

Saint Joseph Catholic Church Parish Registration Form

Last Name: _____

Full Name: _____

Birthdate: (month, date, year) _____

Church of Baptism: _____

List all resident family members you wish to register at Saint Joseph's and the relationship of all.

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Cellular Phone: _____

Home Telephone: _____

De-Cluttering

The Parish is in the process of de-cluttering closets and storage areas.

If you have items that you want to donate, PLEASE take them to Catholic Charities. The church does not have space to store household items, clothing, etc. Again, please do not bring your unwanted household items to the church.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH LIFE AND NEWS



The Sodality honors the Blessed Mother

through prayer. These ladies faithfully pray the rosary each Sunday before mass and they pray continuously for the parish, the city and for individuals in need of the intercession of the Blessed Mother. If you would like to join this ministry, please contact Denise

Scales on 302.368.9881.

JUNIOR SODALITY

The Jr. Sodality mission statement includes:

having a deeper appreciation and understanding of others by enriching values of respect, responsibility and sharing with the guidance and example of St. Joseph Senior Sodality. Making a difference by bringing joy, love and refreshments to brighten the lives of others including St. Joseph community and the shut-in, hosting a luncheon for those less fortunate, sharing in the ministries of the church and participating in the Angel Tree Adopt A Child

Program. ALL YOUNG LADIES, 6 TO 14, IN THE DIOCESE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. PLEASE CONTACT

Jean Toy, 302.658.2218,

Margaret Levesque, 302-656-0813, or Lorenza Hinds, 302-574-0057. FOR INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

Buy gift/ pre-paid cards for a good cause.

Please consider buying gift/ pre-paid cards for everyday items & gifts. Proceeds are used to support the mission of the Knights of Peter Claver, such as service to the Church, assistance to the needy and youth scholarship. Order forms are in the back of the church or online. For information, phone 302 598 0448; Email:

kpc.scrip@stjosephfrenchst.org

Web: http://kpc.stjosephfrenchst.org.KPC_ScripFundRaisingInfo.pdf

BAYLOR PRISON MINISTRY: Every Friday morning, parishioners and friends brighten the lives of women who are incarcerated. On the first and third Friday, Fr. Paul celebrates mass. For additional information, please contact Rose Henderson, 302-762-9044.

Stock the Pantry - Catholic Charities Non-Perishable Food Donations

A barrel for non-perishable foods is located in the vestibule of the church. Please help to replenish their food closets by contributing non-perishable food items as well as personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc. To make a cash donation online, visit <https://www.cdw.org/ccdonation.html>.

Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies' Auxiliary is comprised of over 18,000 Catholic family members. We continue our expansion efforts welcoming all Catholics to join. Our purpose is to render service to God and His Holy Church. If you would like to join our organization please see Grand Knight Vincent Robinson or Grand Lady Brenda Burns.

FOR THE SAKE OF GOD'S CHILDREN

Reporting Allegations of Child Abuse to Authorities

1. Division of Family Services at 1-800-292-9582
2. State Attorney General's Office 302-577-8310
3. Report to Fr. Paul, Deacon Cousar or Loretta Young
4. Report to Diocese: Vicar General 302-573-3118



St. Joseph's Book Club

Meets in the Parish Center. Bring your book, a friend, snack, and your insights to this lively discussion. The next book is Born A Crime, by Trevor Noah.

The group will meet on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00 pm. Mark your calendars. Please see Geraldine Cochran for additional information.



ST. JOSEPH CHOIR

If you would like to help us celebrate the Mass and get extra credit, (because you know when you sing you are praying twice), please come and join the St. Joseph Choir. We rehearse and sing every Sunday, except 4th Sunday, in the Parish Center Conference Room at 9:15 AM. If you are interested, please see DeAnna Cardenas after Mass or call the Parish Center and leave a message. Thank you!

WILMINGTON DIOCESE GOSPEL CHOIR

WDGC sings at St. Joseph on the fourth Sunday and throughout the Diocese during the year. For information, call Brenda Burns at 302-322-6899.

Emergency contact == To contact the pastor after hours, call the parish number. The messages are checked every few hours, the first thing in the morning and the last thing at night. When the pastor is away, the parish secretary checks the phone frequently and will notify the pastor if there is a grave situation.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

The journey of faith is a process that takes time. Please contact the pastor about taking steps leading to initiation as a Catholic Christian. If you know someone who needs special invitation, please inform the pastor. The whole church is built up when an adult embraces the faith. We need to embrace those called by Christ.

THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE



Let us Rejoice in the Lord! Our Diocese is 150 years old! For video highlights of the Diocese of Wilmington's 150th Anniversary Opening Mass, a calendar of coming events, information about our Historic Churches Pilgrimage Program, *Convocation 150* coming on November 3rd, links, videos, podcasts, and more, go to www.cdow.org/150th. Also, follow all the action on social media at www.facebook.com/cdow150th, and @CDOW150th on Twitter and Instagram. **"Catholic Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington"** by Fr. Tom Peterman is now available to order as a great gift for Easter, birthdays, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and more. New low price of \$30 includes shipping and handling. To order and pay, petermanpublication@gmail.com or mail your check for \$30 to Rev. Thomas Peterman, 2505 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808.

Office for Marriage and Family Life

by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

No matter how much spouses love one another, there are bound to be times that we doubt. We are human and crave reassurance that we are loved. Offer that reassurance today.

PARENTING POINTERS

Hopefully your family says a blessing before meals. Good. What we eat becomes part of our body. As your family eats together this week be mindful that God is in each of you. Together, we are the body of Christ.



Solemnity of the
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Today's solemnity celebrates the miracle of the Eucharistic mystery. Pope John Paul II was fond of reminding us that without the Eucharist there would be no Church. Without the ministry of priests there is no Eucharist. Ask God to bless our diocese with an abundance of holy priests. If you think God might be calling you to priesthood, or if you know someone whom you think God might be calling, please contact Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!



Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM on

www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, June 10, 2018, Mary Elizabeth Sperry will discuss her book, *"Making Room for God: Decluttering and the Spiritual Life."* For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

DEAR FRIENDS OF SVDP

We are very excited to share that our Systemic Change/Voice of the Poor Committee is participating in this United Way, targeted, 24 hour On-Line event! This is an opportunity for your friends, family, & colleagues across the country - and the globe, actually - to make a special (tax deductible) donation to the incredible & important work Vincentians in our Council do for the poor among us.

All funds raised from this particular on-line event - from Midnight June 6th through Midnight June 7th - go into a special SVdP Council fund designated for programming WITH those we serve, to empower them with the skill sets needed to break the chains of poverty. <https://www.givegab.com/nonprofits/society-of-st-vincent-depaul-voice-of-the-poor>

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN, AND THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MILITARY

Adia Bracy	Donald Evans	Christian Coleman	Nellie Lawrence	Rose Henderson
Ronald Toy	Joanna Warren	Adele & Fred Reed	Kendra Denhardt	Jessica Fullman
Leta Johnson	Delores Tuller	John Polk	James Thomas	Donna Scott May
Tanya Wilson	Mark Gallagher	Leonard J. Young, Jr.	Barbara Stacey	Arlene Watson
Jeffrey Britton	Tony Dash	Jane McDonald	Giuseppina Fazzone	Jolene Tyson
James Henderson	Doris Gallagher	Mary Joan Thompson	Jemison Asante	
Ethel Barrett	Gerry Reybold	London Louise Simmonds	Vivian Priest	
Sean Willis	Jean Toy	Charlie Anderson	John Thompson	



**The Oblate Sisters of Providence
are hosting an
Open House
on Saturday, June 9, 2018
3:00pm - 5:00pm**

The Open House will feature tours,
information tables and chats with Sisters.
We will end with a Vigil Mass at 5:00pm.

For more information contact:
Sister Marcia Hall, OSP
410-242-8500

Summer Youth Camps at Salesianum: Interested in attending a girls basketball, boys basketball, baseball, football, lacrosse, soccer, or wrestling camp for youth? Go to www.elitecamps.org for information about age groups, dates, and prices and for registration.

Jesus House Employment Opportunities. Jesus House has immediate openings in Meal Service. Part-time roles that perform a host of duties, which focus on serving the retreatants who attend Jesus House Renewal Center while contributing to the overall Jesus House mission. Coordination of the kitchen volunteers, lite cooking, and meal service are the top priority. This person will use his/her people skills to interface directly with the retreatants who attend retreats, the kitchen staff, and volunteers who provide meal service. Jesus House Prayer and Renewal Center is located at 2501 Milltown Rd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302-995-6858. Please visit our website (jesushousecenter.org) for more information or to apply

City of Wilmington, Mayor Mike Purzycki
Department of Parks and Recreation, Director Kevin P. Kelley, Sr.

Coming to Your Neighborhood!

FUN · FOOD · FITNESS · FRIENDS

Saturday, June 2 5:00-7:00 pm Southbridge Neighborhood House 1218 B Street	Saturday, June 9 1:00-3:00 pm West Center City 8th & Tatnall Street (Rock Lot)
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CHRISTIANA CARE HEALTH SYSTEM

For more information, please contact:
Councilwoman Rysheema Dixon at (email) PlayStreetInfo@WilmingtonDE.gov
or Dept. of Parks and Recreation at (302) 576-3810.

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