



THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE

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**Summer Office Hours:** Tuesday - Thursday, 10am - 3 pm

**Parish Secretary:** [parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org)  
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**Website:** [www.stjosephfrenchst.org](http://www.stjosephfrenchst.org)

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm      Sunday — 10:00 am

Mass — Tuesday thru Friday, 12:10 pm

**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.

## August 18, 2019 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ▶ August 17 & 18 ~ Special Collection for the Cathedral of Saint Peter
- ▶ August 20 ~ Faith Sharing Movie Night - "Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima", 6pm Parish Center
- ▶ August 25 ~ Book Bag Give-away!
- ▶ August 25 ~ Kateri Circle Meeting @ 11:15am. EVERYONE is welcome!
- ▶ August 25 ~ KPCLA Meeting, 12:30pm
- ▶ September 08 ~ Sodality Meeting, 8:45 am
- ▶ September 14 ~ Knights of Peter Claver Meeting, 10:00 am
- ▶ September 21 & 22 ~ Share in the Spirit Collection
- ▶ September 30 ~ Book Club, 7:00 pm "*Becoming*" by Michelle Obama

### Stewardship Thought

To give without any reward,  
or any notice,  
has a special quality of its own.

### Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. The numbers below compares 2019 with the same week in 2018. Please continue to be prayerful about your contributions to the parish.

August 11, 2019 - \$2,262

August 5, 2018 - \$3,862

## Mass Intentions

### August 17, 2019— August 25, 2019

Saturday, 08/17	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/18	10:00 AM	
Monday, 08/19	—	No Mass
Tuesday, 08/20	12:10pm	
Wednesday, 08/21	12:10pm	
Thursday, 08/22	12:10pm	
Friday, 08/23	12:10pm	
Saturday, 08/24	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/25	10:00 am	

### PARISH STAFF

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

### Introduction to the Liturgy of the Word

Summer can be difficult time for many, when extreme heat can contribute to wildfires and drought, heat-related illness and difficulty breathing. It is disturbing, then, to hear Jesus say in today's Gospel, "I have come to set the earth on fire!" Jesus' mission was as much to challenge as to comfort. As disciples, we are challenged to remain faithful, no matter the weather. Have we been set on fire in our commitment to our faith?

Fr. Paul

### Today — Special Collection August 17 & 18

The Cathedral of Saint Peter is in need of our help. The weekend of August 17 & 18, a special collection for the maintenance and preservation of the Cathedral of Saint Peter will be taken up in all parishes in our diocese. Please be as generous as you can. For more information about the Cathedral, please visit the Cathedral's website at [www.cathedralofstpeter.com](http://www.cathedralofstpeter.com). For a video tour of the Cathedral, and a tour of the Cathedral's 100 year-old pipe organ, visit the diocesan website at [www.cdw.org/cathedral](http://www.cdw.org/cathedral).



### Question of the Week

When have I stood up for what is right? When would I be willing to do so?

### Parish Bus - August Schedule



DATE	DRIVER
Sunday, August 4	Vanel Fleury
Sunday, August 11	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, August 18	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, August 25	Daniel Mims

Faith Sharing Movie Nights!  
 Parish Center  
 August 20th — 6:00 pm

♦ Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima ♦

Everyone is welcome, but space is limited.  
 Contact Mary Mirabeau or DeAnna Cardenas for more information.

*Dear Lord, bless Saint Joseph's and all parishioners with a year of favor and a year full of your unending love.*

IT'S TIME TO *HIDEY, HIDEY, HIDEY, HO* TO THE SPEAKEASY FOR...

# HARLEM NIGHTS

FEATURING

JAZ JORDAN & G2 THE BAND

CATERING BY

CORINNE'S PLACE

26 OCTOBER 2019

7:00PM - 11:00PM

BELVEDERE FIRE HALL  
1000 LIBERTY ROAD  
NEWPORT, DE 19804

DRESS TO IMPRESS!

ROARING '20s ATTIRE SUGGESTED

TICKETS: \$70 EACH, INCLUDES:

SOUL FOOD DINNER, DANCING, SIGNATURE COCKTAIL,  
SILENT AUCTION & A GOOD OL' TIME!

TO PURCHASE, CONTACT:

ADRIENNE HOPSON: 302-290-1713

DEBORAH ROBINSON: 302-494-5709

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## 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 September 18, 2019.**

Fr. Paul Williams, President

Deacon Cousar, Ex Officio

Linda Abili Stephanie T. Bolden

Vincent Caesar Thomas E. Gallagher

J. Barcon Hilton Chantal Jackson

Deirdre Robinson 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

Because of renovations to the fellowship hall, our Sunday Morning Fellowship with coffee and donuts is suspended until the work is complete. If there is a need to assemble, you may consider using the parish center conference room. Check with the office for availability. The renovations have been a long time in **the making and we're grateful that God has brought us** to this point.

Together we anticipate a new kitchen and restrooms and we will convene again for fellowship in approximately 4-6 months.



## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Date 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## St. Vincent dePaul Society

St. Vincent DePaul Society has implemented an automated process for individuals seeking assistance. Those needing assistance should go to [www.svdpwilm.org](http://www.svdpwilm.org) and submit the online assistance form located at the top of the home page. A Saint Vincent DePaul volunteer will respond to the requester as quickly as possible. If you are a parishioner and in need of assistance, just call the parish office at 302-658-4535.

# 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 or

Margaret Levesque, 302-656-0813. 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](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**



Meets in the Parish Center. Bring your book, a friend, snack, and your insights to this lively discussion. The group meets at 7:00 pm and the next sessions are:

**Becoming by Michelle Obama:** September 30, 2019

Please see Geraldine Cochran for information.

## **Run the Race** **Hebrews 12:1-4**



### **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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, in the Parish Center Conference Room at 9:15 AM. If you are interested, please see DeAnna Cardenas.

### **WILMINGTON DIOCESE GOSPEL CHOIR**

WDGC sings at St. Joseph on the fourth Sunday and throughout the Diocese during the year. All voices are invited to join us for **rehearsal on Thursday's at 6:30pm in the church.** For information, call Brenda Burns at 302-322-6899.

In addition, to become a member of the Saint Joseph Choir or the Gospel Choir, you can simply call the parish office.

**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.



## August

Helen Thomas	01
Madeline Porter	03
Bernard Sammons	03
Janelle Mirabeau	04
Michele Hinson	05
Ebon Flagg	07
Cameron Granger	07
John Polk, III	07
James Skidmore	07
Deanna Cardenas	08
Mary Polk	08
Angela Pulliam Banks	08
Patricia Fournillier	09
Ramaj Gray	09
Anita DiSandro-Cole	10
Debbie Sterling	12
Alyssa Granger	13
Adrienne Hopson	13
Maketa Jolly	14
Tia Pulliam	15
Stephanie T. Bolden	16
Herbert Sterling	16
Lanier Watkins, Jr.	16
Dana B. Willis	16
Erika Caesar	18
Christian Towles	18
Mary Mirabeau	22
James Mobley	22
Geraldine Purnell	22
Anthony Dash	23
Chris Cavin`	24
Fallon McClain	24
Serenity Skidmore	24
Gaynell Baynard	25
Aaron Goode	25
Delores Spencer	25
Grant Wycliffe	26
Ethel Barrett	27
Steven White	28
Kate Rafter	31

*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](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org) Please include your name, birth month, day and year.*

## Liturgy Schedule August 2019



### **Saturday, August 3, 5:00 p.m.**

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector  
Debbie Sterling ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, August 4, 10:00 am**

Michael Simmonds & Ramaj Gray ~ Altar Servers  
Sheris Owens ~ Greeter  
Lisa Mims ~ Lector  
Stephanie Bolden ~ Lector 2  
Denise McIntyre ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister  
Delores Spencer ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, August 10, 5:00 p.m.**

Judy Gallagher ~ Lector  
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, August 11, 10:00 am**

Roberto Rivera ~ Altar Server  
Fayette Jackson ~ Greeter  
J. Barcon Hilton ~ Lector  
Kevin O'Connell ~ Lector 2  
Marie Cousar ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister  
Pat Rafter ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, August 17, 5:00 p.m.**

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector  
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, August 18, 10:00 am**

Jaylyn Walker ~ Altar Server  
Denise Scales ~ Greeter  
Lorraine Eckrich ~ Lector 1  
Andrea Queen ~ Lector 2  
Barbara Pulliam ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister  
Gwen Cavin ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, August 24, 5:00 p.m.**

MaryAnn Brown-Martin ~ Lector  
Gwen Cavin ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, August 25, 10:00 am**

Jamai Walker ~ Altar Server  
Fayette Jackson ~ Greeter  
Jed Donahue ~ Lector  
William Ray ~ Lector 2  
Debbie Sterling ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister  
Denise Scales ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, August 31, 5:00 p.m.**

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector  
DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

# THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE

Office of Priestly and Religious Vocations

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 18, 2019

**"I have come to set the earth on fire,"** Do you want to carry the fire of the Lord to his people as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?

Call Fr. Norm Carroll 302-573-3113

[vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org).

## Catholic Cemetery

As a service to our families Cathedral , All Saints and Gate of Heaven Cemeteries is now offering a 4 season artificial flower program for those entombed or inurned in our community mausoleums only. Flowers will be replaced four times a year in summer, fall, winter and spring. For more information go online to : <https://forms.parishgiving.org/form-4734642> or call the respective cemetery office. Deadline for fall placement is August 30<sup>th</sup>."



Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday morning at 11:00 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, tune in to hear an interview with Dick Boldin from the Rosary Evangelization Apostolate and learn about the new film, "Power In My Hands." After it airs, listen online anytime at [www.cdow.org/CatholicForum](http://www.cdow.org/CatholicForum), or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/)

## Daily Mass offerings around us...

6:30am	St. Ann, IHM
6:45am	St. Anthony (M-S)
7:00am	St. Elizabeth
7:30am	St. Joseph on the Brandywine
8:00am	St. Ann, St. Anthony, St. Patrick( M, W, F), St. Thomas (TWT) St. Hedwig (F)
	St. Joseph on the Brandywine (S)
8:30am	Corpus Christi (MWF) St. Elizabeth (S) St. Matthew (TTS) St. Mary Magdalen
9:00am	IHM St. Patrick's (First Saturday — Latin)
12:05	St. Joseph on the Brandywine
12:10	St. Joseph French St
12:10	Cathedral of St Peter (T, W, T, F)
5:30 PM	St. Patrick (TT) – with confession at 5:00
6:00pm	St Thomas (M) St. Patrick's (First Friday — Latin)
6:30pm	St. Hedwig (M-Th) St. Paul (T-F) Spanish

Marriage Moments (by Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net))

## MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Natural or national disasters can bring out the best in humanity as we rally to help those in need. A marriage crisis can also prompt a couple to sacrifice for each other or honestly deal with a recurring problem. Don't wait for a disaster, however, to test your love. Prevention is better.

## PARENTING POINTERS

Parental discipline (or even self-discipline) is often unwelcome. Talk with your child about the pros and cons of not always taking the easy, pleasant solution to a problem. Share a time when you had to discipline yourself.

## BISHOP'S 5K WILL BENEFIT CATHOLIC CHARITIES OUTREACH



**CATHOLIC CHARITIES**  
Diocese of Wilmington

Please join Catholic Charities for the Bishop's 5K Run/Walk, a totally adaptive event, at 9 am on Saturday, August 24, 2019, at Glasgow Regional Park, 2275 Pulaski Highway, Newark, DE 19702. Pre-register for the event by visiting [Bishops5K.com](http://Bishops5K.com). Registration is \$20 until June 30, \$25 from July 1 to August 22, and \$30 until race day, plus an event fee of \$2.50. All registered runners/walkers will receive a t-shirt, and be in the running for prizes. All proceeds will benefit Catholic Charities outreach efforts. Call Catholic Charities at 302-655-9624 with any questions about the Bishop's 5K.

Bishop Malooly will be at the starting line AND finish line of the 4<sup>th</sup> Catholic Charities Bishop's 5K Run/Walk – will you?





## 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	Jennie Dahl
Ronald Toy	Joanna Warren	Adele & Fred Reed	Kendra Denhardt	Arlene Dahl
Leta Johnson	Delores Tuller	Leonard J. Young, Jr.	Giuseppina Fazzone	Marie Corbitt
Tanya Wilson	Mark Gallagher	John Thompson	Jemison Asante	Jacqueline Smith
Jeffrey Britton	Tony Dash	Mary Joan Thompson	Vivian Priest	Ben Pearce
Arlene Watson	Doris Gallagher	London Louise Simmonds	Chuck Tarver	Herb Sterling
Ethel Barrett	Gerry Reybold	Charlie Anderson	Rose Henderson	
Sean Willis	Jean Toy	Jessica Fullman	Sister of S. T. Bolden	

 The Episcopal Church of Saints Andrew and Matthew  
And The Christina Cultural Arts Center Presents ... 



**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup>**

**Noon to 4:00**

**Save the date!**

Parish Fund Raising  
**amazon smile**

Saint Joseph's is officially registered as a Charitable organization with Amazon Smile. This is an easy way for everyone in the parish who uses Amazon to participate in on-going fund raising.

Very simply, on your next Amazon purchase, first log-in to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com)), you'll be prompted to select a charitable organization from the list of eligible organizations. Select **St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Wilmington, Delaware**. On, a quarterly basis, The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases. The most important task, is to log-in to Amazon Smile before adding items to your cart. The purchase price is the amount paid for the item minus any rebates and excluding shipping & handling, gift-wrapping fees, taxes, or service charges. Let's see how much we can raise through The AmazonSmile Foundation. If you have any questions, please call the parish office and speak with Loretta Young.



**SCHOOL OPENS SEPTEMBER 3!  
REGISTER NOW**

**St. Peter Cathedral School**  
**PreK 3 to Grade 8**  
**310 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Wilmington DE 19801**  
[www.stpetercathedralschool.org](http://www.stpetercathedralschool.org)

For more information contact:  
Sr. Donna Smith, Principal, 302 656 5234  
or email [sds@stpetercathedralschool.org](mailto:sds@stpetercathedralschool.org)

**THE SCHOOL WITH A HEART IN THE HEART OF  
THE CITY**

