

St. Joseph's Church



## THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE

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**Office Hours:** 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesday thru Thursday  
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**YouTube Channel:** St Josephs Downtown Wilmington  
<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJoseph'sDowntownWilmington>

# Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

*If you would like to register with the parish, please access the registration form located on our website [www.stjosephfrenchst.org](http://www.stjosephfrenchst.org)*

### **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.*

### **BAPTISM:**

*Before a child is Baptized, the parents and Godparents are asked to 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 Parish Office and complete a registration form.*

### **CARE OF THE SICK AND**

***HOMEBOUND:** This ministry is restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, 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.*

### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm      Sunday — 10:00 am  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday — 12:10 pm

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

**January 9, 2022**

## The Baptism of the Lord

- Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call  
1-716-427-1572, access code 178602
- January 15, 2022 - COVID Testing, 10am—4pm
- Volunteer's Appreciation Event - *Postponed until after Easter*
- January 30, 2022 - Deacon Bob's Appreciation (*Without Luncheon*)

*Due to COVID Surge, Sunday Morning  
Coffee & Donuts Suspended Until Further Notice*

### Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. The numbers shows last week's collection.

**Dec 26, 2021 - \$5,953**

**Jan 2, 2022—\$3,165**

Thank you for your faithfulness with giving back to the Lord.  
Please continue to be prayerful about your gifts to the parish.

**Pandemic & Flu Season:** Please take **precautionary measures** such as wearing a face mask, washing hands often and thoroughly. If you are under the weather please stay at home and take care not to share your misery with others. We all will bless you for it.

## Mass Intentions January 1, 2022—January 9, 2022

Saturday, 1/8/2022	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 1/9/2022	10:00 am	†Fr. Paul M. Williams, OFM
Tuesday, 1/11/2022	12:10 pm	
Wednesday, 1/12/2022	10:00 am	
Thursday, 1/13/2022	12:10 pm	
Saturday, 1/15/2022	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 1/16/2022	10:00 am	

## PARISH STAFF

Administrator:	Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers
Deacon:	Robert J. Cousar
Admin. Assistant:	Loretta L. Young
Receptionist:	Lavon Robinson
Coord. Religious Education:	Vacant
Dir. Music Ministry:	Brenda Burns
Bookkeeper:	Jane Putscher

Notary Services Available  
Upon Request.  
Contact Loretta Young

## Introduction to the Liturgy

When Jesus was baptized, the Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove and a voice from the heavens rang out, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." No such dove was seen or voice was heard when we were baptized, yet the Holy Spirit *did* descend upon us in baptism and we were welcomed into this holy family, initiated into the body of Christ. Let us give thanks today for the blessings we received in baptism, blessings we note in the baptism we celebrate today.

## Mass of Christian Burial - Rev. Paul M. Williams, OFM

Mass for Fr. Paul Williams will be held on *Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at St. Camillus Church, Silver Spring, MD at 11:00 am with a two-hour viewing beginning at 9:00 am.* The Mass will be livestreamed from St. Camillus YouTube site.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn1P4AqRu4PuWcRevmBwDtA>

St. Joseph's parish bus will transport up to 16 passengers, age 55 or older or persons with a disability at any age on a first-come basis. If you would like to ride the parish bus to Fr. Paul's funeral, please call the parish office at 302-658-4535.

## from the Office for Marriage and Family Life...

### Marriage Moments

Take a moment this week to look at a star together. Remember that God's love for you and your love for each other is bigger than this world and the sky.

### Parenting Pointers

During these mostly indoor days of winter, challenge each family member to let go of something they no longer need – a toy, a piece of clothing, a book, old papers...

## ***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 the Knights or the Ladies Auxiliary please see Grand Knight Vincent Robinson or Grand Lady Lorraine Eckrich.

## Parish Bus - January Schedule



DATE	DRIVER
Sunday, Jan 2	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, Jan 9	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, Jan 16	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, Jan 23	Vanel Fleury
Sunday, Jan 30	Vanel Fleury

## St. Joseph's



will meet on **Monday, January 31, 2022, 7:00 pm** in the Parish Center. The book for discussion is. ***The Silent Patient*** by Alex Michaelides. All are welcome to join in on the discussion. Please see Geraldine Cochran for information.

## Question of the Week

How has the Holy Spirit, whom I received in baptism, influenced my outlook and my actions?

**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.**



**Special thanks to all who contributed to the Christmas decorations fund, thus far. The church is beautifully decorated because of your generosity. May you have a special blessing this Christmas Season for all that you do in support of the parish.**

**Stephanie T. Bolden**

*In memory of Mamie K. Bolden, Robert J. Bolden,  
Sheldon Bradshaw, Valerie Jackson*

**Brenda Burns**

*In memory of Mary E. Ryder, Fred E. Ryder, Sr. and  
Fred E. Ryder, Jr.*

**Dana Crumety**

*In memory of Arlene Wilson, Francis Crumety,  
Ronald Whitesel, Theodore Hall*

**Maria Bairos**

*In memory of Serafim Bairos*

**Anthea Bedminster**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Gwen Caven**

*In memory of William Cavin*

**Geraldine P. Cochran**

*In memory of Walter & Marguerite Purnell*

**Marie Corbitt**

*In memory of deceased Graves Family members*

**Marie Dash**

*In memory of Anthony Dash, Mr. & Mrs. H.  
Herman Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Cecil Dash and  
Evans and Poindexter Families*

**Al DelPizzo**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Glenn & Kathleen Evers**

*In memory of Peter J. Orik, Jr., James & Mary  
Leishman, Peter & Mary Orik, Sr., Thomas P. Evers*

**Jeff & Bo Flynn**

*In memory of Margaret Lobacarro, Mark Mackey,  
Carolyn Giles*

**Tom & Judy Gallagher**

*In memory of Micah Gallagher*

**Josephine Griffin**

*In memory of Meredith L. Griffin, St.  
Emily Everett, Louise & Richard Griffin, Evelyn  
Cynthia McCoy*

**Juanita Harmon**

*In memory of William D. Harmon, I*

**Antoinette & Michel Hauteville**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Rose Henderson**

*In memory of deceased members of McKinley  
and Henderson Families*

**Julian & Laurenza Hinds**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Michele Hinson**

*In memory of Dennis Hinson & Christine Davis*

**Irmina Hudson**

*In memory of deceased members of Quinlan Family,  
Miriam Campbell, Mary Genna*

**Rita Jacobs**

*In memory of Rita Harmon*

**Fayetta Jackson**

*In memory of Elmer Hudson, Eureka Hudson,  
William, Edward Jackson, Sr.,*

**Iona Johnson**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Doris Matthews**

*In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Howard Perrigan, Roy  
Howard Adams, LaTonya Lopez,  
Mrs. & Mrs. Herbert Berry*

**Bob McDevitt**

*In memory of deceased family members*

**Betsy McGeever**

*In memory of Francis & Nancy McGeever*

**Denise McIntyre**

*In memory of Tempest Shade*

**Mary Mirabeau**

*In memory of Mr. & Mrs. George C. Nash, St., Mr.  
George C. Nash, Jr.*

**Shirley Murray**

*In memory of my parents and son, Keith*

**Mattu Pennoh**

*In honor of family in Liberia*

**Ken & Barbara Pulliam**

*In memory of deceased members of Hall &  
Pulliam Families*

**Andrea Queen**

*In memory of Andrew Queen*

**Pat Rafter**

*In memory of Jean O'Connell Byrnes, Daniel E.  
O'Connell, Sr., Wilfrid J. Rafter, J  
Joseph W. Faustman*

**Vincent & Deborah Robinson**

*In memory of deceased members of Brown,  
Robinson and Wynne Families*

**Lavon Robinson**

*In memory of Lois Robinson, Barbara Willis.  
In honor of Wilmington Diocese Gospel Choir*

**Denise Scales**

*In memory pf Dennis Hinson, Christine Davis,  
John Purnell, Sr, Stanley & deceased members of  
Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality*

**Willa Seth**

*In memory of Seth, Baynard and Baskerville  
Families*

**Delores Spencer**

*In memory of Walter Spencer, Octavia Manlove*

**Herb & Deborah Sterling**

*In memory of deceased members of Hunter and  
Sterling Families*

**William Willis**

*In memory of Barbara Willis*

**Leonard & Loretta Young**

*In memory of Hattie & Clifton Coleman, Vivian &  
Joe Young and all deceased family members*





## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

<b>Gerry Reybold</b>	<b>Jean Toy</b>	<b>Guissepina Fazzone</b>	<b>Gordan Sanders</b>
<b>Elizabeth Ashe</b>	<b>Michala Dash Leventry</b>	<b>Ron Toy</b>	<b>John Madison</b>
<b>Carolyn &amp; Charles Wing</b>	<b>Lonnie Ashe</b>	<b>Avril Madison</b>	<b>Glenda Townsend</b>
<b>August Hazeur</b>			

If you would like to be added to our sick and shut-in list, please send email to [parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org). Names of parishioners in hospitals or facilities will remain on the list indefinitely. All others will remain for one month, unless there are extenuating circumstances.



### January

Francis Crumety	01
Arielle Mobley	03
Gail Rando	04
John Thompson	05
LeRoy Wiles	05
Fred Ashe	08
Phyllis Chambers-Mobley	08
Maria Rivera	08
Jeannette Sammons	08
Albert Fletcher	09
Douglas Loosarian	09
Denise McIntyre	09
Deborah Robinson	09
Andres Barranco	10
C. Owen Cardenas	13
Laura Chaplin	14
Sheris Owens	14
Chantal David Towles	14
Alexis Caesar	15
Herbert Bracy	21
James Francia	21
Kyle Hopson	22
Jane Crowley	23
Damita MacFarlane	23
Megan Frances Thorpe	24
Elizabeth McGeever	27
Linwood Manning	29
Paul Fahey	30
Yolanda Mohammed	30

*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.*

## PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE

### JANUARY IS NATIONAL FAMILY FIT LIFESTYLE MONTH

Throughout January, we'll be highlighting healthful lifestyle and eating habits that you can encourage your family to try new routines. This week's topic is about focusing more on family and less on resolutions this New Year. (Source: <https://cns.ucdavis.edu/tags/family-fit-lifestyle-month>)

### JANUARY IS GLAUCOMA AWARENESS MONTH

Glaucoma is called "the sneak thief of sight" since there are no symptoms and once vision is lost, it's permanent. As much as 40% of vision can be lost without a person noticing. Glaucoma is the leading more prevalent. Glaucoma is 6 to 8 times more common in African Americans than Caucasians. Learn more about the types of glaucoma and if you are at risk.

(Source: <https://www.glaucoma.org/news/glaucoma-awareness-month.php>)

### JANUARY IS NATIONAL MENTORING MONTH

Launched in 2002 by MENTOR National and the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, National Mentoring Month focuses national attention on the need for mentors, as well as how each of us—individuals, businesses, government agencies, schools, faith communities and nonprofits—can work together to increase the number of mentors to help ensure positive outcomes for our young people. This campaign celebrates mentoring and the positive effect it can have on young lives. Visit this website to learn how we might make a difference in the lives of our youth: <https://www.mentoring.org/campaigns/national-mentoring-mon>

### STOP THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 RUMORS BY DOING THREE EASY THINGS:

- Find trusted sources of information.
- Share information from trusted sources.
- Discourage others from sharing information from unverified sources.

To find trusted sources, look for information from official public health and safety authorities. Visit the [CDC Coronavirus page](https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus) to find many official sources. Check your state and local government or emergency management websites and social media accounts for trusted information specific to your area. On social media, be sure to check for a blue verified badge next to the account name. This tells you it's an official account. (Source: <https://www.fema.gov/disaster/coronavirus/rumor-control>)

### **FREE COVID Testing:**

City residents can be tested FREE for COVID-19 next week at test locations in and around Wilmington. For more information or to find the site nearest to you, visit either: The State of Delaware's COVID-19 test site page at [coronavirus.delaware.gov/testing/](https://coronavirus.delaware.gov/testing/) The New Castle County COVID-19 test site page at [www.nccde.org/2011/COVID-19-Resources](https://www.nccde.org/2011/COVID-19-Resources)

FREE COVID testing is now being offered seven days a week, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., in Wilmington's 2<sup>nd</sup> Council District at **Ma'at Community Healing Spaces Garden**, 2210 North Washington Street.