THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



Summer Office Hours: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm Tuesday thru Thursday

Parish Secretary: parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org

Website: www.stjosephfrenchst.org

YouTube Channel: St Josephs Downtown Wilmington https://www.youtube.com/c/StJoseph'sDowntownWilmington



If you would like to register with the parish, please access the registration form located on our website 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 thru Thursday — 12:10 pm

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

Sunday August 21, 2022

CCD Registration - Sign-up Today!

- Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-716-427-1572, access code 178602
- September 11 KPC & KPCLA Turn-out St. Peter Claver Day
- September 17 Washington, DC Pilgrimage, Bus Trip hosted by KPCLA Auxiliary Tickets Now Available!
- September 18 Crab Feast \$30 All You Can Eat!
- September 26 St. Joseph's Book Club 7pm Zoom Meeting This Tender Land by Wm. Kent Krueger
- September 28 Holy Hour of Power, 6:30 pm

More Detail Inside

August Special Collections

If you're not using a box set of collection envelopes and making your weekly contributions directly through your bank or via our website with online giving, below is a list of our special collections for the month of August. We hope that you will continue supporting these important ministries and acts of charity.

- August St. Vincent dePaul
 - August 07 Building Fund •
- August 14 Cathedral of St. Peter Building Maintenance
 August 15 Feast of the Assumption

Please include a note with your contribution to be sure that it is designated as you wish. We're grateful for your generosity and support of our ministries and aid to others. To contribute please log on to www.st.josephfrenchst.org; click On



Mass Intentions August 20, 2022 — August 28, 2022

Saturday, 08/20/2022	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/21/2022	10:00 am	† Tony Dash Requested by the Dash Family
Tuesday, 08/23/2022	12:10 pm	Mike & Rose Kirlin Requested by the Family
Wednesday, 08/24/2022	12:10 pm	Agnes & Joe Ryan Requested by the Family
Thursday, 08/25/2022	12:10 pm	Paula Williams Requested by the Family
Saturday, 08/27/2022	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/28/2022	10:00 am	

PARISH STAFF

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

Introduction to the Liturgy

It is no accident that the words "disciple" and "discipline" come from the same root. Latin disciplina, meaning "teaching." As disciples of the Lord, we are taught through discipline. We need that discipline when we are tempted to compromise our ethics or ignore our conscience and do something we shouldn't or fail to do something we should. Hebrews reminds us today that God's discipline is given out of love, to keep our conscience strong and our feet on the narrow path. May we keep to the discipline of being a true disciple and resolve to learn from our missteps.

CCD Registration is Now Open!

Calling all youth of the parish to sign-up for Religious Education! CCD will begin in early Fall for our youth in grades 1 thru 8 to learn more about our Catholic faith. Faith formation and our spiritual journey begins in our youth as we start to learn and live. And then, through the mercy of God, our faith grows and strengthens throughout our lifetime.

Through CCD, we establish the foundation.

Registration forms are available in the bulletin, the vestibule and on our website. Please complete and return by August 28th so that the Church can prepare for each grade level.

Many thanks!

Sign-up Today!

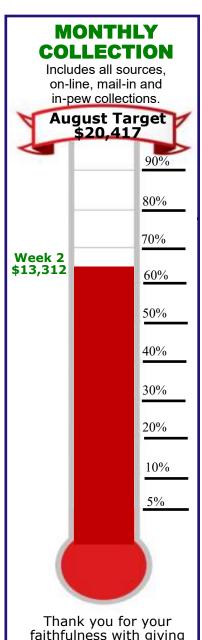


Parish Bus - August

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	Sunday, Aug 07	Vanel Fleury			
District took that	Sunday, Aug 14	Yolanda Mohammed			
0 0	Sunday, Aug 21	Yolanda Mohammed			
	Sunday, Aug 28	Vanel Fleury			

Question of the Week

How will I strive this week to aim for the narrow gate? How can I assist those outside my comfort zone as they strive to enter the narrow gate as well?



back to the Lord. Please

continue to be prayerful

about your gifts to the

parish.

What a great time we had!! Great people, great food, great fellowship and absolutely perfect weather. We enjoyed sunshine, had shade and a very nice breeze. The jazz trio provided a relaxed atmosphere and entertained us. We could not have ordered a better day — how blessed we are by the Lord!

Thank you to all who attended, brought a dish to share and made the day most enjoyable as we fellowshipped together. I was able to talk with most and met a few new people. Based on people's comments, everyone liked the location and had a wonderful time.

An event like this only happens because of all the planning and hard work that occurs in the background and indeed we had many hands to make it all happen. A very special thanks to Linda Abili our Picnic Coordinator. Also, to Stephanie Bolden for donating the parking passes as well as to all of our faithful helpers - Deacon Bob Cousar, David Fisher, Vanel Fleury, Barcon Hilton, Damita MacFarlane, Deborah Robinson, Vernon Taylor, Tim Terranova, Jermane Walker and Loretta Young. Thank you for the extra personal time and effort in making our 2022 parish picnic one to remember!







After months of hard work and prayer, the Final Summary Report for the **Diocesan Phase of the Synod** has been completed and submitted to Bishop William Koenig. The report will be sent to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops for inclusion in their report to the Vatican. Additionally, a Ten Best **Practices** document has been created as a guide for any Catholic parish, school, or organization to better embrace and respond to our calling as a synodal Church. All are invited to read the Report and Ten Best Practices at www.cdow.org/Synod.

Washington, DC Pilgrimage Knights of Peter Claver **Ladies Auxiliary**

St. Josephine Bakhita Court #383

Saturday, September 17, 2022

St. Joseph's Church, 1012 N. French Street, Wilm., DE 19801

Depart 7:00 am Return: 7:00 pm

Pilgrimage Includes:

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the **Immaculate Conception** on the

25th Anniversary of Mother of Africa Chapel

9:30 - 10:30 am Tour of Basilica **Boxed Lunch** 1:00 pm Program 2:00 pm Mass 4:00 pm Reception

Tickets: \$80 Adults \$60 Youth (Limit of 10)

For Tickets Contact:

Damita MacFarlane, 610-806-2359 Loretta Young, 302-521-1759

Note: Boxed Lunch & Afternoon Activities Sponsored by National Black Catholic Congress (NBCC)

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

Gerry Reybold	Jean Toy	Guissepina Fazzone	Gordan Sanders
Elizabeth Ashe	John Madison	Ron Toy	Leonard Young
Carolyn & Charles Wing	Avril Madison	Mary Bossack	Mercedes Zahralbin
August Hazeur	Donna Scott May	Mary Polk	Julianna McGill
Msgr. Charlie Brown	Jeanette Sammons	Roxanne Wallace	Doris Matthews

If you would like to be added to our sick and shut-in list, please send email to 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.

PUT PREVENTION TO PRACTICE

IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

Vaccines have prevented countless cases of disease and disability and have saved millions of lives. For you and every member of your family, it is important to stay up to date with vaccinations. August is a great time to get back on track with routine vaccinations. For more information visit **Vaccine Development 101** National Immunization Awareness Month Vaccines.gov

HELPING CHILDREN TRANSITION BACK TO SCHOOL

Transitioning back to early childhood programs or school—or starting them for the first time—can create extra challenges during a pandemic. Learn what parents and teachers can do to help children make a successful transition to in-person learning and care. (Source:https://www.cdc.gov/childrensmentalhealth/features/COVID-19-helping-childrentransition-back-to-school.html)

Back-to-School Mental Health Checklist

- · Get back into a routine.
- Visit your doctor.
- Review your child's expected schedule and new routine for school.
- Get organized.
- Talk about expectations yours and your child's.
- Visit the Mental Health Association in Delaware website for their newsletter and more Back-to-School tips

(Source: Mental Health Association in Delaware (jsmolowitz@mhainde.org) (302) 654-6833)

THE 988 SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINES

Beginning July 16, <u>988</u> is the new three-digit number for the <u>National Suicide</u>

<u>Prevention Lifeline</u>. The Lifeline will provide compassionate, accessible care and support via phone, text, or online chat to anyone experiencing mental health-related distress. You can use 988 if you have thoughts of suicide, mental health or substance use crises, or any other kind of emotional distress. You can also dial 988 if you are worried about a loved one who may need crisis support. Learn more about 988:



In the Holy Land there are two ancient bodies of water. Both are fed by the Jordan River. In one, fish play and roots find sustenance. In the other, there is no splash of fish, no sound of bird, no leaf around. The difference is not in the Jordan, for it empties into both, but in the Sea of Galilee: for every drop taken in one goes out. It gives and lives. The other gives nothing. And it is called the Dead Sea.

From the Office of Marriage Family Life

Marriage Pointers

Sometimes our deficiencies can show the power of God working in us. How does your beloved lift you up when you feel low?

Parenting Pointers

As children grow older they often balk at doing "religious" stuff with their family. Be creative about inviting your children into faith experiences. Ask what THEY think would be a meaningful way to "serve the Lord." It might seem crazy, but try it once.



August

Kenneth Cunningham	01
Madeline Porter	03
Bernard Sammons	03
Janelle Mirabeau	04
Michele Hinson	05
John Ekah	07
Ebon Flagg	07
John Polk, III	07
Deanna Cardenas	08
Mary Polk	08
Angela Pulliam Banks	08
Lolita Ashley	09
Patricia Fournillier	09
Ramaj Gray	09
Matthew Hoey	10
Debbie Sterling	12
Adrienne Hopson	13
Paul McDermott	13
Maketa Jolly	14
Tia Pulliam ´	15
Stephanie T. Bolden	16
Herbert Sterling	16
William Willis	16
Erika Caesar	18
Christian Towles	18
Mary Mirabeau	22
James Mobley	22
Geraldine Cochran	22
Chris Cavin`	24
Fallon McClain	24
Gaynell Baynard	25
Aaron Goode	25
Delores Spencer	25
Sierra Rando	27 26
Grant Wycliffe	26
Steven White	28
Pat Rafter	31

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