

St. Joseph's Church



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THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE

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

Parish Secretary: office@sjfchurch.org - New Email Address

Website: www.sjfchurch.org - New Website Address

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

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

Wedding Anniversary Blessings: Contact the parish office to schedule or inform Father Evers or our Deacons prior to Mass.

BAPTISM:

Before a child is Baptized, the parents are asked to participate in a Pre-Baptismal program. Please call the parish office 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: Please notify the Parish Office if any parishioner is ill or hospitalized.

BECOMING CATHOLIC:

- ♦ Are you or someone you know interested in joining the Catholic Church?
- ♦ Have you been away, and want to come back to the Church and not sure how?
- ♦ Do you have a non-Catholic family member or friend who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith?
- ♦ Were you baptized but did not receive First Holy Communion or Confirmation?

If the answer is yes to any of these questions, please accept this as a personal invitation to join us. Simply see Father Glenn or call the parish office. This journey of faith is an enriching process and the most rewarding and beneficial journey a person take!

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.

September 21, 2025

- Rosary Prayer - Mondays @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-716-427-1572, code 178602
- ♦ Sept 20 - Raskob Foundation 80th Anniversary Mass
- ♦ Sept 21 - CCD Orientation for Parents
- ♦ Sept 21 - OCIA - Becoming Catholic
- ♦ Sept 22 - Book Club Meeting @ 7pm
- ♦ Sept 28 - CCD Begins
- ♦ Oct 01 - Fall Bible Study
- ♦ Oct 11 - Marian Pilgrimage to Wash., DC
City Deanery Bus - Reserve your seat today!
- ♦ Oct 15-18 - Kateri Circle Pilgrimage
- ♦ Oct 18-19 - Missionary Daughters of the Eternal Father Visit
- ♦ Nov 08 - KPC Founder's Day and Turn-out
- ♦ Nov 22 - Bishop's 5K Run/Walk

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Mass Intentions September 20, 2025 — September 28, 2025

Saturday, 09/20/2025	5:00 pm	†John & Helena Raskob Requested by St. Joseph Parish
Sunday, 09/21/2025	10:00 am	For the People of the Parish
Tuesday, 09/23/2025	12:10 pm	Chris Claudy & Family and his Laborers
Wednesday, 09/24/2025	12:10 pm	William & Alice Kirlin Requested by Dennis Kirlin
Thursday, 09/25/2025	12:10 pm	† Teresa Cassidy Requested by Paul Dolan
Saturday, 09/27/2025	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 09/28/2025	10:00 am	†August Hazeur Requested by Kateri Circle

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers, V.C.
Deacons:	Robert J. Cousar Phillip Gonzalez
Admin. Assistant	Loretta L. Young
Receptionist:	Lavon Robinson
Coord. Religious Education:	Vacant
Dir. Music Ministry:	Daniel Stevens
Bookkeeper:	Joseph Garniewski, Sr.

Introduction of the Liturgy of the Day

"You cannot serve both God and mammon," we hear Jesus tell His disciples in today's Gospel. He challenges us to decide where our priorities lie. Which do we spend more time and energy building up: our faith or our wealth? It is difficult to ignore the need for money, if only to have enough to get by, let alone pursuing more so that we can live a comfortable life. But we believe our treasure can be found in the kingdom of God, in which our money is used to promote the Gospel and God's Love. May today's liturgy remind us of that truth.



Dear Friends,

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for many struggling Catholic families. Monies raised through this collection, coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment, provide financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Our Catholic Church has the mission to educate, and this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics; all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

The Share in the Spirit campaign has been designed by high school students from our Catholic schools.

- ♦ The poster was designed by students from Padua Academy and represents all of the schools in our diocese.
- ♦ The video from students at St. Mark's High School.
- ♦ Two supporting articles authored by aspiring journalists from St. Elizabeth HS, and Ss. Peter and Paul High School.

I ask you to generously support next week's Share in the Spirit collection. God bless you for your ongoing goodness.

To learn more about the Share in the Spirit collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at <https://www.cdow.org/share-in-the-spirit>.

Sincerely,

September 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 July/ We hope that you will continue supporting these important ministries and acts of charity.

- **Sept 6/7 - Building & Maintenance Fund and St. Vincent dePaul Society**
- **Sept 6/7 - Vacation Make Up Collection**
- **Sept 27/28 - Share in The Spirit— Diocese Collection for Tuition Assistance**



When making on-line donations, please use the drop down menu and select the special collection for which your gift is designated. To donate please simply scan our QR code with your cellphone.

Our **Saint Vincent dePaul Ministry**, the charitable arm here at Saint Joseph, is in need of volunteers to support our neighbors in need who contact the parish seeking financial help. The commitment consists of monitoring and responding to email requests and obtaining appropriate information from the requestor. Please contact the parish office if you're able to help with this important outreach ministry.

Bible Study

A Journey Through the Book of Numbers
with Deacon Phil Gonzalez

Wednesday's
October 1, 8, 22
November 12 & 19

Fellowship Hall
6pm Light Supper
6:30pm Bible Study

Parish Bus — September



DATE	DRIVER
Sun, Sept 07	Yolanda Mohammed
Sun, Sept 14	Judd Williams
Sun, Sept 21	Judd Williams
Sun, Sept 28	Judd Williams

God Bless Our Bus Drivers!

from The Dialog...

Be sure to pick up a copy of the special 60th anniversary edition of *The Dialog* on your way out of church today. It is full of great news stories of the last six decades of service to the Catholic community of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore.

ON THIS WEEK'S EPISODE OF CATHOLIC FORUM

WE TALK TO AUTHOR, SPEAKER AND FORMER SECRETARY TO SAINT PADRE PIO, FATHER JOHN AURILIA, OFM CAP.

Dearest Soul

PODCAST & VIDEO PREMIERS
SEPT. 24, 2025 @ 12:00 P.M.
PROGRAM AIRS ON
RELEVANT RADIO 640
SEPT. 27, 2025 @ 1:30 P.M.

relevant 640AM radio **YouTube**

Podcasts Spotify iHeart MUSIC

You are invited to the
Annual Diocese of Wilmington Blue Mass
TO HONOR THE WORK OF ALL PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

**Monday, September 29, 2025
10:00 a.m.**

**St. John the Beloved
Roman Catholic Church**
907 Milltown Road • Wilmington, Delaware 19808

The Blue Mass is an annual event that honors local, county, state, and federal law enforcement, fire, emergency medical, and military personnel who live and work in the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington, which includes Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore.

**First Responders of all faiths
- active or retired -
are welcome at the Mass!**

Question of the Week

How do I value true wealth over material wealth? How can I do so more fully?

38TH ANNUAL RED MASS

**Sunday, October 5, 2025
4:00 p.m. Mass**

St. Joseph on the Brandywine
10 Old Church Road
Wilmington, Delaware

Complimentary dinner to follow
sponsored by Morris James LLP



MOST REV. TIMOTHY P. BROGLIO
Homilist
Archbishop of the Military Services USA
President, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops



MOST REV. WILLIAM KOENIG
Celebrant
Bishop of the Catholic
Diocese of Wilmington



**St. Thomas
More
Society**

of the Catholic Diocese of Wilmington

All are welcome. For more information,
please contact Denise Nordheimer at
dnordheimer@foxrothschild.com, or
visit www.stmswilmington.org.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

<i>August Hazeur</i>	<i>Jean Toy</i>	<i>Guissepina Fazzone</i>	<i>Mavis Woolley</i>	<i>Barbara Pulliam</i>
<i>Glenda Townsend</i>	<i>John Madison</i>	<i>Ron Toy</i>	<i>Mercedes Zahralbin</i>	<i>Mary Polk</i>
<i>Judy Gallagher</i>	<i>Donna Scott May</i>	<i>Yvonne Hill</i>	<i>Julianna McGill</i>	<i>Megan Pitts</i>
<i>Constance H. Hamilton</i>	<i>Al DelPizzo</i>	<i>Don Skomsky</i>	<i>Nicole Raye Shaw</i>	

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.



September

Enrique Nieves	01
Amanda Shine	01
Marrisa May	03
Cheryl Riviere	03
Mary Ann Cunningham	07
Santino Kasper	08
Leslie Ann Cunningham	10
Ariana Goode	12
Derrick Lowery	12
Maya Cunningham	13
Kathleen O'Connell	13
Marques Polk	14
John Purnell, Jr.	14
Ricardo Taylor	15
William Willis, Jr.	15
Michele Francia	16
Jerry Kegelman	16
Doris Matthews	16
Kevin O'Connell	17
Jaylen Ross Herman	17
Chanae Owens	19
Clifton Rashad	19
Elaine Elliston	23
Sandra Donohue	28
Shirley Murray	29
Christopher Parks	29
Laura Altman	30
Dalicia LeaBough	30
Walter Spencer	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 at office@sjfchurch.org. Please include your name, month, day and year of birth.



**JOIN BISHOP KOENIG
AND FELLOW PARISHIONERS FROM THE
CITY DEANERY PARISHES
FOR THE
DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON'S
MARIAN PILGRIMAGE
TO THE
BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
IN WASHINGTON, D.C.
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2025
10 AM – 4 PM**



**DON'T MISS VISITING THIS
PLACE OF PILGRIMAGE DURING THIS
JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE
WITH OUR BISHOP AND PRIESTS**


**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY
COACH BUS
FOR DEANERY PARISHIONERS
\$40 PER PERSON**

**DEPARTS FROM SAINT ELIZABETH
PARKING LOT AT 6:45 AM
& LEAVES THE BASILICA AT 5 PM**


**SIGN UP AT
DOWNTOWNCATHOLIC.COM/RSVP**

FEATURING:

- Mass
- Rosary
- Sacrament of Reconciliation
- Tour the over 40 chapels
- Lunch in the cafeteria
or bring a brown bag
- Holy Hour
- Benediction
- Gift Shop



**Wedding Anniversary
Blessings**



Contact the parish office to schedule or inform Father Evers or
Deacon Phil prior to Mass if you would like to receive a
Wedding Anniversary Blessing at Mass.

Summer Reading

St. Joseph's Book Club will read Four Winds by Christin
Hanna. The group will meet again on **Monday,
September 22, 2025**. Plenty of time to get the book,
read it and plan to attend the next book club gathering.

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