

# 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@sjfschurch.org](mailto:office@sjfschurch.org) - New Email Address

Website: [www.sjfschurch.org](http://www.sjfschurch.org) - New Website Address

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



### MASS SCHEDULE

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

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

#### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS, EMAIL, TELEPHONE**

**NUMBER:** Contact the Parish Office if your personal contact information changes.

## November 30, 2025

- Rosary Prayer - Mondays @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-716-427-1572, code 178602
- ♦ Nov 29 & 30- **Missionary Daughters of the Eternal Father Visit – 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection**
- ♦ Dec 02 - **Giving Tuesday**
- ♦ Dec 03 - **Advent Holy Hour of Power @ St. Ann's Parish**
- Dec 06 - **Christmas Fest & Bingo All the Way!!!**
- Dec 08 - **Immaculate Conception, Mass @ 12:10pm**  
Holy Day of Obligation
- Dec 10 & 17 - **Advent Reflections Series - Deacon Phil**
- Dec 15 - **Advent Confessions in the City**  
12-2pm and 5pm-7pm
- Dec 21 - **Begin Christmas Decorating**
- Dec 24 - **Christmas Eve**
  - 4:15pm Christmas Nativity
  - 4:45pm Christmas Caroling
  - 5:00pm Mass
- Dec 25 - **Christmas Day** - 10:00 am Mass  
Christmas Novena Begins
- Dec 28 - **Feast of the Holy Family** - 10:00 am Mass
- Dec 30 - **Kwanza Celebration** - Blue Room
- January 01, 2026 - **New Year's Day** - 10:00 am Mass  
Feast of Mary, the Mother of God

***In November, we celebrate Black Catholic History Month and Native American Heritage Month***

**Mass Intentions  
November 29, 2025 – December 7, 2025**

Saturday, 11/29/2025	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 11/30/2025	10:00 am	† Edwina Bradley
Tuesday, 12/02/2025	12:10 pm	† Paula Williams Requested by Denis Kirlin
Wednesday, 12/03/2025	12:10 pm	† Mark Deagan Requested by Dennis Kirlin
Thursday, 12/04/2025	12:10 pm	† Kevin Bolinski Requested by Dennis Kirlin
Saturday, 12/06/2025	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 12/07/2025	10:00 am	† Anita Young

**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:	Tiffany Ostrishko

**Introduction of the Liturgy of the Day**

During this season of anticipation, we are reminded that Jesus didn't come into the world only once, as a newborn baby over two thousand years ago, but also comes into the world—and our hearts—throughout our lives. Furthermore, as we hear in today's Gospel, He will return to the world without warning on the day of judgment. Therefore, over the Advent season we have a great incentive to prepare our hearts for His coming. May Jesus' words to His disciples resonate with us today: "You also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

**GIVING TUESDAY**

Tuesday, December 2nd is Giving Tuesday and it's fast approaching! Giving Tuesday is a global movement that's all about celebrating each and every single act of generosity we have to offer. Here at St. Joseph's Giving Tuesday is a day used to encourage increased support of our parish mission, and it kicks off our year-end donation effort. Please be as generous as possible, spread the word, and know that your financial assistance is needed and greatly appreciated to help fund and support our activities and maintain our property and mission.

You may scan our QR code to your submit your gift.



**God bless you!**

*Advent  
Holy Hour of Power*

*Aderation, Praise, and Worship Music*

Wednesday, December 3, 2025  
6:30 pm

St. Ann's Catholic Church  
2013 Gilpin Avenue  
Wilmington, DE 19806

Sponsored by  
St. Ann's Parish and St. Joseph's - Wilmington Parish

Rev. Eric Frimpong - Associate Pastor St. Ann's  
Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers, V.C. - Pastor St. Joseph's



**November/December 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.

- Nov 29/30 - Catholic Campaign for Human Development Annual Collection
- Nov 29/30 - Mission Appeal - Daughters of the Eternal Father
- Dec 06/07 - Christmas Flowers
- Dec 06/07 - Building & Maintenance
- Dec 08 - Immaculate Conception
- Dec 13/14 - Retirement Fund for Religious



## Christmas Decorations Fund



Consider honoring a family member, friend or loved one by contributing toward the Christmas decorations fund. This is a very nice way to remember loved ones, during the season of Our Savior's Birth, while supporting your parish. Envelopes are in your box set and the church pews.



### Parish Bus — Nov/Dec



DATE	DRIVER
Sun, Nov 30	Judd Williams
Sun, Dec 7	Judd Williams
Sun, Dec 14	Yolanda Mohammed
Sun, Dec 21	Judd Williams
Sun, Dec 28	Judd Williams

God Bless Our Bus Drivers!

### Question of the Week

How can I prepare my heart this Advent to receive Jesus whenever He comes?

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**Saturday, Dec 6th 9:00 am - 3:00 pm**

## Christmas Fest and



All the Way!!!

Join Us!

#### SPECIAL RAFFLE

Philadelphia Eagles  
Tickets & Basket  
\$25 Per Ticket  
2 Tickets - Section 109  
Eagles vs Commanders  
Last Game of the Season

Eagles Gear Basket  
24 Can Flex Cooler • Sweater  
Ski Cap, Tervis Water Bottle, Socks  
and much more!

Purchase Tickets online  
[www.sjtschurch.org](http://www.sjtschurch.org)



For information call 302-658-4535

#### TROMBOLI • GAMES

KID'S ZONE  
NEW 2 YOU  
LOTS OF FUN!

#### FOOD

\$6.00  
Hot Dogs/Sausage  
Chips & Beverage  
or  
Tossed Salad  
w/Tuna, Beverage

**Breakfast with Santa & Crafts**

**\$5.00**

**9:30 am ~ 11:30am**

**Bingo All The Way**

**1:00pm ~ 3:00pm**

**\$7.00 Per Card**

**Sunday Fellowship**  
Sponsored by  
**Loretta L. Young**

The parish is grateful to all who continue to support this ministry.

## Advent Bible Study Series

**December 10 & 17th**  
with  
**Deacon Phil Gonzalez**

**"Angels We Have Heard on High"**

**6:00pm Supper,  
6:30pm Session**

### Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. **The weekend collections on November 22nd & 23rd totaled \$3,789** In addition, we average \$600 per week from on-line donations. We have multiple ways to enable your consistent giving: In-Pew, On-line, US Mail, and Bank Checks. Either way, remember that the Parish relies on your consistent contributions and we ask that you continue to be prayerful about your gifts to the parish. Thank you for your faithfulness with giving back to the Lord!



### 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.

**IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

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

<i>Megan Pitts</i>	<i>Jean Toy</i>	<i>Guissepina Fazzone</i>	<i>Mavis Woolley</i>	<i>Barbara Pulliam</i>
<i>Glenda Townsend</i>	<i>Nicole Raye Shaw</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>Don Skomsky</i>	<i>Michelle Hamilton</i>
<i>Constance H. Hamilton</i>	<i>Deidre Rogers</i>	<i>Julian Hinds</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.



**November**

- Laurel Bedminster Mansor 29
- Adia Bracy 29
- Austin Fontnette 30

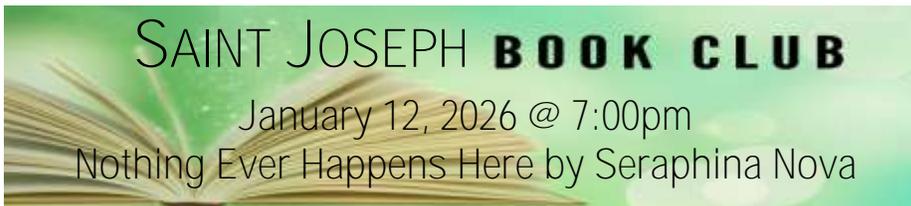
**December**

- Ryan Small 02
- Willow Harmon 02
- Vanel Fleury 03
- Josephine Griffin 03
- William Cavin 04
- Marie Corbitt 05
- Alisha Cruz 08
- Rosetta Henderson 08
- Iona Johnson 08
- Ricardo Taylor, II 08
- Maria Bairos 09
- Irmina Hudson 10
- Willa Seth 12
- Dana Jackson 13
- Tristan Thompson 14
- Xavier Wycliffe 14
- Kenneth Cunningham 15
- Donald Cory Towles 15
- Olivia Frances Clark 16
- Michala Leventry 17
- Carlvin Joseph 21
- Patrick Abili 22
- Lisa Hudson 25
- Rita Watts 25
- Gabriel Elijah Towles 28
- Leatitia Bedminster 29
- Desiree Blackwell 29
- Christopher Sterling 29
- Colby Twyman 29
- Marquis Baynard 30
- Tracy Purnell 30
- James Forrest 31
- Janice Jolly 31
- Paula Willis 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 at office@sjfchurch.org . Please include your name, month, day and year of birth.*



*Listen to Catholic Forum each week. This week, Diocese of Wilmington Delegate for Religious, Sister Ann David Strohming, OSF, will be the guest. The Catholic Forum podcast on Apple, Spotify, iHeartRadio, Amazon Music podcasts and YouTube.com/DiocesefofWilm debuts every Wednesday at 12:00 p.m.; and on Relevant Radio 640 every Saturday afternoon at 1:30. More information is available at [cdow.org/CatholicForum](http://cdow.org/CatholicForum) and [FaceBook.com/CatholicForum](https://www.facebook.com/CatholicForum).*



**PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE  
GREAT AMERICAN SMOKEOUT M/ONTH**

**STOMACH CANCER AWARENESS MONTH**

Smoking is one of the biggest preventable causes of stomach cancer. Oncologists explain how tobacco damages the stomach lining, raises infection risk, and triggers DNA changes that can lead to cancer. Discover the early symptoms, simple lifestyle choices, and tips to cut risk and protect long-term health at <https://www.moneycontrol.com/health-and-fitness/stomach-cancer-awareness-month-2025>

**GASTROESOPHAGEAL REFLUX DISEASE (GERD) AWARENESS MONTH**

GERD Awareness Month shines a light on a condition that often goes undiagnosed or underestimated. With proper education and proactive management, individuals can lead healthier lives free from GERD's debilitating effects. This November, let us support GERD GA0Awareness Month by learning more about the disease, adopting healthy habits, and encouraging others to seek medical care for persistent symptoms. The American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) website provides educational resources and connects people with specialists at <https://www.gastro.org>

**NATIONAL FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY DAY – NOVEMBER 27**

If you missed the opportunity at your Thanksgiving family gathering, use this day to research your family history.

**NATIONAL HEALTHY SKIN MONTH**

Skin disorders (from eczema to melanoma) affect one in three Americans and account for billions in annual healthcare costs. National Healthy Skin Month spotlights prevention, early detection, and daily habits that protect the body's largest organ, making it an ideal moment for healthcare organizations to reinforce evidence-based skin-health practices with both employees and patients. Dermatologists recommend at least one annual professional skin exam for average-risk adults and more frequent checks for those with risk factors such as fair skin, high mole count, or personal/family history of skin cancer. Visit BHM Healthcare Solutions for information for prevention, early detection, and daily tools you can use at: <https://nj.tv/vp/2025/10/national-healthy-skin-month>.

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