

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

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Fourteenth Sunday Ordinary Time

Nothing ordinary about it...

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

MASS SCHEDULE

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

July 5, 2026

- Rosary Prayer - Mondays @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call
1-716-427-1572, code 178602
- July 5-26 - Kateri Circle Summer Cooler Raffle Ticket Sales
- August 2 - Parish Picnic - Fox Point State Park, 12pm - 4pm
- August 15 - Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- September 13 - Parish Crab Feast, 12 pm - 3pm
- September 19 - Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary 20th Anniv. Celebration

PARISH OFFICE HOURS ADJUSTED TO 10AM —12:00 PM
JULY 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 16

Detail Inside

Mass Intentions July 4, 2026 – July 12, 2026

Saturday, 07/4/2026	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 07/5/2026	10:00 am	†Gioia Regan Paul & Mary McDermott
Tuesday, 07/7/2026	12:10 pm	Father's Day Mass Novena —#8
Wednesday, 07/8/2026	12:10 pm	Father's Day Mass Novena —#9
Thursday, 07/9/2026	12:10 pm	† Kevin Bolinski Requested by Dennis Kirlin
Saturday, 07/11/2026	5:00 pm	For the People of the Parish
Sunday, 07/12/2026	10:00 am	† Glycedo Roger "JR" Willis Requested by Kateri Circle

PARISH STAFF

Pastor:	Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers, V.C.
Deacons:	Robert J. Cousar Phillip Gonzalez
Admin. Coordinator:	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

Jesus knows that our lives are difficult. The mission He left for us is challenging. Additionally, we have dozens of day-to-day responsibilities and concerns. He's just told His disciples that they must carry their crosses. But He also promises that He will be with us to carry our crosses when we are overwhelmed. Therefore, He is able to assure everyone who labors and is burdened that He will give them rest. His yoke is easy, and His burden light. Gathered here today, let us put our concerns and anxieties in the Lord's hands and allow Him to lift our burdens from our shoulders.

If you would like to register with the parish, please access the registration form located on our website 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.



O God, our Father and Creator, You have so richly blessed our homeland with natural beauty, abundant harvests, enshrined freedoms and the gift of faith.

On this 250th anniversary of our founding, we consecrate ourselves and our country to Your Loving providence and infinite mercy, which flow through the Sacred Heart of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. May you enliven Your Church in America with the wisdom and unity of Your Holy Spirit. Together as compatriot may we unite in gratitude and adoration, giving You the proper thanks and praise You are so rightly due. O Lord, forgive the sins of our nation, heal our divisions, and renew us in faith, hope, and charity.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we place all our trust in You.





Sunday Fellowship



The parish is grateful to all who continue to support this ministry. Our Sunday Fellowship Ministry will recess during the months of July and August. We will not serve coffee, tea or donuts during this time.

Our Sunday Fellowship will resume on September 20, 2026. Again this year we will be seeking sponsors each week and the cost is \$85 which covers some of the weekly expense. Please use the sign up sheet located in the rear of the church to sponsor one week during our 2026-2027 season.

SUMMERTIME GIVING

The vacation season is upon us, many will begin to travel. As a result, Mass attendance declines a bit during the summer, but we want to be sure that our commitment to the parish with weekly giving does not do the same. Our work for the Lord continues year round and we have a number of ways that we can continue giving, even when on vacation.

Online giving via our website, automatic payments through your bank, send your contribution through US Mail or simply place your donation in the secure mailbox located in front of the parish office. Either way, please remember the parish relies on your weekly and consistent contribution. Even during the summer at the time when you are away.

Kateri Circle Raffle



Tickets: 5 for \$10

Sundays July 5, 12, 19, 26 After Mass



INCLUDES

- GIFT CARD
- BEACH TOWEL
- ALOE AFTER SUN LOTION
- SUMMER VISOR
- SUMMER BEVERAGES
- SNACKS
- BOOKS
- BEACH CHAIR AND MORE!

DRAWING ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 2ND
AT PARISH PICNIC

Thank You!



The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary expresses tremendous gratitude to all who donated bras or offered a monetary gift toward the purchase of bras for the YWCA Women's Shelter located on N. Madison Street in Wilmington.

By the grace of God and with your generosity, the Ladies were able to donate 102 bras for the shelter — many sizes and a variety of styles. New bras are one of the most requested yet least donated items at women's shelters. Your donation helped to provide comfort, confidence, and care during a time of transition and healing.

Thank you for helping with this important initiative — God bless you for your goodness!

Parish Bus — July



DATE	DRIVER
Sun, July 5	Yolanda Mohammed
Sun, July 12	Judd Williams
Sun, July 19	Judd Williams
Sun, July 26	Judd Williams

God Bless Our Bus Drivers!

Question of the Week

Do I consider myself meek? How can I be less resentful and more peaceful and patient with family, friends, and colleagues?

Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. Last weekend collections

June 27 & 28 - \$2,555

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!



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>Pat Robbins</i>
<i>Constance H. Hamilton</i>	<i>Deidre Rogers</i>	<i>Julian Hinds</i>	<i>Rose Henderson</i>	<i>Laurenza 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.



Xavier Twyman	01
Michael Charles Simmonds, Jr.	02
Sheila Cavin	03
Bowman Thomas Flynn	03
Mavis Woolley	03
Evangelly Nieves	06
Marcela Y. Hill	07
Johnny A. McClain, Jr.	07
William Harmon, II	09
Fayette Jackson	09
John Rando	10
Lavern Rae Robinson	11
Melissa Thorpe	11
Carmen Twyman	14
Vincent M. Robinson	14
Joshua Stephen Thorpe	15
Patricia Owens	16
Bryce Twyman	16
Vonda Wright	16
Antoinette Hauteville	21
Lauren Mahler	21
Kayla C. Willis	23
Jeffrey Flynn	24
Jasmine MacFarlane	24
Glenda Townsend	24
Phyllis Woolley-Mobley	24
Avery Bordley	26
Gwen Cavin	26
Derrick Porter`	26
William Willis, Sr.	26
Laura Wharton	27
Lesly Watts	29
Marc Woolley	29
Linda Chatman	31
Vernon Taylor	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 office@SJFSchurch.org. Please include your name, month, day and year of birth.

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

- **July 6/7 – Building & Maintenance and St. Vincent dePaul**
- **July 18/19 – Support of Church in Eastern Europe**

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.



St. Joseph's Book Club will read **JUDGE STONE** by **Viola Davis and James Patterson**. The group will meet again on Monday, September 14, 2026. Plenty of time to get the book, read it and plan to attend the next book club gathering.



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.

Saint Joseph Catholic Church is committed to ensuring that no person is excluded from participation in or denied the benefits of its transportation services based on race, color, or national origin, as protected by Title VI in the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Circular 4702.1B. For additional information on Saint Joseph Catholic Church nondiscrimination policies and procedures, or to file a complaint, please visit the website at www.sjfschurch.org or contact St. Joseph Parish Office, 1012 N. French Street, Wilmington, DE 19801.