

St. Joseph's Church

THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



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PASTOR

Rev. Paul M. Williams, OFM
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DEACON

Deacon Robert J. Cousar

Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday, 10 am - 3 pm
Friday, 10am - 1pm

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Website: www.stjosephfrenchst.org

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday — 10:00 am Tuesday to Friday — 12:10 pm

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm Holy days — As announced

The Church is open for Prayer & Meditation Tuesday—Friday from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM.

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

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. All couples must attend either Pre-Cana Classes or make an Engaged Encounter.

BAPTISM:

Before a child is Baptized, the parents and Godparents must 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 Pastoral Center and complete a parish registration form.

CARE OF THE SICK AND

HOMEBOUND: The Pastor, Deacon, and special ministers of Holy Communion will gladly bring Communion to anyone who is ill or otherwise unable to get to Mass. The Pastor and Deacon make regular visits to local hospitals. **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.

June 18, 2017



- ▶ CCD Every Sunday following Mass
- ▶ June 18 ~ Caribbean Liturgy and Food Tasting.
- ▶ June 18 ~ Happy Father's Day!
- ▶ June 24 ~ KPCLA Monthly Meeting, 10am
- ▶ June 25 ~ Confirmation with Bishop Malooly and Lunch immediately following in the fellowship hall
- ▶ June 26 ~ Book Club, 7pm, *Twelve Tribes of Hattie* by Ayana Mathis.
- ▶ June 24/25 ~ Works of the Holy Father Special Collection
- ▶ June 25 ~ Wilmington Diocese Gospel Choir
- ▶ August 06 ~ Parish Picnic
- ▶ August 26 ~ Annual Crab Feast



All of our readings today give us images to help us grasp the meaning of the Eucharist: manna, cup of blessing, one loaf, living bread. As we listen to the holy word of God today, let's allow ourselves to rest in these and the other words and phrases that we will hear, and give them a chance to feed our souls so that we can come to the table truly ready to celebrate and receive the

Weekly Collections

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

Amounts below represent last week's collection and the collection for the same week in 2016.

June 11, 2017 — \$2,028

June 12, 2016 — \$3,368

Thank you for your generosity!!!

Mass Intentions
June 17, 2017 — June 25, 2017

Saturday, 06/17	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/18	10:00 AM	
Monday, 06/19	12:10 PM	
Tuesday, 06/20	12:10 PM	
Wednesday, 06/21	12:10 PM	
Thursday, 06/22	12:10 PM	
Friday, 06/23	12:10 PM	
Saturday, 06/24	12:10 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/25	10:00 AM	

PARISH STAFF	
Pastor:	Rev. Paul M. Williams, OFM
Deacon:	Robert J. Cousar
Parish Secretary:	Loretta L. Young
St. Vincent dePaul Society:	Fayette Jackson
Director Religious Education:	Mary Polk
Bookkeeper:	Jane Putscher

Introduction to the Liturgy

Today we are gathered at Eucharist to celebrate the meaning of the Eucharist. Today's solemnity is called the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Let us pay particular attention to the words and gestures at today's Mass, and when it comes time for Communion, let's approach the altar with joy in our hearts and gratitude for this gift of the Eucharist.

Fr. Paul



Bishop Malooly will celebrate mass for Confirmation. We are blessed to have 5 candidates:

Andres Garcia Timothy Loosararian
Tyler Loosararian Christian Towles
Jecha Wright

Following mass, everyone is invited to the fellowship hall for lunch with hoagies, chips and cake.

Parish Council Nominations

We are seeking two candidates that are willing to serve on parish council. The council is advisory to the pastor and helps coordinate activities and plan for the future. The parish council meets monthly on the third Wednesday, except in the summer and December. If you are willing to share your talent and a little time to build up the kingdom of God, please see Fr. Paul, any member

Barbara Willis - Transition to Eternal Rest

Barbara Willis quietly passed away in the early morning on Thursday, June 15 while in hospice care at the home of her son and caregiver. We are grateful for her life and happy that she shared so much of herself with us and others.

The funeral mass will take place on Saturday, June 24, 2017 at 10:00 am. The viewing will begin at 8:00 am. The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary funeral ritual will take place prior to the start of mass. Burial will be at Cathedral Cemetery. Family and friends are invited to the fellowship hall for a repass following the burial.



Question of the Week

How will I set aside time both to adore Christ present in the Eucharist and to serve the poor in a hands-on way?

Parish Bus - June Schedule



DATE	DRIVER
Sunday, June 4	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, June 11	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, June 18	
Sunday, June 25	Vanel Fluery

God Bless Our Bus Drivers!

CARIBBEAN MASS & A TASTE OF THE ISLANDS

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
1012 FRENCH STREET
WILMINGTON, DE 19801

Join us as we celebrate Heritage Month
with a  themed Mass
on
Sunday, June 18th at 10:00 AM.
Then join us in our Fellowship Hall
for a taste of food favorites,
prepared by our parishioners
from the islands.



SAVE THE DATE



**WITH "ATIBA" ON
THE STEEL DRUM**

SPONSORED BY THE SODALITY OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF
ST. JOSEPH CHURCH ON FRENCH ST.

Happy Birthday!

June

Joan McLaughlin	02
Yareli Barranco	02
Jaeda Johnson	03
Donna May	04
Judy Gallagher	04
Stacey Lowery	05
Jerrod MacFarlane	07
Loretta Young	07
Rose Porter	08
Bernadette Winston	08
Mimose Fleury	09
Michele Porter	10
David Redmond	10
Pamela Fletcher	12
Charmaine Doyle Horton	12
Elizabeth Ponder	12
James Thomas	12
Danielle Simmonds	13
Deborah Thomas	15
Judith Smith Brown	16
Fr. Paul Williams	16
Harold Hill, Jr.	17
David May, Jr.	17
Deidre Ann Robinson	17
Margaret Levesque	18
Earl MacFarlane	18
Nicholas Willis	18
Margaret Rose Henry	20
Gavin McClain	20
Sabrina Buckner	21
Jenny Lynn Traynor	22
Charles Wing	23
Dylan Granger	24
Thomas Smith	24
Monique Mirabeau	25
Giavanna Cecere	26
London Louise Simmonds	26

*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
Please include your name, birth month, day and year.*

Liturgy Schedule ~ May/June 2017

Saturday, June 3, 5:00 p.m.

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector
Gwen Cavin ~ Eucharistic Minister



Sunday, June 4, 10:00 am

Tia Pulliam ~ Altar Server
Sheris Owens ~ Greeter
Stephanie Bolden ~ 1st Lector
Judy Gallagher ~ 2nd Lector
Delores Spencer ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
Stacey Lowery ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 10, 5:00 p.m.

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector
Loretta Young ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 11, 2017

Ava Wycliffe, Altar Server
Fayette Jackson, Greeter
Jasmine MacFarlane, Lector 1
Andrea Queen, Lector 2
Marie Cousar, Eucharistic Minister
Denise Scales, Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 17, 5:00 p.m.

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector
Loretta Young ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 18, 5:00 pm

W. Walker ~ Altar Server
Sheris Owens ~ Greeter
Jed Donahue ~ Lector
Gail Rando ~ Lector 2
John Rando ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
Denise McIntyre ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Saturday, June 24, 5:00 p.m.

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector
Loretta Young ~ Eucharistic Minister

Sunday, June 25, 10:00 am

Joaquin Ledesma ~ Altar Server
Deidre Ann Robinson ~ Greeter
William Ray ~ 1st Lector
Herb Sterling ~ 2nd Lector
Debbie Sterling ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister
TBD ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

Parish Leadership

Parish Council is advisory to the pastor on matters of the church such as the mass schedule, improvements to the building, parish social life, etc. The Council meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 6:30 pm and all parishioners are invited. **Parish Council does not meet in June, July or August. Next meeting is September 20.**

Fr. Paul Williams, President	
Deacon Cousar, Ex Officio	
Linda Abili	Sheila Cavin
Vincent Caesar	Kathy Hodges
Chantal Jackson	Derrick Johnson
Deirdre Robinson	Damita MacFarlane
Doris Matthews	John Rando
Laura Wharton	Loretta Young

The **Finance Committee** is responsible for helping the pastor with creating and managing the budget and to ensure the parish is fiscally sound. Members are appointed by the pastor and meet quarterly. Current committee members are:

Deacon Bob Cousar, Chair
Dana Crumety
Judy Gallagher
Herb Sterling
Bertley Wharton

Parking Lot

During the weekdays, the parking spaces are not available. In addition, please do not park in the pastors' or volunteer parking slots. These slots are available on Sunday, but never during the weekday. If you have a special request, please call the office. Thank you.

Sunday Morning Fellowship

We've been blessed to have the coffee and pastries donated on each Sunday of the month as indicated below.

- ◆ 1st Sunday - Ladies Sodality
- ◆ 2nd Sunday - Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary
- ◆ **3rd Sunday - Loretta & Leonard Young**
- ◆ 4th Sunday - Krispy Kreme donuts hosted by Kathy Hodges
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Thank You!
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THANKS FOR BEING HERE!

If you would like to become an ACTIVE member of Saint Joseph's Parish we invite you to complete the Parish Registration form below and place the completed form in the Offertory basket or send to the Parish Office. Someone from the Parish Office will contact you.

Saint Joseph Catholic Church Parish Registration Form

Last Name: _____

Full Name: _____

Birthdate: (month, date, year) _____

Church of Baptism: _____

List all resident family members you wish to register at Saint Joseph's and the relationship of all.

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Cellular Phone: _____

Home Telephone: _____

TRIP TO THE BATHROOM

Little people sometimes find it necessary to make a bathroom visit during mass to relieve boredom if nothing else. Fellowship hall and the bathrooms are unsupervised and accessible to outsiders. For the safety of our little ones, their grown-up should accompany them when they take a break. Nothing has happened and we want to be sure it doesn't.

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH LIFE AND NEWS



The Sodality honors the Blessed Mother

through prayer. These ladies faithfully pray the rosary each Sunday before mass and they pray continuously for the parish, the city and for individuals in need of the intercession of the Blessed Mother. If you would like to join this ministry, please contact Denise

Scales on 302.368.9881.

JUNIOR SODALITY

The Jr. Sodality mission statement includes:

having a deeper appreciation and understanding of others by enriching values of respect, responsibility and sharing with the guidance and example of St. Joseph Senior Sodality. Making a difference by bringing joy, love and refreshments to brighten the lives of others including St. Joseph community and the shut-in, hosting a luncheon for those less fortunate, sharing in the ministries of the church and participating in the Angel Tree Adopt A Child Program. ALL YOUNG LADIES, 6 TO 14, IN THE DIOCESE ARE INVITED TO ATTEND. PLEASE CONTACT

Jean Toy, 302.658.2218,

Margaret Levesque, 302-656-0813, or Lorenza Hinds, 302-574-0057. FOR INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

Buy gift/ pre-paid cards for a good cause.

Please consider buying gift/ pre-paid cards for everyday items & gifts. Proceeds are used to support the mission of the Knights of Peter Claver, such as service to the Church, assistance to the needy and youth scholarship. Order forms are in the back of the church or online. For information, phone 302 598 0448; Email:

kpc.scrip@stjosephfrenchst.org

Web: http://kpc.stjosephfrenchst.org.KPC_ScripFundRaisingInfo.pdf

BAYLOR PRISON MINISTRY: Every Friday morning, parishioners and friends brighten the lives of women who are incarcerated. On the first and third Friday, Fr. Paul celebrates mass. For additional information, please contact Rose Henderson, 302-762-9044.

Stock the Pantry - Catholic Charities

Non-Perishable Food Donations

A barrel for non-perishable foods is located in the vestibule of the church. Please help to replenish their food closets by contributing non-perishable food items as well as personal hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, etc. To make a cash donation online, visit <https://www.cdow.org/ccdonation.html>.

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 our organization please see Grand Knight Vincent Robinson or Grand Lady Brenda Burns.

FOR THE SAKE OF GOD'S CHILDREN

Reporting Allegations of Child Abuse to Authorities

1. Division of Family Services at 1-800-292-9582
2. State Attorney General's Office 302-577-8310
3. Report to Fr. Paul, Deacon Cousar or Loretta Young
4. Report to Diocese: Vicar General 302-573-3118

St. Joseph's Book Club Meets in the Parish Center. Bring your book, a friend, snack, and your insights to this lively Discussion. The next meeting is in June and the book for discussion is *The 12 Tribes of Hatie* by Ayana Mathis. **Book Club meets on Monday June 26, 7:00PM.** Please see Geraldine Purnell for additional information..



Emergency contact == To contact the pastor after hours, call the parish number. The messages are checked every few hours, the first thing in the morning and the last thing at night. When the pastor is away, the parish secretary checks the phone frequently and will notify the pastor if there is a grave situation.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

The journey of faith is a process that takes time. Please contact the pastor about taking steps leading to initiation as a Catholic Christian. If you know someone who needs special invitation, please inform the pastor. The whole church is built up when an adult embraces the faith. We need to embrace those called by Christ.



The St. Joseph Choir is Recruiting

If you would like to help us celebrate the Mass and get extra credit, (because you know when you sing you are praying twice), please come and join the St. Joseph Choir. We rehearse and sing every Sunday, except 4th Sunday, in the Parish Center Conference Room at 9:15 AM. If you are interested, please see DeAnna Cardenas after Mass or call the Parish Center and leave a message. Thank you!

WILMINGTON DIOCESE GOSPEL CHOIR

WDGC sings at St. Joseph on the fourth Sunday and throughout the Diocese during the year. For information, call Brenda Burns at 302-322-6899.

THROUGHOUT THE DIOCESE



We celebrate the true presence of the Body and Blood of Christ this week. How often do we overlook or take for granted this glorious truth? Recognizing and embracing this truth, one cannot help but be drawn to participate in this glorious mystery. Each time you receive Holy Eucharist you are professing the true presence of Christ. As you partake in this mystery one should strive to embrace this in both their mind and heart. Another means in which one can contemplate this truth is through Adoration. When was the last time you spent time in the presence of Christ? Opening yourself up to this devotion is a wonderful way to affirm your faith, contemplate the mystery of Christ's presence, and witness to the fact that God truly dwells amongst us.

Office for Marriage and Family Life

by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

The Church lives through the nourishment of the Eucharist; “the celebration of the Eucharist . . . absolutely requires the presence of an ordained priest as its president” (Saint Pope John Paul II, *Ecclesia de Eucharistia*, #29). Are you one of those men God is calling to serve the Church as a priest? If you think that might be the case, please call or write Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113 or vocations@cdow.org). Be sure to visit our website: www.cdow.org/vocations!

PARENTING POINTERS

What qualities do you think make an ideal father? Did you learn any of these from your own father? Tell him in person or prayer. Identify one quality that you especially want to pass on to your own child. Take a step to do it today.



Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and www.wdel.com. Next Sunday, June 25th, tune in to meet Father Lance Martin, Associate Pastor of Saint John the Beloved Parish in Wilmington as he reflects on his first year of Priesthood. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, “Like” Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/catholicforum. Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at cdow.org/communications, or search “Catholic Forum” on Apple Podcasts or iHeartRadio podcasts.

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille may be the way to rediscover and rekindle the loving relationship in your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples have successfully saved their marriages by attending a Retrouvaille weekend and the six post sessions that follow it. **The next program begins the weekend of August 11-13 at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA.** For more information, or to register for one of our weekends, visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. All



Vocations

Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

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IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

Adia Bracy	Donald Evans	Serafim Bairos	Nellie Lawrence	Rose Henderson	Alice Harris
Ronald Toy	Joanna Warren	Adele & Fred Reed	Kendra Denhardt	Jessica Fullman	
Leta Johnson	Frances Reed	Octavia Manlove	James Thomas	Donna Scott May	
Tanya Wilson	Mark Gallagher	Leonard J. Young, Jr.	Barbara Stacey	Gordon Sanders	
Jeffrey Britton	Tony Dash	Jane McDonald	Giuseppina Fazzone	Arlene Watson	
James Henderson	Doris Gallagher	Mary Joan Thompson	Jemison Asante	Jolene Tyson	
Ethel Barrett	Gerry Reybold	London Louise Simmonds	Vivian Priest	Delores Tuller	
Sean Willis	Jean Toy	Charlie Anderson	John Thompson		

Christiana Care Job Opportunity

Christiana Care Health System's Department of Family and Community Medicine (ME!) is looking for a Peer Counselor/Health Ambassador to work within the New Castle County area in support of the Health Ambassador Program. The Health Ambassador Program is grant funded through the Department of Public Health and is slated to end September 31st, 2017 with potential for extension. For more information call Christiana Care Health System, Dept. of Family and Community Medicine, 1400 N Washington St, Suite 416, Wilmington, DE 19801, (302) 320-6582

2017 Quo Vadis Days for High School and College students will be **Thursday, July 27** to **Saturday, July 29** in Malvern, PA. This event offers a time of prayer, fraternity, sports, and recreation focused on the life and ministry of the Priesthood. You will spend three days with other young men who have the same interest and aspiration in life. Is God calling me to be a Priest? For more info and to register online: cdow.org/vocations. Registration deadline is

June 22nd 10th Annual Swing For Little Sisters

Gold Charity Outing at Deerfield Golf Club in Newark, DE with a 12:00 noon shotgun start. Proceeds from our 10th Annual Charity Golf Outing will go toward replacement of hospital beds in our nursing care units. Please visit our website www.littlesistersofthepoordelaware.org

Sisters' Night

June 23, 2017
Friday 6-9 pm
Villa Maria House of Studies
1140 King Road
Immaculata, PA 19345

Young women (16-35) are invited to share informally with IHM Sisters. Join us for a fun night of prayer, cookout, and scavenger hunt! For further information contact Sister Marianne

610-889-1553 or ihmvoc@gmail.com

Annual St. Joseph Parish Carnival - Middletown

Tuesday, July 18 thru Saturday, July 22, 2017.
Exciting rides, games and nightly entertainment under the big top! Special children's game area. Nightly raffles. Delicious meals in our air-conditioned Parish Hall beginning at 5:30 pm Tues.-Friday. Outdoor dining, rides and games begin at 6:00 pm nightly. FREE admission and parking. More information—call Parish Office 302-378-5800 or www.stjosephmiddletown.com.

Save Energy with Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities has a new program available for individuals who may be struggling with energy costs. As the Energize Delaware Community Energy Center in New Castle County, Catholic Charities can provide households with free energy education, budget counseling, and program referrals. At your appointment, your energy counselor will review your utility bills and discuss ways to reduce your energy usage. They'll also determine what assistance programs are available to help you keep the power on and get back on track. To schedule an appointment, contact Catholic Charities Main Office at 302-655-9624, between 8:30 am and 4:30 pm.

