

# St. Joseph's Church

THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



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DEACON  
Deacon Robert J. Cousar

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

**Parish Secretary:** [parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org)

**Bulletin News:** [stjosephsbulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:stjosephsbulletin@yahoo.com)

**Website:** [www.stjosephfrenchst.org](http://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.*

Notary Services  
Available  
Upon Request  
See Loretta Young

### 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.

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 12, 2017

- ▶ CCD — Parish Center immediately following Sunday Mass
- ▶ Adult Catechism — Sunday's, 11:30 —12:15 am in Blue Room
- ▶ February ~ Black History Month Activities
  - 12 Video of Black History and discussion with youth by Lanier Watkins
  - Health Screenings by Chi Eta Phi Nursing Sorority, Tau Eta Chapter
  - 19 Presentation by Dr. Angela Winand, Delaware Historical Society, Sponsored by Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary
  - 26 Soul Food Luncheon (CCD Cancelled)
- ▶ February 25 ~ Wilmington Diocese Gospel Choir
- ▶ February 25 ~ NAACP Annual Breakfast & Oratory Presentation, 9am
- ▶ February 25 ~ Mardi Gras Party, Sponsored by KPCLA, 7pm - Midnight Nawlins Sampler & Showcase, 2 tickets for \$50
- ▶ February 25 ~ KPCLA Meeting in Blue Room, 11:30 am
- ▶ March 01 ~ Ash Wednesday, 12:10pm Mass, 1pm Liturgy of the Word
- ▶ March 03 ~ KPC Lenten Fish Fry
- ▶ March 05 ~ Sodality's Monthly Meeting, 8:45 am
- ▶ March 11 ~ KPC Monthly Meeting, 9-11am
- ▶ March 11 & 12 ~ Holy Land Wood Carvings
- ▶ March 19 ~ Baptism of Armando Nieves and Evangely Camila Martinez
- ▶ April 01 ~ KPCLA - Sands Casino Bus Trip, Bethlehem, PA \$40, Contact Deborah Robinson
- ▶ April 15 ~ Baptism of Carter James Godette
- ▶ May 06 ~ KPCLA - National African American Museum, \$40, 7AM Departure from St. Joseph's. Contact Mary Mirabeau

### 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.

**February 5, 2017 - \$3,094      February 7, 2016 - \$3,878**

**Thank you for your generosity!!!**

## Mass Intentions

February 11, 2017— February 19, 2017

Saturday, 02/11	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 02/12	10:00 AM	† Robert Antinome Requested by Jane Crowley
Monday, 02/13	—	NO MASS
Tuesday, 02/14	12:10 PM	Fr. Paul Williams Requested by Parishioners St. Joseph's, Anderson, SC
Wednesday, 02/15	12:10 PM	Ilene Hagans Requested by Dana Robinson
Thursday, 02/16	12:10 PM	
Friday, 02/17	12:10 PM	
Saturday, 02/18	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 02/19	10:00 AM	Regina Karen Moorehead Requested by The Donahue Family

### Introduction to the Liturgy

Most of us can recall a time when we did only what was absolutely necessary to get by. When it comes to our Christian Life, however, Jesus calls us to a higher standard. As we gather for worship today, perhaps our prayer can be for the grace and the courage to go beyond the letter of the law in order to live according to a higher law, the law of love.

Fr. Paul

### Question of the Week

How can my discipleship contribute some aspect of gospel truth unobtrusively, like salt, to the worlds in which I move? Is there another situation that calls for my baptismal witness to shine more obviously, like a light on a lampstand?

### CATECHETICAL DAY- DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON ATTENTION ALL CATECHISTS!

Please join Bishop W. Francis Malooly at St. Thomas More Academy on March 11, 2017 for Catechetical Day. John Collins, William H. Sadlier's National Speaking Consultant, is the keynote speaker for the event. For more information on the day please call the Diocesan Office of Religious Education at 302-573-3130 or to register please visit [www.cdow.org/catecheticalday](http://www.cdow.org/catecheticalday).

### 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

### SNOW & CHURCH

During the wintertime, many ask about a St. Joseph's snow policy. I always offer the following: When there is a winter storm, it is best to err on the side of safety when you are thinking about coming to mass. Loretta will submit all parish weather cancellations on radio station WDEL 1150 and change the voicemail greeting advising whether or not there will be mass. Remember, I might not be able to make it from the friary at St. Paul's if the snow is too deep or if the roads are treacherous. While this is not a specific policy, my best advice is to be prudent.

Fr. Paul

### Holy Land Wood Carving

March 11 & 12



Please mark your calendar and plan to support the Holy Land Wood Carving on the weekend of March 11 and 12. Mr. Butros Qumseya will join us with a

collection of carvings from the Holy Land. The mission of this organization is to support Christians in the Holy Land regardless of their denominational orientation. They pray for peace and justice in the Holy Land.



### Parish Bus - February Schedule

DATE	DRIVER
Sunday, February 5	Yolanda Mohammed & Clifton Rashad
Sunday, February 12	Daniel Mims
Sunday, February 19	Yolanda Mohammed
Sunday, February 26	Vanel Fluery

God Bless Our Bus Drivers! We are grateful to our bus drivers who make personal sacrifices each week to transport our parishioners to and from mass each Sunday. Your crowns will be heavy!



*St. Joseph's*

*Party & Showcase*

**Saturday, February 25, 2017**

**7:00 pm til 12:00 Midnight**

**Tickets: \$30 each or 2 for \$50**

**Parish Fellowship Hall  
1012 French Street  
Wilmington, DE 19801**



Price Includes: Games, Music, Food Sampling of  
Gumbo, Jambalaya, Red Beans & Rice, Shrimp Etoufee  
Lots of Nawlins style fun!

**Sponsored by Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary**

**Contacts: Anthea Bedminster at 302.897.5320 or  
anthbed@yahoo.com**

**St. Joseph's Parish Office at 302.658.4535**



# Happy Birthday!

## February

Jean Brysson	01
Jessica Chaplin	01
Rosemary Smith	01
Sam Donahue	02
Zoe Donahue	02
Seth Eckrich	02
Matt Hoey	02
John Polk, Jr.	02
Brenda Burns	04
Samia Hopson	04
Denise Scales	04
Daniel Caesar	05
Natasha Craig Ofosu	07
Bernard Pearce	10
Atim Kilama	11
Kendra Parlock	12
Christel Turnier	12
Sidney Abili	13
Cathleen Lozes	13
Joseph Persaud	14
Le'Verne Cecere	15
Brenda Daye	15
Marcus Small	15
Terrence Clark	16
George Winston	16
Lorraine Eckrich	16
Kaeman Saunders	18
Tyiesha Enwerem	19
Timothy Skidmore	19
L'Ause Dye	20
Jacqueline Loosararian	21
David May, III	21
Kathleen Hodges	23
Dianne Skidmore	22
Marlyn Rashad	23
Albert Scales, Sr.	23
Nicole Martin-Henry	24
Chanae Council	25
Martin Taylor	25
Brian Glynn	26
Robachelle Neely	26
Kevin Daye	27
Daniel Mahler	27

*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](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org)  
Please include your name , birth month, day and year.*

## Liturgy Schedule February 2017

### **Saturday, February 4, 5:00 p.m.**

Herb Sterling ~ Lector

Debbie Sterling ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, February 5, 2017 10:00 a.m.**

Chris Walker ~ Altar Server

Deirdre Ann Robinson ~ Greeter

Lorraine Eckrich ~ Lector 1

Geraldine Cochran ~ Lector 2

Janice Jolly ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister

Denise Scales~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, February 11, 5:00 pm**

Vernon Taylor ~ Lector

Loretta Young ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, February 12, 10:00 am**

Roberto Rivera ~ Altar Server

Kyle Hopkins ~ Greeter

Andrea Queen ~ 1st Lector

Jasmine MacFarlane ~ 2nd Lector

Barbara Pulliam ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister

Delores Spencer ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister



### **Saturday, February 18, 5:00 p.m.**

Loretta Young ~ Lector

DeAnna Cardenas ~ Eucharistic Minister

### **Sunday, February 19, 10:00 a.m.**

Kali Watkins ~ Altar Server

Fayette Jackson ~ Greeter

Kevin O'Connell ~ 1st Lector

Stephanie Bolden ~ 2nd Lector

Pat Rafter ~ 1st Eucharistic Minister

Stacey Lowery ~ 2nd Eucharistic Minister

### **Saturday, February 25, 5:00 pm**

Stephen Thorpe ~ Lector

Denise Scales ~ 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. **The next meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2017.** The members are:

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
- ◆ 5th Sunday - Gail & John Rando



**Thank You!**  
Lpsuk You!

## 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: \_\_\_\_\_

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 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](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>.

**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 session will take place on Monday, March 20 and the book is *Whisper My Name*. Please see Geraldine Purnell.



**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

**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 4<sup>th</sup> 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

Good News!  
Good News!

Listen to Catholic Forum every Sunday morning at 10:05 a.m. on WDEL 101.7 FM, 1150 AM and [www.wdel.com](http://www.wdel.com). Next Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, tune in to hear an interview with Deacon Henry Libersat, author of the book, "Catholic and Confident: Simple Steps to Share Your Faith." For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, podcasts and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/catholicforum](http://www.facebook.com/catholicforum). Listen to past episodes of Catholic Forum online at [cdow.org/communications](http://cdow.org/communications) or search "Catholic Forum" on iTunes or iHeartRadio podcasts

### Answer Bishop Malooly's Invitation to Love Without Measure

Bishop Malooly invites youth and young adults from all parishes and schools to join him as welcome together for the eighth annual Pilgrimage on Saturday, April 8, 2017. Young people from across the diocese will carry the diocesan pilgrimage cross through the streets of Wilmington with the bishop as a representation of Jesus' entry to Jerusalem and his journey on Good Friday to Calvary. The day begins at St. Elizabeth parish with opening prayer and a concert featuring Cooper Ray at 10:30 am. We conclude with the 5pm Mass at St. Elizabeth. Don't miss this great opportunity to wrap up your Lenten journey with hundreds of your peers. Cost for the day is \$15

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. The Retrouvaille Program is endorsed by the Diocese of Wilmington. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about or to register for the February 10-12, 2017 program, call 1-800-966-7981 or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com)

**April 1: Blue Ribbon Casino Night & Auction**, Christ the Teacher Catholic School, 2451 Frazer Road, Newark, DE 19702, 6:30-10:30 p.m. **Tuition Raffle** tickets available (winners receive tuition vouchers to any Catholic elementary or high school). Proceeds from this exciting fundraiser will go toward the construction of a new gymnasium and preschool building. Tickets/donations/sponsorships available until March 20. For more information contact the School's Asst. Principal at [302-838-8850 x130](tel:302-838-8850) or by email: [sadams@christtheteacher.org](mailto:sadams@christtheteacher.org)



The Gospel message from Matthew calls us as followers of Christ and to live a higher standard and accountability to the law. In this passage Christ reminds us that he did not come to get rid of the out laws but rather to fulfill them and to broaden them to move beyond just physical actions. Have you acknowledged this calling to a higher standard? How are you working to live by a higher standard? It can be easy to control one's actions but extremely difficult to control one's thoughts. Focusing on love, both for God and humanity, is one way in which to keep your thoughts pure. An active prayer life and regular participation in the sacraments can also aide you in this endeavor. This week if you find your thoughts straying I encourage you to stop and take a moment to ask the Lord to help you refocus.

### Office for Marriage and Family Life

by Susan Vogt, [www.SusanVogt.net](http://www.SusanVogt.net)

#### **MARRIAGE MOMENTS**

Jesus continually urges us to go beyond the letter of the law. He interprets "You shall not kill" (Mt. 5) as "Don't be angry." "You shall not commit adultery" might be interpreted as "Show your spouse that they come first and you love him/her wholeheartedly. Go the extra mile for your beloved today. Find a way to stretch your love.

#### **PARENTING POINTERS**

"Love your neighbor as yourself" (Leviticus 19:18)  
Preachers generalize neighbor to mean beyond the person next door. But today, why not take it literally. With your child, choose a neighbor. Make them a treat or do a favor for them together.

### Vocations Reflection

Paul writes to the Corinthians, "we speak of God's wisdom, mysterious, hidden, which God predetermined before the ages for our glory." This is a wisdom not of this age, and so who will speak it today? Will you speak God's wisdom to the people of today as priest, deacon or religious? If so, "inquire within" and contact Father Norm Carroll, Diocesan Director of Priestly and Religious Vocations (302-573-3113, [vocations@cdow.org](mailto:vocations@cdow.org)). Don't forget to visit our website: [www.cdow.org/vocations!](http://www.cdow.org/vocations!)

## 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	Margaret Dorsey	Nellie Lawrence	Rose Henderson
Ronald Toy	Joanna Warren	Delores Tuller	Kendra Denhardt	Jessica Fullman
Leta Johnson	Frances Reed	Roberta Howell	Bernard Paskins	Donna Scott May
Tanya Wilson	Mark Gallagher	Arlene Watson	Barbara Stacey	Jemison Asante
Jeffrey Britton	Tony Dash	Jane McDonald	Giuseppina Fazzino	Mary Joan Thompson
Barbara Willis	Doris Gallagher	Terry McDonald	Bernice T. Ashe	Gordon Sanders
Ethel Barrett	Gerry Reybold	Charlie Anderson	James Collins	Leonard J. Young, Jr.
Sean Willis	Jean Toy	London Louise Simmonds	John Thompson	James Thomas



**The National Black Catholic Congress**

**Hyatt Regency Orlando, Florida**

E-mail: [nbcc@nbccongress.org](mailto:nbcc@nbccongress.org) / tel: 410.547.8496

Congress XII in Orlando, Florida is coming July 6-9, 2017!  
Never been to a Congress? Find out what all the fuss is about -  
watch the Congress XI video (from 2012) here!

The 78th Annual Tekakwitha Conference, with the theme, "Loving One Another Through the Spirit of Saint Kateri," will be held on July 19-23, 2017 in Rapid City, South Dakota. For more information, including registration, go to [www.tekconf.org](http://www.tekconf.org). In Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore, please contact Gail Rando at [naministry@gmail.com](mailto:naministry@gmail.com), 352-445-2350 or Sharon Ward [wward2@verizon.net](mailto:wward2@verizon.net), 302-545-3383 for more information.

### WWW: Well Women Witness

*Sponsored By: ORACLE Religious Assn.*  
"In Times Like These We Need the Savior!"

**Incarnation Catholic Church**  
**880 Eastern Avenue, NE; DC 20019**

**Speaker ~ Sr./Dr. Oralisa Martin**

Saturday, March 4, 2017

8:00AM to 5:00PM

Closing Mass @ 4:00PM

**For registration online:**

**<http://events.eventzilla.net/e/w-w-w-well-women-witness--anniversary-2138892608>**

Tickets: **\$55** up to Jan. 23rd; **\$60** after Jan.23rd ~2017

### Breakfast & Lunch Included

Credit Card payment ~ Call: Sis/Dr. Oralisa Martin  
(202) 528-8633

Local author has published an inspirational book about faith. *Inspirations of the Heart* by Jacquelyn Scott, MHP is a collection of real-life stories recounting personal journeys of faith and the love, peace, and healing that people have found along the way. These beautiful and inspiring stories invite you to see and understand that God is indeed real; He is present and all-loving; and He actively works in every person's life when the heart is open to Him. The book is available for sale through [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).

**2017 Pilgrimage** Registration for the 2017 Pilgrimage Love Without Measure is now open! We are in the eighth year and we hope to gather one thousand youth, young adults, and families this year. The date is April 8, 2017 and registration closes on April 2, 2017. Our guest presenter/musician is [Cooper Ray](#). Please visit the [Pilgrimage webpage](#) for more details on the event and to register. There is also a registration for Pastors who would like to assist with Reconciliation and/or closing Mass. Please feel free to pass this information on to your Pastor. Please reply to this email if you would like posters to advertise.

**Annual Recognition Dinner** The Annual Recognition Dinner will be on Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at The Rollins Center at Dover Downes. Now is the time to meet with your parish and school leaders to name your Volunteer of the Year recipient, name your two St. Timothy National Youth Award recipients, and to decide on nominations for the St. John Bosco Diocesan Award and the Companions on the Journey National Award. All named recipients and nominations must be submitted to CYM prior to April 2, 2017. You can visit the [Recognition Dinner website](#) for more details on the criteria of the awards, to submit your names, and to make reservations.. Dinner reservations must be made online prior to April 27, 2017.