

St. Joseph's Church

THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



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YouTube Channel: St Josephs Downtown Wilmington
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9-ljIa9-IU0OS9jPbe2ddQ>

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil — 5:00 pm Sunday — 10:00 am

Weekday Mass — Wednesday, 12:10 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 Parish Office and complete a registration form.

CARE OF THE SICK AND

HOMEBOUND: This ministry is restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 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.

November 22, 2020 *Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe*

- ▶ CCD Registration is Now Open
- ▶ Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call
 - ▶ 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602
- ▶ Friday Bible Study 1:00 pm via ZOOM & Conf. Call, Led by Fr. Mac
- ▶ November 22 ~ Music Ministry Zoom Conference, 3:00pm
- ▶ November 26 ~ Thanksgiving Day Mass, 10:00 am
- ▶ November 29 ~ First Sunday of Advent
- ▶ November 30 ~ St. Joseph's Book Club, 7:00 PM via ZOOM
 - ▶ *Panchinko* by Min Jin Lee
- ▶ December 6 ~ Sodality Meeting, 1:00 pm Conference Call
 - ▶ 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602

More detail on inside pages



Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. The numbers below compares 2020 with the same week in 2019. Thank you for being consistent with your donations. Please be prayerful about your contributions to the parish.

Nov 15, 2020 - \$4,966

Nov 17, 2019— \$3,074

Pandemic & Flu Season: Please take precautionary measures such as wearing a face mask, washing hands often and thoroughly. If you are under the weather please stay at home and take care not to share your misery with others. We all will bless you for it.

Mass Intentions

November 21 2020 — November 29, 2020

Saturday, 11/21	5:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday, 11/22	10:00 am	
Wednesday, 11/24	12:10 pm	Leonard J. Young, Jr Requested by Loretta Young
Thanksgiving Day	10:00 am	Clifton Coleman, Sr Requested by Leonard & Loretta Young
Saturday, 11/21	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 11/22	10:00 am	

PARISH STAFF

Administrator: Rev. John C. McVoy
 Deacon: Robert J. Cousar
 Parish Secretary: Loretta L. Young
 St. Vincent dePaul Society: Fayette Jackson
 Director Religious Education: Mary Polk
 Bookkeeper: Jane Putscher



A Prayer to Christ the King

Lord, Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King, the beginning and end of all things.

You have made your Church to be a people that bears witness to the goodness and beauty of your kingdom.

By your Holy Spirit, you have united us as one body, called to live as one family of God.

Fill our hearts with your grace, that we would be close to you by being close to the vulnerable and marginalized.

Give us the patience to share one another's burdens, and give us the courage to always be friends of the truth.

May we remain with you always. Amen.

Solemnity of Christ the King

In today's Gospel, we hear the familiar passage in which the Son of Man separates the sheep from the goats, explaining to them that what they did (or failed to do) for the least of their neighbors, they did (or failed to do) for him. Joined here today as a community of faith, let us look for the Lord in our neighbor, welcoming Christ in the stranger, providing for him in the needy, comforting him in the suffering, befriending him in the lonely, and exulting with him with those who are filled with joy.

To Mac

GIVE thanks

Question of the Week

Who have I ignored or overlooked that I can reach out to now in mercy? At Thanksgiving, who can I thank for reaching out to me in my need this year.

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

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

<i>Charlie Anderson</i>	<i>Mary Bossack</i>	<i>Marie Reed</i>	<i>Gerry Reybold</i>
<i>Gwen Sanders</i>	<i>Guissepina Fazzone</i>	<i>The White Family</i>	<i>Avril Madison</i>

If you would like to be added to our sick and shut-in list, please send email to parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org or call the parish office 302-658-4535. 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.



Listen to Catholic Forum every Saturday afternoon at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640. Next Saturday, November 28th, tune in to hear an interview with Sister Ann David Strohming, Delegate for Religious for the Diocese of Wilmington, and learn about how religious men and women are serving in our diocese and how you can help with the Religious Retirement Fund. Listen to Catholic Forum online anytime at www.cdow.org/CatholicForum, or search "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at www.facebook.com/

November

Deacon Robert, Cousar	01
Jordan MacFarlane	01
Pelumi Magbagbeola	01
Michael Simmonds, Sr.	03
Alexis Robinson	05
Kathryn Fahey	06
John E. Manning	06
Andria Lynne Williams	06
Timothy Loosarian	09
Tyler Loosarian	09
Lorenzo Nieves	09
Tameka Sterling	09
Chloe Williamson	09
Joaquin Ledesma	10
Joan Drakes	12
Dana Marie Crumety	16
Evelyn Taylor	16
Starlett Benjamin	18
Prentiss Jolly	22
Elizabeth Rafferty	22
Trevor Wharton	23
Antoine Brewington	25
Brandon Pulliam	25
Julius Brewington	25
Brandon Pulliam	25
Eduardo Barranco	26
Marilyn O'Connell	27
Laurel Bedminster	29
Adia Bracy	29

Marriage Moments (by Susan Vogt, www.SusanVogt.net)
MARRIAGE MOMENTS
 With Thanksgiving and Christmas approaching, remember the first time you met your beloved's family. Our family of origin greatly influences our behavior - for good or for ill. Honor the good in your beloved's family of origin and let go of harping on the bad.
PARENTING POINTERS
 Do you have a family tradition for how you spend the day after Thanksgiving? (shopping, eating leftovers, playing games, etc.) Decide together how best to use your precious family time this weekend.

Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Wilmington is once again offering families the option of purchasing Christmas decorations for placement on the graves, crypts and niches of those dearly departed that are laid to rest in Cathedral , All Saints and Gate of Heaven Cemeteries. Decorations must be ordered no later than December 9th. The decorations are placed on the designated grave, crypt, or niche by cemetery personnel. To order online visit cathcemde.com and choose the Special Announcements Page. There you will find the link to our online ordering page. Proceeds from the sale and placement of these decorations helps to fund the ongoing maintenance of our cemeteries. Thank you for your support.

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.

SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY

St. Vincent DePaul Society continues to operate and serve those residing in zip code 19801. Anyone needing assistance should go to www.svdpwilm.org and submit an online assistance form located at the top of the home page. A Saint Vincent DePaul volunteer will respond to the requester as quickly as possible. If you are a parishioner and in need of assistance, just call the parish office at 302-658-4535.

ADDITIONAL NEWS

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

It's that time of year when we consider gift giving and gift cards are a safe and easy way to give to others, especially this year.

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 contact Grand Knight Vincent Robinson at 302 4945699;

Email: kpc.scrip@stjosephfrenchst.org

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

PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE

DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

Diabetes is one of the most common chronic conditions in school-age youth in the United States, affecting about 193,000 youth under 20 years old. Regardless of their age, sometimes youth who have diabetes need support with their diabetes care. That's why it's important to help your child or teen develop a plan to manage diabetes, and work with their health care team to adjust the diabetes self-care plan as needed. Learn some tips to consider for your youth's diabetes self-care at: <https://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/community-health-outreach/national-diabetes-month>

COPD AWARENESS MONTH

With early diagnosis and treatment, people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), can improve their quality of life and breathe better.

The disease develops slowly, with symptoms often gradually worsening over time, limiting the ability to do routine activities. Signs and symptoms are often brushed off as a natural part of aging, and as a result, COPD is often not diagnosed until symptoms are severe and critical lung function is lost. Gone undiagnosed, severe COPD may prevent individuals from doing basic activities, such as walking, cooking, or taking care of oneself. But, with early diagnosis and treatment, people with COPD can improve their quality of life and begin to breathe easier. <https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health-topics/all-publications-and-resources/copd-national-health-issue>

LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

The American Lung Association's LUNG FORCE initiative is uniting women and their loved ones across the country to stand together against lung cancer, the #1 cancer killer of women and men in the U.S., With your support, we can raise critical awareness about lung cancer and turn the tide against this disease. Learn how you can get involved: <https://www.lung.org/lung-force/about-lung-force/featured-campaigns/lung-cancer-awareness-month>

NATIONAL FAMILY HEALTH HISTORY DAY (NOVEMBER 26)

Thanksgiving Day is not only a time to gather with friends and family to eat a sumptuous meal and count blessings. It's also National Family Health History Day on November 26, is an annual event that also takes place on Thanksgiving. The idea is to take a day when everyone in your family is assembled and discuss the family health history, specifically any occurrence of colorectal cancer. Healthcare providers encourage you to use this day to share and care about this and other serious diseases. Time to talk about the genes you are carrying, learn how to observe Family Health History Day at: <https://nationaltoday.com/national-family-health-history-day/>

© Heavenly Father,
on this Thanksgiving Day,
let us pause to express our
gratitude for Your constant love
and care and for the many graces
and blessings You have bestowed on
us. We thank You for this day.

We thank You for all the countless
gifts that grace our lives and
continually delight and surprise us,
especially our family and friends. Let
us give thanks for the daily blessings
we receive from You – health, food,
joy and peace of mind. These are the
blessings You so generously share.

Loving God, today and every
day, help us remember that
Thanksgiving is first thanks
and then giving.

Amen.

