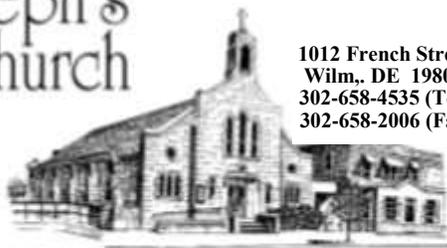




THE CRADLE OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CATHOLICISM IN DELAWARE



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Summer Office Hours: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesday –Thursday

Parish Secretary: parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org

Website: www.stjosephfrenchst.org

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



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

BAPTISM:

Before a child is Baptized, the parents and Godparents are asked to 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.*

MASS SCHEDULE

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

No Weekday Mass Until Further Notice

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

June 20, 2021

- ▶ Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call
 - ▶ 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602
- ▶ Friday Kateri Chaplet Prayer ~ @ 6:30 pm, 1301-715-8592
 - ▶ Meeting ID 9909 663 2895 Passcode: 646628
- ▶ June 20 ~ Happy Father's Day!
- ▶ June 23 ~ Parish Council Meeting, 6:00pm, Parish Center
- ▶ June 26 ~ Blood Drive, Fellowship Hall, 8am - 2pm
- ▶ June 27 ~ Special Collection: Peter's Pence
- ▶ June 28 ~ St. Joseph's Book Club - *Just As I Am* by Cecily Tyson
- ▶ July 04 ~ Special Collection: Support the Church in Eastern Europe
- ▶ July 14 ~ COVID Testing, 10am — 4pm

Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. Thank you for being consistent with your donations. Please be prayerful about your contributions to the parish.

June 13, 2021 - \$2,985

**Mass Intentions
June 19, 2021 – June 20, 2021**

Saturday, 06/19	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/20	10:00 am	Dave Farber Requested by Dana Robinson
Saturday, 06/26	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 06/27	10:00 am	† Lois Robinson Requested by LaVon Robinson

PARISH STAFF

Administrator:	Rev. Msgr. Charles Brown, III
Deacon:	Robert J. Cousar
Parish Secretary:	Loretta L. Young
Receptionist:	Lavon Robinson
Dir. Religious Education:	Mary Polk
Dir. Music Ministry:	Brenda Burns
Bookkeeper:	Jane Putscher

Introduction to the Liturgy

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus calm the raging sea as his disciples cling to the storm-tossed boat. The disciples were terrified that they would die, but Jesus suggests that their faith should have reassured them. Many of us can probably recall a time when our father came to our rescue, protecting or supporting us, making everything all right. Today, we honor our dads, our grandfathers, godfathers, uncles, and all who have acted as fathers in our lives. May their protection and constancy be a model of God's care for us.

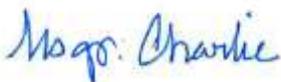
Dear Parishioners,

All of us, individually and corporately, as parishioners and as parish, are called and challenged by the Lord to good stewardship of our resources. We are also called by the Lord to acknowledge His goodness and to say "thank you" in word and in deed.

During this coming week, parishioners will receive additional information in the mail about our parish Increased Offertory program. We can all cringe at the prospect of giving up more money. We can think of a number of ways or reasons why we should not give because of special conditions. But let us look at the example of personal sacrifice unequalled in history. Our Lord who made this sacrifice, who emptied Himself on the Cross for the love of us, has redeemed us and has enabled us to share in the divine life through our baptism.

Please continue to pray that God may grant us a successful program reflecting on the goodness God has given us.

Sincerely,



Rev. Msgr. Charles L. Brown III

Annual Catholic Appeal

YOU DID IT!!! WE DID IT!!! St Joseph Parish has exceeded its Annual Catholic Appeal target!!! \$24,916 has been pledged, representing 103.8% of the parish's \$24,000 goal. To date, \$18,608.50 has been collected. Thank you on behalf of the Bishop Malooly and the diocesan programs funded by the Appeal.

Bishop Lifts Dispensation

Joyful News! Bishop Malooly, has lifted the dispensation, thereby reinstating the Sunday and Holy Day Mass obligation for Catholics in the Diocese of Wilmington, **effective June 26, 2021.** The dispensation that went into effect on March 13, 2020, was put in place to help limit the spread of coronavirus, and allow the Diocese of Wilmington to conform to guidelines and regulations adopted by the States of Delaware and Maryland.

Our bishop decided to lift the dispensation because the average number of new cases of COVID-19 continues to decline due to the observance of safety protocols and the increased availability of the vaccine. The obligation does not apply to those who are ill, have been exposed to the virus, or have any serious underlying health conditions.

We welcome and encourage the Faithful to return to full in-person participation of the Sunday Eucharist, the source and summit of our Catholic faith. Let us continue to be united in prayer for one another and for an end to the global pandemic. More information is available at www.cdow.org/coronavirus.

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>Guissepina Fazzone</i>	<i>Gerry Reybold</i>
<i>Jean Toy</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.

Capital Projects

Deacon Robert Cousar reported to the Finance Council two capital projects that need to be funded for the next fiscal year: a new boiler for heating the church and the pointing of the bricks on the parish buildings. Each will run about \$25,000. This expense is not included in the FY 2022 operating budget that was mailed to you. We have enough reserves to pay for the boiler. We are pursuing grant money, as this will deplete all the parish's savings. The boiler is necessary. The bricks can wait. Part of increasing the offertory collection, besides paying the operating budget of the parish, is to build up reserves for capital items that arise. Please consider these needs as you prayerfully respond to the Increased offertory program. Thank you for your continuous generosity.

Msgo. Charlie



June

Jaeda Johnson	03
Donna May	04
Judy Gallagher	04
Stacey Lowery	05
Silus Hassan	07
Jerrold MacFarlane	07
Loretta Young	07
Rose Porter	08
Bernadette Winston	08
Mimose Fleury	09
Mich'ele Porter	10
Pamela Fletcher	12
James Thomas	12
Danielle Simmonds	13
Deidre Ann Robinson	17
Earl MacFarlane	17
Nicholas Willis	18
Khalia Blackwell	20
Taryn Blackwell	20
Charmaine Doyle	21
Jenny Lynn Traynor	22
Charles Wing	23
Monique Mirabeau	25
Giavanna Cecere	26
London Louise Simmonds	26

Dear Parents of our SJFS Youth,



As part of our SJFS Kateri Circle Mission, we are inviting our youth to participate in an Outreach Program to assist the Sunday Breakfast Mission with their "Care Wear" project. We are asking your permission for your child (ren) to participate. As you know, one of the tenants of our Catholic Faith is the Corporal Works of Mercy: clothe the naked, and how important it is for our youth to be aware of others who are in need.

Sunday Breakfast Mission Needs

ALL NEW ITEMS: Men, Women and Children, all sizes welcome

No Hand Sanitizer

Tee Shirts	Underwear	Socks	Shower Shoes	Bras
Shoelaces	Toothbrushes	Toothpaste	Shaving Cream	Shampoo
Conditioner	Deodorant	Lip Balm	Combs/Brushes	Tissues
Hand Lotion	Disposable Razors	Soap	Travel size toiletries	

We will be collecting items beginning the week of June 27th. Items may be left in the box in the small room to the left of the front door to church. Please let us know if your child(ren) will be participating and if any of them need verification for volunteer service, we are happy to provide it. For further information, please contact Gail Rando at gailvets2@gmail.com or via phone/text at (352) 445-2350. Thank you!

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

PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE

Men's Health Month: Throughout June, Men's Health Month aims to encourage boys and men to take charge of their overall health by implementing healthy living decisions. Use the **HHS Office of Minority Health (OMH) Six Plays for Men's Health** social media resources to remind men and boys that they can improve their health by seeking medical advice and taking other important steps, such as making healthy food choices, staying active, quitting smoking, getting regular checkups, taking care of their mental health and being #VaccineReady.

from the Office for Marriage & Family Life...

MARRIAGE MOMENTS

Marriage works best when both are adept at leading and following as circumstances and talents dictate. How do you balance this in your marriage?

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.

When life blesses you financially, don't raise your standard of living. Raise your standard of giving.



Question of the Week

Would Jesus ask me, "Do you not yet have faith?" Does my faith strengthen and console me during times of trial?

Join us this Summer for Some Fun!

Blood Drive

Black Nurses Rock
Delaware Chapter
And
Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Incorporated
Tau Eta Chapter

You have the power to save lives!



Saturday, June 26, 2021
09:00 am - 01:00 pm
St Joseph Catholic Church
1012 N French St
Hall
Wilmington, DE 19801



To schedule an appointment [CLICK HERE](#). Or go to donate.bbd.org
Use sponsor code BNR.

Donors will receive a coupon from June 9th through September 12th. 21+ donors are eligible to receive a discounted beer from participating locations
Non-transferable and not redeemable for cash. Can not be used on the day of donation. * Camp Adventureland will honor the coupon for \$5.00 off an adventure booking.

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Good News

from the
Office of Communications

Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/podcast each week. Next Saturday, June 26th, learn about the Catholics who were instrumental in the founding of our country, when Dan LeRoy, author of the new book, "Liberty's Lions: The Catholic Revolutionaries Who Established America," is the special guest. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640, or listen online anytime at cdow.org/CatholicForum..., or by searching "Catholic Forum" on Apple, Spotify, or iHeartRadio podcasts. For photos, information regarding upcoming guests, links and more, "Like" Catholic Forum on Facebook at facebook.com/