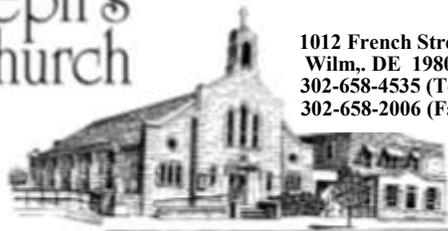


St. Joseph's Church



# 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](mailto:parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org)

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

## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 15, 2021

- Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602
- August 14/15 ~ Special Collection:  
Supporting our Cathedral of Saint Peter
- September 11 ~ COVID Testing, 10am — 4pm
- September 12 ~ Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary Turn-out
- September 12 ~ Sunday Fellowship Resumes, Coffee and Donuts!
- September 18 ~ Ministry for Black Catholics, Elders Retreat, 10-3pm
- September 19 ~ Meet Your Ministry Sunday & Luncheon!
- September 27 ~ Book Club—7pm, *The Turn of the Key* by Ruth Ware

More detail on inside pages

Weekly Collections

The parish requires a weekly collection of \$4,901 to cover expenses. Thank you for being consistent with your donation. Please be prayerful about your contributions to the parish. We're grateful for last weekends collection of \$7,582

**Mass Intentions  
August 14, 2021— August 22, 2021**

Saturday, 08/14	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/15	10:00 am	† John Griffin Requested by DeAnna Cardenas
Saturday, 08/21	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 08/22	10:00 am	† Viola Kaserd Requested by John & Gail Rando

**PARISH STAFF**

Administrator:	Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers
Deacon:	Robert J. Cousar
Admin. Assistant	Loretta L. Young
Receptionist:	Lavon Robinson
Coord. Religious Education	Vacant
Dir. Music Ministry:	Brenda Burns
Bookkeeper:	Jane Putscher

**Introduction to the Liturgy**

Every so often a solemnity like the Assumption falls on a Sunday, giving more prominence to this special feast of Mary. At the end of her earthly life God drew Mary home, assuming her into heaven where she would reign as queen until the end of time. From the beginning of her life on earth, when she was immaculately conceived, until the end, the Blessed Virgin Mary conformed her life to God's will. Let us look to her as a model as we endeavor to discern God's will for us.

*The Cathedral of Saint Peter, in the historic Quaker Hill section of the City of Wilmington, is the Bishop's own parish and the center of Catholicism in our diocese. It was built over 200 years ago – 50 years before the founding of the Diocese of Wilmington, and continues with a small but dedicated parish community and school. At the onset of the coronavirus pandemic, the diocese began livestreaming Sunday Mass from our Cathedral. That effort continues today. In 2015, the bishop, with the support of the priests of the diocese, instituted an annual special collection to support the maintenance and ministry of our Cathedral. This year, the collection will be held on August 14 & 15. More information is available at [cathedralofstpeter.com...](http://cathedralofstpeter.com...) and at [www.cdow.org/cathedral](http://www.cdow.org/cathedral). We thank you for your generosity.*

**Sunday Morning Fellowship**

Our Sunday Morning Fellowship will resume on Sunday, September 12, 2021. As in the past, we are seeking sponsors to help cover the cost of donuts, coffee, cream, cups, etc. The cost is \$65 per week. If you're in a position to sponsor a week, please place your check in the collection basket with a notation— "Sunday Morning Fellowship Sponsor". We're also looking for individuals to pick-up the donuts each week. If you can help, please speak with Deacon Bob. Thank you for your generosity and support!



**Meet Your Ministry Sunday!**

**On Sunday, September 19th**, we will reintroduce each ministry of the parish and provide a special blessing. After summertime and vacations, we reconnect with one another on many levels, especially in the Spirit here at Saint Joseph's. It's a wonderful time to truly re-unite ourselves to the Holy Spirit that blesses each of us with many gifts. In doing so, we can seek ways to reach out, touch and change lives through the gifts that we receive from the Holy Spirit. In one of our ministries, there may be an opportunity for you to share your gifts with others.

We're a small parish with limited financial resources, but the spiritual gifts we collectively share far outweighs the boundaries of our finances. To achieve our goals as Christians, we need every able-bodied parishioner to share their gifts with at least one ministry of the parish. God will bless us!

Coordinators of most ministries will be available in the fellowship hall after Mass on September 19th to provide more information about their respective ministry. Please mark your calendar and plan to meet your ministry!



**Music Ministry**

St. Joseph's music ministry is seeking cantors – male or female, soprano or bass - all voices are invited to join this important ministry.

**Question of the Week**

What would I choose to include in my own Magnificat? For what great things would I praise God?



## Kateri Circle News...

- ◆ We appreciate all your donations to our Sunday Breakfast Mission "Care Wear" outreach. Thank you!
- ◆ The Prayer Basket will be available through September 25th. All your prayer intentions are prayed for during Mass and again with our Circle Members. During our Retreat, early in October, we will burn the petitions and pray over them a final time. Thank you for trusting in the Lord and Saint Kateri's intercession for all your intentions.
- ◆ Save the Date: Native American Liturgy *on November 14 at 10 AM.*

## PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE

### St Joseph's Book Club



Our book club is reading ***The Turn of the Key*** by Ruth Ware.

On Monday, September 27, 7:00 pm book club members will meet to discuss this great summer read. Mark your calendar and plan to join the discussion. For more information contact Geraldine Cochran.

Happy Reading!

### SUMMER SUN SAFETY MONTH

Everyone's skin and eyes can be affected by the sun and other forms of ultraviolet (UV) rays. People with light skin are much more likely to have their skin damaged by UV rays (and to get skin cancer), but darker-skinned people, including people of any ethnicity, can also be affected. Learn more about the link between the sun's rays and skin cancer, what you can do to help protect yourself and your loved ones, and how to spot skin changes that may require a doctor's attention. (Source: <https://www.cancer.org/healthy/be-safe-in-sun.html>)

### LEARN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HEAT STROKE and HEAT EXHAUSTION

As warmer weather occurs, we tend to spend more time outside under the hot sun. It's important to know the difference between heat stroke and heat exhaustion. Knowing the signs and symptoms of these two conditions could save your life or that of a loved one. Visit <https://www.healthline.com/health/heat-stroke-vs-heat-exhaustion> to learn more.

### NATIONAL BREASTFEEDING MONTH – THEME: EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

In recognition of National Breastfeeding Month (NBM), each August the USBC hosts a social media advocacy and/or outreach campaign inviting member organizations, breastfeeding coalitions, partner organizations, and individuals to participate in online action and conversation about the policy and practice changes needed to build a "landscape of breastfeeding support." *We envision a world in which every family is supported at every step along the infant feeding journey, with warm and coordinated hand-offs and transitions so that the needs of lactating families and those who support them are anticipated and met, every step of the way. Register for the launch event webinar for the "Continuity of Care in Breastfeeding Support: A Blueprint for Communities" on August 24, 1 p.m. ET.* Visit our website at: <http://www.usbreastfeeding.org/p/cm/ld/fid=840>

### COVID 19 INCENTIVES:

Companies across the United States are offering rewards to their vaccinated customers and employees. **Contact these companies' website for more information on how to qualify:** Bright Horizons, Kinder Care, Learning Care Group, YMCA, Lyft, and Uber.

The COVID-19 Vaccine is free! Learn more about Delaware's commitment to providing vaccines for all, and resources to help you understand your rights to access the vaccine here. If you need an accommodation because of a disability, contact the DPH Vaccine Call Center at 1-833-643-1715 (select option 3), or email [vaccine@delaware.gov](mailto:vaccine@delaware.gov).



*Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/podcast each week. Next Saturday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, tune in to hear Bishop Koenig's homily from the August 7<sup>th</sup> ordination of 15 permanent deacons. Catholic Forum airs on Saturday afternoons at 1:30 on Relevant Radio 640, or listen online anytime at [cdow.org/CatholicForum...](http://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/Catholicf...](https://www.facebook.com/Catholicf...)*

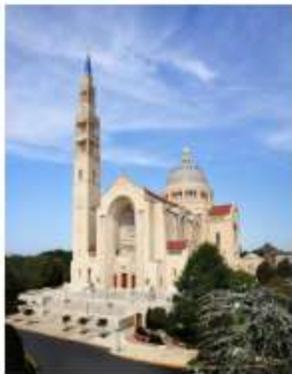
## IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

**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>	<i>Barbara Oliver</i>	<i>Geraldine Cochran</i>	<i>John Rando</i>
<i>Mary Joan &amp; John Thompson</i>	<i>Michala Dash Leventry</i>	<i>Irvin Evans</i>	

If you would like to be added to our sick and shut-in list, please send email to [parishsecretary@stjosephfrenchst.org](mailto: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.

### Catholic Diocese of Wilmington Marian Pilgrimage with Bishop William Koenig at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. September 25, 2021, 10AM-4PM



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### August

Helen Thomas	01
Madeline Porter	03
Bernard Sammons	03
Janelle Mirabeau	04
Michele Hinson	05
Ebon Flagg	07
Cameron Granger	07
John Polk, III	07
James Skidmore	07
Deanna Cardenas	08
Mary Polk	08
Angela Pulliam Banks	08
Patricia Fournillier	09
Ramaj Gray	09
Anita DiSandro-Cole	10
Debbie Sterling	12
Alyssa Granger	13
Adrienne Hopson	13
Maketa Jolly	14
Tia Pulliam	15
Stephanie T. Bolden	16
Herbert Sterling	16
Lanier Watkins, Jr.	16
Dana B. Willis	16
Erika Caesar	18
Christian Towles	18
Mary Mirabeau	22
James Mobley	22
Geraldine Cochran	22
Chris Cavin`	24
Fallon McClain	24
Serenity Skidmore	24
Gaynell Baynard	25
Aaron Goode	25
Delores Spencer	25
Grant Wycliffe	26
Ethel Barrett	27
Steven White	28
Kate Rafter	31

#### We Walk By Faith

with Bishop William Koenig and Priests of the Diocese of Wilmington  
on pilgrimage to the nation's spiritual capital and  
Shrine of the Patroness of the United States, The Immaculate Conception

#### \* SCHEDULE FOR THE DAY

- 10AM: Arrival at Basilica Shrine
- 10:15AM: Opening Prayer

- 10:30AM-12:30PM: Pilgrims may tour Basilica & grounds independently or be guided by docents; visit the nearby Pope St. John Paul II Shrine & visit nearby Caldwell Chapel where Venerable Fulton J. Sheen used to pray the Mass when he taught at the Catholic University of America. Pilgrims may also find religious items and books in the Basilica's two shops.

- 12:30-1:15PM: Lunch-Eat in on-site cafeteria; brown bag lunches may be eaten on the grounds outside the Basilica Shrine

- 1:30-2:30PM: Holy Hour & Confessions

- 2:30PM: Bishop Koenig leads Benediction & Reposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

- 3-4PM-Mass in the Crypt Church: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Pillar of Faith. Before the final blessing, Bishop Koenig will bless religious articles bought by pilgrims and re-consecrate the Diocese of Wilmington to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

\* Participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation

\* Visit the site of the first saint canonized on American soil: *St. Junipero Serra*

Pray through Our Lady at over 40 chapels dedicated to the many titles she bears

\* Be a part of salvation history by bringing your petitions, family, friends and, above all, yourself, to Jesus through Mary, the Immaculate Conception

Participate in the Sacred Mass with Bishop Koenig, his first at the Basilica Shrine as Bishop and have your Marian souvenirs blessed.

\* Visit the Our Lady of Fatima Rosary Walk and Garden

\* During this Year of St. Joseph, make a sacred pilgrimage to "Mary's House," the one whose chaste spouse St. Joseph is.

Take a guided tour of the Basilica, home of the largest collection of contemporary ecclesiastical art in the world

*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*