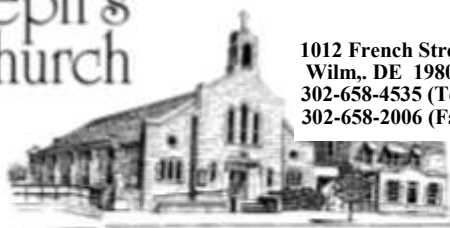




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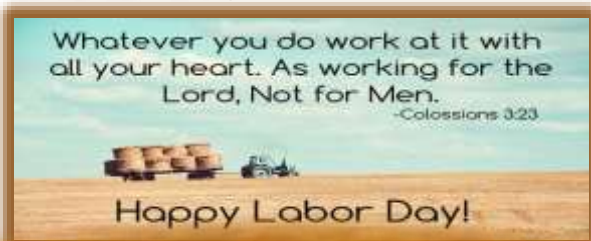
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**Summer Office Hours:** 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Tuesday –Thursday

**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>



The deaf hear,  
The mute speak.

Mark 7:31-37

*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  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday — 12:10 pm  
*Confessions are heard on Saturday at 4:30 pm and by appointment.*

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 5, 2021**  
**Weekday Mass Resumes 9/7/21 @ 12:10pm**

- Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602
- September 11 ~ COVID Testing, 10am — 4pm
- September 12 ~ Knights of Peter Claver & Ladies Auxiliary Turn-out
- September 12 ~ Sunday Fellowship Resumes, Coffee & Dunkin Donuts
- September 13 ~ 7:00 PM Kateri Circle Meeting
- September 18 ~ Ministry for Black Catholics, Elders Retreat, 10-3pm
- September 19 ~ Meet Your Ministry Sunday & Luncheon!
- September 19 ~ Catechetical Sunday
- September 25 & 26 ~ Share in the Spirit Collection
- 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 \$3,010

**Mass Intentions  
September 5, 2021—September 5,**

Saturday, 09/04	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 09/05	10:00 am	† Frances Hubicki Requested by John & Gail Rando
Tuesday, 09/07	12:10 pm	
Wednesday, 09/08	12:10 pm	
Thursday, 09/09	12:10 pm	Knights and Ladies of KPC Council & Court 383 Requested by Loretta Young
Saturday, 09/11	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 09/12	10:00 am	† Mary Ann Goudon Requested by Jane Crowley

<b>PARISH STAFF</b>	
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**

On this Labor Day weekend, let us take a welcome rest from our labors — be they in a factory or field, store or office, school or home—and appreciate the time we take with the One who promised that His yoke was easy and his burden light. Today let us pray especially for those whose own burden is difficult: those who need to work more than one job to support their families, those who do not receive the gratitude and compensation they deserve for their work, and those who are unemployed or underemployed.



**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 outweigh 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!

**Question of the Week**

Am I open to hearing God's word, even from unexpected sources? How do I live out my baptismal call to proclaim God's word?



**Weekday Mass Resumes!**

Father Glenn will resume our weekday Mass — celebrating Mass every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:10pm beginning on September 7, 2021. Wednesday's Mass will be livestreamed for those who are shut-in.

Please share this good news with your family, friends and if you have time, join us for a little weekday respite with the Lord.



## Kateri Circle News...

- ◆ Kateri Circle Meeting (CHANGE of DATE) Monday, September 13 @ 7:00 PM via Zoom - All are welcome!  
<https://zoom.us/j/8361828567> pwd=VldKdzFWWi9CUG12WkFIUnBYQ3hXZz09  
**(301) 715-8592 Meeting ID: 836 182 8567 Passcode: 159664**
- ◆ 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.

*Catholic Diocese of Wilmington*  
**MARIAN PILGRIMAGE**  
*with*  
**BISHOP WILLIAM E. KOENIG**  
*at the*  
**BASILICA OF THE NATIONAL SHRINE**  
*of the*  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**WASHINGTON, D. C.**  
**SEPTEMBER 25, 2021**  
**10 A.M. - 4 P.M.**

  
*We Walk By Faith*

Vanel Fleury has agreed to drive the parish bus to this event. If you're interested in attending, please call the parish office (302-658-4535) to register. Seats are limited to 16 passengers on a first come basis. The bus will leave the parish at 7:00 am and return around 7:00 pm. Don't delay sign-up today and join Fr. Glenn, Deacon Bob and others for Bishop Koenig's first Marian Pilgrimage with the Diocese of Wilmington.

## 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!

### Parish Bus Drivers are Needed!

We're seeking additional drivers to transport our senior citizens to and from Mass on Sunday mornings. Drivers must be CDL qualified and willing to commit to drive the parish bus one Sunday a month.

If you're willing to help with this most important ministry, please contact Fr. Glenn or Deacon Bob.



## 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>Jean Toy</i>	<i>Guissepina Fazzino</i>	<i>Gerry Reybold</i>
<i>Geraldine Cochran</i>	<i>Irvin Evans</i>	<i>Michala Dash Leventry</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.



### September

Billie Harris	01
Enrique Nieves	01
Amanda Shine	01
Leonard Young	01
Marrisa May	03
Cheryl Riviere	03
Ernest Sutton	03
Mary Ann Cunningham	07
Gordon Sanders	10
Ariana Goode	12
Derrick Lowery	12
Madison Usher	12
Maya Cunningham	13
Kathleen O'Connell	13
Marques Polk	14
John Purnell, Jr.	14
William Willis, Jr.	15
Michele Francia	16
Jerry Kegelman	16
Doris Matthews	16
Kevin O'Connell	17
Chanae Owens	19
Clifton Rashad	19
Sandra Donohue	28
Sadequa Simmonds	28
Shirley Murray	29
Laura Altman	30
Dalicia LeaBoug	30
Walter Spencer	30

*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.*

### 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!

*from the Office for Marriage and Family Life...*

#### Marriage Moments

You may not be a parent or grandparent yourself, but you each have grandparents. Even if they are no longer alive, share one positive memory of them with your beloved. Do you have a quality or talent you learned from them?

#### Parenting Pointers

Clutter can be toys, papers, or many misc. items left on the floor or table. But clutter can also be noise. Think TV, videos, crying, complaining. Try treating your family to a moment, a minute, an hour of quiet. Agree to do it all at the same time. See what happens.



*Listen to the Catholic Forum radio program/podcast each week. Next Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, Fr. Brian Lewis, Pastor of St. Jude the Apostle parish in Lewes, Delaware, will tell us about the upcoming Diocesan Marian Pilgrimage. 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/Catholic...](https://facebook.com/Catholic...)*