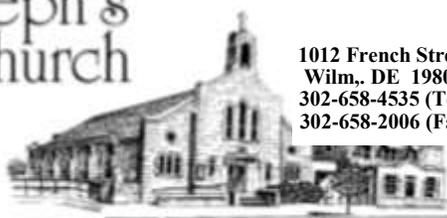




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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The **first** shall be
last shall be
and the **first**

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

September 19, 2021

Weekday Mass has Resumed @ 12:10pm Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

- Monday Rosary Prayer ~ @ 12:15 pm via Conference Call 1-515-603-4906, access code 178602
- 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
- October 03 ~ Sodality Thanksgiving Basket—Tickets go on sale!
- October 24 ~ Wilmington Diocese Gospel Choir Anniversary

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 \$4,220

**Mass Intentions
September 18, 2021—September 26, 2021**

Saturday, 09/18	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 09/19	10:00 am	
Tuesday, 09/21	12:10 pm	
Wednesday, 09/22	12:10 pm	
Thursday, 09/23	12:10 pm	
Saturday, 09/25	5:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sunday, 09/26	10:00 am	Rev, Msgr. Joseph Redman Requested by Dolores Fountain

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

This time of year is one of transition. The casual rhythms of the summer, often marked by leisure and vacation activities, give way to a new school year and a more rigorous schedule. The Gospel passages from last week and this week hint at a transition for Jesus and his disciples as well. Jesus tells them that soon he will be handed over to authorities who will kill him but that after three days he would rise. The days of traveling around Galilee—far from Jerusalem— are ending. As we anticipate the coming of fall, let us each resolve to carry our own cross through all life's rhythms, reassured by the promise of resurrection.

Dear Friends,

Next week, parishioners throughout the diocese will be asked to help make the dream of a Catholic education a reality for many struggling Catholic families. Monies raised through this collection coupled with the diocese's tuition assistance endowment provides financial assistance to hundreds of deserving families who seek a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition.

Through this collection, our Bishop is reaching out to believing and worshipping Catholics like you to assist him in ensuring the Catholic commitment to total education of our children does not fade away because people cannot afford it. Since the Church has the mission to educate and this mission directly affects the quality of life we experience as Catholics, all of us have a stake in Catholic education.

I ask you to generously support next week's *Share in the Spirit* collection. God bless you for your ongoing goodness.

To learn more about the *Share in the Spirit* collection and its importance, go to the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/sharespirit.html.

Sincerely in Christ,



Vy. Rev. Glenn M. Evers

Bishop's Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass

Bishop William E. Koenig invites all couples celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, 50th wedding anniversary, or any anniversary beyond 50th, to the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass at **2:00 PM on Sunday, October 17, 2021** at St. Joseph's, Middletown, at 371 E. Main Street, Middletown, DE 19709. The Bishop will be available for photos with interested couples beginning at 1:00 pm and again after the Mass. If you would like to have a photo taken with Bishop Koenig, please arrive at 1:00 pm or plan to stay after Mass. There is no cost to you, however **reservations are required**. Please make your **reservations by September 30th**.

This year, you can register by clicking on <https://cdow.coursestorm.com/course/annual-wedding-anniversary-mass> or by filling out the information below and returning it to the Office for Marriage and Family Life, 1626 N. Union Street, Wilmington, DE 19806, or by emailing ljackson@cdow.org.

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.

Great News! Saint Patrick's has chartered a bus and they have additional capacity. As a result, those who signed-up for the Pilgrimage will ride on the St. Patrick's bus. **If you would like to attend please call St. Patrick's Church at 302-652-0743 to reserve your seat.**

Kateri Circle News...



The Prayer Basket will be available through Sept 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 Nov 14 at 10 AM.

Question of the Week

What can I do to be received into the Kingdom with open arms?

PUT PREVENTION INTO PRACTICE

NEWBORN SCREENING AWARENESS MONTH

September is Newborn Screening Awareness Month! Every September, Baby's First Test shares newborn screening facts, videos and stories to help raise awareness of newborn screening among new and expecting parents, healthcare professionals, and the public! Visit this website to learn more about newborn screenings at: <https://www.babysfirsttest.org/newborn-screening/newborn-screening-a>

NATIONAL PEDICULOSIS PREVENTION MONTH/LICE

Back to school in the era of Covid-19 the National Pediculosis Association says: Parents still need to be prepared for head lice. We are in an especially critical period in school health history when clear and consistent public health standards must be set and conveyed to all stakeholders, no matter what the disease. At this worrisome time, the NPA's 2020 National Pediculosis Prevention campaign emphasizes the benefits of hair combing for managing pediculosis. Parents can find educational resources at <https://www.HeadLice.Org> and videos to help them with combing at <https://www.LiceMeister.com>, including a tutorial on How Mary protected her kids from lice and risky chemicals: <https://bit.ly/2Z04tt9>. (Source: <https://www.headlice.org/comb/september-is-national-head-lice-prevention-month/>)

NATIONAL SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH

Suicidal thoughts, much like mental health conditions, can affect anyone regardless of age, gender or background. In fact, suicide is often the result of an untreated mental health condition. Suicidal thoughts, although common, should not be considered normal and often indicate more serious issues. Visit the National Alliance for Mental Illness website: to learn about this condition and find resources and hope! (Source: <https://www.nami.org/Get-Involved/Awareness-Events/Suicide-Prevention-Awareness>)

- If you or someone you know is in an emergency, call **911** immediately.
- If you are in crisis or are experiencing difficult or suicidal thoughts, call the National Suicide Hotline at **1-800-273 TALK (8255)**

If you're uncomfortable talking on the phone, you can also text **NAMI** to **741-741** to be connected to a free, trained crisis counselor on the Crisis Text Line.

PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS

The most common risk factor for prostate cancer is age. Additionally, Black men and those with a family history of prostate cancer are at a higher risk. Prostate cancer screening is the best defense there is for prostate cancer. Early detection leads to better treatment with fewer side effects. Getting screened is a positive step in taking control of your health. Don't delay and schedule your appointment now. (Source: <https://www.urologysanantonio.com/september-prostate-cancer-awareness-month>)

FALLS PREVENTION WEEK – September 20-26

Join the National Council on Aging September 20-24, 2021 for Falls Prevention Week, a nationwide effort to raise awareness that falls are preventable. Encourage older adults to (Source: www.ncoa.org/article/get-ready-for-falls)

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 Fazzone</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. 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.

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

Conflicts can come from jealousy, fatigue, fear, misunderstanding... There are many sources but more important is to search for reconciliation, mercy. We all have our faults. Is there anything you need to ask forgiveness for from your beloved this week?

Parenting Pointers

Think of one thing you have learned from your child. Share that thing with your child and let them know how it has made a difference in your life.

MAY GOD'S AWESOME BLESSINGS
BE UPON YOU THIS DAY

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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. Please include your name, birth month, day and year.

DYRS CAREER FAIR

**Start your career with the
Delaware Division of Youth Rehabilitative Services!**

Positions available:

- Youth Care Specialist I (Casual/Seasonal and Full-Time)
- Youth Rehabilitation Treatment Specialist
- Youth Rehabilitation Food Service Specialist

Positions are available at:

- Ferris School
- New Castle County Detention Center
- Residential Cottages (Mowlds, Snowden & Grace Cottages)
- Stevenson House Detention Center

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- Employee Assistance Program.

\$3000
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9 AM - 4 PM

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