

Saint Joseph on the Brandywine

Founded 1841

Easter

SUNDAY

APRIL 1, 2018

Our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.
Therefore, let us celebrate the feast.

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

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Religious Education

Dear Friends,
Happy Easter! May the peace and joy of our risen Lord fill your hearts and your homes! In the pews you will find Mass booklets for children. We hope that these will help your children to participate more fully in the Mass – you are welcome to take home and color! Next Sunday we will celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation. Please remember our confirmation candidates in your prayers this week.

Blessings, Eva

Let Us Rejoice in the Lord!

Our Diocese is 150 years old! For video highlights of the Diocese of Wilmington's 150th Anniversary Opening Mass, a calendar of coming events, information about our Historic Churches Pilgrimage Program, *Convocation 150* coming on November 3rd, links, videos, podcasts, and more, go to www.cdow.org/150th. Also, follow all the action on social media at www.facebook.com/cdow150th, and @CDOW150th on Twitter and Instagram.

"Catholic Priests

Of the Diocese of Wilmington"

by Fr. Tom Peterman is now available to order as a great gift for birthdays, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and more. New low price of \$30 includes shipping and handling. To order and pay, petermanpublication@gmail.com or mail your check for \$30 to Rev. Thomas Peterman, 2505 Centerville Road, Wilmington DE 19808.

The Difference is People

If you're visiting today, know that we are honored by your presence. Our faith community serves the needs of the community in many different ways. We offer preparation for sacraments, education for children and adults, social activities, assistance to those in need, and comfort to the sick and those who mourn a loss. If we can be of service to you, don't hesitate to contact us.

For Those Who Have Experienced The Loss of a Child

The music ministry of SJOB is presenting a choral concert of Karl Jenkin's work *Stabat Mater* on April 29 at 3:00 pm. The *Stabat Mater* is a setting of ancient prayers describing the Blessed Mother and her grief at the cross of Jesus. For the concert program, a page of names will be devoted in memory of our deceased sons and daughters. If you wish to have someone included in the program, submit the name of your deceased child, along with the date of their death, to Mary Ellen Schaubert at meschauber@comcast.net by April 15th.

Pastor's Notes

Proclaim the Risen Christ

On Easter morning everything—the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music—everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today's scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia!"

In the scriptures today we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give eyewitness accounts that Jesus Christ is risen today, alive and active in our lives?

A special thank you to those who participated in the washing of the feet for the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday.



Be a Blessing!

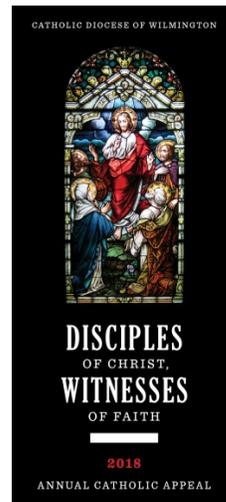
*"Disciples of Christ,
Witnesses of Faith"*

During the weekend of April 14 & 15, our parish will participate in the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal – a campaign conducted each year throughout the Diocese of Wilmington. Funds generated through the Appeal help provide critical financial support to nearly forty pastoral, charitable and educational programs and ministries.

As Christian stewards we are called to a lifelong conversion to the ways of Jesus. Each of us is asked to examine the blessings we have received from God and to discern how best to use them for others. We do this cheerfully and sacrificially and with faith in God's love for us, knowing that He will provide for our earthly wants.

You can learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal by reading the campaign insert in this week's *Dialog* or visiting the diocesan website at www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal."

St. Joseph on the Brandywine Target: \$262,000



*Want to have more
meaning in your life?*

Do you want to do something that is satisfying and of great service to your community? Then JOIN the *Respect Life Ministry*, become a volunteer!

All are welcome to attend the *Respect Life Meeting Tuesday, April 10th at 7 p.m.* in the Family Center.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Lynelle Robuck at (610) 388-1046 or email at white dove@abbapottery.com

Rachel's Vineyard Catholic Retreat for post-abortion healing will be held at Jesus House April 6-8. The retreat weekend is a beautiful opportunity for anyone who has struggled with the emotional or spiritual pain of abortion to heal. Contact Nan Freeman at [302-333-1904](tel:302-333-1904) or visit rachelsvineyard.org.



God bless and protect all our family members and parishioners who are serving in the military and civil service for our defense.

*+ Silent Prayer Requests
Cindi Clare 654-6344*

Jesus said: "Ask and you shall receive..."

HOLY EUCHARIST @ THE COUNTRY METHODIST HOUSE & STONEGATES

On the second Friday of each month at 2:00 p.m., Mass is celebrated by a priest from St. Joseph on the Brandywine. at the Country Methodist House and on the third Wednesday at 1:30 at Stonegates. All residents are welcome. Requests for special visits can be arranged at both facilities by calling 658-7017 with your request.

Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. *Retrouvaille* is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Program will be held at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA: April 13-15. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230

Any Given Sunday endeavors to bring the richness and beauty of the weekly Sunday readings alive for the young church. Reflections are written by some of the best-known Catholic youth speakers, musicians and comedians in the country. Visit <http://anygivensundayproject>

*Too Much Paper
in Your Life?*

Chandler Funeral Home is offering a free document shredding event on Saturday April 7 from 10 am to 1 pm. This event will be held in our parking lot at 2506 Concord Pike in Wilmington and is rain or shine!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, Mar. 31 (Vigil of Easter)

8:00 p.m. Novena

Sunday, April 1 (Easter)

7:30 a.m. Novena

9:00 a.m. Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Novena (Church & Hall)

Monday, April 2

7:00 a.m. Novena

12:05 p.m. Novena

Tuesday, April 3

7:00 a.m. Novena

12:05 p.m. Novena

Wednesday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Novena

12:05 p.m. David Smith by family

Thursday, April 5

7:00 a.m. Martin Glynn by Theresa Glynn

12:05 p.m. Anita Masino by Mark Christian

Friday, April 6

7:00 a.m. Janet Ciafardo by Margaret Speicher

12:05 p.m. Bernard Joseph Daney by Anne Wattman

Saturday, April 7

8:00 a.m. George F. Emmons by James Higgins

5:00 p.m. Mary Spittle by Pat & Cathie Ramone

*"The Vigil, the Funeral Liturgy and the
Committal set us on a path to a true healing,
wholeness and peace."*

Choose a Sacred Space

Our columbarium offers, to those opting for cremation, an alternative to in-ground inurnment. It could be considered a mini-mausoleum. It contains 80 urn niches, 40 of which are for a single inurnment, while the other 40 are for companion inurnment. It is a beautiful structure of gray and deep red granites. Provision is made for Memorialization by use of bronze scrolls. Small bronze vases (optional) are also available. Please call 658-7017.

Make it Known

911 Emergency Texting Now Available

Delaware's 911 centers have begun accepting emergency requests for help via text messages, which can aid those with hearing and speech disabilities. Text to 911 now allows people in Delaware to send a text message from a mobile phone or handheld device. Text messages should be short with simple words. No abbreviations, emojis or slang.