

# Saint Joseph on the Brandywine

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## Schedule of Liturgies

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00 PM

SUNDAY EUCHARISTS:

7:30 AM; 9:00 AM; 10:30 AM

DAILY EUCHARISTS:

7 AM; 12:05 (Mon. - Fri.) 8:00 AM (Saturday)

HOLY DAY EUCHARIST: As announced

SICK CALLS: Anytime

## RECONCILIATION SERVICES:

Saturdays: 4 to 4:45 PM; Anytime by appointment

**BAPTISMS:** By appointment with at least one  
preparation session for new parents.

**WEDDINGS:** Engaged couples wishing to marry in  
the church should contact a Parish Priest at least one  
year prior to the planned wedding date to begin the  
marriage preparation process. The year-long process  
includes diocesan pre-marriage classes and meetings  
with clergy.



**KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS**

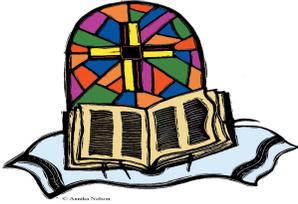
**COUNCIL #15436:**

**Council meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.,  
Archives Building. Membership in the Knights of  
Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are  
practicing Catholics. Contact Paul Thorson, 302-229-  
5644, LTCThorson@gmail.com or John Strusowski, 302-  
753-2928, johnstru@comcast.net.**

**FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** All are welcome to  
join the *Knights of Columbus Council #15436* at the First  
Saturday of the month devotions to Our Lady of Fatima  
at 8 a.m. in the church.

## The Pope's Monthly Intention

*Christian Unity: That all Christians may be faithful to the  
Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal  
charity to restore ecclesial communion and by  
collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.*



## Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 21, 2018

The kingdom of God is at hand.  
Repent, and believe in the gospel.

— Mark 1:15

### Religious Education

This Sunday our Confirmation students, with parents or sponsors, will be playing Catholic Faith Jeopardy in the Family Center hall. The object of the game is not just to test knowledge of our faith, but also to learn to use appropriate Catholic resources to look up answers we don't already know. Should be a lively morning! "The heart of the discerning acquires knowledge, for the ears of the wise seek it out" Proverbs 18:15. May God bless all of us as we desire to know more about Him!

Blessings, Eva

### *Is God Calling You to Be a Lector?*

The Lector plays a significant role during the celebration of the Mass, proclaiming God's Word to the assembled congregation. We are now scheduling training sessions for new Lectors. If you have the talent and the interest in joining this ministry, you will find it to be an inspiring way to contribute to parish life. Lectors read every five to six weeks and know well in advance the Masses to which they are assigned. *To learn more about the Ministry of the Word and the role of the Lector, please call Loretta Carlson at 302.836.5883.*

### *Reminder to Extraordinary Ministers*

*We're looking forward to seeing the Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the session time you selected. The session is on Wednesday Jan 24th at 7PM and again on Sunday Jan 28th at 11:45 AM in the Family Center.*

### *Parish Trustee Election*

Election of new trustees will take place after 10:30 mass Jan. 21st. These trustees exercise functions required by Civil Law though the Parish Council is advisory board to the pastor by church law. Trustees are: Pastor (President & Treasurer), Bishop and Chancellor and two lay trustees, Anne Wattman and Harry Gordon. All are welcome to attend the meeting.

### *Let's Fill the Basket...*

The Respect Life Committee appreciates your donation of gifts for babies which show our affirmation and support to unwed mothers. Contact Lynelle Robuck at (610) 388-1046 or Annie Jordan 302- 992-0437. This faith community is special and blessed in many ways.

### *Where do I Belong?*

There are many pairs of eyeglasses; an assortment of house & car keys; gloves; scarves; umbrellas; bibles; prayer books; and other items in our lost & found. If one of them could be yours, please check. Anything not claimed will be disposed of at the beginning of February.

### Pastor's Notes

#### *The Demands of Discipleship*

Today we encounter readings that already have a Lenten feel about them. Nineveh undergoes a forty-day fast, the psalmist reminds us that God alone can show sinners the way, Paul shows us how fleeting the things and events of this world are, and Jesus cries out "Repent!" before he calls his new followers. "Come after me," Jesus says, but if we are to truly live out the commands and demands of our discipleship through baptism, we must first know our need for conversion, our repentance, our need to believe in the gospel fully. Today's Gospel opens with the stark reminder of what befell John the Baptist for completely living out his vocation as the herald of Christ and the gospel: he was arrested, imprisoned, and martyred. Though few of us will experience consequences that extreme, we must all be ready to risk some sort of rejection as, heeding the call of Jesus, we live out the kingdom of God at hand, repent of our sins, and believe in the good news of salvation.

#### *Blessings in a Sentence or Two!*

"It is a wonderful partnership of our two parishes to help God's children, our own brothers and sisters, just as we in turn have been loved and helped," said Fr. Hynes, Pastor, St. Catherine of Siena. Many thanks to Barbara and all at St. Joseph's who pitched in to make this program a success.

*Advent Angel* - this ministry once again provided a wonderful Christmas to 18 struggling and vulnerable families; single mothers, elderly couples, and families dealing with illness and loss of income. We donated an assortment of presents, gift cards, and household items and \$ 10,200.00 in monetary donations for essentials such as rent, utilities, food and transportation. We would especially thank the committee members; Betti Bacon, Barbara Hogan, Eileen Mallouk, Molly Matlusky, Susan Matlusky, Betty Parthemore, Allison Vieira, and Barbara Vieira, who cut out ornaments, set up the tree, and moved and sorted of all your precious gifts until they could be distributed. Thank you to the Religious Educations students who donated toiletries for stocking stuffers.

We as a parish have brought the joy of Christmas and a light of hope to many. Again, thank you for your incredible generosity and we look forward to your continued support of this outreach ministry.

*Sincerely, Barbara*

## *Sleeped in Scripture*

The *Adult Faith Formation Committee* invites you to St. Joseph on the Brandywine's Lenten Retreat on Saturday, February 17th. Mass will be held at 8:00 a.m., followed by a light breakfast before the session. The Retreat will end at 12 p.m.

*The topic will be: "Jacob's Ladder: Salesian Perspectives on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit"*

The Very Reverend Michael Murray OSFS will lead the retreat on Salesian Spirituality. He invites us to spend time on Saturday morning to reflect upon the Gifts of the Holy Spirit through the lens of Salesian spirituality. Participants will consider the power of each individual gift and the potential of the gifts taken together in our daily efforts to become the best versions of ourselves as God intends.

Please go to the Event Section of the Parish website: <http://www.stjosephonthebrandywine.org> to register or call Peter Fulweiler on 302-652-2264. Please leave your name and phone number. We look forward to seeing you.

- **TWILIGHT RETREAT FOR PROFESSIONAL YOUNG WOMEN:** The Sisters of St. Francis of Philadelphia are sponsoring an evening of prayer on Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> 3 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. for young professional women (ages 18-35) to be held at Our Lady of Angels Convent, 609 S. Convent Road in Aston, PA. The theme is *St. Francis of Assisi and the San Damiano Crucifix*. A light dinner will be provided. There is no fee for this event. Reservations need to be made by with Sr. Christopher Marie Wagner, OSF, at (610) 558-6789 or [cwagner@osfphila.org](mailto:cwagner@osfphila.org). Bring a friend and have a relaxing, prayerful evening. A future Twilight Retreat is scheduled for April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- St. Ann's Parish is offering a small group retreat with Fr. Gaitley's materials and videos: [33 Days to Morning Glory in Preparation for Marian Consecration](#). The retreat will be offered on Mondays at 5 pm to 6:30 pm in the Social Hall beginning February 12<sup>th</sup> and continue to March 26 (no session on President's Day, Feb. 19) with consecration on Holy Saturday, the feast of Our Lady of the Holy Cross on March 31.
- St. Ann's Parish is also offering offering Part I (12 sessions) of *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom* in the Social Hall 6:30 pm to 8:15 pm Mondays through April 23 (weather makeup day April 30). The cost for the program is \$30 for the Study Guide (includes S/H). Contact Connie Winner-Varone at 302-765-9864 or via email: [cnwinner@comcast.net](mailto:cnwinner@comcast.net).
- *Worldwide Marriage Encounter* (WWME) weekend. The next weekends are March 2-4 and November 2-4, 2018, in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For more information and to apply online visit [www-wwme.org](http://www-wwme.org), or call Tony & Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

**Food Pantry: January 27/28:** Suggested items are: whole grain breakfast cereals, old fashioned oats, add water pancake mix, coffee, tea, low fat evaporated milk, flour, protein bars, dried fruits, nuts, peanut butter, jelly, low sodium hearty soups, canned meats and fish, rice and beans, pasta and crushed or diced tomatoes, canned lite fruit, natural low sugar applesauce, canned low sodium vegetables, olive oil or canola oil, bar soap, shampoo, toilet paper and toothpaste.

## *Mass Intentions*

Saturday, Jan. 20

5:00 p.m. Anthony James Penna by Julianna & McKenna Barry

Sunday, Jan. 21

7:30 a.m. Philip A. Mackey by Dr. & Mrs. Garry Lyons & family

9:00 a.m. Parishioners

10:30 a.m. Annie Stewart by St. Joseph on the Brandywine Choir

Monday, Jan. 22

7:00 a.m. Mark Whitney Ludvigson by Dr. & Mrs. Garry Lyons & family

12:05 p.m. Rosemary Crawford by Mary & Ed Sannini

Tuesday, Jan. 23

7:00 a.m. Jean Cates by Aline & Ed Lynch

12:05 p.m. Anthony J. Penna by Ed Weirauch

Wednesday, Jan. 24

7:00 a.m. Anthony James Penna by Verda Hepler

12:05 p.m. Bette Anne McNicholas by Margaret Kincannon

Thursday, Jan. 25

7:00 a.m. Anthony James Penna by Dr. Bill Moncevicz & Chris Truono-Joyce

12:05 p.m. Timothy Joseph Quill by Dennis & Margaret Fish

Friday, Jan. 26

7:00 a.m. Holton Gannon by Mary Ellen Schaubert & Edward Stegemeier

12:05 p.m. Cecilia Christian by Mark Christian

Saturday, Jan. 27

8:00 a.m. Mark Whitney Ludvigson by the Beatson Family

5:00 p.m. Anthony James Penna by Pamela & Barton Barry

*For the safety and convenience of our priests, special ministers and parishioners who enter the Church sanctuary, hand railings have been installed in conjunction with our rejuvenation project.*

*Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>*

11:30 -2 DuPont Country Club  
[Mealsonwheelsde.org](http://Mealsonwheelsde.org)

