

# ST. POLYCARP CHURCH

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**The Silver Lake Deanery**  
*Of*  
**The Diocese of Wilmington**

Rev. James D. Hreha, Pastor

Deacon Frank Weber



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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm & Sunday 10:30 am

Tuesday & Wednesday 8:30 am

**LIVE STREAM MASS:** Saturdays at 4pm, Tuesdays & Wednesdays at 8:30 am.

[www.youtube.com/c/StPolycarpSmyrnaDE](http://www.youtube.com/c/StPolycarpSmyrnaDE)

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30–3:30 pm or by appointment

## PARISH OFFICE:

Monday—Friday, 9 am to 3 pm

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## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

### WELCOME

We're glad you joined us today.

If you are new to the parish, please consider registering. Forms can be found at the Church doors or online at [www.saintpolycarp.org](http://www.saintpolycarp.org).

### THE SACRAMENTS OF OUR CHURCH

**Baptism:** Catechesis is provided for parents and god-parents. Contact the Parish Secretary to register.

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist and Confirmation), contact Deacon Frank at the Parish Office or email [DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org).

**Marriage:** Formation is provided for couples. Arrangements must be made at least one year in advance. Contact the Parish Office.

**Vocations:** Contact Rev. Norman Carroll at (302) 573 – 3113

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the Parish Office.

**Nursing Home Communion Services:** DHCI, 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am. Pinnacle, 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 1:15 pm.

**For Funerals:** Contact the Funeral Home of your choice. They will then coordinate with the Parish Office.

## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time August 20, 2023

### CHEER ON THE GOLFERS! THIS WEEKEND!



If you can't join us for the St. Polycarp's 4th Annual Golf Tournament, how about sending the golfers YOUR CHEERS! Donation is only \$5 per square. Add your personal wish. Boards will be outside the Church this weekend, Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>, and Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>. Come with your \$5 and wishes!

### PARISHIONER COFFEE - TUESDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>ND</sup> ADULT FAITH FORMATION - CONNECTED IN CHRIST



The Tuesday morning Adult Faith Formation group is once again sponsoring a parishioner coffee on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>, after the 8:30 am Mass in Mother Drexel Hall. Please join us for a few hours of delicious treats and coffee and wonderful conversation. Feel free to bring your favorite morning snack. For questions, call Cookie Ruane at (302) 540 - 6429 or Joyce Tolson at (302) 448 - 9678.

### CHANGE THE WORLD: BECOME CATHOLIC! INQUIRY SESSION: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23<sup>RD</sup>



Is there someone you know who would like to explore the Catholic faith - someone unbaptized, or baptized in the Catholic or another Christian tradition? Do you know someone who needs First Eucharist and/or

Confirmation? The Catholic faith can fulfill their desire for a closer relationship with Our Lord by participating in the RCIA process.

If interested, the parish will hold two Inquiry Sessions:  
Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 10:30 am  
Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm

For more information, please contact Deacon Frank Weber at [DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:DeaconFrank@saintpolycarp.org) or leave a message with the Parish office at (302) 653 - 8279.

Church Picnic



### SAVE the DATE! ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

**Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>,**  
**following the 10:30 Mass**  
**More details coming soon!**

### LET US PRAY

### Intentions for the Week

**Saturday, August 19 St. John Eudes/Blessed Virgin Mary**  
4 pm Parishioners

**Sunday, August 20 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
10:30 am Wedding Anniversary Jeff & Marcia Johnson

- Jeff & Marcia Johnson  
- George & Kathy Muller  
- Roseann & Joseph Maguire

Claire Ruane  
Victor Chavez

**Monday, August 21**

**St. Pius X**

NO MASS

**Tuesday, August 22**

**The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:30 am Living Intention - Marie Copeland

**Wednesday, August 23**

**St. Rose of Lima**

8:30 am Delia Cantor

- Betty Pingol

Sylvia Vessels DuRoss

- James DuRoss

**Thursday, August 24**

**St. Bartholomew**

NO MASS

**Friday, August 25**

**St. Louis/St. Joseph Calasanz**

NO MASS

**Saturday, August 26**

**Blessed Virgin Mary**

4 pm Ben Walters

- Chuck Miller

Theodore Trala

- Chip & Pat Reinbold

Jeffrey Marino

- Marge & Bob Marino

**Sunday, August 27**

**21st Sunday in Ordinary Time**

10:30 am Charles Cassidy, Jr.

- Deanna Lail

Walter Cecil Ireland, Jr.

- Jimmy & Toni Hewes

Janyce Pajerowski

- Judy Lamborn

**Week of August 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Our Sanctuary Lamp in Church** burns in remembrance of Charles Franklin Leverage, at the request of Kathryn Duncan.

**Our Sanctuary Lamp in St. Ann's Chapel** burns in prayer for victims of domestic violence.

**Please Pray for Our Sick & Those in Need of Our Prayers**

To have someone's name added to the Bulletin for prayers, please email [submission@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:submission@saintpolycarp.org) or call the office and leave a message. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months (eight weeks) unless other arrangements have been requested.

Lyllie Deter, Leon Walczak, Muriel Richards, John Ruane, Jill Mercer, Dottie Patterson, Laverne Dykes, Janet Alexander, Bob Gallihar, Kay Gallihar, Grace Wagner, Patricia Capobianco, Barbara Hynson, Charlotte Konesky, Tina Kelley, Cathy Connell, Jen McCade, Joe Donofrio, April Doyle, Beth Kelly, Andrea Laws, Kaysie Borgman, Angie & Al Grasso, Erica White, James Dean, Violet Farkas, Greg Kujala, Teresa Tier, Holly Powell, Rob Tuxward, Billy Killen, Andrew Cella, Jr., Lily Griffiths, Rob Miller, Patty Moon, Deirdre Moor, Linda Blow, Mariann Pierson, Ruth Staub, Jaci Stokes, and residents of Pinnacle and DHCI.

**We Pray for our Deceased**

Jacob Salla

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

**Prayer Chain** – To request prayers or to be part of our Prayer Chain, contact Laverne at [laverne427@icloud.com](mailto:laverne427@icloud.com) or (302) 653 – 8064.

**Rosary by Telephone:** Tuesdays at 11 am. The dial in number is: 1-701-802-5254/PIN: 1747300#.

**Eucharistic Adoration** –Tuesdays, 9 am – 8 pm – Chapel

**Flame of Love Rosary:** Thursdays at 6:30 pm - Chapel

**Divine Mercy:** Fridays at 3 pm – Chapel.

## LITURGY

### SUNDAY SCRIPTURE - QUESTIONS TO PONDER

~ In what ways does your life model the all-embracing love of God?

~ What can you do to bring unity to the Christian community?

~ When have you been moved by another's example of faith?

### CHALICE MINISTRY

The Vocation Chalice encourages individuals and/or families to pray regularly for vocations to priesthood and consecrated life. Sign up for a week by calling/texting Alice Gaston (302) 670 – 7924 or fill out the form (forms are located at all doors to the Church) and place it in the collection basket.

Family/Person	Weekend	Mass time
Sanphy	Aug. 20	10:30
Irwin	Sept. 3	10:30



### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Visit <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading> or use this QR code

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### ST. POLYCARP PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



Religious Education Classes - Grades PK - 9  
Registration is now open for 2023-2024

Visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/religious-education/> for information and/or to print the registration form or you can use this QR code. For more information, contact

Mrs. Erica Taylor, CRE  
(Coordinator of Religious Education)  
(302) 653 – 4101 or  
[dre@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:dre@saintpolycarp.org)



## PSR WISH LIST

Our catechists are committed to teaching and helping our children grow in love and faith by donating their time all year. Our catechists often use their own money for supplies throughout the year. Please consider helping them out by purchasing an item or two from their wish list below.

Items can be dropped off Monday-Friday at the parish office between 9 am and 3 pm, anytime in the bins under the black drop box, or after Masses in the marked bins in the vestibule, and under the coat racks near the bathrooms, across from the hall.



- Plastic Folders with pockets
- Card Stock...white and color
- White Poster Board (11x14)
- Crayola Crayons (8 ct.)
- Colored Pencils (12 ct.)
- Dry Erase Markers (Expo Brand)
- Post It Notes
- Small White Envelopes (6 3/4")
- Disinfecting Wipes
- Gallon Size Ziploc Bags
- Boxed Tissues
- AA & AAA Batteries
- Linens for Prayer Tables - At least 5' x 4' (Liturgical Colors; green, purple, white)
- Monetary Donations & Gift Cards (Amazon, Walmart, Target) are always appreciated.

## GIRL SCOUTS



Tracie and Olivia Bruno attended the 56th National Council Session for Girl Scouts in Orlando, July 18-22. Tracie is a representative for local council (GSCB), and was part of the delegate body that discussed issues related to Girl Scouts, and voted on proposals regarding Girl Scouting. Olivia had the opportunity to meet Girl Scouts from across the country, including Bonnie Barcynkowski the GSUSA CEO, Maryann Barry the CEO from Citrus Council who will be going into space next year, and Susan Egan the actress who played Belle on Broadway.

Interested in joining Girl Scouts? Contact Tracie at [gscbsu31@gmail.com](mailto:gscbsu31@gmail.com).

## PARISH & FAMILY LIFE



### Save the Date! Parish & Family Life 1st Quarter Auction Friday, October 27, 2023

Doors will open at 5 pm. Auction starts at 6 pm.  
Proceeds raised will benefit Parish operational expenses  
and Ministry needs.

Discounted advanced purchase of All-in Paddles will be  
\$40 through Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

All-in Paddles will be \$45 after Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions or would like to make a  
discounted advance purchase, contact Darlene Sanphy  
at (302) 270 - 3915 or [darpete87@comcast.net](mailto:darpete87@comcast.net) or Linda  
Montuori at (302) 270 - 5347 or  
[lindamontuori@yahoo.com](mailto:lindamontuori@yahoo.com).

## FAITH AND CHARITY APPEAL



### 2023 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal

***Congratulations!** We've reached our **PLEDGED**  
goal! To date, our parish has pledged \$62,660.88!! Total  
collected towards the pledge amount is \$47,013.54.  
Once we reach our goal in **COLLECTED** donations, we will  
receive back half of the money collected above the goal  
for projects around our campus.*

*It is important that everyone follows through with  
payments on pledges. Please mail all payments in the  
self-addressed, return envelope provided with your  
payment reminder mailings.*

Of our 715 households at St. Polycarp, 193 have  
participated in the campaign to date. Thank you to the  
26.99% of households who have participated in this  
year's Appeal. If your household has not participated, it's  
not too late! As a parish community, we are asked to  
assist our brothers and sisters in overcoming obstacles,  
guided by the light of Christ and the strength of our unity.  
*Please prayerfully consider a donation and help Shine  
the Light of Christ throughout our Diocese. (Pledge cards  
can be found in the pews and at the doors of the  
Church.)*

To learn more about the Faith and  
Charity Catholic Appeal, visit  
[www.cdow.org](http://www.cdow.org); click "Giving" then  
"Faith and Charity Catholic  
Appeal," or simply scan this QR  
code.



## HAPPENING ELSEWHERE

### VATICAN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION OF THE EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES AND CARLO ACUTIS' 1<sup>ST</sup> CLASS RELIC

Next Saturday - Sunday, August 26<sup>th</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, at St.  
Elizabeth Roman Catholic Church (809 S Broom St,  
Wilmington, DE 19805). The exhibition includes a  
Eucharistic Miracle Panel Display, Veneration of the First  
Class Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis, and Talks by Dr. Bill  
Ryckman. Find a full itinerary at [www.steparish.org](http://www.steparish.org). For  
more information, contact St. Pius X Columbiettes at  
(302) 897 - 3022 or [piuscolumbiettes@gmail.com](mailto:piuscolumbiettes@gmail.com).

### 17<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NUN RUN/WALK AND FALL FESTIVAL Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>

Little Sisters of the Poor Jeanne Jugan Residence  
185 Salem Church Road, Newark, DE 19713

Proceeds from this event will go toward the care and  
needs of the elderly residents at the Jeanne Jugan  
Residence.

5K Walk/Run begins at 9 am

Vendors, Makers, Artists, Scarecrow Making, Pumpkin  
Painting, Kids Games, Food, Face Painting, Prizes, 50/50  
Raffle

For more information or to register, visit  
<https://runsignup.com/Race/DE/Newark/NunRun5K> or  
<https://www.nunrun5k.org/>.

### DIOCESE OF WILMINGTON'S MARIAN PILGRIMAGE

Join Bishop Koenig for the Diocese of Wilmington's  
Marian Pilgrimage on Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, at The  
Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate  
Conception in Washington, DC. For more information,  
visit <https://www.cdow.org/MarianPilgrimage/> or  
<https://www.facebook.com/cdownarianpilgrimage/>.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Learn tools to revitalize romance and deepen  
communication in your marriage!!! Get away for an  
intimate weekend - no group sharing required. The next  
weekend is November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> at the Brighton Suites in  
Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. For information or to  
register, visit our website (<http://www.wwme.org>) or call  
Tony and Linda Massino at (302) 648 - 2228.

### BISHOP'S 5K RUN/WALK

Saturday, November 18<sup>th</sup> from 8 am - 11 am  
St. Mark's High School

2501 Pike Creek Road Wilmington, DE 19808

The Bishop's 5K Run/Walk raises awareness and  
resources to assist Catholic Charities in continuing its  
efforts to help the underserved areas of the  
Diocese. To learn more about this race or to register for  
this event, visit

<https://runsignup.com/Race/DE/Wilmington/TheBishops5K>.

## FINANCE COUNCIL

### ST. POLYCARP PARISH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BUFFET DINNER Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>



The Annual Golf Tournament will be at Garrison Lake Golf Club, 101 West Fairways Circle, Smyrna, DE on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. \$130 per individual golfer includes lunch, Green fee, Golf Cart, on course beverages including beer, complimentary gift bags, prizes for best teams, long drive/closest to pin, followed by a buffet dinner.



Don't golf? Join us for a delicious Buffet Dinner for just \$40.00 per person in Mother Drexel Hall at Saint Polycarp Church.

For more information and registration, contact Dennis Skinner at [papadskinz@yahoo.com](mailto:papadskinz@yahoo.com) or (302) 981 - 8743 and Anna Skinner at [ANNA.SKINZ@gmail.com](mailto:ANNA.SKINZ@gmail.com) or (302) 883 - 5647. You can also scan the QR Code found below.



## COLLECTIONS

Collection	Offertory	Children's Offertory	Total Offertory
August 6	\$4949	\$18	\$4967
August 13	\$3947		\$3947

Collection	Poor Box	Collection	Cathedral
August 6	\$386	August 13	\$582

Offertory	Received	Budgeted	Over/(Under)
July Total	\$34,636.50	\$22,500	\$12,136.50
Fiscal Year to Date	\$34,636.50	\$22,500	\$12,136.50

Please consider signing up for eGiving to ensure your contributions are received even when you are not here for Mass. Recurring, catch up, or one-time gifts can be made. Visit [faith.direct/DE831](http://faith.direct/DE831).

We now have Text-to-Give. Text "Enroll" to (302) 202 - 2251 or you can use this QR code for easy giving.



*Thank you for your generosity and continued stewardship.*

## 10<sup>TH</sup> NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS JULY 17<sup>TH</sup> - JULY 21<sup>ST</sup> OF 2024 Indianapolis, IN

### EYES OPENED, HEARTS ON FIRE

At the National Eucharistic Congress, the Church will draw into a deeper intimacy with our Eucharistic Lord, allowing our eyes to be opened and our hearts to be set on fire with his love.

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For more information, visit <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/>

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

For the most up-to-date information  
Visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/calendar/>  
Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9 am to 3 pm

<b>Saturday, August 19</b> 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm MASS - Golf Tournament Speaker Following Mass - Selling of Support Signatures for Golf Tournament (outside Church entrances)
<b>Sunday, August 20</b> 10:30 am <b>MASS</b> - Golf Tournament Speaker Following Mass - Selling of Support Signatures for Golf Tournament (outside Church entrances) 1 pm Baptism (Church)
<b>Monday, August 21</b> 6:30 pm RCIA Session (Library) 6:30 pm Brother Vincent Columbiettes- Rosary (Hall/Kitchen) 7 pm Brother Vincent Columbiettes - Meeting (Hall/Kitchen)
<b>Tuesday, August 22</b> <b>8:30 am MASS</b> 9 am - 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) 9 am Parish Coffee (Hall/Kitchen) 11 am Columbiettes Rosary (Telephone) 6:30 pm Social Concerns (Library) 7 pm Confirmation Parents & Students - Zoom
<b>Wednesday, August 23</b> <b>8:30 am MASS</b> 6:30 pm PSR Faculty Meeting (Hall) 6:30 pm Squires (Library)
<b>Thursday, August 24</b> 10 am Seasons of Hope (Library) 6 pm Girl Scouts Meeting (Hall) 6:30 pm Flame of Love Rosary (Chapel)
<b>Friday, August 25</b> 3 pm Divine Mercy (Chapel)
<b>Saturday, August 26</b> 2:30 pm Confession 4 pm <b>MASS</b> After MASS - K of C Pretzel Sale (outside Church entrances)

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