

# ST. POLYCARP CHURCH

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Of  
The Diocese of Wilmington

Rev. James D. Hreha, Pastor

Deacon Frank Weber



Pastoral Council—Kathy Curlett

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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.

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## RECONCILIATION

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

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APOSTLE  
*one who is sent*

## 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary

### 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 godparents. 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, 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am. Pinnacle, 1st Friday of the month at 10:30 am.

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

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
June 18, 2023



**HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!**

Every Father, Grandfather, Godfather, and anyone serving in the role of Father, is wished a very happy and blessed Father's Day! May God our Heavenly Father watch over and protect you always.

Please remember to include Father Jim, and all priests, living and deceased, in your prayers.

**FATHER'S DAY NOVENA**

Honor the Fathers, Grandfathers, Uncles, Father-figures and other special men in your life on their special day. Whether they are living or deceased, *the gift of prayer is a beautiful way to show your deep appreciation for their sacrificial love.* The best gift you can give this loved one is the gift of the Mass. Please use the *Father's Day Mass Remembrance* envelopes to inscribe the names you wish to be remembered in the Masses offered by our parish. The Novena of Masses will begin on the eve of Father's Day, Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.



The overall goal of the Eucharistic Revival is to increase awareness, understanding, and devotion to our Lord's presence in the Blessed Sacrament and to lead our Diocese into an even greater participation in Eucharistic worship.

**LET US PRAY**

*Intentions for the Week*

**Saturday, June 17** The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
4 pm Father's Day Novena  
**Sunday, June 18** 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am Father's Day Novena  
**Monday, June 19** St. Romuald  
**NO MASS**  
**Tuesday, June 20**  
8:30 am Father's Day Novena  
**Wednesday, June 21** St. Aloysius of Gonzaga  
8:30 am Father's Day Novena  
**Thursday, June 22** St. Paulinus of Nola; Sts. John Fisher and Thomas More  
**NO MASS**  
**Friday, June 23**  
**NO MASS**  
**Saturday, June 24** The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist  
4 pm Father's Day Novena  
**Sunday, June 25** 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
10:30 am Father's Day Novena

**Week of June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Our Sanctuary Lamp in Church** burns in prayer for Pope Francis and all Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, and Priests who are spiritual fathers to the faithful of the Church.

**Our Sanctuary Lamp in St. Ann's Chapel** burns in prayer for all fathers, living and deceased.

**Saturday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**

**Bread and Wine** are offered in loving memory of Ann & Peter Weber at the request of Jeff & Marcia Johnson.

**Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Bread and Wine** are offered in loving memory of Kenneth Burk & Louis Arrighi at the request of Roy & Janice Arrighi.

**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.

Dottie Patterson, Laverne Dykes, Janet Alexander, Bob Gallihar, Kay Gallihar, Diane Bullins, Grace Wagner, Ron Pleasanton, Beth Lightcap, Thea Berg, Patricia Capobianco, Barbara Hynson, Charlotte Konesky, Eileen Fox, Maryann Allison, Ashley Mullins, Tina Kelley, Cathy Connell, Kevin Skaggs, Bobby Bullins, Jen McCade, Joe Donofrio, April Doyle, Beth Kelly, Andrea Laws, Kaysie Borgman, Angie & Al Grasso, Lana Reed, Rick Dean, Catherine Corso, Jeff Johnson, Erica White, James Dean, Violet Farkas, Greg Kujala, Teresa Tier, Holly Powell, Rob Tuxward, Billy Killen, George Kayati, 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  
Deacon H. Scott Peterson**

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, Noon – 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

~ How do we live out our baptismal call to be God's priestly people?

~ What does unconditional love mean to you?

~ How do you witness to Christ's care and compassion for others in your daily life?

### PRAY IN JUNE FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM!

The Religious Freedom Week 2023: Embracing the Divine Gift of Freedom will take place from this Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, to Thursday, June 29<sup>th</sup>.

### COME, LET US ADORE HIM



Do you have one hour a week to come adore Jesus in the Eucharist?

We need adorers for these timeslots on Tuesdays: 12:00 pm, 2:00 pm, and 3:00 pm.

Call Cheryl Thomas at (302) 363 – 0404 or email her at [salcrest7@gmail.com](mailto:salcrest7@gmail.com).



### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

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

## PARSIH AND FAMILY LIFE

Please remember our Squires in your prayers as they gather for their Annual Lock-In. The Squires will be here at the Parish from 7 pm this Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> until Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The Lock In will conclude with the 4pm Mass to celebrate and install the new officers for the Columbian year. Our Squire Circle will soon celebrate its 15<sup>th</sup> year!!!

During these 24 hours the Squires will participate in prayer, team work and leadership activities. A Rosary will be said in the chapel at least five times, and at 3:20 in the Church before 4pm Mass. Each Rosary will be said for the following worthy causes: Pro Life and protection of our Unborn, Vocations, Men and Women of our Armed forces, St. Polycarp Parishioners and our youth.

## CHRISTIAN FORMATION

### CHANGE THE WORLD: BECOME CATHOLIC!

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 three Inquiry Sessions:

Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm,

Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 10:30 am, and

Monday, August 28<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm.

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

### FAITH WITH FRIENDS

#### A NEW Catholic Formation Opportunity is available!

Please join us to watch videos and learn about our faith with friends. Meetings will be on the first Thursday of the month from 6 pm to 8 pm. Our first meeting is on Thursday, July 6<sup>th</sup>, in Room 7. (Please use the Office/Chapel door under the portico.) Light refreshments will be provided. Please contact Ashley Wilson at (302)535 –4118 for more details!

*Looking forward to seeing you!*



Join our PSR family and share your gifts and talents with us. We need YOU to help US spread God's message to our youth. Where is God calling you to serve?

#### Sunday Morning Positions:

PreK/K: Catechist

PreK/K: Assistant

3rd grade: Catechist

#### Tuesday Evening Position:

5th grade: Catechist

Tuesday Night Greeter/Hall Monitor

Please contact our CRE, Erica Taylor, at (302) 653 - 4101 or [dre@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:dre@saintpolycarp.org) for more information.

## PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)



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

Please register early to help us plan for next year & registering early (before July 1) helps you save money!  
(See form for tuition rates).

We have a variety of ways to register:

1. Pick-up a printed copy from the black drop box located outside under the portico and return it along with payment.
2. To print the Registration Form, visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/religious-education/>
3. Online – To pay with a credit or debit card or from your bank account, visit <https://membership.faithdirect.net/events/org/831>
4. Use this QR code



**First Grade Children** – In order to be eligible for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Reconciliation and First Eucharist, your child must complete 1<sup>st</sup> Grade PSR (or in another parish religious education program) or Catholic School. Register your first grader now!

**7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Children** – In order to be eligible for Confirmation in Grade 9, your child must complete 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade PSR (or in another parish religious education program) or Catholic School. If you have a 7<sup>th</sup> grader, now is the time to register!

For more information, contact Mrs. Erica Taylor, Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE) at 302-653-4101 or [dre@saintpolycarp.org](mailto:dre@saintpolycarp.org) or visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/religious-education/>



### DID YOU KNOW?

The first Day of Summer is this Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>. *Start the new season with your soul refreshed by God's grace. Come to Confession! The Sacrament of Reconciliation (the Sacrament of God's Love and Mercy)*

is available every Saturday from 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm in the Reconciliation Room in our Church.

## FAITH AND CHARITY APPEAL



### Catholic Diocese of Wilmington 2023 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal

We're not there yet! We're still short of our goal but with everyone's help we can do it! *If you haven't already done so, please consider supporting this year's appeal. No gift is too small to help those in need. Pledge cards can be found in the pews and at the doors of the church. We will receive 50% of monies collected for our own parish once we surpass our goal.*

Thank you to those who have already contributed to this year's campaign and to those parishioners who have signed pledge cards. Your generosity in supporting this campaign enables the diocese to do the work of our Lord.

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



## FINANCE COUNCIL

### UPDATES FROM THE FINANCE COUNCIL'S MAY MEETING

1. The 2023/2024 Budget is complete. We will be in balance for the upcoming year but a few highlights:

- \* Every major category of expense has increased. Facilities (heating, cooling, power, and lighting), Ministries, and Office Administration (salaries and benefits).
- \* Memorial Brick engraving costs have increased.
- \* Faith Direct Monthly Administration Costs have increased 5%. Credit card payment charges also have increased .05% plus a .05 transaction fee. Thank you to all who have been contributing to cover this fee in the past. We ask you to consider continuing to cover the increased costs.

\* We have forecast an increase in collections, but we are still not back to pre-pandemic levels.

2. We did exceed our target for The 2022 Faith and Charity Appeal. Our overage rebate will be used to upgrade the Parish Staff Computer Systems.
3. Plans for our Annual Golf Tournament and Dinner continue. Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.
4. We will begin to develop a financial policy to better manage the Parish funds.

**ST. POLYCARP PARISH  
ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT AND BUFFET DINNER**

Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>



The Annual Golf Tournament and Buffet Dinner 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.

Do not golf? That is ok. 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.



The Second Collection next weekend (June 24<sup>th</sup> and June 25<sup>th</sup>) will be for the Collection for the Holy Father also known as Peter's Pence. Your donation will enable Pope Francis to continue his ministry of helping others.

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 (please indicate your intention) can be made. Visit [faith.direct/DE831](https://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.*

**ATTENTION MINISTRY LEADERS!  
SAVE THE DATE!**

Mark your calendar now for our Annual Leadership Organizational Meeting on **TUESDAY, July 25<sup>th</sup>**, at 7 pm in Mother Drexel Hall.

**THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED**

on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, in observance of Juneteenth.

**ST. DENNIS CHURCH**

**ST. DENNIS CHURCH  
COME ONE COME ALL  
to the ST. DENNIS PARISH FAMILY PICNIC!**



**WHEN** - Sunday June 25<sup>th</sup> at NOON until the fun is over!

**WHERE** - St Dennis School Building LAWN

**WHY** - for FUN and SOCIALIZING

- WHAT** - Please pack your own/family's picnic lunch
- Bring your lawn chairs or blanket for seating.
  - St. Dennis parish will provide ice cream from a glorious ice cream truck, and beverages like sodas, water, and juice boxes.
  - There will be lawn games, zany races, face painting, and fun for children/adults and whole families.
  - This year we will feature "Elotes" (corn on the cob Hispanic style), and fruit cups to sample
  - Prizes too!
  - If you have missed this picnic before, you missed a lot of fun . . . even our little children beat out some adults in foot races!

**Come on out and have a great day!**

**COLLECTIONS**

Figures from recent collections will be posted in a future Bulletin.

The Second collection this weekend, June 17<sup>th</sup> and June 18<sup>th</sup>, is for our parish maintenance. Please be as generous as your means allow in supporting the upkeep, safety and beauty of our parish campus.

**THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

For the most up-to-date information  
Visit <https://saintpolycarp.org/calendar/>

Saturday, June 17	2:30 pm Confession 4 pm MASS
Sunday, June 18	10:30 am MASS
Monday, June 19	<b>OFFICE IS CLOSED</b> 6:30 pm Brother Vincent Columbiettes - Rosary (Hall/Kitchen) 7 pm Brother Vincent Columbiettes - Meeting (Hall/Kitchen)
Tuesday, June 20	<b>8:30 am MASS</b> 9 am Adult Faith Formation - Connected in Christ (Library) 10:30 am DHCI Communion Service (at DHCI) 11 am Columbiettes Rosary (Telephone) 12 pm - 8 pm Eucharistic Adoration (Chapel) 1 pm CFC general Meeting & Executive Committee (Room 4) 6:30 pm Finance Council (Library)
Wednesday, June 21	<b>8:30 am MASS</b> 9:30 am Pastoral Staff Meeting (Library) 6 pm KoC Officers Meeting (Library)
Thursday, June 22	6 pm Girl Scouts Meeting (Hall) 6:30 pm Flame of Love Rosary (Chapel)
Friday, June 23	3 pm Divine Mercy (Chapel) 7 pm Squire Lock In (Hall/Kitchen/Library/Chapel/Meeting Room)
Saturday, June 24	2:30 pm Confession 4 pm MASS 6:30 pm Squire Lock In (Hall/Kitchen/Library/Chapel/Rooms)

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