

# *Saint Joseph Catholic Church*

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## The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 3, 2018

CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-475-6533

Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

Office Assistant – Mrs. Pam McCutchen

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses: 8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday

Confessions: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday and Sunday following the 6 p.m. Mass.

Baptisms: Please call the Rectory to make arrangements. Parents must be practicing Catholics in this Parish or able to provide a letter of permission from the proper parish for Baptism here. Godparents, if not St. Joseph parishioners, must provide a letter that they meet the requirements: a practicing Catholic, at least 16 years old, have received Baptism, Confirmation and First Communion and, if married, in a marriage recognized by the Catholic Church.

Marriages: Please contact the Pastor prior to making wedding arrangements.

Sacrament of the Sick: Those hospitalized or home-bound to receive the Sacraments, call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday

# *Father's Thoughts*

My Dear Parish,

On this Feast of Corpus Christi, here are some ways we can strengthen our love for Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Upon entering and again before exiting the church we should notice the lit sanctuary lamp, and we should bend the knee in greeting to Jesus present in the tabernacle.

While inside the church, out of reverence for the presence of the Blessed Sacrament in the tabernacle, we should comport ourselves accordingly, saving casual conversation and fraternization for after we have left the church. This can allow others who wish to pray to enjoy fruitful silence.

As we approach to receive Holy Communion we should bow in reverence to Him whom we are about to receive. This bow is closely related to the genuflection as we enter the church. There used to be the custom of receiving Holy Communion while prayerfully kneeling in reverence at the communion rail. While the normal way now is to receive Holy Communion while standing, there is nothing to prevent anyone from piously receiving Holy Communion while kneeling. Please let me know if there is any interest in seeing our Church's altar rail restored. The decorum of the house of God is an important part of worshiping God in a fitting manner. The ongoing restoration and beautification of our church is an expression of our devotion to his Real Presence.

Many people choose to receive Holy Communion on their tongues, directly into their mouths instead of in their hands. This, too, is out of reverence for Christ who is truly present even in the smallest fragment of the sacred host. Modest and appropriate attire is another way to show reverence for Our Lord. The custom formerly known as "Sunday Best" is still seen in how our first Holy Communicants prepare themselves, even externally, for their real encounter with Jesus. All immodesty in dress is to be entirely avoided, especially in Mass.

Planning vacations around the availability of Sunday Mass keeps us from failing to give God the honor that is His due on the Lord's Day. Adoring Jesus in the Holy Sacrament of the altar by making time in our day to spend in the church to pray shows Jesus we know He is here for us. We should not receive Holy Communion at mass, and instead we should remain in the pew, if we know we have to go to confession first to confess a mortal sin. We should spend some time in prayerful thanksgiving after receiving Holy Communion.

We should make spiritual communions, expressing to God prayerfully our desire to obtain the graces that he wants us to have even if we are unable to receive Sacramentally. We should receive Holy Communion as frequently as we are able, even daily, as long as we have properly prepared ourselves by fasting and confession if necessary. We should pray for an increase in priestly vocations, because without priests we have no one to celebrate the Eucharist.

May God continue to strengthen the Eucharistic piety of our parish.

With paternal affection,



***Monday through Friday (excluding Thursdays). from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
and Saturdays from 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.***

**Mass Intentions for June 4<sup>th</sup> through June 10<sup>th</sup>**

Monday	8 a.m.	Cindy & Jim Woodard (Living)
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Charlie Muldoon (Living)
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Thomas Terano
Thursday	8 a.m.	Rick Armbruster
Friday	8 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Dorsey & Family
Saturday	8 a.m.	Thelma Koelsch
	5 p.m.	Joseph Fred Bowles
Sunday	8 a.m.	John & Catherine Leonard
	10 a.m.	John Albert Russell
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

**Mass Schedule for June 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Gladys Long	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Bill Leonard	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Kathleen D'Aurora	Owen D'Aurora

**Please pray for those who are sick in our parish** especially, Francis Nelson (Mole), Virginia Raulerson, Joseph Clark, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), James Holt, Antoinette Nelson, Sandy Branson, Winnie Merson, Ann Young, Sara Custer, Thelma Russell, Gary Lewis, Yvonne Lennon, James Nelson, Elizabeth Adams, Alan Burch, Bernadette Herbert and Thomas Lionel Herbert.

**Offertory, May 27<sup>th</sup>** Envelopes \$2,448.00 Loose \$3,003.00 **Donations** \$510.00

Thank you for your generosity. *The second collection next week is for School Support.*

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS**

**Join us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the Holy Hour for the Intentions of the Ordinandi and an increase in Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life on Friday, June 8, 2018 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Church.**



**On the first three Tuesdays of June** at 7:00 PM in St. Joseph's Hall, for anyone who wants to understand more deeply current questions on the role of parents in transmitting human life, Father Drew will lead a reading of Pope Blessed Paul VI's 1968 letter called *Humanae Vitae* or "On Human Life." The evenings will take the form of a guided reading with explanations and summary throughout for the purposes of clarification. There will also be opportunities for questions.

**Join us to pray the Rosary** – May is the month for the Blessed Mother. The rosary will be said every day after the 8 a.m. Mass except on Sundays. The Sunday schedule is as follows: Sunday, May 13th, before the 8:00 am Mass; Sunday, May 20, before the 10:00 am Mass; and Saturday, May 26th, before the 5:00 pm Mass.

**Mother's Rosary Group** – Join us for a weekly Mother's Rosary group. We will pray the Rosary with meditations focused on Mothers. Babies in arms & toddlers are welcome to join in honoring Our Lady. We will meet each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Hall. For further information please contact Megan Monahan at [mega\\_mo@yahoo.com](mailto:mega_mo@yahoo.com).

**St. Michael's School 32nd Annual Auction** is planned for June 9<sup>th</sup>. Silent Auction begins at 2:00pm. Live Auction starts at 3:00pm. Win \$5,000 with Big Bucks Raffle each ticket is \$50 and only 500 tickets will be sold! A variety of food and drinks will be available for purchase throughout the event. There will also be a Yard Sale on Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:00am-3:00pm. Contact Rich Muir at 240-538-1888.

***Finding God in All Things!*** A Summer Day Camp for youth ages 8-14 will be hosted by Loyola on the Potomac in conjunction with Camp Fire, 9270 Loyola Retreat Rd., Faulkner, MD 20632 on July 16-20. Daily snack and lunch provided. Fee: \$100 a week plus a one-time registration fee of \$25. Register on-line at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/findingGod18>.

***Jesus Musical on July 4<sup>th</sup> in Lancaster PA***—Jesus is the musical stage adventure about the most famous person to ever walk the earth and the everyday people whose lives he changed forever. Cost Adults \$120. Children 3-12 \$75. Bus, Show Ticket and Buffet Lunch, Drink, Tax & Gratuity Included. Leave from OLV at 9AM and return at 10:30PM. Must pay full amount to reserve your seat. Contact Shirley at 240-538-5244 for registration and information.

### ***Mother Catherine Academy News:***

- Summer Office Hours: Our office hours effective Monday, June 18th through Friday, August 17th are as follows: Monday through Thursday – 8:30am to 3:00pm; Friday – available by appointment only.

### **Upcoming Events & Reminders**

***Monday, June 4<sup>th</sup>*** – Preparation classes for anyone in need of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

***Tuesday, June 5<sup>th</sup>*** – Catechism with Father Drew at 11 a.m. in the Church. A reading of Pope Blessed Paul VI's 1968 letter called *Humanae Vitae* in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m.

***Friday, June 8<sup>th</sup>*** – Holy Hour for Vocations, 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. with Confessions during Holy Hour.

***Monday, June 11<sup>th</sup>*** – Preparation classes for anyone in need of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

***Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>*** – Catechism with Father Drew at 11 a.m. in the Church. A reading of Pope Blessed Paul VI's 1968 letter called *Humanae Vitae* in the Parish Hall at 7 p.m.



#### **It's EASY and FREE to Register!**

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*Study: Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist- Session 3: Food for the Journey. Food is one of our most basic needs. We can't live for long without it, and when we are in need of it, our bodies let us know with a hunger that can be nearly impossible to ignore. As indispensable as material food is to our physical life, the Eucharist is even more vital to our spiritual life. God saved the Israelites from starvation in the wilderness by providing manna for them. We need the Eucharist even more than the Israelites needed the manna. It sustains and strengthens us for our life's journey. It is, as Monsignor Ronald Knox once said, "the day's food for the day's march." Go to AUGUSTINE INSTITUTE ORIGINALS*

*Watch: The Angel of Biscay In a time of world upheaval God raised up an extraordinary priest in Fr. Aloysius Ellacuria, CMF (1905 - 1981). So completely did he sacrifice his will in the service of God and neighbor that blessings were showered upon him in abundance, and upon those whose lives he touched..Filmed on location in many beautiful locations, the film illustrates the character, mission, and spirituality of a truly remarkable priest who changed the lives of so many, especially through his deep love for, and his efforts to spread devotion to, the Holy Eucharist and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Go to MEN AND WOMEN OF FAITH*

*Listen: The God Who Loves You. God's love is the subject of Peter Kreeft's imaginative and thoughtful book. With unusual clarity, Kreeft points out that the man or woman who begins to glimpse the God who is Creator, Redeemer, and Lover of our souls, will never be the same. He describes Scripture as God's love story and then tells why divine love is the answer to our deepest problems and the fulfillment of our deepest desires. Go to AUDIO BOOKS*

*Read: The Young People's Book of the Saints. Every saint is different, everyone a unique personality. Each of them finds his vocation and destiny in a different way--teaching us that God has in mind for you and me a very special adventure that will be all our own. The purpose of our lives is to find that mission that only we can fulfill in the body of the Church, for the love of God and our neighbor. Go to FOR CHILDREN AND TEENS*