

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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The Nativity of Saint John the Baptist

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CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-373-2692

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,

Troubling news.

Pope Francis has directed Cardinal McCarrick to refrain from any public ministry or activity. This is because the Pope is in the process of arriving at a definite decision concerning a credible and substantiated accusation that Cardinal McCarrick sexually abused a minor fifty years ago while exercising his ministry as a priest of the Archdiocese of New York. Cardinal McCarrick is now obediently accepting the Pope's direction as we await the Pope's decision.

Some sins are more serious than others especially how they impact the Church. A sin such as the sexual abuse of a minor by a minister of the church is an example of such a sin. This particular sin, while serious in itself, is also a crime against the rest of the faithful of the Church. The law of the church reserves to the Pope the exercise of the official act of forgiving certain particularly grave sins such as this one. By reserving the act of forgiving such serious sins to the Pope, the Church warns us against the grave peril of those who, rather than tend the flock entrusted to them, instead violate their sacred trust and "handing themselves over to their degraded passions" devour the very ones they were charged with protecting.

It is a requirement of justice that the perpetrator of such crimes be punished in accordance with the seriousness of the offense. It is also a requirement of the love of God that such offenses be punished in a way that deters others from committing such crimes in the future. The correct punishment of such crimes, when justly administered, can begin to bring healing to those closely affected and begin to bring peace to the larger community. The correct administration of justice in this particular case will be necessary for our Church to begin a meaningful process of healing.

It is an important truth of our faith that there is no sin, no matter how grave, that the Church does not have the power to forgive. This should be a source of confidence and hope to every sinner, especially to those who consider themselves particularly abandoned.

Please pray for all victims of sexual abuse and for their families. Please pray for all those involved in this accusation against Cardinal McCarrick. Please pray for the Pope that he bring this to a just and speedy resolution. Please pray for the Church, that God give her shepherds after his own heart.

For Cardinal Wuerl's statement on this matter or other information please visit adw.org/mccarrick.

With paternal affection,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Drew".

Mass Intentions for June 25th through July 1st

Monday	No 8 a.m. Mass	Audrey Somerville
Tuesday	No 8 a.m. Mass	Agnes "Sugar Pig" Mason
Wednesday	No 8 a.m. Mass	John Judson Alvey
Thursday	No 8 a.m. Mass	William Kuchmas, III
Friday	No 8 a.m. Mass	Cecil Matthew Norris
Saturday	No 8 a.m. Mass	Joseph Donald Clarke, Sr.
	5 p.m.	Mary L. Tennyson
Sunday	8 a.m.	Bernie & Roselee Nelson & Family
	10 a.m.	Reggie Brown
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Mass Schedule for June 30th and July 1st

	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Valerie Young	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Gladys Long	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Sarah Richardson	O. 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, Elizabeth Adams, Alan Burch, Bernadette Herbert and Thomas Lionel Herbert.

Please pray for the faithful departed in our parish



James Nelson



Offertory, June 17th Envelopes \$2,277.00 Loose \$2,309.00

Thank you for your generosity. *Second collection next week is for Building & Repair.*

Thank you to all that helped to make our annual Father's Day Bake sale a success once again! Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

St. Joseph's Ladies Sodality

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.

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.

His Eminence Donald Cardinal Wuerl cordially invites the faithful of the Archdiocese of Washington to attend the Episcopal Ordination of Most Reverend Michael W. Fisher, as Auxiliary Bishop of Washington, on Friday, June 29, 2018 at 2 PM at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. A reception will follow immediately after at the Basilica.

St. Mary Church, Newport's monthly Healing Masses are held the first Thursday of each month, in honor of St. John Vianney. The next Healing Mass will be on Thursday, July 5th. The Litany of St. John Vianney will be recited after Communion and Fr. Michael Briese will offer prayers of healing for the body and soul. Confessions begin at 6:00 p.m.; Mass begins at 6:30 p.m., with the Sacrament of Reconciliation continuing during Mass. Location: St. Mary Church, Newport, 11555 St. Mary's Church Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622. For additional information, please call the parish office at 301-934-8825.

Quo Vadis Camp – The Office of the Priest Vocations annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school aged young men will be held at Mount Saint Mary’s Seminary July 15-18, 2018. For four days, high school aged young men who are mature and desire to grow in holiness will have an opportunity for Mass, prayer, and Eucharistic adoration, as well time for fraternity, sports, and reflection. Bus transportation is available. More information is available and registration is open at www.DCpriest.org! Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations at 202-636-9020 with any questions.

Fiat Camp – Camp for High School Women, 9th through 12th grades, will be held July 27-29, 2018 at Mount St. Mary’s University, Emmitsburg, MD. Fiat is Latin for “let it be done.” This was Mary’s response to the angel Gabriel when she was asked to become the mother of Jesus. Mary was called to live courageously. She was called to give her whole life and because of her response, she changed the world. This July, young women from across the Archdioceses of Washington and Baltimore are invited to Fiat Camp. At Fiat Camp, they will be challenged to become fully who they were created to be by embracing the unique gifts given to them by God and to discover the great dignity of their vocation as a woman. The camp includes prayer, talks, and discussions with religious sisters, games and sports. Fee is \$150 (sibling discounts & scholarships available). Details and registration at www.quovadisfiat.org.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Monday, June 25th through Saturday July 7th – There will not be 8 a.m. Mass in the Church (except for Sundays). There will not be Eucharistic Adoration in the evenings during this time.

Monday, June 25th – There will be no 7 p.m. class in the Church.

Tuesday, June 26th – There will no 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew.

Monday, July 2nd – There will be no 7 p.m. class in the Church.

Tuesday, July 3rd – There will no 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew.



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Study: Lectio: Eucharist- Session 3: Lamb of God - At every Mass many of us use the phrase “Lamb of God” without fully understanding what it means. Dr. Pitre examines two key instances of sacrificial lambs in the Old Testament--and why John the Baptist’s disciples were quick to leave him to follow the One he proclaimed as “the Lamb of God.” Go to BIBLE STUDIES

Watch: Can We Know God’s Truth Without the Church? St. John teaches in 1 John 2:27 that we have no need of a man to teach us since we have the Holy Spirit. Is John denying the Catholic belief that Jesus gave us a magisterium (a living, teaching authority)? Karlo Broussard gives the reason why the answer is no, and explains what John means by this. Go to CATHOLIC ANSWERS

Listen: Why Is There a Hell? In this moving study on hell, Dr. Scott Hahn shares what Scripture teaches about why hell is necessary. What it is like? Who goes there? How can you stay out forever? He explains why Lucifer refused to serve and then responds from a Scriptural perspective to the most seductive modern errors about hell. Go to DISCOVER THE CATHOLIC FAITH

Read: Love: A Fruit Always in Season - These daily meditations of Mother Teresa have been arranged to coincide with the seasons of the liturgical year and have also been simultaneously arranged according to various themes of the spiritual life. Go to INSPIRATIONAL (available for iBooks, Nook, Android and Kindle)