

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 15, 2018

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,

Jesus unites our mission with his mission. His mission is to make all of us children of God. He accomplished the most important part of that mission. He has also given us that same mission that he gave to his apostles. The way he prepared his apostles will help us as we carry out the same mission. We should therefore pay close attention to Jesus' authority, to Jesus' own example of detachment as well as Jesus' message.

Authority:

Jesus gave his apostles authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out. This is important. It reminds us that there is an enemy to the human race. Satan wants to frustrate God's plan for us. But God is on our side. There is nothing that can separate us from the love of God. The apostles bring God's authority to those in the grips of the devil. We, too, are freed from the power of the evil one through our baptism. Let's never underestimate the freedom of the children of God. It will attract many more who are longing for that same freedom.

Detachment:

Jesus directs his apostles to go out on their mission in a state of neediness. They have no money, no sack, no change of clothes. This forces them to commit themselves completely to their mission for their own sustenance. It should also inspire us who can so easily become weighed down with the cares of this world to break away from everything that keeps us from doing the will of God.

The Gospel:

The apostles announce the good news "The Kingdom of heaven is at hand, repent and believe." They would ultimately give their lives for the sake of spreading this message. The coming of God into the world to save us is good news, indeed. The repentance that he requires of us is right. May we order our lives in ever-closer conformity to the message of the Gospel so that by our example we can win many souls for Christ.

God calls each of us to imitate the example of the apostles. This is what it means to believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic church. May the fulfillment of our apostolic responsibilities be a source of light and life for others.

With paternal affection,

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

Mass Intentions for July 16th through July 22nd

Monday	8 a.m.	Joseph Donald Clarke, Sr.
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Billy Norris
Wednesday	8 a.m.	John Judson Alvey
Thursday	8 a.m.	Deacon Donald A. Parker
Friday	8 a.m.	Cecil Matthew Norris
Saturday	8 a.m.	Mary Margaret Johnson
	5 p.m.	Joseph and Dennis Russell
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mary Alberta Spalding
	10 a.m.	Joseph Donald Clarke, Sr.
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Mass Schedule for July 21st and 22nd

	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Bill Leonard	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Valerie Young	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Henrietta Gross	Francis Gross

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish especially, Max Long, Joey P. Adams, 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.

<i>Offertory, July 1st</i>	Envelopes \$3,004.00	Loose \$2,665.00
Building & Repair	Envelopes \$930.00	Loose \$362.00
<i>Offertory, July 8th</i>	Envelopes \$2,185.00	Loose \$2,480.00
School Support	Envelopes \$541.00	Loose \$331.00
Donations (Including Online)	\$278.00	

Eucharistic Holy Hour – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church at 4:00 p.m.

Online Giving – St. Joseph’s Church now accepts one-time and recurring donations conveniently from our website! You can make secure donations via electronic check or debit/credit card by simply visiting www.stjosephmorganza.org. More information is available on our website or by calling the parish office.

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.

Pilgrimage To Italy October 2019 - Join Fr. Rory T. Conley, pastor of St. Mary’s Bryantown, on a pilgrimage to Rome, Sorrento, Naples, Assisi and more. See firsthand the major shrines and basilicas of Rome, visit the Sistine Chapel, the Vatican museums, Padre Pio’s church where he received the stigmata, the Eucharistic miracle of Lanciano, and much, much more. Breakfast, lunch and dinner are included and accommodations are first class. Dates are 10/13/19- 10-23/19 with a possible two day extension to Florence. For more detailed information visit our website at www.pilgrimages.cpm/frconley or contact Sam Oliver at Samuel_oliver@comcast.net or at 301-848-3206.

Volunteer & Change a Life at the St. Mary’s County Fair, September 20th-23rd. Each year the Catholic parishes of St. Mary’s County have a unique opportunity to spread the Good News of Christ and our Catholic Faith at the County Fair. You have been called. Would you prayerfully consider volunteering for a 2-hour shift at the Catholic Evangelization booth? You don’t need to be a television evangelist or a Catholic theologian to inspire others to know Christ. You can make a difference. If interested, please see the following link on St. Aloysius’ home page to sign up or contact us at <http://www.saintaloyuschurch.org/countyfair/>.

Burial Plot Available at St. Joseph Cemetery – The price has been reduced for a double burial plot available at the St. Joseph Cemetery across from the Church. If interested, please call Ms. Lee Harp directly at 703-751-6472.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Monday, July 16th – Preparation classes for anyone in need of the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Tuesday, July 17th – 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew in the Rectory.



It's EASY and FREE to Register!

Go to www.stjosephmorganza.formed.org

Click "Register" and Enter your name, email, and desired password

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Study: 33 Days to Morning Glory from Fr. Michael E. Gaitley, MIC, author of the bestselling book *Consoling the Heart of Jesus*, comes an extraordinary 33-day journey to Marian consecration. Featuring the teachings of four giants of Marian spirituality—St. Louis de Montfort, St. Maximilian Kolbe, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and Pope St. John Paul II—Fr. Gaitley shows how simple it is to put Marian devotion into practice. Study companion available to download! Go to **HEARTS AFIRE PARISH-BASED PROGRAMS**

Watch: *The Gardener of God*. This film tells the inspiring story of Gregor Mendel (1822 - 1884), who is considered the father of modern genetics, a science that changed the world. He was a Catholic priest and Augustinian monk who lived in the nineteenth century in the Austro-Hungarian Empire. Mendel was a man of contemplation and of action, a dedicated priest and visionary scientist who is an important witness for contemporary society on how faith and science are not in conflict with each other. Mendel also struggled to change the fiscal policy applied to the monasteries in his country and even asked for the Pope's help on this issue. Go to **MEN AND WOMEN OF FAITH**

Listen: *From Atheism to Catholicism: My Conversion Diary*. Jennifer Fulwiler is a popular writer and speaker from Austin, Texas. In this compelling presentation, she recalls her spiritual journey—one that ultimately led her to enter the Catholic Church after a life of atheism. Jennifer is a regular contributor to the National Catholic Register and frequently appears on Catholic radio and EWTN. Go to **CONVERSION STORIES**

Read: *Why Humanae Vitae Was Right*. For the 25th anniversary year of the historic document *Humanae Vitae* (1968), Janet E. Smith gathered twenty-one outstanding essays and articles by well-respected thinkers to provide the demonstration that Pope Paul VI was not simply correct, but prophetic. While this document remains widely neglected and misunderstood, the Church continues to proclaim that contraception is a moral evil and that the view of man, sexuality, and marriage that leads to the use of the Pill is not one that is compatible with human dignity, sexual responsibility, and spousal love. Go to **CURRENT TOPICS** (available for iBooks, Nook, Android and Kindle)