

# *Saint Joseph Catholic Church*

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 30, 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,

Please join us during the month of October to recite the Holy Rosary in the Church. I will lead the Rosary beginning at 8:15 PM on each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday (except 10/17) and Friday evening this month.

Our recitation of the Rosary typically lasts about 15 minutes.

It's a great time to bring your concerns prayerfully to Our Lady. She will in turn bring them to Her Son.

Each evening we'll recite the decades of the different mysteries of our Lord's life: Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious. We'll omit the Luminous since we won't meet Thursday evenings. Of course you can pray them on your own or with your families that day.

As we recite each of the Hail Marys of the decades it's good to ponder the appropriate mystery. This will prevent us from becoming distracted or from reducing our vocal prayer to a mere multiplication of jumbled words.

Over time, this constant consideration of Our Lord's life will help to fasten us closer to his Most Sacred Heart. This is Our Lady's desire above all else: that we repent of our sins and join ourselves with Her Son.

The Church officially endorses the public recitation of the Holy Rosary. The Church has a power that reaches beyond the limitations of this earthly life and into eternal life. In addition to the share of heavenly grace which God is pleased to have us merit through our pious recitation of the Holy Rosary, the Church, too, reaches into the storehouse of merits that Jesus obtained for her and matches for us what merit God knows we have earned. This generous bestowal from the riches of heavenly merit is properly called an indulgence. Such indulgences bring with them the effect of canceling some or even all of the remaining punishment we may have merited due to our own sins as long as their eternal punishment has already been remitted through a sacramental confession.

An Indulgence is a bonus the Church gives us for doing good things. They're a great incentive for praying the Rosary.

Bring family and friends, especially your children. It'll be a great way to finish the day.

With paternal affection,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fr. Drew". The ink is dark and the handwriting is fluid and personal.

**Mass Intentions for October 1<sup>st</sup> through 7<sup>th</sup>**

Monday	8 a.m.	John Judson Alvey
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Deacon James Wilson
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Daniel & Douglas Brown and Joshua Holton
Thursday	8 a.m.	Sister Clara Pedo
Friday	8 a.m.	Bernard Nelson & Johnny Wright
Saturday	8 a.m.	John Judson Alvey
	5 p.m.	Susan Howe
Sunday	8 a.m.	Joseph & Dennis Russell
	10 a.m.	Jane E. (Janie) Swann
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

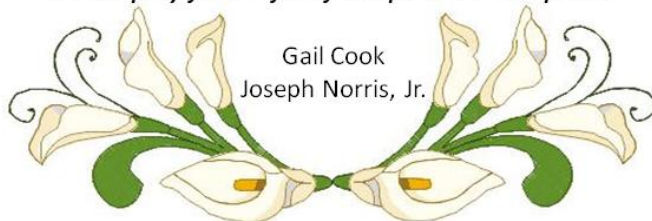
**Mass Schedule for October 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>**

	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sarah Richardson	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Bill Leonard	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Valerie Young	All Servers

**Offertory, September 23<sup>rd</sup>** \$3,574.00  
*Thank you for your generosity!*

**Please pray for those who are sick in our parish** especially, Baby Reagan & Baby Cayden Lyle, Sister Alice Theresa Wood, Max Long, 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**



**Classes for inquiring into joining the Catholic Church:** will resume Monday evenings beginning October 15<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please contact the Rectory if you or someone you know may be interested.

**Eucharistic Holy Hour** – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church from 4-5 p.m.

**Online Giving** – St. Joseph’s Church 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](http://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. We will meet each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Hall.

**Father Drew will lead the Rosary** each evening at 8:15 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church. All are welcome to join us in prayer for our Parish, Pope Francis, all our Bishops and the entire Church, and our own special intentions.

**Donut (Sun)Days are back!** Mark your calendars for our next Donut Sunday to be held on Sunday, November 4th after the 8:00am and 10:00am masses in the Hall. Come for coffee, sugar, and Fun Fellowship! We’ll be acknowledging the beginning of prayer season for All Souls and are looking for committee members to help out. If you’re interested in spearheading this committee or just helping out, please contact Christine Komar at (301) 904-0336. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of joining this important ministry!

**Recent Church Scandals Presentation:** Sunday, October 14 in St. Joseph’s Hall immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass Fr. Drew will give an update on the recent scandals in the church concerning Abp. McCarrick and other cases of sexual abuse by priests. He will also be available to answer any questions.

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

- Every Saturday Bingo at MCA. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and early bird games start at 6:00 p.m. \$5000 jackpot!
- Our 4th annual MCA Trunk or Treat will be held on Friday, October 26th from 6:00 – 8:00pm! If you are interested in decorating your own trunk, please email [eventsatmca@gmail.com](mailto:eventsatmca@gmail.com).

***Holy Angels Church in Avenue*** is now offering Mass every Tuesday at 7 pm preceded by Adoration & Confessions from 6 to 7 pm.

***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, October 4th. 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. 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.

***The Southern Maryland Food Bank*** is hosting our first annual "Laying Hunger to Rest" Halloween Dance Fundraiser on October 19! Dance the night away with us and SoMD's favorite Dj's from Star 98.3FM, T-bone and Heather! Expect to take part in a night of music, dancing and fun, costume contest, eat some delightfully spooky light fare, enjoy our dead-silent auction, 50/50 raffle and much more! All proceeds will go to helping us ease the pain of hunger all over Southern Maryland, as we have been doing for the past 35 years. For full information and to purchase tickets, please visit [www.southernmarylandfoodbank.com/dance](http://www.southernmarylandfoodbank.com/dance).

### **Upcoming Events & Reminders**

***Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday*** – Father Drew will lead the Rosary in the Church at 8:15 p.m.  
***Tuesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>*** – 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew in the Rectory. CCD at 6:45 p.m. at MCA.  
***Sunday, October 14<sup>th</sup>*** -11 a.m. Presentation on Church Scandals in the St. Joseph Hall.  
***Monday, October 15<sup>th</sup>*** – 7 p.m. St. Joseph's Hall: Class for those inquiring into the Catholic Faith  
***Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>*** – Donuts after the 8:00am and 10:00am Masses in the Hall.  
***Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>*** – Parish Picnic from 12:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Mother Catherine Academy.



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

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You're all set to enjoy the engaging and inspiring content on FORMED!

***Watch:*** The Secret of Saint Thérèse. Called "the greatest saint of modern times" by Pope St. Pius X, Thérèse of Lisieux lived a hidden life in a Carmelite monastery and died at only twenty-four years old. Yet, her "secret" of sanctity has made her not only a great modern saint, but a Doctor of the Church. She promised to spend her Heaven helping those on earth. Her simple spirituality, humility, and complete trust in God revolutionized the twentieth century. Over 100 years after her death, she continues to inspire millions of people, help them in their lives, and draw them closer to God. Go to DOCUMENTARIES-MODERN-DAY SAINTS

***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. Included are two bonus excerpts from Dr. Hahn's talk, "The Healing Power of Confession." Go to DISCOVER THE CATHOLIC FAITH