

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Third Sunday of Lent

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CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-373-2692

Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

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

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

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

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Confessions:

Sunday:

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before and after 8 a.m. Mass

9:35 a.m. to 9:50 a.m.—Before 10 a.m. Mass

5:35 p.m. to 5:50 p.m.—Before 6 p.m. Mass

6:50 p.m.—Immediately following 6:00 p.m. Mass

Mon. thru Sat. (non-school days):

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass

8:35 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. — After 8 a.m. Mass

Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri.:

4:05 p.m. to 4:50 p.m. During Eucharistic Adoration

Prior to Benediction

Mon., Wed., Fri.:

8:15 p.m. — After Compline

Wednesdays During Lent

6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Sat.:

4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.—Immediately prior to 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.

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

From Father's Desk

My Dear Parish,

Last Tuesday we honored the patron Saint of our Parish, Saint Joseph. Approximately two hundred of us gathered in the Church, recited the Holy Rosary, adored the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and retired to the Hall for dessert.

Many of the children from our religious education program joined us with their parents. The children who attended each received a small medal inscribed with the image St. Joseph to take home with them. It was a delightful way to celebrate our patron Saint who guards and protects our parish in much the same way he guarded and protected the Holy Family in Nazareth.

This Monday is another Feast which we must also celebrate. March 25th is the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord. It recalls the day, precisely nine months before Christmas Day, that Our Lady conceived in her womb by the power of the Holy Spirit and began to carry Jesus, her Son. This is the day the Blessed Virgin Mary became the Mother of God.

The Feast is called the "Annunciation" because of the role of the Archangel Saint Gabriel who announced to Our Lady God's proposal. Our Lady's response after learning that it would be by the power of the Holy Spirit and not by man that she would conceive was to give her free and entire consent. "Fiat," she said. "Let it be done to me according to your word."

We will celebrate this great Feast day on Monday in much the same way that we celebrated Saint Joseph's. We'll gather in the Church at 6:30 PM for the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the Recitation of the Holy Rosary. We'll retire to the Hall for refreshments after. I hope you can join us.

With paternal affection,

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

Mass Intentions for March 25th through March 31st

Monday	8 a.m.	Deacon Gary R. Davies
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Deacon James A. Yun
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Joseph Leonard Thompson, Sr.
Thursday	8 a.m.	Samuel Aloysius Cusic
Friday	8 a.m.	William L. Farr, Jr.
Saturday	8 a.m.	Thomas Lionel Herbert
	5 p.m.	John Keaton
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mary Blanche Pilkerton
	10 a.m.	Lionel Somerville & Roland Weeden
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Kathy Norris, Joseph Lee Somerville, John Campbell, Agnes Baker, Baby Reagan & Baby Cayden Lyle, Sister Alice Theresa Wood, Max Long, Francis Nelson (Mole), Virginia Raulerson, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), James Holt, Antoinette Nelson, Sandy Branson, Winnie Merson, Ann Young, Sara Custer, Thelma Russell, Gary Lewis, Yvonne Lennon, Elizabeth Adams, Bernadette Herbert.

Please pray for the faithful departed in our parish



Mass Schedule for March 30th and 31st

	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sam Adams	Valerie Young
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.		Carol Kieber
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	James & John, Braylon & Bryson, William	Kathleen D'Aurora

Offertory, March 17th - \$4,063.00 ***Church in the Developing World*** - \$1,163.00
Thank you for your generosity.

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.

Eucharistic Holy Hour will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church with Benediction at 4:50 p.m.

Confession and the Divine Office: The Hour of Compline (new time) – Confession will now be available in the Church at 8:15 p.m., followed by the Hour of Compline, which will be sung in Latin, starting at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. (No confession on Tuesday nights).

Donut Sundays – It takes a village. If you have a few minutes to spare either before the 8:00am or after the 10:00am Masses on the first and third Sundays of the month, we need you! Volunteers are needed to assist with Donut Sundays for just a few minutes either with setting up or cleaning up (either way it's UPlifting!). Even if you can help one out of two days, it makes a difference. Contact Christine Komar at (301) 904-0336 for more details.

Join us in celebrating the Feast of the Annunciation on Monday, March 25th beginning at 6:30pm in the church and commencing with a potluck along with a short program on the history associated with our great state of Maryland and the Annunciation. Please RSVP to the church office or by signing the sheet at the back of the church. Questions can be directed to Christine Komar at (301) 904-0336.

Lenten Coin Folders are available in the back of the Church. All donations collected will be given to our Outreach group to help the needy in our community.

Lenten Food Drive – Hunger is an ever-present reality in our community. Local food pantries are experiencing a great demand for food. To help replenish supplies, Catholic Charities and the Archdiocese of Washington together are sponsoring the Lenten Food Drive. Our parish collection will take place the weekend of March 30/31. Bags for your donations are in the back of the Church. Our collection will be donated to the Mary Lou Gough Food Pantry at Our Lady of the Wayside Church in Chaptico. St. Joseph parishioners are always very generous with the food drive. Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

3rd Annual “Walk in the Park” 5K Fun Run/Walk at St. Francis Xavier Church on Saturday, April 6th to benefit the parish’s Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund. This run/walk is open to all ages and abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and run/walk starts at 9 a.m. The registration fee of \$20 which includes a t- shirt will help preserve this religious and historical landmark. Kids 12 and under are free. Information on registration is available on our website: www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. If you need additional information, please contact Sarah Matisick at 301-247-7416.

2019 Annual Jubilarian Mass – The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of the Church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 26.

Outdoor Stations of the Cross – Father Drew will lead the devotion of the Way of the Cross in the St. Mary’s Queen of Peace Cemetery, Helen, MD at 12:00 p.m. on Good Friday, April 19, 2019 and all are welcome to participate. For more information or directions, please call the Catholic Cemeteries Southern MD Regional office at (301) 475-5005 or (301) 932-1766 or email at qop@ccaw.org.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Monday, March 25th – The Annunciation of the Lord, 6:30 p.m. in the Church followed by a potluck in the Hall.

Tuesday, March 26th – Catechism with Father Drew at 11 a.m. in the Rectory.

Wednesday, March 27th – Confession 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Friday, March 29th – Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday/Sunday, March 30/31 – Return Lenten Food Drive donations to the Church.

Tuesday, April 2nd – Stations of the Cross & First Penance in the Church at 6:45 p.m. All CCD students are to attend.

Saturday, April 27th – Practice for First Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. in the Church.

Sunday, April 28th – First Holy Communion at 10:00 a.m. in the Church

Friday, May 3rd – Practice for Confirmation at 5:15 p.m. in the Church

Sunday, May 5th – Confirmation at 10 a.m. in the Church