

# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

November 24, 2019

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

**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, Tuesday, Wednesday (Latin) and Friday

**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., Tues., Wed., Fri. (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

4:15 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Sat.:

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

The Church is Open for prayer and adoration  
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from  
6 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**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,

Below I've cited the text of the first Thanksgiving Proclamation issued by President George Washington from October 3, 1789. It expresses well both the sentiments we as a nation should have on Thanksgiving Day as well as the duties we all should fulfill to God every day. Happy Feast of Christ the King.

With paternal affection,



By the President of the United States of America, a Proclamation.

Whereas it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor-and whereas both Houses of Congress have by their joint Committee requested me "to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of Almighty God especially by affording them an opportunity peaceably to establish a form of government for their safety and happiness."

Now therefore I do recommend and assign Thursday the 26<sup>th</sup> day of November next to be devoted by the People of these States to the service of that great and glorious Being, who is the beneficent Author of all the good that was, that is, or that will be-That we may then all unite in rendering unto him our sincere and humble thanks-for his kind care and protection of the People of this Country previous to their becoming a Nation-for the signal and manifold mercies, and the favorable interpositions of his Providence which we experienced in the course and conclusion of the late war-for the great degree of tranquility, union, and plenty, which we have since enjoyed-for the peaceable and rational manner, in which we have been enabled to establish constitutions of government for our safety and happiness, and particularly the national One now lately instituted-for the civil and religious liberty with which we are blessed; and the means we have of acquiring and diffusing useful knowledge; and in general for all the great and various favors which he hath been pleased to confer upon us.

And also that we may then unite in most humbly offering our prayers and supplications to the great Lord and Ruler of Nations and beseech him to pardon our national and other transgressions-to enable us all, whether in public or private stations, to perform our several and relative duties properly and punctually-to render out national government a blessing to all the people, by constantly being a Government of wise, just, and constitutional laws, discreetly and faithfully executed and obeyed-to protect and guide all Sovereigns and Nations (especially such as have shown kindness unto us) and to bless them with good government, peace, and concord-To promote the knowledge and practice of true religion and virtue, and the increase of science among them and us-and generally to grant unto all Mankind such a degree of temporal prosperity as he alone knows to be best.

Given under my hand at the City of New York the third day of October in the year of our Lord 1789. Go: Washington

*Mass Intentions for November 25<sup>th</sup> through December 1<sup>st</sup>*

Monday	8 a.m.	Linda Gordon
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Dorothy Briner
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Joseph W. Thompson
Thursday	<i>Thanksgiving</i> 10 a.m.	Christine Marie Russell
Friday	No Daily Mass in Church	Daniel & Douglas Brown and Joshua Holton
Saturday	5 p.m.	Betty Penland
Sunday	8 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
	10 a.m.	Charles E. Dotson, Jr.
	6 p.m.	Deacon John Schumacher

*Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially* Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippett, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, Joseph Lee Somerville, John Campbell, Agnes Baker, Max Long, Francis Nelson (Mole), Virginia Raulerson, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), Elizabeth Adams, Winnie Merson.

*Mass Schedule for November 30<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>*

<i>Altar Servers</i>		<i>Lectors</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.		Kathleen D'Aurora
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Francis Gross	Gladys Long
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	James & John, Braylon & Bryson, William	Sarah Richardson

**November 10, 2019 – Offertory – \$4,321.00 School Support – \$788.00**

**November 17, 2019 – Offertory – \$4,250.00**

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](http://www.stjosephmorganza.org).

**Transportation for Homebound Parishioners** – We are in need of volunteers to transport homebound parishioners to and from Mass. Please call the Rectory for more information.

**Talk: Current Trends in Diet and Nutrition:** By popular demand, Fr. Drew will speak again about his research into recent positive health reports involving weight-loss, Type 2 Diabetes reversal, depression and more. Saturday December 14 at 10:00 AM in the Hall. Join us and bring a friend. Please call the Rectory for more information.



***Thanksgiving Day Mass***

*Thursday, November 28, 2019*

*Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. The Thanksgiving Day collection will be for our Parish Outreach.*

*Thank you for your kindness.*

## **Upcoming Events & Reminders**

***Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>*** – 11 a.m. Catechism in the Rectory. No CCD.

***Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>*** – Thanksgiving Day. Mass at 10:00 a.m.

***Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>***: No 8:00 AM daily Mass

***November 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>*** – Office Closed.

***Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>*** – Donuts & Coffee after 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. Masses.

***Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup>*** – Return all Christmas Caring Program Gifts

***Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>***: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)

***Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>*** – Inventory of Christmas Caring Gifts at 3:00 p.m. in Hall

***Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>*** – Wrapping of Christmas Caring Gifts at 9:00 a.m. in Hall.

***Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>*** – Christmas Eve. Mass at 5:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.

***Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>*** – Christmas. Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.