Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 9, 2020

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 (Latín) 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., Frí. (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,

This Tuesday is the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. It's a great day to pray for the sick. There have been many miraculous cures of the sick who have gone to Lourdes in southern France and bathed in the water of the spring which Saint Bernadette found when Our Lady appeared to her in 1858.

One of Our Lady's titles is the Health of the Sick. She is given this title not merely because she is a mom. Although, as our mother, she is naturally concerned for us with a mother's affection when she learns we are sick. She has pity on us and wishes in any way she can to ease our suffering. But there is no greater health which Our Lady brings us than when she brings us her Son. Our Lady is the health of the sick because through her, we have the one who came that we might have life and have it abundantly.

We should pray to Our Lady for our sick loved ones in a special way on her feast day. Calling on her intercession to bring our beloved sick the divine assistance is an act of mercy. Praying for our loved ones is a natural progression of the growth of love. If we're not praying for the health of our loved ones, can we say that we really love them?

God's healing can be made known in many ways. At Lourdes it has been known to be seen in miraculous cures. When these happen, they can both result from and lead to great faith. But even when the healing is merely spiritual and not physical, we should find great comfort in God's ultimate plan for us all.

Join us in praying for our sick This Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM in the Church. We'll adore the Most Blessed Sacrament and recite the Holy Rosary. Please join us.

With paternal affection,

Fr Drew

Mass Intentions for February 10 th through 16 th			
Monday	8 a.m.	David Clayton Scholten	
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Walter Fidelis Russell, Sr.	
Wednesday (Latin)	8 a.m.	Tammy Lynn Guy	
Friday	8 a.m.	Michael Eric Adams	
Saturday	5 p.m.	Mary Anna Clarke	
Sunday	8 a.m.	Daniel & Douglas Brown and Joshua Holton	
	10 a.m.	Estelle Wood (Living)	
	6 p.m.	Pro Populo	

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Annie T. Nelson, Baby Josie McClure, Preston (Al) Tyer, Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippett, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, Joseph Lee Somerville, John Campbell, Agnes Baker, Max Long, Virginia Raulerson, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), Elizabeth Adams.

Mass Schedule for February 15 th and 16 th				
	Altar Servers	Lectors		
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.		Billy Benjamin		
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	James & John Ripple	Carol Kieber		
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Sam, Liam & Nigel, Francis, Owen	Henrietta Gross		

Offertory, February 2, 2020 - \$4,422.00 Building & Repair - \$1,827.00

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.

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.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Tuesday, February 11th - No CCD. Feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, Adoration at 7p.m. in the Church.

Saturday, February 15th – Diet discussion with Father Drew in the Hall at 10:00a.m.

Monday, February 17th – Presidents Day. The office will be closed in observance of the holiday.

Tuesday, February 18th through Friday, February 21st – There will be no 8:00 a.m. Mass in the Church. No afternoon Confession.

Tuesday, February 18th – CCD at 6:45 p.m. at MCA. Tuesday, February 25th – CCD at 6:45 p.m. at MCA.

Wednesday, February 26th – Ash Wednesday. Mass at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Friday, February 28th – Stations of the Cross in the Church at 6:30 p.m.



Wednesday, February 26, 2020 Mass will be at 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Retreat for Grieving Parents — Parents who are grieving the loss of a child, no matter how old the child is or how long ago the child died, are invited to a retreat for grieving parents on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at St. Joseph Parish in Beltsville, MD. The retreat is open to any parent who has lost a child. To register, please go to the following link: https://grievingparentretreat.eventbrite.com For more information call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4499 or email ferrando-bowlingc@adw.org.

Walking Where Jesus Walked -- Pilgrimage to the Holy Land! October 18 to 27, 2020. We will visit many biblical holy places on this trip including: Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, Holy Sepulchre, the Jordan River, Dead Sea and more! Fr. Rob Maro and Fr. Michal Sajnog will be joining us to provide Mass, confession and spiritual direction. The cost of this trip based on double occupancy and is \$3,855.00. Please contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for the full itinerary and trip details at (301) 475-7139 or visit our websitewww.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org and click on the Holy Land Pilgrimage button at the top right. You can also stop by Heavenly Presents and ask for Pat. This trip will fill up fast, so don't wait to register!

St. Francis Xavier Church will hold a Women's Morning of Reflection on Saturday February 29, 2020. The theme of the morning is The Visitation: A Story of Fear, Fiat & Faith. Our guest speaker is Laura K. Roland, Catholic speaker and co-founder of Encounter Grace. Tickets are \$10.00 and includes breakfast. Doors open at 9 am, and the program will conclude by 12noon. Tickets can be purchased online at: https://sfxmorningofreflection.eventbrite.com. Call 301.475.9885 for more information.

Mother Catherine Academy News:

• Mother Catherine Academy is holding a shoe drive. We will be collecting gently worn, used and new shoes that are in good condition, clean, and still wearable. The shoes we collect will be given a second life with those in need. Haiti, the most impoverished country in the Western Hemisphere is one of the

countries that we will be supporting. Almost 60% of its population lives below the national poverty level of \$2.41 USD per day. In addition, only about 11% of its people own cars. This means that shoes are the primary mode of transportation. Shoes are a necessity because people walk almost everywhere. Did you know that on average about 600 million shoes are disposed of annually in the United States alone? That is more than the entire populations of the United States, Philippines, France, United Kingdom, and Columbia, combined. Please assist us in our mission to help others less fortunate. Receptacles are in designated areas of the church or in the lobby at our school.

