

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 21, 2021

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, 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.:

7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass (school days)

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass (non-school days)

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 Sunday we hear our Lord predict what will happen to all of us because of his passion and death: he will draw all of us to himself. This is how he says it in the Gospel:

When I am lifted up from the earth I will draw everyone to myself (Jn 12:33).

Our Lord's Passion and Death is so powerful that it causes all of us to stand around it. Each of us finds ourselves immediately and in direct relation to the reality of Christ on the Cross. What effect must that have on us? Whether it affects us for better or for worse will depend, for one thing, on whether we wish to acknowledge our sins and repent of them.

It's not a given that the reality of the presence of Christ's Cross will produce repentance in us. In the Chief priests and the scribes who stood at the Cross it produced ridicule, mockery and the further descent into their hypocritical bullying of God's own people. We can easily respond to Christ's Cross with indifference or with apathy even we fall short of outright mockery. But why should we treat him so?

There are also standing at the Cross his mother and the disciple whom he loved as well as some of the other women who cared for him. Christ was sure not to leave his mother without a faithful son who will love her just as he entrusts his faithful disciple to his mother's maternal care. This is so that we can know that it is Christ who guarantees the bond that unites the Communion of the saints. We should wish to take our place within that Communion.

As we prepare for Palm Sunday and Holy Week next week, let us rely on the wisdom of God's purpose in bringing us to his Son precisely at the Cross. May our contemplation of his suffering unite us to the One by whose Holy Cross He redeemed the world.

With paternal affection,

Fr. Drew

<i>Mass Intentions for March 22nd through March 28th</i>		
Monday	8 a.m.	Susie Howe
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Carole Marie "Donie" Alvey
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Rev. Neal Ward
Friday	8 a.m.	Frances Cecelia Wood
Saturday	5 p.m.	Carole Marie "Donie" Alvey
Sunday	8 a.m.	Deacon James Somerville
	10 a.m.	Marian Joyce Proctor
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

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

March 14, 2021 – Offertory \$3,219.00

School Support – \$213.00 Easter Flowers – \$496.00

Other donations, including online – \$1,498.00

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.

Holy Week 2021

Monday of Holy Week, March 29th – Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Tuesday of Holy Week, March 30th – Mass at 8:00 a.m.

Wednesday of Holy Week, March 31st – Mass at 8:00 a.m.

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 1st

Solemn Mass of the Lord’s Supper – 7:00 p.m.

Adoration at the Repository until 10:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 2nd

Stations of the Cross at 3:00 p.m. Confessions following Stations.

Liturgy for Good Friday – 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 3rd

Confessions at 4:00 p.m.

Solemn Easter Vigil – 8:00 p.m.

(No 5:00 p.m. Mass on Holy Saturday)

Easter Sunday, April 4th

Masses at 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. (No 6:00 p.m. Mass)

Current Public Health Precautions – When visiting St. Joseph's, please continue to be mindful of the following public health precautions as indicated by Archbishop Gregory and local health officials.

Facial Covering - A limited numbers of masks are available at the Church

Hand Sanitizing - Should you forget your own, we have some in the back of the Church

Personal Distancing - Six feet separation remains the recommendation between households in attendance.

Holy Communion Postponing - The distribution of Holy Communion will take place following the dismissal at the end of Mass.

The archdiocesan website in response to the corona virus is updated regularly with information, in English and Spanish, available at adw.org/coronavirus, which includes a link of live stream Masses and prayers available at adw.org/live-streamed-masses-and-prayers/. The Catholic Standard and the Spanish-language El Prego Nero newspapers are currently available online at cathstan.org and elpreg.org. *As a reminder*, the dispensation issued by Archbishop Gregory from the obligation to attend Mass during this time remains in effect.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Stations of the Cross – Friday, March 26th at 6:30 p.m.

2021 Annual Appeal – The 2021 Annual Appeal is here! This year's theme is **Seeking Christ** to remind us in this time of hardship and need that Christ is the one true, source of healing, unity, and love that we all seek. Through our collective support of the Annual Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ that is our local Church, and we sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. Parishioners will be asked to make a commitment to the 2021 Annual Appeal next weekend. Your gift will also be credited towards our parish goal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at appeal.adw.org.



St. John's Summer Program 2021 – St. John's Summer Program, SOMD's largest summer camp, will open online registration on Sunday, March 21st at 1:00pm. This year's new classes include Babysitter Training, Lucky Dog Camp, Coaster Park Design, Paintball, Combat Archery, Cake Boss, Camper vs. Wild, among others, as well as many favorites from previous years. The Program's goal is to help our children grow in knowledge and love of Christ and our Catholic faith, while enjoying an amazing summer with young, strong Catholic role models as instructors. We open every day with song and prayer and Fridays with Mass. Extended care is available, and we are a Maryland licensed summer camp. Please visit www.StJohnsSummerProgram.com to view the new summer schedule and to find more information about St. John's Summer Program.



Join St. Mary's Ryken for athletic, academic and enrichment camps. Camps begin June 21 and are taught by SMR faculty and coaches. Learn more and register today at <https://www.smrhs.org/summerknights>.

- Beautiful waterfront campus, indoor & outdoor specialty camps
- Opportunities for students in grades K-12