

# Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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## Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe      November 21, 2021

CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-373-2692

Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

**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. Tuesday (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

Tues., 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,

Thanksgiving is coming this Thursday.

But what is Thanksgiving, exactly?

It's a response to God that acknowledgment of the blessings He gives us.

Sometimes we forget to say "Thank You" when we're given a gift. We notice this especially in children who may be so delighted with their new gift—even overwhelmed—that they become distracted from the one who gave it to them.

We can't let that happen to us with the blessings we've been given from God. Our Country doesn't want us to forget what Thanksgiving really means, either. Instead, rightly, we shut things down on this Fourth Thursday of each November and pray.

Each of us has been given the gift of God himself, who gave himself up for us that we may have life forever with him. We have been given God, we have been given eternal life, we have been given the everlasting company of Our Lady and all the Saints, we have been given the Resurrection of the Body and Life everlasting. All of these were God's and belonged to Him and now he has given them to us. We want God to see we know how wonderful these are and have Him know how dearly we cherish them.

The best way we do this is by participating in the offering of the Mass, where Jesus makes the best act of Thanksgiving on our behalf. Then, by living lives worthy of our new inheritance our Thanksgiving extends to every time and place.

Let's thank God for our Religion, for our Parents and for our Country. Let's pray for travelers these days, for our loved ones who have gone before us and for those who serve our country especially anywhere in harm's way who are away from their families these days.

I'm grateful to God for the Blessing of St. Joseph's parish and pray for you on this Thanksgiving Day.

Join us for Mass in the Church on Thursday morning at 10a.m.

Happy Thanksgiving!

With paternal affection,

*Fr. Drew*

**Mass Intentions for November 22<sup>nd</sup> through November 28<sup>th</sup>**

Monday (Chesterton)	11:40 a.m.	Philip H. Hurry, Sr.
Tuesday (Latin)	8 a.m.	Marian Lillian Nichols
Wednesday (Chesterton)	11:40 a.m.	Joann Thompson Guignard
Thursday, Thanksgiving Day	10 a.m.	Augustus Raymond "Gussie" Herbert
Friday		No Mass in the Church
Saturday	5 p.m.	Joseph W. Thompson
Sunday	8 a.m.	The Doctors, Nurses and Staff at St. Mary's Hospital
	10 a.m.	George Thompson
(Latin)	6 p.m.	Pro Populo

**Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially** Becky Norris, Ann “Shuge” Young, Billy Joe Hill, Virginia Raulerson, Annie T. Nelson, Gailann White, Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippett, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), Elizabeth Adams.

**Monthly Contribution Schedule – November 2021**

November 7, 2021	Offertory	Building & Repair
November 14, 2021	Offertory	School Support
November 21, 2021	Offertory	Retired Priests Collection
November 28, 2021	Offertory	No Second Collection

**November 14, 2021 Offertory – \$3,641.00 School Support – \$588.00**

**Online Donations – \$1,395.00 Other donations – \$855.00**

*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).

**Singing the Mass** – November 22 and 29 and December 6 and 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the Hall. This will be a four-week introduction to Singing the Mass. We’ll meet in the hall at 6:30 PM and go for about an hour. All are welcome!



**Upcoming Events & Reminders**

Donuts and Coffee in the Hall after the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday. All are welcome!!

**Monday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Singing the Mass, 6:30p.m. in the Hall.

**Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Women’s Evening of Recollection 7p.m. in the Church.

**Thursday, November 25<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 10a.m.

**Friday, November 26<sup>th</sup>** – The office will be closed.

**Sunday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** – Father will meet with the CCD families after the 10 a.m. Mass in the Church.

**Monday, November 29<sup>th</sup>** – Singing the Mass, 6:30p.m. in the Hall. Novena to the Blessed Mother, 7:30p.m. in the Church.


**Tuesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>** – Men’s Evening of Recollection 7p.m. in the Church.

**Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** – Singing the Mass, 6:30p.m. in the Hall.

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021** – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Morning of Recollection, "What About Mary?"** given by Fr. Larry Swink – Join us at Immaculate Conception Church and Parish Hall (Mechanicsville) on Saturday, December 11, to learn more about the gift Mary is to us! God gave us a loving Mother! She has visited us from heaven many times, giving us tools for our journey, including the Rosary, the Scapular and many other devotions. Her role in the Church is clear, to lead us to Jesus! The morning begins with Registration at 7:15 am, (parish hall) and will include a nice breakfast with fellowship, followed by Rosary Prayers and Mass at 9:00 am (in the Church), two talks and healing prayers scheduled to end by 2 pm. Please register through Bread of Life Center for Peace on Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/what-about-mary-tickets-185053498997>. You can also call: 301 475 7139 or stop by Heavenly Presents in Leonardtown. Registration ends on Friday, December 10th, at 3 pm, (this helps us to prepare for food and set up!) Your free will offering will help us to defray cost, but is not required!

**The Southern Maryland Roots Youth Group** will be sponsoring the Advent Celebration on November 28th from noon – 4pm at St. Francis Xavier Parish Hall. We would like to get a count so we can order ample supplies to have a fun-filled day of preparation for Advent, so please let us know how many will be coming! There is no charge (donations accepted). There is no commitment if your plans change. Come prepare for the Birthday of Our Lord! <https://www.southernmarylandroots.org/>



# Evenings of Recollection

**7:00 PM - 8:30 PM**  
**ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH,**  
**MORGANZA**

7:00 PM Confessions  
7:30 PM Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament & Reflection by Fr. Drew  
8:15 PM Benediction and Reposition

## Men's Evenings

November 2, 2021  
December 7, 2021  
January 4, 2022

## Women's Evenings

October 26, 2021  
November 23, 2021  
December 28, 2021

When you look at the crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then.  
When you look at the Sacred Host, you understand how much Jesus loves you now.

St. Teresa of Calcutta