March 29, 2020~ Fifth Sunday of Lent

Pastoral Team
Rev. Jason U. Grisafi, Pastor
Rev. Ethel Anarado, Associate Pastor
Rev. David Atanasio, In Residence
Rev. Francis A. Samuel, O.I.C. Resident/Associate
Deacon Michael J. Leyden
Deacon Julio Murillo
Deacon John F. Sullivan- Retired
Dr. Marie Drohan, Music Director
Mrs. Barbara McNulty, Pastoral Associate
Ms. Claire Moulé, Faith Formation
Mrs. Patricia Taggart, Nursery School
Mrs. Sigrid Villalobos A., Parish Social Ministry

The Church will be open weekdays from approximately 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Mass will be televised on Catholic Faith Network
St. Agnes
Monday-Friday: 8:30 AM; 12:30 PM
Sunday: 11 AM; 7 PM
La Santa Misa
Domingo: 6 PM
The Rosary
Sunday: 9:15 AM
Monday-Saturday: 12 PM; 6 PM
Domingo en Español: 5:30 PM

Lent
A Time to Renew

Our Parish Mission Statement
The Parish of St. Joseph is a Roman Catholic Community of Christ’s Disciples:
We Welcome. We Worship. We Witness.

We Celebrate the Sacraments
Baptism
Parents are requested to call the Parish Office at least two months before child’s birth to make arrangements. New Parents’ Instruction Class will be held on the 3rd Thursday of each month from 7:30pm to 8:30pm in Room 257. Baptism is celebrated every Sunday of the month at 1:45pm.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Anyone who wishes to join the Catholic Church should call the Parish Office.

Matrimony
Couples are requested to call at least six months before the wedding for an appointment with a Priest or Deacon to set the date and make arrangements. No arrangements can be made by phone.

Anointing of the Sick
Call the Parish Office.

Catholic Faith Network
Optimum Channel 29/137
Verizon FiOs Tv Channel 296
Charter Spectrum Channel 162/471
Smart Phone Users can download the App for CFN
www.CFNtv.org

For latest information from the Diocese of Rockville Centre
DRV.C.org
LICatholic.org
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Prayers for our ill parishioners

For Our Sick

Prayers for Our Military

We continue to pray for the following military personnel and their families:

**U.S. Navy:**
- Lt. Cdr. Michael Catalano
- Lt. John T. Izzo
- Lt. Caroline Mayer
- Lt. Dylan Kelly
- Lt. Christian Amelia
- PO1 Rasheen Tice
- PO2 Kristen Tice
- PO3 Matthew Waldrum
- E2 Liam McKeown
- E3 Nicholas Ruf

**U.S.M.C.:**
- Capt. Matthew Witcofsky
- 1stLt MarcAnthony Parrino
- 1stLt R.J. Parrino
- Sgt. Lauren Colantropo
- Cpl Alyssa E. Grimaldi
- PFC Joshua J. Coughlin
- Malik Rodriguez
- Nelson Sanchez, Jr.

**U.S. Coast Guard:**
- Capt. Matthew W. Sibley
- CPO Benjamin Flad

**U.S. Army:**
- LTC John Kallo
- LTC Jon J. Uebel
- Capt. Stephen Scuderi
- 1LT Mark Barbera
- 2LT Anthony C. DiBiasi
- LT Joseph A. Vanderveldt, III
- SSG Josuah Insull
- SSG David C. Ray
- Sgt Edwin Zambrano
- SPC Elliot Chodkowski
- SPC Alexandra Diaz
- PFC Dominick Pliotto
- PV2 Danny Bornschein
- Eric Stein

**U.S.A.F.:**
- MSGT John Hatzidakis
- SSgt Brandon Ward
- AB Christopher Signoretti
- AB Eric Benzing
- AB Vincent E. Berger

Altar Rose

In Memory of Frank L. O’Bremski

Mass Schedule & Readings For The Coming Week:

**Masses**

Weekday and Sunday Masses
will be said privately by the Priest for the Mass intentions listed in the Mass Book.

**Monday, March 30**

**Tuesday, March 31**
Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30

**Wednesday, April 1**
Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; (Ps) Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

**Thursday, April 2**
Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59

**Friday, April 3**
Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

**Saturday, April 4**
Ez 37:21-28; (Ps) Jer 31:10-13; Jn 11:45-56

**Sunday, April 5 ~**
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Mt 21:1-11; Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mt 26:14-27:66 or 27:11-54
Bulletin Reflection:
When Jesus heard about the illness of His friend Lazarus, He responded, “This illness is not to end in death but is for the glory of God. That the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Every aspect of our lives—gifts as well as sufferings—can, if surrendered to Christ, lead to blessings for ourselves and others.

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service:
Let the Spirit of God work through you this week! Be hospitable to all who come across your path.
The Domestic Church — our Families!
Are you spending more quality time right now with your family? While finding time to fit it school studies, along with a game of Checkers or Monopoly or Candy Land — don’t forget that you can also take a look at your Religion Book—there are plenty of family activities which go along with every chapter! Keep a conversation of Faith going at home. Want some on-line resources:

YouTube Domestic Church: https://youtu.be/vVhcaEEmDHo
Sadlier Company Resources: https://www.religion.sadlierconnect.com/anonymous/resources.html

Movies? We have a Parish Subscription to FORMED: https://formed.org/signup

Let’s continue to pray for one another—and stay home to stay safe and to keep our First Responders Safe. SEND IN A PICTURE OF YOUR DOMESTIC CHURCH! We will post them here and on the Parish Website.

HERE ARE SOME PICTURES FROM PAST EVENTS
Our Teens donated clothing—prepared blessing bags—and decorated & donated bibs!

fr. Jason will be uploading video and Live Stream which will be on the Parish Facebook Page and our website: https://stjosephsbabylon.org/news-events

How do I find out about what’s going on in the Parish?
1 – Parish Website: www.stjosephsbabylon.org
2 – Facebook: St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church
No one should go hungry during this Covid-19 pandemic.

Following the regulations of the Department of Health, the Outreach Center has been open supporting the most vulnerable people affected by the pandemic.

**New Operation Days & Hours:**

**Monday, Wednesday and Thursday**

**Hours: 10am-12pm.**

Please help us help others. People in your community need your help. Your financial support can make a difference.

**Outreach is in need of:**

Please remember the homeless clients who stop in for help at our Outreach Center. We are happy to provide them with small “emergency kits” of ready-to-eat food, that is, food that doesn’t need to be heated or refrigerated. Unfortunately, our stock is running low.

Please help us by donating the following items:

**Bottled water**
- Canned soda or juice
- Granola or cereal bars
- Tuna packets
- Liquid Instant Breakfast
- Small bags of chips, trail mix, pretzels, cookies, etc.
- Cheese and cracker packages
- Soap, Shampoo, Toothpaste.
- Cleansing wipes, Razors.

**Thank you in advance for your ongoing help,**

**Your support is truly appreciated.**
Reflections

**THE NEW NORMAL**

Since I expected we would be in the middle of March Madness this weekend, I had written a reflection on a highly recruited high school basketball player who was in a car accident and suffered a traumatic brain injury a few weeks before he was to arrive at the University of Vermont. Earlier this month he got into his first and only collegiate game, scored his first two and only points of collegiate career, and received the cheers of the UVM fans. He will graduate with a 3.74 GPA. His parents were initially told he would have to be institutionalized for the rest of his life, but the faith of that family and his determination stunned everyone…except himself. This was an easy one for me.

However, now we’re in a different kind of madness, and it will extend well beyond March. We are being bombarded each day with staggering statics, devastating projections, and ominous warnings. Yet in between such messages, I see great compassion, unparalleled cooperation, and a surprisingly realistic set of priorities. The harsh political rhetoric of the early part of this year has been replaced with bills being enacted with practically 100% bipartisan support.

All of us are doing things quite differently as well. It’s like we are starting from scratch. This can be a good thing, because we could develop new habits. Without the distractions of the outside world, we can, for example, decide to spend time reading Scriptures. I know this is the weakest part of my game, so I now have more time to read (and more so hear) the Word of God. Praying the Rosary as Pope Francis recently suggested might be another good habit we can develop.

We are in a new normal. What has not changed is God remains with us. Let’s find ways to make the best of this challenging time by asking God to help our world, doing things which will help others and listening to those who know best.

Brian Maher
Congratulations to the following St. Joseph parishioners who received Honor Roll certificates for the Second Quarter at Our Lady of Mercy Academy and St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School. We are very proud of your accomplishments.

### Our Lady of Mercy Academy

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### St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

#### Summa Cum Laude

Samantha Cannetti  
Alyssa Cosentino  
Christen Vota  
Owen Boxer  
Lindsey Gaare  
Nicholas Olejnik  
Kate O’Malley  
Vanessa Rosero  
Celeste Pozderec

#### Magna Cum Laude

Jack Smith  
Ainsely Berrin  
Ella Hickey  
Julia Lanza  
Morgan Pallas  
Nicolette Mills  
Lauren Ragen  
Mattison Schaefer  
Samantha Shea  
Olivia Koleman  
Tyler Molinaro  
Joseph Pena  
Jason White

#### Cum Laude

Michelle Arroya  
Matthew Inzirillo  
Madeline Fleming  
Liam Lavin  
Nicole Martino  
Julio Villalobos  
Daniel Baldauf  
Delaney Baldauf  
Jesse Dugo  
Peyton McMillian  
Sophia Ramirez