

# *Saint Joseph Catholic Church*

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 19, 2018

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

Saturday Evening Mass: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Weekday Masses: 8:00 a.m. Monday through Saturday

Confessions: 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. Saturday and Sunday following the 6 p.m. Mass.

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.

Sacrament of the Sick: Those hospitalized or home-bound to receive the Sacraments, call the Rectory.

Rectory Office Hours 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday

# *Father's Thoughts*

My Dear Parish,

This past Wednesday the Attorney General of Pennsylvania released a Grand Jury Report that faulted Cardinal Wuerl along with many other churchmen in Pennsylvania for concealing crimes and allegations of sexual abuse of 1000 children by 300 priests over the past 70 years, including the time our bishop was in Pittsburgh. In response, Cardinal Wuerl has avoided assuming any personal responsibility and has instead publicly defended his past actions as Bishop of Pittsburgh.

There is a serious conflict between this report and our bishop's response. It has created a crisis in our church that still needs to be resolved. Such crimes cannot go unpunished. Is our bishop resisting the justice that both the victims and society deserve? Or, shall we disbelieve the Grand Jury report and instead blame the Attorney General, or the 23 members of the Grand Jury or the victims themselves who testified?

Cardinal Wuerl has asked us to pray for the victims of child sexual abuse everywhere. Let us pray also for our Church, that God resolve our current crisis with the purification we require that will bring justice to all victims and the necessary correction for our leadership so that such horrors may at last be driven from our Church.

I will keep you informed of the developments in this matter.

With paternal affection,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Fr. Drew".

**Mass Intentions for August 20<sup>th</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup>**

Monday	8 a.m.	Nancy Singleton (Living)
Tuesday	*	Stephen Wathen
Wednesday	*	Joseph Donald Clarke, Sr.
Thursday	*	John Block (Living)
Friday	8 a.m.	Joseph & Dennis Russell
Saturday	8 a.m.	Yvonne Wood
	5 p.m.	Patrick Wayne Reisinger
Sunday	8 a.m.	Joseph & Dennis Russell
	10 a.m.	Jenny Bowles
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

\*There will not be 8 a.m. Mass in the Church on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday.

**Mass Schedule for August 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**

	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Valerie Young	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Sarah Richardson	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Bill Leonard	All Servers

**Offertory, August 12<sup>th</sup>** Envelopes \$1,789.00  
Loose \$2,163.00

**School Support** Envelopes \$527.00  
Loose \$248.00

**Donations (including Online)** \$300.00

**Please pray for those who are sick in our parish** especially, Sister Alice Theresa Wood, Max Long, Joey P. Adams, Francis Nelson (Mole), Virginia Raulerson, Joseph Clark, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), James Holt, Antoinette Nelson, Sandy Branson, Winnie Merson, Ann Young, Sara Custer, Thelma Russell, Gary Lewis, Yvonne Lennon, Elizabeth Adams, Alan Burch, Bernadette Herbert and Thomas Lionel Herbert.

**2018-2019 CCD Registration** – Registration forms are available in the back of the Church and on our website. Forms and payment may be placed in the collection basket, mailed to the Rectory or dropped off at the Rectory during office hours. The first class will be on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 6:45 p.m. at Mother Catherine Academy.

**Eucharistic Holy Hour** – Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Church at 4:00 p.m.

**Online Giving** – St. Joseph's Church now 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). More information is available on our website or by calling the parish office.

**Mother's Rosary Group** – Join us for a weekly Mother's Rosary group. We will pray the Rosary with meditations focused on Mothers. Babies in arms & toddlers are welcome. We will meet each Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Hall.

**Mother Catherine Academy News:**

Mother Catherine Academy is poised to welcome back students for our fourth year as an Independent Catholic School! We have several events that are open to the community. Please consider joining us.

- Every Saturday Bingo at MCA. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and early bird games start at 6:00 p.m. \$5000 jackpot!
- August 24th marks the date for the MCA Social and Auction. This year's theme is "Sweet Home Southern Maryland". The event will be held at MCA and begins at 5:30 p.m. If you would like to attend or have items that you would like to donate for our auction, please contact Mrs. Betsy Farrell at [bfarrell@ftrinc.net](mailto:bfarrell@ftrinc.net) for more information. Tickets are \$75 each or \$500 for a table.
- Script Cards- Please consider purchasing Script cards for your everyday needs. We have cards for gas, groceries, clothing, and food. MCA receives a percentage of the value of each card sold. Please contact the school for more information.
- Yankee Candle Fundraiser begins the first week of school. School begins on 8/29!

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Education at Mother Catherine Academy.

**Loyola on the Potomac 9th Annual Crab Feast** – Sunday, September 9, 2018, 2-5pm. Menu: all you can eat crabs, fried chicken, hotdogs, hamburgers, potato salad, coleslaw, corn on the cob, and watermelon. Early bird tickets \$50.00 (by August 31). Children 7-12 \$35.00, 6 and under free. After September 1, adult ticket price \$65.00. Contact Alice Case at 301-292-0819.

**St. Mary's County Interfaith Council** is sponsoring two upcoming food drives. Please spread the word and consider donating!

- Food drive for Loaves and Fishes Pantry and St. Mary's Helping Hands Pantry on Saturday, 9/8/18 at Giant Food in First Colony from 10 am-2 pm. Anyone can drop off that day at Giant for these Pantries.
- Banneker Elementary School "Snack Pack" Food Drive, Saturday, 9/22/18 from 10 am-2 pm at McKay's in Leonardtown.

**The Our Lady Star of the Sea Travel club** is sponsoring a one-day trip on Wednesday, October 17 to Lancaster, PA to see the sight-and-sound theatre production of "Jesus". Cost is \$145 per person, and includes transportation, dinner, and tickets to the play. Also, there will be a 2 night/3 day trip to Cape May, New Jersey December 2-4, 2018. Cost is \$395 per person, and includes breakfasts, a dinner theatre, hotel, and tours. Both trips are by luxury motor coach, and will depart from/return to OLSS in Solomons, MD. Please contact Mary Beth Brown for more information: 443-623-6368 or marybeth@bytheseatravel.com. Proceeds from all our trips are given to our school in Solomons.

**Praise and Worship Gatherings in Leonardtown** on 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7-8:30pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall. The next gathering is Wednesday Aug 22. Come and join Fr. Conley for prayer and praise of the Lord. The K of C Hall is across the street from Mattingly-Gardiner funeral home in Leonardtown. The event is free and all are welcome. For more information contact Fr. Conley at frconley@Comcast.net.

### Upcoming Events & Reminders

**There will not be 8 a.m. Mass in the Church on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.**  
**There will not be Holy Hour in the Church on August 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Sunday, August 19<sup>th</sup>** – Church, Rectory & Hall Tour after the 10 a.m. Mass.

**Monday, August 20<sup>th</sup>** – There will not be Sacrament preparation classes at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

**Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>** – There will not be 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew in the Rectory.

**Tuesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>** – Religious Education Open House at 7 p.m. in the parish Hall.

**Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>** – Events Committee meeting in the Hall at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend!



**It's EASY and FREE to Register!**

Go to [www.stjosephmorganza.formed.org](http://www.stjosephmorganza.formed.org)

Click "Register" and Enter your name, email, and desired password  
You're all set to enjoy the engaging and inspiring content on FORMED!

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**Study:** The Bible and the Virgin Mary- Session 8: Mother Crowned in Glory In this session we're going to discuss Mary's royal title a little further and then move into another of the Marian dogmas: Mary's status as Mother of God. For those of us who pray the Rosary, this is a familiar title, though perhaps we've never given it much thought. Go to DISCOVER THE CATHOLIC FAITH

**Watch:** Is Reincarnation Reasonable? Reincarnation, which literally means "to be made flesh again," is the belief that after death the soul lives on in another body, is believed by many around the world. Is it reasonable to hold this belief? Trent Horn gives reasons why we should reject the theory of reincarnation. Go to APOLOGETICS- READY REASONS

**Listen:** Searching the Scriptures: The Gospel of John Join Biblical expert and Catholic apologist Stephen Ray on a personal pilgrimage through the pages of St. John's Gospel. Stephen draws from his extensive scholarship and his time spent in the Holy Land filming documentaries to bring forth many of the profound theological truths that lie beneath the surface of this Gospel and bring to light the many levels of revelation contained within. This exciting presentation will ignite your heart and soul with a burning passion for Christ and a deep conviction to defend the Faith that has been handed down to us. Go to SACRED SCRIPTURE