

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time September 2, 2018

CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office

St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-373-2692

Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

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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,

What are some things we should remember that will help us get the most of going back to school?

We're made to learn.

God gave us eyes and ears and hands and brain so that we could learn all the things he wants us to know. There are some people who are quicker at learning, some are slower. But we're all made to learn.

Know God.

The reason God gave us the ability to learn is so that we can grow in all kinds of knowledge, but most especially and importantly in the knowledge of Him. It would be a terrible waste of our gifts if we failed to learn about God. God wants us to know Him so we can grow in our desire to be with Him forever, in heaven.

The truth will make you free.

The more we learn, the more free we become. Freedom is the power God gave us to choose the right thing. If don't have the power to choose what we know is the right thing, then we're not free. Also, when we're ignorant of what is truly the right thing, then we're also not free.

Sometimes learning the truth is hard.

This is where we have to keep working to get rid of our ignorance. Getting rid of our ignorance takes a lot of work. That's why there are so many days in the school year. It can take years for us to arrive at a certain level of knowledge that will help us to live the lives God wants us to live. But we shouldn't be discouraged. We can do it.

Jesus learned.

It's not a sin to say that Jesus also learned. He went through the experience of growing in the knowledge and love of God. He did it very well, obviously without any sins. "He grew in strength and wisdom." "He learned obedience from what he suffered." He used his knowledge to draw as many of us as he could to himself. And he keeps doing it.

Let's also use all of the knowledge that we will gain this school year for the one purpose of bringing as many souls as we can to the Heart of Jesus. If we do that we can be sure it will make God very happy.

With paternal affection,

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

Mass Intentions for September 3rd through 9th

Monday	8 a.m.	Mary Rose Young
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Deacon Andrew Betz
Wednesday	8 a.m.	John Paul Block
Thursday	8 a.m.	Helen & Jan Evonska (Living)
Friday	8 a.m.	Maxine Spence
Saturday *	10 a.m.	Linda & Pat McKenna (Living)
	5 p.m.	Stephen Wathen
Sunday	8 a.m.	John Judson Alvey
	10 a.m.	Payton Brenner
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Mass Schedule for September 8th and 9th

	<i>Lectors</i>	<i>Altar Servers</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Carol Kieber	
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.	Gladys Long	
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	Henrietta Gross	All Servers

Offertory, August 26th Envelopes \$2,473.00

Loose \$1,863.00

Donations (including Online) \$200.00

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Saturday, September 8, 2018

Mass will be in Latin at 10:00 a.m. (There will not be an 8 a.m. Mass)

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish especially, Sister Alice Theresa Wood, Max Long, 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.

Father Drew will lead the Rosary each evening at 8:30 p.m. starting Tuesday, September 4th through Saturday, September 8th in the Church. All are welcome to join us in prayer for our Parish, Pope Francis, all our Bishops and the entire Church, and our own special intentions.

Eucharistic Holy Hour – 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. 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.

The Ladies Sodality will hold their opening meeting on Saturday, September 8, 2018 after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

An Events Committee Meeting will be held in the Hall at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4th to discuss new fundraising & social gathering ideas for the Parish. All are invited to attend!

Mother Catherine Academy News:

- Every Saturday Bingo at MCA. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and early bird games start at 6:00 p.m. \$5000 jackpot!

The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington (CCAW), Southern MD Regional Office, will be hosting its Annual Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows Mass on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery in Helen, MD. The Rosary and Mass is offered for the deceased members of our community and the Church especially encourages people who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one to participate. The Rosary and Mass will begin at 9:00 a.m. with Rev. Robert G. Maro (St. Francis Xavier Church

in Compton) as our celebrant. An enclosable tent will be erected for everyone's comfort so the Mass will be held in the cemetery rain or shine. For additional information, please contact CCAW at (301) 475-5005/5006 or (301) 932-1766.

Prayer Breakfast at Camp Maria - Saturday, September 15th - Join the next Prayer Breakfast at Camp Maria! Speaker will be Diana Phelps, author of the book about the ministry of Fr. John Lubey! The breakfast will begin at 8:30 am at Camp Maria Retreat Center (41290 Camp Maria Road, Leonardtown) overlooking the beautiful Breton Bay! The morning will begin with music followed by recitation of the Rosary, breakfast, testimony and closing prayer. Register now by stopping by Heavenly Presents or by calling Bread of Life Center for Peace at: (301) 475-7139. You can also register online at: www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org. The cost is still only \$15 if you register in advance by Thursday, September 13. Registration at the door will be \$17. All are welcome, men and women!

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Monday, September 3rd – There will not be Eucharistic Holy Hour at 4 p.m. There will not be Sacrament preparation class at 7:00 p.m. in the Church.

Tuesday, September 4th through Saturday, September 8th – Father Drew will lead the Rosary at 8:30 p.m. in the Church.

Tuesday, September 4th – 11 a.m. Catechism with Father Drew in the Rectory. Events Committee meeting in the Hall at 7 p.m. All are invited to attend!

Saturday, September 8th – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Morning Mass will be at 10 a.m. There will not be an 8 a.m. Mass.



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Study: Opening the Word. Explore the Sunday readings in more depth with prayer and insights for the readings. Featuring a variety of experienced presenters including Dr. Tim Gray, Jules Miles, Dr. Scott and Annie Powell, Dr. Edward Sri, Dr. Ben Akers, among others, the weekly videos facilitate personal faith formation. Personal Prayer Journals and a group Leader's Guides are also available to make the most of these Sunday Readings alone or within the context of a group. Go to OPENING THE WORD

Watch: Jesus and His Church: What God Has Made, Man Must Not Divide. In this presentation from the Napa Institute, Timothy Cardinal Dolan speaks with great clarity and pastoral care about one of the greatest challenges facing the Church today: protecting the spousal oneness of Jesus Christ and his Church. He describes our current times as a post-ecclesial world, in which individuals accept "spirituality," but not "religion," and want to "believe," but not to "belong." Cardinal Dolan proposes a need to revive the perspective of the Church as family—a communion of people which we belong to, rather than choose. He states that to be baptized into the Catholic faith is to have a birthmark we cannot erase. "What God has joined, man must not divide" (Mark 10:9). Go to EXPLAINING THE FAITH

Listen: Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Fr. Leo Maasburg was there as Mother Teresa's close companion for many years, traveling with her throughout the world and was witness to countless miracles and incredible little-known occurrences. In this personal portrait of the beloved nun, he presents fifty amazing stories about her that most people have never heard, wonderful and delightful stories about miracles, small and great, that he was privileged to experience at Mother Teresa's side. Stories of how, without a penny to her name, she started an orphanage in Spain, and at the same time saved a declining railroad company from ruin, and so many more. Go to AUDIOBOOKS- Special Topics