

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2019

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

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. (non-school days):

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before 8 a.m. Mass

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

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,

During summertime we take a break from going to school. But this summer we still get to remember some of the great feats of learning.

One great accomplishment of learning we can admire this summer is the moon landing. It's amazing that we can have such a sure and right judgment of the distance between Kennedy Space center and the lunar surface that 50 years ago we put a man on the moon. Think of it, we know how to put a man on the moon—and bring him back safely! This knowledge should give us the confidence to do all sorts of wonderful and difficult things.

The anniversary of the lunar landing also coincides with the first anniversary of the Pope's teaching on the transmission of human life. A second admirable accomplishment of science is the certainty couples can have about the peak moment of their fertility cycle. A married couple, using science, can make a sure and right judgment about when they would be most likely to conceive. This helps them have the confidence that they can have all of the children that God should want for them to have—however many that may be.

Knowledge always brings responsibility. This means that science must never be used for an evil purpose. Rocket science used to commit crimes against innocent people is seriously evil. So, too, fertility science used against naturally bringing children into the world is also gravely evil.

This summer, as we recall the great accomplishments of scientists lets also ask the Holy Spirit for the grace and wisdom to use his gift of knowledge in a way which is always pleasing to God.

With paternal affection,

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

<i>Mass Intentions for July 22nd through 28th</i>		
Monday	<i>No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church</i>	Eva Hall
Tuesday	<i>No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church</i>	Rev. Levester Jones
Wednesday	<i>No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church</i>	Daniel & Douglas Brown and Joshua Holton
Friday	<i>No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church</i>	Joseph Leonard Thompson, Sr.
Saturday	5 p.m.	Brenda Cecelia Miles
Sunday	8 a.m.	Agnes Genevieve Carter
	10 a.m.	Sister Alice Theresa
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Baby Cayden Lyle, Steve Morgan, Mary Mouher, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, Joseph Lee Somerville, John Campbell, Agnes Baker, Max Long, Francis Nelson (Mole), Virginia Raulerson, Frances L. Herbert (Tintsie), Elizabeth Adams, Winnie Merson.

<i>Mass Schedule for July 27th and 28th</i>		
	<i>Altar Servers</i>	<i>Lectors</i>
Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sam Adams	Kathleen D'Aurora
Sunday, 8:00 a.m.		Billy Benjamin
Sunday, 10:00 a.m.	James & John, Braylon & Bryson, William	Sarah Richardson

Offertory July 14th, 2019 - \$4,751.00

School Support - \$788.00

Other donations, including online - \$908.00

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.

2019-2020 CCD Registration – Registration forms are available 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.

Upcoming Events & Reminders

Tuesday, July 23rd – There will be no 11:00 a.m. Catechism in the Rectory.

Monday, July 22nd through Friday, July 26th – No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church. No evening confessions.

Monday, July 29th through Friday, August 2nd – No 8 a.m. Mass in the Church. No evening confessions.

Tuesday, July 30th – There will be no 11:00 a.m. Catechism in the Rectory.

Mother Catherine Academy News:

- Enrollment for Mother Catherine Academy for the 2019-2020 school year is now open! Visit <https://secure.tads.com/Go/StartAdmissionsApplication.aspx?SetupCode=A8REE-181> or go to the school website at www.mothercatherine.org and use the TADS Enrollment link on the Admissions tab to enroll your child/children and become a part of the wonderful family that is MCA! The registration fee is \$150.00 for all students. Contact the school at (301) 884-3165 for questions or assistance.
- MCA Open House: Sunday August 11th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.
- First Day of School for Students: Tuesday, August 27th (early dismissal at 1:00pm)
- MCA Annual Auction & Social Event: MCA is gearing up for its fifth year as an independent Catholic school. Enrollment has grown leaps and bounds and we have a great staff of teachers and education professionals. But we still have to fund-raise so we can continue to provide our children with an outstanding education. If you would like to donate gift cards, new or gently used items, artwork, event tickets (concerts, sporting events), handmade or homemade items, wine, cash or if you would like tickets to attend, please let us know. We put all donations to use for the benefit of our students! All proceeds go to MCA! The event will be held Friday, September 6th, appetizers, open bar, full dinner, dessert dash, lots of fun with our silent and live auctions - this year's theme 'Anchors Aweigh in the Chesapeake Bay'. Any family who donates an item valued at \$25 or greater will be entered into a drawing for a pair of free auction tickets (\$150 value). If you would like to volunteer to solicit local businesses or volunteer to work the event, please contact Betsy Farrell, bfarrell@ftrinc.net. Thanks to all who have always helped and continue to do so!

There will be a Praise & Worship gathering held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of every month at St. Aloysius Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome! Come and experience peace and joy as we join together in praising the Lord and worshipping His Holy name. For more information call 301-475-8065.

American Heritage Girls and Trail Life USA troops are holding an information meeting on Sunday, Aug 4th at St John's school at 12:45 following the last Mass. These two Christ-centered character and leadership development programs are beginning their 4th year at St John's in the Fall and registration is open to grades K-12. Come hear how these troops can benefit your sons and daughters. Contact Bob and Debbie Cress at bdcress1013@gmail.com if you are interested but unable to attend.

Theology Over Dinner - This month's guest speaker is newly ordained Deacon Stefan Yap. He will be sharing his journey to the priesthood. Please join us July 25 at the Ye Old Town Café, 22685 Washington St., Leonardtown, for dinner at 6 PM. Talk begins at 7 PM.

There will be a memorial walk in remembrance of Moneta Strickland on Saturday, August 3rd at 9:00 a.m. at John Baggett Park at Laurel Grove, 26929 Three Notch Road, Mechanicsville, MD.