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To join our parish family, call or visit the Rectory, or complete the Census form found in the Church.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00am

Holy Days: As Announced

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

(Chapel of Saint Joseph)

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

7:00 am

Wednesday: School Mass 9:00 am (Church)

Saturday: 8:00 am

Friday: Adoration and Confession

7:30 am - 8:30 am

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday, 20 minutes before Masses.

Anytime by Appointment.

SCHOOL STAFF

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Registration is open for the 2018-19 School Year.

We are a Regional School receiving the support of St Ignatius, Our Lady Queen of Peace, Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Church of the Incarnation, Saint Luke and Saint Teresa of Avila.

LET'S STAY CONNECTED:

Our schedules, events & activities are communicated also by email and phone. If you have not received any contact, please let us know who you are. If already registered in the parish you can use this to update.

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I'm new and want to stay connected.

Update my info.

I'd like to speak with Father Matt.

Please return in the offertory collection or email to rectory@holyfamilyparishmd.org.

Keeping It Simple, Sinner through Song

“Do You Actively Sing in Church?”

Singing is a deeply personal, innate way of calling out to God from the deep, reaching for higher things. In one of his Sermons, St. Augustine says that “singing is for the one who loves”—music is a sign of both God’s love and the mutual love that we have for God. As a deacon, I have learned that by singing in church, we can find hope and strength knowing that we raise my voice with the voices of many of faith who have gone before us. Through song we are moved by the Holy Spirit, and we cry out with the church triumphant in our hearts.

As church, history has taught us that music does what words alone cannot accomplish. Singing in church, in the choir or otherwise, is an excellent way to use musical gifts in ways that enrich both communal worship and personal devotion.

Kathleen Harmon author of *“The Ministry of Music* (Liturgical Press), states, “The most important ministers of music are the members of the assembly, for it is they who, as Body of Christ, enact the rite.” That’s right: *Everyone* is a minister of music, and the people in the pews are essential !

The cantor, choir, and music directors serve to enliven worship as they encourage the assembly’s gifts to shine forth. As church, in those roles and in others, we are tasked with humbly drawing others toward God as we move ourselves out of the way.

As members of the assembly, and primary music ministers, everyone can enter into prayer through song. Like other liturgical ministers, we are vessels for the Word of God. Most cantors and choir members pray with the weekly Scripture readings, especially the psalms, and sometimes with hymn texts. Others in the congregation can benefit, too, from this practice. It can help as a way of faith sharing and community building.

I have observed as the Holy Family Choir has met to discern through the readings what music is right for the congregation’s. Praying through music, our choir regularly directly and indirectly invites God to place words from scripture and song on their hearts. Through those words and music, they convey that one of the simplest ways for liturgical preparation is through song.

Music as a spiritual practice helps us tell our Christian story anew. Singing presents a healthy venue in which we proclaim what is deeply in our hearts—experiences and feelings that are powerfully human—which date back to ancient times, and were surely expressed by Jesus and his disciples.

The practice of singing, whether as cantor, choir, priest or deacon, neighbor, parent, or child in the pew enables the Body of Christ to lift its praise to God with unity of breath and voice through diverse musical styles. Through hymns old and new, the voice of the assembly weaves through familiar tunes that express everything from despair, longing, hope, and joy to the Lord.

Actively singing during our services is yet another way of spiritually Keeping It Simple, Sinner.

This article also appears in the July 2018 issue of U.S. Catholic (Vol. 83, No. 7, pages 45–46).

Remember, we are a people of hope and Prayer!

STEWARDSHIP & SACRIFICIAL GIVING

Offertory for Mar. 31st - \$5,624.00

2019 Lenten Activities

Wednesday

(Chapel of St. Joseph)

Adoration w/confession - 5:45 - 6:45 pm

Reflections 7:00 - 7:30pm

Soup and sandwiches provided.

Friday during Lent

(in the Chapel)

Mary’s Way of the Cross - 12:00 noon

Stations of the Cross - 7:00 pm

PARISH LIFE

Thanks to the coordinated efforts of Deacon Trinidad Soc of Catholic Charities, Sacred Heart Church of Bowie and St. Joseph Church in Largo, through their Lenten Food Drives, we have restocked our pantry with over 800 pounds of nonperishable items to be distributed to needy in the coming weeks. Blessings to Celestine Warren, Malisa Frazier, Robbie Edwards, Karen Poindexter, and Tom Neal for all of the hard work you put in to make this happen. Many neighborhood families will be touched by your efforts.

Lifetouch will be photographing all of our parish families for our **updated parish directory** on Thursday, April 25th and Friday, April 26th from 2:00pm - 8:00 pm and - Saturday, April 27th from 9:00 am until 4:00pm. Sign up for your professional photography sessions this weekend in the rear of the church. Participants will receive a **free 8 X 10 standard print** and a church directory. Contact the rectory for more.

PARISH LIFE CONT.

Encounter Lent with CRS Rice Bowl. CRS Rice Bowl uses traditional Lenten themes – prayer, fasting, and almsgiving – to also shine a light on global poverty. Please pickup one of the "rice bowl" cardboard boxes from the rear and return your contributions at the end of Lent.

2019 Scholarship applications are currently being accepted. Students enrolling in a Catholic High School or transitioning from High School to an Institution of Higher Learning can pick up an application from the information table in the rear of the church.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Catholic Charities has recently expanded its services at its Susan Denison Mona Center at 5859 Allentown Way in Temple Hills. They now offer the following services:

- Dental Clinic – Dental exams, x-rays, cleanings, dentures and other services.
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- Financial Stability Network - Provides self-help literature, personal consultation, classroom training, and tax preparation.
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Please contact Deacon Jim Shanahan (202) 772-4310 or Jim.Shanahan@cc-dc.org.

ARCHDIOCESE LIFE

Have you walked the Way of the Cross at a Catholic cemetery? Come experience this moving encounter with Jesus and his Mother on the way to Calvary. This prayerful walk through the mystery of Christ's passion and death is a ***spiritual work of mercy*** for the souls at the cemetery who await their own fulfillment in his Resurrection from the dead. You are invited to pray the Stations of the Cross at a Catholic cemetery of the Archdiocese at 12:00 noon on Good Friday, April 19, 2019. For more information on Good Friday Stations, contact the Catholic cemetery manager at Resurrection Cemetery, 8000 Woodyard Rd., Clinton, MD, (301) 868-5141, or visit **ccaw.org**.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WE KNOW AND LOVE:

<u>Our Parishioners</u>	<u>Homebound</u>	<u>Elsewhere</u>
Denise Richards	Mary Byus	Walter Alexander
Cynthia Washington	Bennie Hooks Jr.	Wendell Young
William Green	Andre Johnson	Dorothy Nelson
Demetrius Butler	Rose Sparrow	Kathleen Guidry
Barbara Smith	Alease Terry	Alpha Banks
Francis Smith	Clarence King	Roy Banks
Angela Hewins	Samuel Jones	Betty Furr
Richard Hewins	Mildred Jones	David M. Smith Sr.
Barbara Price	Marsha Harper	Francis Briscoe
Leroy Owens	Barbara Moore	Barbara Williams
Iris Pierce	Margaret Kennerly	Carmelo Chillari
Ethel Handon	Hilda Reeves	
Angela McNair	Juanita Presley	
Michelle Handon	Frank Wilson	

In memoriam - we remember Angela Daly, Donald Murphy, Barbara Bushrod and Catharyne Alva Butler-Turner.

Prayers for Healing for Rafaela Richardson, Darlene Banks and Carmelo Chillari.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK OF APR 7 - APR 14

<u>Apr. 7th</u>	<u>5TH SUNDAY OF LENT</u>
4:00 pm (Sat.)	Holy Family Parishioners
8:00 am	Joseph A. Deville +
11:00am	Mr. & Mrs. Edwin deSilva +
<u>Daily Masses</u>	
Tues. 7:00 am	Barbara Bushrod +
Wed. 7:00 am	Mrs. Kamdem & Teachers
	of Maya Angelou School
	9:00 am Angela Daly +
Thurs. 7:00 am	Victorine Tsogbe (L)
Fri. 7:00 am	Donald Murphy +
Sat. 8:00 am	Mary St. Peter +
<u>Apr. 14th</u>	<u>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</u>
4:00 pm (Sat.)	Turner Family
8:00 am	Holy Family Parishioners
11:00am	Carmelo Chillari (L)

Daily readings can be found at <http://usccb.org/bible/readings/index.cfm>.

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years of age and older on Good Friday and all Fridays of Lent. **Fasting** is to be observed on Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 of age. Those who are bound by this may take only one full meal a day. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary according to one's needs, but eating solid food between meals is not permitted.

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