Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 23, 2022

CCD Information – Please contact the Rectory Office St. Joseph Parish Outreach – 301-373-2692 Parish Secretary – Mrs. Nancy M. Russell

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 (Latín), Wednesday and Fríday

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 6p.m. Mass 6:50 p.m.—Immediately following 6:00 p.m. Mass

Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.:

7:00 a.m. to 7:30 a.m.—Before 8a.m. Mass (school days)

7:25 a.m. to 7:50 a.m.—Before 8a.m. Mass (non-school days)

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

The Church is Open for prayer and adoration Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.

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,

This Sunday we'll hear Jesus tell the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector. It's a great parable that helps us to avoid the error of self-justification. Self-justification is the mistake of determining for ourselves the definitive state of our souls in relation to God, for better or for worse. It's judging, on our own, whether or not we are righteous. It's an error because there is only one who is capable of these types of judgment, namely Jesus himself.

Moreover, he has cautioned us to avoid making these judgments and instead told us that we are to occupy ourselves rather with both striving to enter into heaven and helping others to do the same. In the Sermon on the Mount he says, "Judge not, lest ye be judged." And to the one who asks if the number of the saved are few he responds, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate."

Self-justification for better or for worse is when we usurp to ourselves the uniquely divine role of determining ourselves to be saved or damned. That's not our call. It's God's. We rather should do penance for our sins and call out for his assistance without failing. Let's catch ourselves making these divine judgments and rather imitate the Tax collector than the Pharisee.

With paternal affection,

Fr. Drew

Mass Intentions for October 24 th through October 30th		
Monday	8 a.m.	Daniel Family
Tuesday (Latin)	8 a.m.	Nancy Russell (Living)
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Special Intention
Friday	8 a.m.	Special Intention
Saturday	5 p.m.	
Sunday	8 a.m.	
	10 a.m.	
(Latin)	6 p.m.	Pro Populo

October 16, 2022 Offertory: \$3,174.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Barbara Watson, Phyllis Pilkerton, Sarah Hancock, Paul Howe, Billy Joe Hill, Virginia Raulerson, Annie T. Nelson, Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippett, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Elizabeth Adams, Gailann White, Nancy Russell and Ada Russell.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Religious Education continues this week (October 23th). We will begin with 10 a.m. Mass and continue immediately following 10 a.m. Mass.

CHESTERTON ACADEMY OF ST. MARY'S: Upcoming Events – Discover Chesterton Day Oct 27th or Nov 3rd; Middle School Movie Night Nov 4th; Open House Nov 13th. For more information visit: www.chestertonstmarys.org/events

"FAITH FOUNDATIONS" COURSES: "Prayer" is one of five core courses in the ADW *Faith Foundations* series. "Faith Foundations" courses are open to all parishioners and are part of the Archdiocese's catechist certification program. The cost for the course is \$29 per participant. An automatic \$9 scholarship from ADW is available to catechists seeking certification. St. Aloysius will cover the full cost of all parish catechists. If you are a catechist at another parish, check with your parish about whether they are able to assist with the registration cost. (Thursdays, 6:30p-8:45p; Oct. 20, 27, Nov 3, 10, 17 and Dec 1.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY 75TH ANNIVERSARY: IHM is raffling a hand-painted Nativity. The picture is on their website at www.ihmrcc.org Tickets are: 1 for \$5 or 6 for \$25, and can be purchased online or at the parish office. The drawing will be October 15th at their parish dinner. For more info, contact Anne Krech at 240-256-0557.

ST. MARY'S RYKEN OPEN HOUSE: St. Mary's Ryken invites families to their fall Open House Sunday, October 23 at 1pm. Learn more about what St. Mary's Ryken offers 9–12th graders in Southern MD. During this event, meet students, faculty and administrators, tour campus and get to know their community. Opportunities will be available to learn about academics, campus ministry, fine arts, athletics, learning resources support, transportation, clubs and so much more! RSVP: www.smrhs.org/openhouse

SOMD MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS - MONDAY, OCTOBER 24TH, 7:00PM IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, Lexington Park. Are you hurting and broken within? Is there a spiritual, physical, psychological, or relational healing you are seeking? Are you seeking the freedom to forgive? In the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament, inviting all to come and receive healing prayer. Come with expectant faith. Confessions begin at 6:30PM.

HEAVENLY MORNING PRAYER BREAKFAST, Saturday, October 29, 2022, St. Michael's Church Hall, Brandywine. Mass at 8:00 am in the Church followed by Breakfast, Rosary, speaker Krista Wells (Parish Hall) at 9:00 am (doors open at 8:30 am). Come and hear Krista's story of trial, woundedness, and secrets and how God brought her to a deeper conversion during Covid through Fr. Martin Flum, who brought healing through a Father's love. Register at:

https://breadoflifecenter.flocknote.com/signup/101387. You can also call (301) 475-7139, Tuesday through Saturday or leave a message with your name and phone number. Registration ends on Tuesday, October 26th, 2022.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: The District Council of Southern Maryland will host an Ozanam Orientation on Saturday, November 5, 2022 in the parish hall at Immaculate Conception Church, Mechanicsville. Registration opens at 8:30, followed by Mass at 9:00, with orientation from 9:45 to 3:30. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. A suggested participant donation of \$10 will cover cost of materials. Ozanam Orientation is a program of formation designed for all Vincentians. Anyone interested in learning more about the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is invited to attend. Come and explore what it means to be a Vincentian. Please contact Teresa at svdp@saintaloysiuschurch.org or 301-481-2942 for more information or to register.

MOTHER CATHERINE ACADEMY is searching for several positions including: School Secretary, Middle School Teacher, Before and After School Daycare, JV Boys Basketball Coach (Volunteer Position). Individuals interested in any of the above positions, please contact principal Anthony Wojt at awojt@mothercatherine.org.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH QUARTER AUCTION – Friday, November 4, 2022 at St. Joseph Church located at 4590 St. Joseph Way, Pomfret. Doors open at 5:30pm; auction begins at 6:30pm. Join us for a fun, fast-paced evening of prizes while supporting a great cause! Food will be available for purchase. Paddles are \$3 each, 2 for \$5 or 3 for \$7. To learn more about this event, including a list of participating sponsors, please visit our Facebook page at Quarter Auctions in SOMD. Presented by The Fun Bunch & Friendz Quarter Auction Team and St. Joseph's Women's Group. For more info. or reservations, please call: 240-416-4224.

THE SOUTHERN MARYLAND ROOTS YOUTH GROUP is a youth ministry program offered through four of our local parishes: Our Lady of the Wayside, Chaptico; St. Francis Xavier, Newtowne Neck; Sacred Heart, Bushwood; and Holy Angels, Avenue MD. The program offers three levels of learning for Elementary, Middle, and High School ages. All are welcome to join the fun while growing deeper in their faith! Meetings are held on Youth Sunday's once a month. Various community service opportunities, special events, and trips are also available throughout the year. To learn more about how to join, please visit southernmarylandroots.org or email southernmarylandroots@gmail.com

FALL OYSTERFEST, BENEDICT ON THE PATUXENT, Saturday, November 5th, Saint Francis de Sales Hall, 7209 Benedict Ave. 12-3 PM. Local oysters fried, scalded and raw at outdoor bar, steamed shrimp, ham, hush puppies, potato salad, green beans, coleslaw, candied yams, green beans, mac and cheese, homemade desserts. \$30 per adult, reserve a table for six and one person eats free. Family rates. Call for more info. 301-274-3416.