

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

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 (Latin), Wednesday 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.:

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

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

8:35 a.m. to 8:50 a.m. — After 8 a.m. Mass

4:30 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,

Happy Easter!

We may be past Easter Sunday, but we're just getting started with the Season of Easter. The Season of Easter goes for Fifty days, from Easter Sunday to Pentecost Sunday. These are days of rejoicing and growing our understanding, through prayer and glorying in the Risen Lord that Jesus has conquered death and obtained for us the forgiveness of sins.

These days of understanding our new hope are every bit as important as the Forty Days of Lent which preceded it where we did penance for our sins. Our penance is ordered towards the restoration of peace with God. Lent is ordered towards Easter. Perhaps we can so immerse ourselves in our penitential practices that we can diminish our ability to rejoice. This would indicate an unhealthy penance. Rather, a proper penance is made perfect by the rejoicing upon its completion.

Of course, naturally, penance and rejoicing in this life are often combined such that we're never practicing one without the other. But, in the Liturgy of the Church, we recall that it took some time for the disciples to understand fully the reality of Christ's Resurrection. We too must take our time and consider during these days that he is truly risen.

With paternal affection,

Fr. Drew

<i>Mass Intentions for April 17th through April 23rd</i>		
Monday	8 a.m.	Paul Howe (Living)
Tuesday	8 a.m.	Daniel & Douglas Brown and Joshua Holton
Wednesday	8 a.m.	Elizabeth Turner Adams
Friday	8 a.m.	Jason Steepe & Holly Petrie (Living)
Saturday	5 p.m.	Sid & Susanna Marcus (Living)
Sunday	8 a.m.	Ada Elizabeth Russell
	10 a.m.	Marie Vallandingham Rowe
	6 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

April 7th Holy Land – \$659.00

April 9th Offertory: \$3,014.00. Easter – \$5,424.00

April 9th School Support – \$496.00 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, Annie T. Nelson, Steve Morgan, Joseph Tippet, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Gailann White, Nancy Russell, Georgia Nelson, William Holt and James Davis.

SAINT JOSEPH'S SODALITY is in need of new members. Our next meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 6th at 9:00 a.m. The sodality is a group devoted to the reverence and love of the Blessed Mother. The group is dedicated to helping the needy of the parish and community through projects such as the Christmas Caring Program and sponsoring the March Birthday at the nursing home. Please come and join us.

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

HEAVENLY PRESENTS CATHOLIC STORE First Communion and Confirmation season is fast approaching! Be sure to stop by for all your Sacramental shopping needs! We are located at: 22697 Washington Street in Leonardtown! Operated by volunteers, our store hours begin at 10AM, Tuesday through Saturday. We close at 5PM on Tuesday and Thursday, 6PM Wednesday and Friday and 3PM on Saturday. Feel free to call us if you have questions or would like to place an order for Confirmation Patron Saint Medals (it is important to order those in advance) at: (301) 475-9770.

SOMD MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS - Monday, April 24th, 7:00pm - Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington Park. Come seek God and His power to move that rock from our tomb of sin and sickness with Confession, Mass and healing prayers. Confessions begin at 6:30PM. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to call 240-925-2157 or email damerons7@md.metrocast.net.

SUMMER CAMPS REGISTRATION Monday through Friday Camp at St. Mary's Ryken starts June 20th. Visit smrhs.org/SummerKnights to learn more & register today! Receive \$20 OFF (Enter code 20off at checkout.) \$75 DEPOSIT with full payment due by June 1. Before camp starts at 6:30 a.m. and after camp until 6 p.m. Full Day Camp is from 9 a.m.–3 p.m. This traditional all-day camp is for children in K–2nd grade and 3rd–5th grade including Art, Athletic and STEM specialty camps and opportunities for students in grades K–12, a beautiful waterfront campus, Athletic camps taught by SMR coaches with student mentors.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA TRAVEL CLUB IN SOLOMONS is hosting a trip to the Holy Land this coming November. Last year's trip exceeded our expectations, so we have decided to offer it again. The trip dates are November 28 (depart the U.S) to December 6 (return home). The per person cost of \$999 includes hotel, daily breakfast and dinner, bus, and all tours with a private guide. Airfare and trip insurance is additional. (Current airfare is around \$900) Please contact Mary Beth Brown at 443-623-6368, or e-mail marybeth@bytheseatravel.com for more information.

LOCAL CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT MEN'S group is seeking opportunities to raise funds to support events and activities planned for this summer. It's that time of year where spring projects and yard work abound! Consider putting these able bodied men to work. Funds raised go to support activities like camping, fishing, rock climbing, and more. Please contact Nathan Hurry at rykenknight07@yahoo.com or call 240-249-2174 for details and scheduling.