

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 3, 2025

Mass Times

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Tues (Latin), Wed, & Fri: Check website

Confessions

Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Sunday: Before Mass; After 8:00 a.m. Mass
Tues, Wed, & Fri: Before Mass; 4:30-5:00 p.m.

Office Hours

Tues, Wed, & Fri: 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Adoration

The Church is open for prayer and adoration from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. unless Fr. Drew is away from the premises.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Barbara Watson, Sarah Hancock, Billy Joe Hill, Annie T. Nelson, Joseph Tippet, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Gailann White, Georgia Nelson, James Davis, Tommy Johnson, Barbara Lilly, Joseph "Zip" Douglas, Josh Johnson, Alya Nelson, David Russell, Grant Bidle, Mary Helen Knight, and Billy Patton.

<i>Mass Intentions for August 3rd through August 9th</i>	
8/3 Sun – 8 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i> : LL SMOOCH
10 a.m.	Noah-Marie (Living)
8/5 Tues – 5 p.m.	Rev. Charles Gregory Butta
8/6 Wed – 5 p.m.	Paul Howe
8/8 Fri – 5 p.m.	John F. Adams
8/9 Sat – 5 p.m.	Special Intention
<i>Offertory amounts will be posted next week, thank you for your generosity!</i>	

First Sunday Potlucks – All are welcome to join the parish family for a potluck after the 10:00 a.m. Mass this Sunday, August 3, instead of our regularly scheduled coffee and donuts. Please bring a dish to share and/or simply join us for the fellowship!

Lost & Found – Please check the basket in the vestibule of the church for any items you may have lost. We will donate or discard any unclaimed items after August 17.

The 50th Anniversary of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Canonization – Where were you on September 14, 1975? Where will you be on September 14, 2025? You are invited to plan a trip to the Seton Shrine, to join in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton's canonization. We have set aside the entire weekend of September 12-14 to honor one of the most important figures in the history of the American Catholic church. Consider spending the weekend, or any part of it, at the home the first native-born American saint. To learn more, visit: <https://setonshrine.org/celebration/>.

From Father's Desk



Father's bulletin letter will resume next week.

Have a blessed Sunday!

Now Hiring! – St. Mary's Bryantown, a Catholic school committed to academic excellence and faith formation, is seeking a full-time Middle School Social Studies/History Teacher. This position also includes serving as the 7th Grade Homeroom and Advisory Teacher. Ideal candidates will be passionate about teaching, dedicated to student growth, and supportive of our Catholic mission. To apply or learn more, please contact the school principal, Mrs. Silverstone, at silverstone@bryantown.org or call 301-932-6883.

St. Michael High School Tutorial – The St. Michael's Catholic High School Tutorial Program in Brandywine, MD, is a drop-off, faith-based academic enrichment opportunity serving homeschool students in grades 8-12. It is rooted in Catholic values and is faithful to the Magisterium of the Church. SMT is designed to support families seeking flexible, high-quality education options. The Saint Michael Tutorial meets throughout two semesters, on most Mondays during the regular school year, breaking on all federal holidays. Please visit stmichaelhomeschool.com for more information, or call Rosa Patterson at (240) 682-9916.

Pre-Labor Day Festival – St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in St. Inigoes invites you to its Annual Pre-Labor Day Festival on its historic grounds on Sunday, August 31, 2025, from 12:00Noon to 6:00pm. Come and enjoy a day of “fun, fellowship and food!” Dinners with crab balls, fried chicken, and baked ham will be for sale, and free entertainment will be provided including a car show, Gospel and R&B entertainment, face painting, and Bubble Balooza. To purchase your pre-paid discounted dinner tickets for only \$32.00, call the Parish Office (301-872-5460) before August 17, 2025, or go to the website (<https://www.stpeterclaverchurch.org/>) to the “Donate” dropdown menu. Discounted dinner tickets are available to EMT, Fire and Rescue workers with identification now through the day of the festival.

Ride for Vocations – To all of our Riders, Prayer Warriors and Volunteers – Let's go! It is summer time and time to start training for the Ride for Vocations. On June 21, 2025 five men were ordained to the priesthood of Jesus Christ in the Archdiocese of Washington. We are so blessed to have these holy men ordained this year. This is why we ride, to pray and sacrifice for them! A few details about the ride, to see more & to register go to: <https://dcpriest.org/event/2025-ride-for-vocations/> and follow the links. Location: Sacred Heart Catholic Church, La Plata, MD, Date: Saturday, September 27, 2025.