

St Joseph Catholic Church

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Sunday October 20, 2024 ~ The Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Bishop's Pen...

"The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many."

Isaiah foretells that the Savior had "to give his life as an offering for sin." In our reading from Hebrews, we understand why Jesus can give His life as a sin offering. "For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin." Jesus knows the frailty and weaknesses of our human nature. He willingly gives Himself with love, for our salvation.

Jesus' understanding, and His "self-giving" love, is in sharp contrast to James' and John's lack of understanding. He asks them, "Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They say "yes", and Jesus agrees that they will suffer because of His name. Yet, He tells them, "But to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." Jesus is telling them to embrace their suffering out of love, not out of desire for "glory."

This message is also meant for us. Life hands all of us its cup of suffering. As Christians, we can face it, enter into it, and drink it, because of Jesus Christ. Then we will discover what is really within us, the kind of character we have, and realize our potential, by facing the world and by loving people enough to change them because of our love. It is truly a matter of loving others so much that even those who hurt us, we cannot cast aside.

Following Jesus means that we drink with Him, the cup of suffering, in order to do good in our world. That is the way that we reach self-giving spiritual maturity. God expects us to love everyone we meet, with Christ's Spirit-filled love, a love that will change our ordinary lives into the life of Christ within us, as Saint Paul writes, "yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me." Let us give ourselves "up", out of love, for one another.

- Bishop Roy Campbell

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Friday 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

The office is closed for business on:

ALL Weekends Federal Gov't Closings Holidays and Holy Days

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MASS / ADORATION SCHEDULE

Saturday - 5:00 pm

Sunday - 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

Daily Mass 8:30 am

Every Tuesday Exposition / Adoration 6:00 pm Benediction 6:45 pm Evening Mass 7:00 pm

Every Friday
Exposition / Adoration
after 8:30 am Mass
Benediction 10:00 am

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Our Parish Family's Weekly Offering

\$ N/A October 13, 2024

Our average weekly parish expenses for September 2024 \$N/A

Our Offertory last week was N/A of Expenses

Faith Direct: September 2024 - \$ N/A

Last Week's Attendance Total:761

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To The St Joseph Catholic Church Community

Our desire is that every member of our parish family encounters Jesus Christ in a very personal and life-changing way as they journey through life within our community. That now includes you and we welcome you to this very personal, communal journey of faith as part of our parish family. As you begin the next part of your faith journey with us, we encourage you to check in at the Welcome Table and complete the parish registration form. You may also get the form from a Hospitality minister. Stay connected with the St Joseph Community through our Website and Facebook God has given you gifts to share in helping the Church build the kingdom and accomplish her mission. Seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit to help you discern where you are meant to serve. Please check out our Ministries and Organizations at the Welcome Table or our Website. Pray, discern, then take that leap of faith and get engaged in the life of the parish.

> LET US KNOW YOU ARE HERE SO WE CAN PROPERLY WELCOME YOU!

PARISH TITHING AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Please use your offertory envelopes, and fill them out completely. Enclose your check or cash in your offertory envelope and write the amount on the envelope. As a reminder money/checks do not stay together with the envelopes so if there is no information or amount on the envelope you may not receive proper acknowledgement for your offering. If you choose to send in your Church envelopes by mail or drop them off at the Church, please do so. Your tax deductible offerings are based on the information on your envelopes. We have also set-up **Online Giving** through **Faith Direct**, which is an easy, simple, and secure way to continue supporting the ministry and mission of our parish. We had to make a number of decisions regarding our current Church staff because we are unable to collect our regular offertory. Please go to the link: https://www.stjoseph-largo.org/online-giving to sign-up for Faith Direct, make a contribution, and to view a video about enrollment and have your questions answered about online giving.

Mass Intentions are made in the Parish Office Mass Special Intentions during regular business hours or may be given to Hospitality Minister after the Sunday

Masses. You will be contacted if the date requested is not available. Bookings for one name for several days in succession will not be accepted. An offering is **\$10.00** CASH per date / per envelope. Mass intentions are acknowledged at the Sunday and daily Masses.

Mass intentions must be received in the office by Monday 9:00 am to be included in the bulletin for the next week.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS for the **NEXT**

bulletin are due in the Church Office NLT 12:00 noon on Monday. The bulletin is sent

to the printer on Tuesday morning.

Late submissions will go into the next bulletin.

COMMUNION CALLS / HOME VISITS

The Eucharistic Ministry is available for communion calls and home visits If you or someone you know is

homebound but would like to receive communion on a regular basis, contact the parish office on 301-773-4838 to schedule a visit. The office is open Monday through Friday 10:00 am - 6:00 pm

St Joseph Catholic Church ~ Calendar for this Week

Masses / Observances and Church Activities

Sunday October 20, 2024
TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Masses:
8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Monday October 21, 2024 Mass - 8:30 am

Tuesday October 22, 2024
St. John Paul II, Pope
Daily Mass - 8:30 am
Exposition / Adoration - 6:00 pm
Benediction - 6:30 pm
Evening Mass - 7:00 pm

Wednesday October 23, 2024 St. JOHN OF CAPISTRANO, PRIEST Daily Mass - 8:30 am

Thursday October 24, 2024 St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop

Daily Mass - 8:30 am

Friday October 25, 2024
Daily Mass - 8:30 am
Exposition/Adoration
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING
MORNING MASS
Benediction 10:00 am

Saturday October 26, 2024
Confession / Reconciliation
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Vigil Mass - 5:00 pm

Next Sunday
30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRAYER FOR THOSE WHO SERVE

Oh God,

With abiding gratitude, we thank You for the men and women who offer of themselves in service to our church and our community. Bless them, their families, and their ministries with abundance!

Amen.

THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH

Sunday October 20

- Community Sunday (RR) AFTER ALL MASSES
- Men's Club Book Sales (RR) AFTER ALL MASSES
- Dr. Clarke (CLR 2) 9:00 am
- Knights Sunday (CH) 12:00 pm
- OCIA Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (CLR1) 12:00 pm

Monday October 21

OCIA - Virtual Meeting 7:00 pm

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89944235053?pwd=bFYHqh48x0moVo76CexBSsZg2T31A6.1 Meeting ID: 899 4423 5053 Passcode: 092357

Tuesday October 22

- **Dr Clarke** (CLR2) 5:00 pm
- Funeral Wesley Wright (CH) Wake 10:00 am Mass 11:00am

Wednesday October 23

- Line Dancing (RR) 10:00 am
- **Dr Clarke -** (CLR2) 5:00 pm

Thursday October 24

- Beginners Line Dancing Class (RR) 12:30 pm
- Dr. Clark (CLR2) 5:00 pm
- Cantor Rehearsal with Denese Clay (CH) 5:30 pm
- SJCAF Charismatic Prayer Group (CLR1) 7:00 pm

Friday October 25

• Parish Council Meeting (CLR1) 7:00 pm

Saturday October 26

- Men's Ministry Meeting (CLR2) 7:30 am
- Faith Formation / Religious Ed (All Classrooms) 10:00 am
- Youth Choir Rehearsal (CLR2) 12:00 pm
- Dr. Clarke Grow Your Own Musicians (CLR2) 12:00 pm
- Dr. Clarke Cantor Rehearsal for Vigil Mass (CLR 2) 3:30 pm
- All Hollows Eve Celebration (RR) 7:00 pm

Daily Readings for the Week of October 20, 2024

Sunday: Is 53:10-11/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22, (22)/Heb 4:14-16/Mk 10:35-45 or 10:42-45

Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22/Ps 85:9ab-10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Ps 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48

Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53

Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59

Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9

<u>Next Sunday:</u> Jer 31:7-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Heb 5:1-6/ Mk 10:46-52

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Please Pray for the Sick and Shut-in...

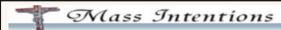
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And the Recently Deceased:

Wesley Wright

ETERNAL REST GRANT TO THEM, O LORD, AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM, MAY THEY REST IN PEACE. AMEN.



Sunday

8:00 AM ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY 10:00 AM SOULS FROM ALL LEVELS OF PURGATORY † 12:00 PM LYDES KARUNWI AND FAMILY (SI) **MONDAY**

8:30 AM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

Tuesday

8:30 AM TRISTAN RUIZ (15TH BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS) Wednesday

8:30 AM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

THURSDAY

8:30 AM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY FRIDAY

8:30 AM AMIYA GLOVER (BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)

SATURDAY

5:00 PM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Do you want to be like Christ? Pray for a servant's heart, for hands that never tire of giving, for arms that hold others up. Pray for feet strong enough to walk the path of a servant, in the footsteps of the one who came not to be served but to serve.

Questions of the Week - for Your Reflection

FIRST READING:

The prophet Isaiah sees how suffering can have a positive outcome. How do you help family members or friends who are struggling?

SECOND READING:

The author of Hebrews encourages us to be confident in asking for "timely help" from the Lord. In what ways do you need the Lord's help today?

GOSPEL:

Jesus teaches James and John that humility and service to others is what defines greatness in the kingdom of God. How might you be of service to a friend or co-worker this week?

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - DID YOU KNOW?

Question: What's the name for the cup that holds the Precious Blood of Christ during Mass?

Answer: (a) Ciborium (b) Chalice (c) Goblet

SEE ANSWER ON PAGE 5

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Halloween

Question:

Is Halloween a pagan holiday or a Catholic one?

Answer:

The short answer: nowadays, a little bit of both. But it wasn't always that way. Halloween and All Saints' Day are closely connected. In the 800s, the Catholic Church began celebrating All Saints' Day. It was originally called All Hallow's Day or Hallowmas. The celebration began early on All Hallows' Eve. But if Halloween is really about the saints in all their victorious glory, where do we get haunted houses, costumes, and pranks?

All Saints' Day became associated with the other deceased rather quickly. November 2nd is All Souls Day, where we pray for the souls in purgatory. Throughout the European world, especially with the Celtic and Germanic peoples, the dead were honored in the autumn months. The Celtic pagan celebration of Samhain had its own folk rituals and occurred around the same time as these Catholic feast days.

Within the last few hundred years, this included dressing in disguise and going door to door, asking for food in exchange for a rhyme or poem. Some people masqueraded as "dark" spirits and pulled pranks on others. Today's celebration of Halloween tends to take on these later practices, rather than the original meaning of celebrating the saints. But remember ... this feast was Catholic first!

ALL HALLOW'S EVE Saint's Celebration

More than "Trick or Treat"





Children Ages 5 - 16
Parents Must Accompany Children
Come Dressed As Your Favorite Saint Or
Hero, Heroine Or Role Model
Prizes - Treats - Food

Saturday, 26th October

Mass: 5 pm, Party: 6:30 - 8:30

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> "What do you call an avocado blessed by the pope?"



"Holy Guacamole."



DID YOU KNOW

Praying before eating is a way to thank God for His gifts to us. Even Jesus prayed over His meals, like before the multiplication of the loaves or the Last Supper.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA - DID YOU KNOW?

You are correct if you answered (b) Chalice



ANNUAL SHRINE PILGRIMAGE WALKING WITH JOHN PAUL II

Saturday October 19 - 8:00 am
Join us for a spirit-filled walk through Rock Creek
Park in honor of our patron, Saint John Paul II, to
celebrate his election and installation as Pope in
October 1978, as well as his annual feast day on
October 22. All pilgrimage participants must register
online. \$10 for individuals or \$20 for families.
Visit the website for more information / group rates:
https://jp2shrine.org/pilgrimage

THE SAINT JOSEPH GOSPEL CHOIR

Celebrating our 53rd Anniversary
Come celebrate with us at our concert on:
Sunday November 3rd - 5:00 pm.
Tickets \$10.00 per person
See any choir member after each Mass to
purchase tickets.

CHECK OUT VOTER INFORMATION IN THE INFORMATION CENTER

Registration Application, Mail in Ballot Application Early Voting Dates Thursday October 24th - Thursday October 31st VOTE - November 5th

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH

Sunday November 10th 1:30 pm
Rosemont Room
Join us for a screening and discussion of
A Place at the Table:
African Americans on the Path to Sainthood

HEALTH INSURANCE SEMINAR

The Social Justice Social Concerns Ministry
will host a virtual health insurance seminar on
Wednesday, November 13, 2024 from
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Please join us to learn how to
survive and protect your Family with Financial
Literacy in a Tough Economy with Cost
Effective Healthcare Solutions. The seminar will be
presented by Mr. Eugene Poole of the
Aligned Benefits Group, Inc.
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SJCAF HARVEST MASS

Celebrating the Harvest Mass and the
Ninth Anniversary of SJCAF
Sunday November 24th
12:00 Noon Mass
"TASTE & SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD"
All are welcomed to celebrate the Harvest!

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