



# St Joseph Catholic Church

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**Sunday October 27, 2024 ~ The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**From the Bishop's Pen...**

*"Master, I want to see."*

"Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see." That song fits Bartimaeus, the blind beggar. He knew who Jesus was, so he called out to Him. Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus knew his blindness was more than his eyesight, it was also his spiritual blindness.

Jesus asked Bartimaeus to tell Him what he wanted, as He asks us to tell Him what we want. We must recognize what it is that we lack the most, and then ask our loving and caring Lord, like Bartimaeus, for what we believe that we really need, not just what we want.

Beggars like Bartimaeus did not change the locations where they begged; they stayed in one place, so they could develop a regular clientele, people who came to know them and care for them over the years. Their dependency on material handouts immobilized them, preventing them from moving forward. When Bartimaeus threw aside his cloak, sprang up, and came to Jesus, he threw aside the chains of his own worldly fears and desires.

Bartimaeus responded to Jesus' presence from a depth with-in himself, and with a meaning which only Jesus knew. In Bartimaeus's heart there was a request to see more than simply with his eyesight. Bartimaeus wanted to see with the "eyes" of his soul. He came to recognize that truth, and so he asked Jesus for that gift of vision, the gift of that inner vision known as faith.

There are a lot of things that blind our souls to God's graces, pride, worldly possessions, and selfish desires. They are always the opposite of the fruits of the Holy Spirit. Like Bartimaeus, we need to call out to Jesus for His merciful help, "Master, I want to see."

**– 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**

\$ 14,841.00 October 20, 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: 856



**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 acknowledgment 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 SPECIAL INTENTIONS**

Mass Intentions are made in the Parish Office 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**

**MASSSES / OBSERVANCES AND CHURCH ACTIVITIES**

**THIS WEEK AT THE PARISH**

Sunday October 27, 2024  
**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**

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

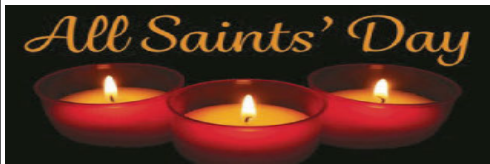
Monday October 28, 2024  
**STS. SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES**  
Mass - 8:30 am

Tuesday October 29, 2024  
Daily Mass - 8:30 am  
Exposition / Adoration - 6:00 pm  
Benediction - 6:30 pm  
Evening Mass - 7:00 pm

Wednesday October 30, 2024  
Daily Mass - 8:30 am

Thursday October 31, 2024  
**ALL HALLOW'S EVE**  
Daily Mass - 8:30 am

First Friday November 1, 2024



Masses  
8:30 am, 12:00 Noon  
7:00 pm

NOTE: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

First Saturday November 2, 2024



**ALL SOULS' DAY**  
Confession / Reconciliation  
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Mass of Remembrance - 5:00 pm

**PRAYER FOR COURAGE**

"TAKE COURAGE," WE HEAR,  
"JESUS IS CALLING YOU!"

Jesus, give me the grace to respond to  
your call — your invitation to what I  
don't understand, to the unknown, the  
mystery. In these spaces, your grace  
abounds. Be with me, give me courage!  
Amen.

Sunday October 27

- **Dr. Clarke** (CLR 2) 9:00 am
- **OCIA - Order of Christian Initiation of Adults** (CLR1) 12:00 pm
- **Bereavement Meeting** - (CLR2) 1:00 pm
- **African and Friends Monthly Meeting** (RR) 1:30 pm
- **SJYM** (CLR1 ) 1:30 pm

Monday October 28

**OCIA - Virtual Meeting** 7:00 pm

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

Tuesday October 29

- **Dr Clarke** - (CLR2) 5:00 pm

Wednesday October 30

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

Thursday October 31

- **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

Saturday November 2

- **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
- **Gospel Choir Dress Rehearsal** (CH) 12:30 pm
- **Dr. Clarke - Cantor Rehearsal for Vigil Mass** (CLR 2) 3:30 pm

**Daily Readings for the Week of October 27, 2024**

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

**Monday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Lk 6:12-16

**Tuesday:** Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 6:1-9/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 13cd-14/Lk 13:22-30

**Thursday:** Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

**Friday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

**Saturday:** Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/  
Mt 11:25-30

**Next Sunday:** Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 (2)/Heb 7:23-28/  
Mk 12:28b-34



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

Cathrine Abrams, Gerry Anderson, Carla Amorim, Theresa Agorel, Melody & Carl Atkinson, Randy Belt, Agnes Bell, Veronica Blakeney, Maxine Brown, Renee Burroughs, Paula Butler, Tanesha Butler, Angela & Wick Cartwright, Alberta Christian, Angela Clark, Connie Clark, Chuck Clay, Angella Coker, Herman Davis, James Doe, Verna Etheredge, Tammy Flarisee, Larry & Evelyn Frelow, Adrienne Fraser-Darling, Rita Gant, Regina Gary, Gina Geron, Maureen Gramby, Agnes Grayson, Catherine & Jennifer Gresham, Juanita Grillo, Kimberly Grimes, Lawrence Hill, Sheila Hinton, Doris Hite, Luis Howell, Mark Humphrey, Cathy Jackson, Gwen Jarman, Demetrius Jackson, Katie Jackson, Melvin James, Wendell John, Donald Johnson, Latashia Johnson, Lyell Johnson, Roland Joyner, Duke Kelly, Fr. Mike King, Mark Sr/ Mark Jr & Gabrielle Landry, Alton Ernest Lewis, Henrietta Long, Edwina Love, Karee Lucas, Sadie Malveaux, Ebony Marble, Barbara Marshall, Marilyn Marshall, Leondre Massey, Anthony Mc Donald, Carlos Menefee, Solomon T. Miles, Jr. Thomasine M. Miles, Kathleen Mitchell, Nancy & William Mooney, Fr. Ray Moore, Loraine Moses, Madga Nelson, Kameron Neal, Paul Newman, Ronald Nickens, Gail Norris, Cynthia Obedike, Earline Parks, James & Stephen Parks, LaTanya Pelt, Larry Peters, Barbara Reece-Jones, Danielle Rhodes, Irene Richmond, Miriam Ross, Teresa Ross, Clifton Rush, Ronald G. Sanders, Sheryl Sanders, Marcia Savoy, Johnnie Scott, Thomas W. Scott, Carolyn & William Scriber, Tyrone Sellers, Dorothy Seth, Dana Chapman-Sewell, Lucille Shaw, Madeline Stillwell, Gwen Sutton, Lucille Swann, Candice Taylor, Kenneth Taylor, Carolyn Thrash, Erma Torney, Frances Tyler, Cecilia Whittaker, Darryll Wilcots, Leon Williams, Paula Wynn

## And the Recently Deceased:

Felicia Battle, Beatrice Smith

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



## Mass Intentions

### Sunday

8:00 AM ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY  
10:00 AM KIMBERLY OKPAH  
(BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)  
12:00 PM JOSEPHINE KANU †

### Monday

8:30 AM JOSEPH OLAMA †

### Tuesday

8:30 OLUSAYO ADELEYE  
(BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)

### Wednesday

8:30 AM ARTHUR MAUGE †

### Thursday

8:30 AM THANKSGIVING TO GOD  
FAMILY AND PARENTS

### Friday

8:30 AM SACRED HEART MEMBERS (SI)

### Saturday

5:00 PM BERNELL MARSHALL †

## LIVE THE LITURGY:

### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Bartimaeus called upon Christ, even when everyone scolded him to be silent. He was not afraid to ask God for what he needed, and his courage was rewarded. Be like Bartimaeus. Be bold. Do not be content with the darkness. Call out for Christ.

## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

#### All Souls

#### Question:

November is called the month of All Souls. More recently, it has been called the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed. Can you tell us more about this feast and the remembrances of this month?

#### Answer:

November 2, the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed, dovetails with November 1st, the feast of All Saints. The saints, our models of Christian living, are one with God in heaven. All the faithful departed are those who have died with hope and trust in a loving God who calls us to greater growth and development, even beyond death. This growth and development occurs in a state of being that we have traditionally called purgatory.

While the Western Church has emphasized the cleansing and purifying nature of purgatory, the Eastern Orthodox Church has emphasized the growth and development aspect of it. Today, belief in purgatory allows one who has died in Christ to continue growing and developing before meeting God face to face. God continually invites communion with these loved ones, but some feel the need to continue growing and developing before entering into full communion with God.

These November feasts vividly remind us of the rich reality known as the communion of saints. This belief stresses the strong affirmation that the church is always one in Christ. Death does not sever any of the bonds that unite us in Christ. That is why it is a fitting practice to pray for the dead and to ask them to pray for us. Just as we do that for each other when we are alive, so, too, do we continue that bond and concern for each other even beyond death.

## Questions of the Week - for Your Reflection

### FIRST READING:

Jeremiah speaks of a joyful future awaiting those Israelites who were in captivity in Babylon. **What are some things you are looking forward to with joy?**

### SECOND READING:

Hebrews teaches us that God glorified Christ by making him the eternal "high priest." **What are some gifts you have received from God?**

### GOSPEL:

The blind man, Bartimaeus, pleaded to Jesus and Jesus healed him saying, "your faith has saved you." **What worries or fears do you need to bring to the Lord?**

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA - DID YOU KNOW?

Question: What is the sleeveless outer garment that priests wear at Mass called?

Answer: (a) Amice (b) Chasuble (c) Alb

SEE ANSWER ON PAGE 5

### PARISH COUNCIL

The St. Joseph's Parish Council is accepting nominations!

The Parish Council is a consultative body for the pastor, assisting him with discerning and achieving the overall good of the parish and its mission.

There are three open positions on the Council.

If you or a parishioner you know is interested in supporting St. Joseph's parish and Bishop Campbell through reflection, prayer, planning, and motivation, submit a nomination form today!

You can access the nomination form on the parish website by clicking the link or scanning the QR code.

Remember – you can nominate yourself or someone else.



Parish Council Nomination Form

**Nominations  
are due by:**

**Sunday  
November 10th  
at 5:00 PM**

### **PROJECT WARMTH 2024 NOVEMBER 2, - DECEMBER 1, 2024**

The Good Samaritan Ministry is asking for your assistance again this year to bring warmth to needy children at local elementary schools.

Please donate **NEW** coats, hats, gloves, and navy-blue socks.

Placed all donations in the Project Warmth collection box located in the church foyer.

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please make your check payable to:  
Good Samaritan Ministry

(Note "Project Warmth 2024" on the memo line)

Deposit checks in the small box located on the table.

You may also mail your donation to  
St. Joseph Church Largo  
2020 St. Joseph Drive,  
Upper Marlboro, MD 20774

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

### **CATHOLIC TRIVIA – DID YOU KNOW?**

You are correct if you answered (b) Chasuble



### **THE SAINT JOSEPH GOSPEL CHOIR**

Celebrating our 53<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary

Come celebrate with us at our concert on:

Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> - 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 24<sup>th</sup> - Thursday October 31<sup>st</sup>

**VOTE** - November 5<sup>th</sup>

### **BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH**

Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup> 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.

For more information contact

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301-655-7685 or Onwumu@hotmail.com

### **SJCAF HARVEST MASS**

Celebrating the Harvest Mass and the

Ninth Anniversary of SJCAF

Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>

12:00 Noon Mass

"TASTE & SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD"

All are welcomed to celebrate the Harvest!

DID YOU KNOW ...

"What type of cake is served in heaven?"



"Angel food cake!"



We won't need food in heaven in the same way that we do on earth. But, maybe at the "marriage supper of the Lamb" (Rev 19:9) some cake might be in order!

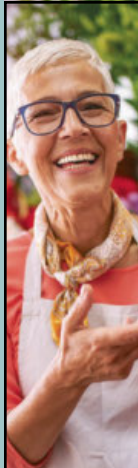


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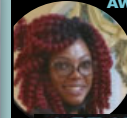
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