

St Joseph Catholic Church

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SUNDAY JULY 6, 2025 ~ FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Bishop's Pen...

"The harvest is abundant, but the laborers are few."

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls the 72 disciples, to have "complete faith and trust" in Him. Jesus calls them to work God's wonders among the peoples, households, and towns to which He sent them. Jesus sent 72 disciples, two-by-two to every town He intended to visit. This meant that His disciples were being sent to all the towns and peoples of the earth to proclaim that the kingdom of God is at hand.

The urgency of proclaiming Jesus' message is so great that the disciples are to go immediately, not taking anything with them, and not to be distracted by unnecessary greetings and conversations. They are to go to where they are sent, as they are, "Carry no money bag, no sack, no sandals; and greet no one along the way."

They were sent to bring God's peace to any house they enter. But only a house willing to hear the Word of God and accept it, will receive that peace. A house unwilling to hear and accept the Word of God and His peace will be judged harsher than Sodom, since they are rejecting the kingdom of God which is already among them.

Jesus had prepared them, as He prepares us today, to complete His work of proclaiming that God's kingdom is at hand. We too, are called to go out and proclaim that the kingdom of God is among us. Jesus sent the 72 to all the towns and peoples of world, just as He sends us today, to all the towns and peoples of the world, starting in our own communities.

Jesus told the 72, "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." Today, it is not only the bishops, priests and deacons that are the laborers our Lord refers to. All of us are the laborers He needs to gather the harvest of souls. Each of us, by our Baptism into the Body of Christ, is commissioned to bring the kingdom of God to every person we meet.

The best way for us to do this is by living as Christ commands us, by loving, serving and being compassionate to every person we meet. Yet, we are not alone in living as Christ commands us. Christ will always be with us, to help us, every step of the way.

- 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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(Please make appointments for private meetings)

MASS / ADORATION SCHEDULE

Saturday - 5:00 pm

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

Daily Mass 8:30 am

Tuesday Evening Mass 7:00 pm

Adoration Tuesday Exposition / Adoration 6:00 pm Benediction 6:45 pm Every Friday

Exposition / Adoration after morning Mass Benediction 10:00 am First Friday Benediction 6:00 pm

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Our Parish Family's Weekly Offering

\$10,472.75 June 29, 2025

Our average weekly parish expenses for May 2025 \$ N/A

Our offertory last week was N/A % of expenses

> Faith Direct: May - \$N/A Last Week's Attendance: 834



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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ PAGE 3

Masses / Observances

Sunday July 6, 2025 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Monday July 7, 2025 Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Tuesday July 8, 2025
Daily Mass: 8:30 am
Exposition/Adoration: 6:00 pm
Benediction: 6:45 pm
Evening Mass 7:00 pm

Wednesday July 9, 2025
St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest,
AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Thursday July 10, 2025
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Friday July 11, 2025 **St. Benedict, Abbot** Mass: 8:30 am

Saturday July 12, 2025 Confessions / Reconciliation 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Vigil Mass - 5:00 pm

Next Sunday

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JUST A THOUGHT...

Gal 6:14-18

CREATED CRUCIFIED TO THE WORLD...



CHURCH CALENDAR / ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday July 6

- Dr. Clarke (CLR 2) 9:00 am
- Youth Ministry Meeting (CLR1) 1:30 pm

Tuesday July 8

- Senior Play Date (RR) 12:00 pm
- **Dr Clarke** (CLR2) 5:00 pm

Thursday July 10

- Beginning Line Dance 12:30 pm (RR)
- St. Joseph-Largo Sodality Rosary - Virtual 5:00 pm Call in number: 848.220.3100 Access code: 06241954#
- **Dr. Clark** (CLR2) 5:00 pm
- Denese Clay Cantor Rehearsal (CH) 5:30 pm
- SJCAF Charismatic Prayer Group (CLR1) 7:00 pm
- KC Council Meeting (RR) 7:00 pm

Wednesday July 9

- Advance Line Dance Class (RR) 10:30 am
 - **Dr. Clarke** (CLR2) 5:00 pm
- Social Justice & Concerns Meeting (Virtual)

Saturday July 12

- KOC Flea Market (PL) 6:30 am
- Dr. Clarke Grow Your Own Musicians (CLR2) 11:30 am
- Landings Session 2 (CLR1) 1:00 pm
- Denese Clay Grow Your Own Musicians - (CLR1) 2:00 pm
- Dr. Clarke Cantor Rehearsal for Vigil Mass (CLR 2) 3:30 pm

Daily Readings for the Week of July 6, 2025

Sunday: Is 66:10-14c/Ps 66:1-3, 4-5, 6-7, 16, 20 (1)/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9

Monday: Gn 28:10-22a/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4, 14-15ab/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Gn 32:23-33/Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b and 15/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/

Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7/Mt 10:24-33

Next Sunday: Dt 30:10-14/Ps 69:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 (see 33)/Col

1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37

Prayer for Evangelization

As You reach out to the world, Lord, let us be Your hands!
As You answer those crying, send us.
Let us be Your people, answer to prayers prayed, comfort to the afflicted.
May we be laborers in Your harvest.
Amen.

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

Cathrine Abrams, Theresa Agorel, Gerry Anderson, Carla Amorim, Anthony Akpan, Melody & Carl Atkinson, Shelia Bailey, Randy Belt, Agnes Bell, Veronica Blakeney, Maxine Brown, Renee Burroughs, Paula Butler, Tanesha Butler, Angela & Wick Cartwright, , Angela Clark, Connie Clark, Chuck Clay, Angella Coker, Herman Davis, James Doe, James Dudley, Martin Ekeh, Verna Etheredge, Tammy Flarisee, Larry & Evelyn Frelow, Adrienne, Fraser-Darling, Rita Gant, Regina Gary, Gina Geron, Maureen Gramby, Catherine & Jennifer Gresham, Juanita Grillo, Kimberly Grimes, Lawrence Hill, Sheila Hinton, 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, Gennie Huntley-Lopez, 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, Nolan McWilliams, William Musee, 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, Cliffton Rush, Sheryl Sanders, Johnnie Scott, Thomas W. Scott, William Scriber, Tyrone Sellers, Dorothy Seth, Dana Chapman-Sewell, Lucille Shaw, Eunice Sparkman, Madeline Stillwell, Gwen Sutton, Percy Swain, Lucille Swann, Candice Taylor, Kenneth Taylor, Carolyn Thrash, Erma Torney, Frances Tyler, Eric Walker, Cecilia Whittaker, Darryll Wilcots, Leon Williams, Paula Wynn, Michael Younger

And the Recently Deceased:

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



Sunday

8:00 AM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY 10:00 AM George Leftwich Sr. † 12:00 PM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

MONDAY

(BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)

Tuesday

8:30 THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY 7:00 PM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

Wednesday

8:30 AM MICHAEL OGUNSANYA (BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)

THURSDAY

8:30 ROSEMARY SIMON †

FRIDAY

8:30 THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

SATURDAY

5:00 PM KAREN MARSHALL (BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS)

LIVE THE LITURGY:

Inspiration for the Week

As he sends his disciples into the world to proclaim his name, Jesus tells them to be bold. He tells them to be flexible. To be forgiving. To be faithful. As we enter this week, let's remember these instructions. It's good advice, in any century.

Questions of the Week - for Your Reflection

1st Reading Question:

Isaiah speaks of God's love and care for Jerusalem as a loving mother who feeds and comforts her child. What are some favorite memories or images you have of your mother?

2nd Reading Question:

Paul ends his letter to the Galatians emphasizing that believers are part of God's "new creation," no longer defined by circumcision and uncircumcision. How does your faith community encourage or energize you to think differently?

Gospel Question:

The 72 followers of Jesus succeeded in their work to preach the kingdom of God and heal the sick and demon possessed. What does a successful parish look like today?

CATHOLIC TRIVIA...

Ouestion: Where is St. Peter buried?

Answer: (a) St. Mary Major Basilica

(b) St. John Lateran Basilica (c) St. Peter's Basilica

SEE ANSWER ON PAGE 5

DEVOTIONS, EXPLAINED! CONNECT WITH TRADITION AND GROW YOUR FAITH

St. Michael Prayer

The prayer to St. Michael invokes the protection of the archangel Michael in the ongoing spiritual battle for the souls of all mankind. This prayer was composed by Pope Leo XIII and its use was instituted in 1886 at the end of Low Mass, a tradition which continued until the liturgical reforms of the Second Vatican Council. A popular story regarding its origin claims that the Pope wrote this prayer after having a vision of demonic spirits descending on Rome.

Michael is mentioned as one of God's seven archangels in the Book of Enoch and is presented by Revelations 12:7-12 as the warrior angel who cast Satan from heaven. He is therefore traditionally venerated as a protector against the forces of evil and a guardian of the Church.

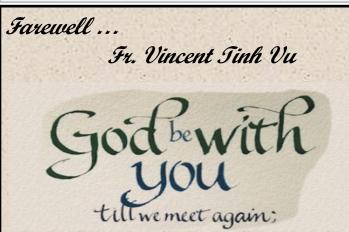
The Prayer to St. Michael is still commonly said at the end of the rosary and by some parishes after the conclusion of Mass.

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

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Jubilee Year of Hope



ST. JOSEPH COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The 2025 College Bound Class consists of the remarkable graduates who have dedicated consistent service to various St. Joseph ministries. As a self-supported initiative, your contributions are the sole support of the College Bound Scholarship. Parishioners wishing to support the College Bound Fund may mail your contribution to the church, use Faith Direct or place your contribution in the collection basket or in the College Bound Box in the foyer

Make checks payable to: COLLEGE BOUND SCHOLARSHIP

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY
TO THESE STUDENTS...

JAMES C FLETCHER JR COUNCIL CHARITIES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The James C Fletcher Jr Council Charities are now accepting applications for their College Scholarship program. High School graduates who will be attending college in the fall of 2025 are eligible to submit an application.

Applications are available in the foyer and may be returned to the church office by July 31st, 2025.

Contact Michael Akpan for information at 240 476 3100.

SCHOOL OPENINGS

St. Ambrose Catholic School has a few openings in the Pre-k 3 class and Gr. 3. For more information, please contact the school.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

St. Ambrose Before/Aftercare Director needed: This position will begin in late August. Please contact the school 301 773-0223.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

You are correct if you answered: (c) St. Peter's Basilica



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

SENIOR PLAY DATE

Join the KC Ladies for a Seniors Play Date on Tuesday July 8th, from 12:00 noon to 3:00 pm. Bring your own lunch! The KC Ladies will supply chips, sodas and water.

Contact Alicia Sanders for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FLEA MARKET

The James C. Fletcher Council will hold their **final**Flea Market on Saturday July 12th See the flyer, contact
a Knight or call the parish office for more information.

YOUTH SUMMER CHOIR

All high school youth are invited to join the Youth Summer Choir for Mass on Sunday, July 20th at 10:00 am. If you love to sing and would like to participate, please meet in Room 2 at 8:30 am that morning for warm-up and rehearsal.

Come share your talents and help us lift our voices in praise!"

Contact Jordan Gill for more information

CELEBRATE WITH DR. JOHN LEEKE

Come celebrate the book launch of AMERICAN CHANGE AGENT by Dr. John F. Leeke and Ananda Kiamsha Madelyn Leeke.

A Life & Legacy of Seeking Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion tells the rich, inspiring journey of Dr. Leeke. Get ready for a father-daughter fireside chat about the book and writing journey. You'll have an opportunity to participate in a question and answer period. Visit anandaleeke.com/drjohn for more information.

RSVP via Eventbrite: https://drjohn.eventbrite.com

OUR LADY OF GRACE SODALITY RETREAT

Theme: Teach Us to Pray with Reverence
Fr. Albert Nzeh
Pastor Blessed Sacrament
St. Charles Borromeo Newark, NJ
August 22, 2025 - August 24, 2025
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