



St Joseph Catholic Church

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SUNDAY AUGUST 10, 2025 ~ NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

From the Bishop's Pen...

"You also must be prepared."

When I was in my twenties, I would play football most Sundays during the fall with a group of other young men. We were friends who grew up together and knew each other. When I played the quarterback position, I would tell my receivers in the 'huddle' what routes to run. When they made their final 'cut,' I would have already thrown the ball to where they would be when they turned around to catch it. My receivers had faith in me and believed that I would do what I promised them I would do in the 'huddle,' because they had seen me do it before. I had the same faith in them to do as they were asked.

When it comes to believing in God's promises, we are called to have an infinitely greater faith. This is the type of faith that Abraham had in God. At God's call, Abraham left the only land that he knew, to go where God told him to go, even though he did not know where he was going. When God called Abraham, he was an old man and his wife, Sarah, was an old woman. They had no children of their own, yet they had faith in God and believed that from them would come "descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky."

Abraham and Sarah had a son, Isaac, and through faith in the God he had never seen, Abraham was prepared to obediently sacrifice his son at God's command. We know the end of this story. God would not let Abraham harm Isaac, because of Abraham's faith and obedience. Isaac became the father of Jacob. Jacob, called Israel by God, was the father of twelve sons. Jacob's sons became the heads of the twelve tribes of Israel. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob all died with complete faith in the God they had never seen.

We must have the same complete faith in a God we know, through Jesus Christ, though we too, have never seen Him. Jesus tells us in His parables that our faith must be put into action. Through faith, we must always be prepared to answer God's call in this life, whether He calls us to a particular vocation, or He calls us into eternal life. God entrusts us with our faith and His love, to do as He asks, to spread our faith and His love, to those who do not have faith.

When we are always prepared to live in the faith and love that God has given us, Jesus will gird Himself, have us recline at table, and proceed to wait on us, in the kingdom of heaven.

– 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
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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

\$ 14,699.00 August 3, 2025

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

Our offertory last week was N/A%
of expenses

Faith Direct: July - \$N/A

Last Week's Attendance: 835



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

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ PAGE 3

MASSSES / OBSERVANCES

Sunday August 10, 2025
19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

Monday August 11, 2025
ST. CLARE, VIRGIN
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Tuesday August 12, 2025
**ST. JANE FRANCES DE CHANTAL,
RELIGIOUS**
Daily Mass: 8:30 am
Exposition/Adoration: 6:00 pm
Benediction: 6:45 pm
Evening Mass 7:00 pm

Wednesday August 13, 2025
**STS. PONTIAN, POPE, AND
HIPPOLYTUS, PRIEST, MARTYRS**
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Thursday August 14, 2025
**ST. MAXIMILLIAN KOLBE,
PRIEST AND MARTYR**
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Friday August 15, 2025
**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**
Mass: 8:30 am
Adoration after 8:30 am Mass
Benediction: 10:00 am
Mass: 12:00 Noon
Mass: 7:00 pm

Saturday August 16, 2025
ST. STEPHEN OF HUNGARY
Confessions / Reconciliation
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Vigil Mass - 5:00 pm

Next Sunday
20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CHURCH CALENDAR / ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday August 10

- **Dr. Clarke (CLR 2) 9:00 am**
- **St Joseph Ladies Auxiliary No. 141 Knights of St John Intl (CL 2) 11:45 pm**
- **KoC Council Installation (RR) 1:00 pm**

Tuesday August 12

- **Senior Play Date (RR) 12:00 pm**

Wednesday August 13

- **Advance Line Dance Class (RR) 10:30 am**

Thursday August 14

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

Saturday August 16

- **Men's Ministry Meeting (CLR1) 7:30 am**
- **SVDP - Food Distribution (WW) 11:00 am APPT REQUIRED**
- **Landings - Session 2 (CLR1) 1:00 pm**
- **Dr. Clarke - Cantor Rehearsal for Vigil Mass (CLR 2) 3:30 pm**
- **Altar Server Training (CLR 3 and CH) 3:30 pm**

Daily Readings for the Week of August 10 , 2025

Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

Monday: Dt 10:12-22/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Mt 17:22-27

Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8/Dt 32:3-4ab, 7, 8, 9 and 12/Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12/Ps 66:1-3a, 5 and 8, 16-17/Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17/Ps 114:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56

Saturday: Jos 24:14-29/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 11/Mt 19:13-15

Next Sunday: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/Heb 12:1-4/
Lk 12:49-5

Prayer for Generosity

*God who has gifted me every good thing,
Help me to remember what truly matters.
To treasure love above all else,
and to serve readily.
Amen.*

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, Clifton 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, Eileen Thomas, 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.



Mass Intentions

MONDAY

8:30 AM DARCUS AND ALEXIS MILLER
(12TH BIRTHDAY)

Tuesday

8:30 AM JANE AND JAMES EZEIGWE
(47TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY)
7:00 PM NWANKWO FAMILY (THANKSGIVING)

Wednesday

8:30 AM ELIZABETH EDEH

THURSDAY

8:30 AM THE ST JOSEPH
COMMUNITY

FRIDAY

8:30 AM IRENE BODZE VERLA †

SATURDAY

5:00 PM AGNES TOLSON †

Sunday

8:00 AM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY
10:00 AM ROSEMARY SIMON †
12:00 PM NDUM FAMILY (SI)

LIVE THE LITURGY:

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

We are the servants and God is our master. He has told us His will, and given us all that we need to carry out His directions. Do we have the courage to act as our Master desires? Do we have what it takes to be stewards of God's grace?

WHY DO WE DO THAT?

CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

Parish Registration

Question:

Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

Answer:

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled.

Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

Questions of the Week - for Your Reflection

1st Reading Question:

The Book of Wisdom speaks of having faith and courage in the knowledge of God's providence. What do you pray for God to provide for you and your family?

2nd Reading Question:

Hebrews cites Abraham as the model of faith and trust in the Lord. Who would you hold up today as a role model for our faith?

Gospel Question:

Jesus teaches the disciples to be vigilant and prudent with the gifts God has given to each of us. What are some of your gifts that you share with others?

CATHOLIC TRIVIA...

Question: What is the name for the short stories Jesus would tell to teach a spiritual lesson based on familiar life experiences?

Answer: (a) Fable (b) Lesson (c) Parables

Jubilee Year of Hope



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION



A FAMILY OF FAITH

Family Catechesis
for Our Parish
2025-2026 Children's Catechesis
(Grades 1 to 8) and OCIC

REGISTRATION STARTS NOW UNTIL AUGUST 31, 2025.

Parish Office Hours
Monday to Friday
10AM-7PM
P: 301-773-4838
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Registration FEE:
1 Child: \$45
2 Children: \$85
3 Children: \$120
4 Children: \$155
5 Children: \$190



Scan to Register

For additional information, please visit the Parish Website at:
<https://stjoseph-largo.org>



What's Happening

SENIOR PLAY DATE

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

Contact Alicia Sanders or see the flyer for more information.

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
Cost: \$75 (due August 12, 2025)

For more information contact:
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DEVOTIONS, Explained!

House Blessings...

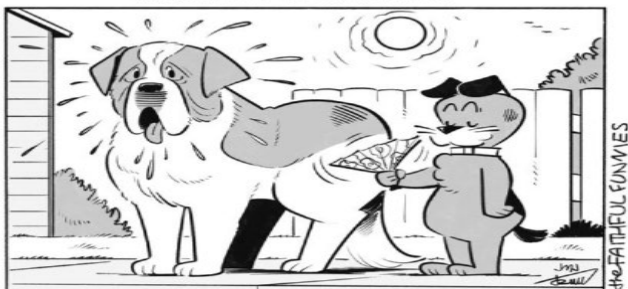
Catholics who move to a new place of residence often wish to have their dwelling blessed, to call the favor and help of God upon all those who live in the house and all those who will enter it.

The Roman Ritual (Book of Blessings) provides two formats for house blessings: one during the Easter or Christmas season (specifically for the Epiphany) and one for Ordinary Time. Those who live in the home must be present for a house to be blessed. A priest, deacon or lay person can administer the blessing, although if a lay person does so they must use the rites accorded to lay ministers in the Roman Ritual.

A house blessing includes Scripture readings, intercessions and a prayer of blessing.

A LITTLE HOLY HUMOR ...

"What do you call a St. Bernard standing outside in the summer?"



"A hot dog!"



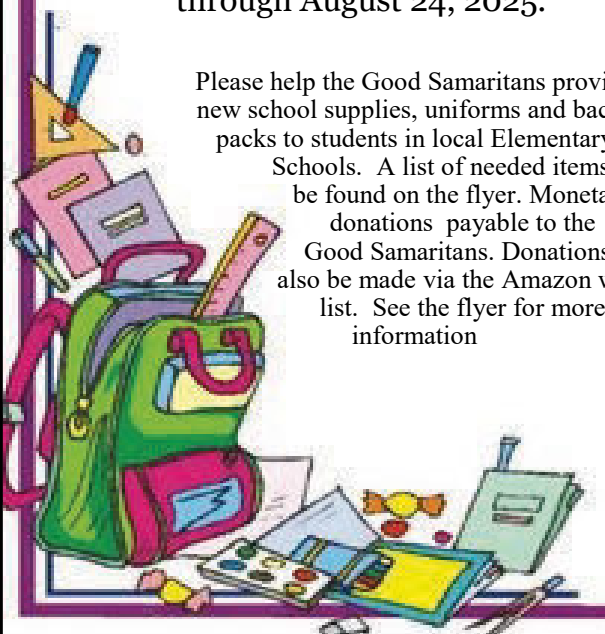
St. Bernard dogs are named after St. Bernard, an Italian monk who made a hospice for travelers in the Alps. Dogs from the hospice would rescue travelers from the dangerous snow.

CLP

THE GOOD SAMARITANS

School Supply and School Uniform Drive through August 24, 2025.

Please help the Good Samaritans provide new school supplies, uniforms and backpacks to students in local Elementary Schools. A list of needed items can be found on the flyer. Monetary donations payable to the Good Samaritans. Donations can also be made via the Amazon wish list. See the flyer for more information



CATHOLIC TRIVIA

You are correct if you answered: (c) Parables

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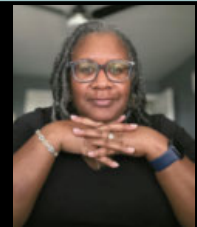
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