



# St Joseph Catholic Church

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**SUNDAY JANUARY 18, 2026**  
**THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

*From the Bishop's Pen...*

*"Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."*

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him at the Jordan River and said, "Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one who is coming after me, who ranks ahead of me, because he existed before me." John realized that he was the humble servant who was preparing the way of the Lord. He was called to proclaim our Lord's coming and to prepare Israel for His coming by a baptism of repentance. John knew his role was as a servant of God. John was to baptize with water so that Israel would be prepared for the One who was to come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. He also knew that Jesus was not only the SERVANT of God, but the Son of God.

Isaiah prophesies about the SERVANT of God and we see that He will be the Light to the nations. From Isaiah's prophesy we see that God's SERVANT will be sent not just to redeem Israel from its sins, but to free the whole world from its bondage to sin and death.

We are all baptized into the life of Christ, the SERVANT of God, and we are called to spread the good news of the Gospel of Christ to all. However, to fulfill our calling in Christ, we, like John the Baptist, must know our roles as servants of God. Do we know that to carry out our roles, we are dependent on God? Do we know that what we want must decrease so that the proper place of Jesus in our lives may increase? Are we as clear about our roles as John the Baptist was about his?

John the Baptist did not shy away from making clear distinctions between Jesus and himself in today's Gospel. Neither should we. We must always remember our relationship to Jesus and make the necessary preparations in our own lives to make straight the way of the Lord.

In short, we must move from independence in our own lives, to dependence upon Jesus in the life of Christ.

**– 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 SCHEDULE

**Daily Mass** 8:30 am

**Saturday Vigil Mass** - 5:00 pm

**Sunday Masses** 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm

#### ADORATION SCHEDULE

##### Tuesday

Exposition / Adoration 6:00 pm

Benediction 6:45 pm

##### Every Friday

Exposition / Adoration after morning Mass

Benediction 10:00 am

##### First Friday

Exposition / Adoration after morning Mass

Praise and Worship 6:00 pm

Benediction 7:00 pm

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**Our Parish Family's Weekly Offering**

\$ 12,522.38 January 11, 2026

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

Our offertory last week was % N/A  
of expenses

ParishSoft Giving: December 2025 \$N/A

Last Week's Attendance: 849

**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!**

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to the support of our Parish*

**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

## THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ PAGE 3

### MASSES / OBSERVANCES

Sunday January 18, 2026  
Masses:  
8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12:00 pm

Monday January 19, 2026  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY**  
Mass 8:30 am

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED**

Tuesday January 20, 2026  
**ST. FABIAN, POPE AND MARTYR;**  
**ST. SEBASTIAN, MARTYR**  
Daily Mass: 8:30 am  
Exposition/Adoration: 6:00 pm  
Benediction: 6:45 pm  
Evening Mass 7:00 pm

Wednesday January 21, 2026  
**ST. AGNES, VIRGIN AND MARTYR**  
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Thursday January 22, 2026  
**DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN**  
Daily Mass: 8:30 am

Friday January 23, 2026  
**ST. VINCENT, DEACON AND MARTYR;**  
**ST. MARIANNE COPE, VIRGIN**  
Mass: 8:30 am  
Adoration: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MASS  
Benediction: 10:30 am

Saturday January 24, 2026  
**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES, BISHOP AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**  
Confession / Reconciliation  
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Vigil Mass: 5:00 pm

Next Sunday  
January 25, 2026  
**3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**Blessing of the Beloved**  
Dear God,  
**Bless and anoint us today.**  
**You are our Father and guide.**  
**Remind us of our identity in You:**  
loved, called, and equipped  
for mission.  
**Bless us as we journey, giving us**  
**strength for each day and grace**  
in each step.  
Amen.

### CHURCH CALENDAR / ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

#### Sunday January 18

- **Community Sunday (RR)** After all Masses
- **Dr. Clarke (CLR 2)** 9:00 am
- **St Joseph Ladies Auxiliary No. 141 Knights of St John Intl (CL 2)** 11:45
- **Knights Sunday (CH)** 12:00 pm
- **OCIA - (CLR1)** 12:00 pm
- **SJYM (RR-B)** 1:30 pm

#### Monday January 19

- **OCIA - Virtual 7:00 pm**  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89944235053?pwd=bFYHqh48x0moVo76CexBSsZg2T31A6.1>  
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#### Tuesday January 20

- **Dr Clarke Choir Rehearsal (CLR2)** 7:00 pm

#### Thursday January 22

- **No Activities**

#### Wednesday January 21

- **Funeral - Angela Rushing** 10:00 am
- **Dr Clarke Choir Rehearsal (CLR2)** 7:00 pm
- **Hospitality Meeting (CLR 1)** 6:00 pm

- **Friday January 23**  
**No Activities**

#### Saturday January 24

- **Faith Formation (CH, CLR1,2,&3, WW)** 10:00 am
- **Youth Choir Rehearsal (CH)** 12:00 pm
- **Denese Clay - Grow Your Own Musicians - (CLR1)** 1:00 pm
- **Dr. Clarke - Cantor Rehearsal for Vigil Mass (CLR2)** 3:30 pm

### Daily Readings for the Week of January 18, 2026

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-1

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

Cathrine Abrams, Theresa Agorel, Gerry Anderson, Carla Amorim, Melody & Carl Atkinson, Sheila Bailey, Randy Belt, Agnes Bell, Veronica Blakeney, Betty Brown, Maxine Brown, Allen Burroughs, Paula Butler, Tanesha Butler, Angela & Wick Cartwright, Angela Clark, Connie Clark, Chuck Clay, Charles Christian, Angella Coker, Herman Davis, James Doe, James Dudley, Martin Ekeh, Verna Etheredge, Tammy Flarisee, Larry & Evelyn Frelow, Adrienne, Fraser-Darling, Rita Gant, Gina Geron, Maureen Gramby, Patricia Greene, Catherine & Jennifer Gresham, Juanita Grillo, Kimberly Grimes, Cecelia Handy, Lawrence Hill, Sheila Hinton, Luis Howell, Mark Humphrey, Gennie Huntley-Lopez, Cathy Jackson, Gwen Jarman, Demetrius Jackson, Katie Jackson, Melvin James, Sebastien Jean-Marie, Wendell John, Donald Johnson, Latashia Johnson, Lyell Johnson, Roland Joyner, Duke Kelly, Fr. Mike King, Mark Sr/ Mark Jr & Gabrielle Landry, Alton Ernest Lewis, Marionetta D Lofton-Sutton, Henrietta Long, Gennie Huntley-Lopez, Edwina Love, Kree Lucas, Sadie Malveaux, Ebony Marble, Barbara Marshall, Marilyn Marshall, Brenda Mason, Leondre Massey, Anthony Mc Donald, Carlos Menefee, Solomon T. Miles, Jr. Thomasine M. Miles, Cheryl Mills, 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, Robin Parsell, 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, Richard 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:

Keith Adams, Regina Gary, Angela Rushing

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 THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY  
10:00 AM DGK JEAN-MARIE TCHEFFO †  
12:00 PM ADORA BOSAH

### MONDAY

8:30 AM THANKSGIVING FOR  
THE KIRKLAND FAMILY

### Tuesday

8:30 AM KEITH ADAMS †  
7:00 PM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

### WEDNESDAY

8:30 AM KOLAWOLE OGUNSANYA  
BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

### THURSDAY

10:00 AM FLORENCE WILCOTS  
BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS

### FRIDAY

8:30 AM THANKSGIVING FOR  
THE MILLER FAMILY

### SATURDAY

5:00 PM THE ST JOSEPH COMMUNITY

## LIVE THE LITURGY:

### INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Do we recognize Christ when we see him? Do we have the courage to point him out, to show others who he is? John cried out so the whole world could hear: "He is the Son of God." Always and everywhere, let us do the same

## WHY DO WE DO THAT?

### CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

#### Instructions on Receiving Communion

#### Question:

How many times a day can a person receive communion?

#### Answer:

To find an answer to this question, we need to turn to the Church's Code of Canon Law. Here we read, "One who has received the blessed Eucharist may receive it again on the same day only within a Eucharistic celebration in which that person participates ..." (no. 917). This tells us that the standard answer would be that we can receive communion twice in a day.

Having said that, we also want to be sure that we pay attention to the entire instruction. The phrase "within a Eucharistic celebration in which that person participates" is important. It means a) that we always have to think of receiving communion as being within a celebration of the Mass and b) we have to be participants in that celebration – we can't simply show up "in time" for communion.

So, when would this rule apply?

For example, if you attend Mass on a Saturday morning and then take part in the Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday evening, you could licitly receive communion at both celebrations. Or, another example, if you receive communion at a wedding or funeral Mass, you could also receive communion at a daily Mass or Sunday Vigil celebrated on the same day. We always want to be sure that we observe the rules for fasting from food and drink before receiving the eucharist (see Code of Canon Law, no. 919).

## Questions of the Week - for Your Reflection

### 1st Reading Question:

Isaiah teaches that God chose Israel to reveal His glory and bring salvation to the world. **Why do you think God uses people to do His will?**

### 2nd Reading Question:

Paul opens his letter to the Corinthians with a plea for unity and holiness of all believers. **Where do you see your faith community unified and holy?**

### Gospel Question:

John the Baptist testifies to others that Jesus is the Son of God who will baptize with the Holy Spirit. **With whom do you talk about Jesus?**

## CATHOLIC TRIVIA...

### Question:

Is it true or false that all wine used in the Eucharist must be fermented?

### Answer:

(a) True      (b) False      (c) WOW! Never thought about it

**HONORING  
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR**

**“The time is always right  
to do what is right.”**

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

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**ANNUAL CHURCH CONTRIBUTION  
STATEMENTS**

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**ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

The annual Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage will be celebrated at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception on Saturday, February 14, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

Most Reverend Evelio Menjivar-Ayala will be the main celebrant. Any couple is welcome to attend regardless of the anniversary year. There is no restriction on the number of couples who can attend the Mass and/or receive an anniversary certificate, however, you will need to register with the Parish Office.

The deadline to register with the parish is Friday, February 6, 2026

Please contact the Parish office for more information.

**2026 MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT**

February 13 to February 15

Saint John Paul II Seminary,

145 Taylor Street, NE, Washington, D.C.

Event begins Friday evening and concludes Sunday after brunch. Open to men (18 to 40s) who want to learn more about a vocation to the priesthood. Weekend includes daily Mass, talks, fraternity with other men who are discerning, and discussions with seminarians and priests.

No cost to participate; but registration is required at <https://dcpriest.org/event/2026-mens-discernment-retreat/>

For more information, contact Fr. Mark Ivany, Director of Priest Vocations, at [vocations@adw.org](mailto:vocations@adw.org) or 202-636-9020.

**SHARING THE GOSPEL**

John the Baptist told everyone that Jesus was the Son of God. He told them the Holy Spirit came down on Jesus and remained on him as the Scriptures said. Jesus taught his disciples and others. He healed people to show his power as the Son of God. God wants you to be his disciple. He wants you to be a good example of a loving child of God.

**PRAYER**

Lord, I will be a good disciple by learning and sharing your words.

**SOMETHING TO DRAW**

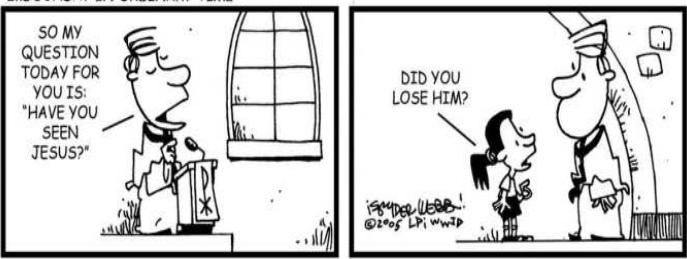
Draw John pointing out Jesus as the Son of God.

**MISSION FOR THE WEEK**

I will ask someone to read the Bible to or with me every day.

**JUST A THOUGHT...**

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**CATHOLIC TRIVIA...** You are correct if you guessed:  
(a) True

**KOC ANNUAL  
MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION**

Saturday, February 14, 2026

Tickets for the James C. Fletcher, Jr. Council, Knights of Columbus, are now available for a festive evening that coincides with *Valentine's Day*. Since its inaugural celebration in 1995, this Mardi Gras has become a cherished tradition and a consistent sell-out. We encourage you to reserve or purchase your tickets early.

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