



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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Dominica II Post Pascha

I Peter 2:21-25; John 10: 11-16

26 April A.D. 2020

Third Sunday of Easter

usccb.org/bible/readings

Surréxit Dóminus vere, Allelúja!

Alleluia! "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it."

I hope that these days of the Easter octave have brought blessings in the gift of new life through the Resurrection of the Lord.

Thanks to all of you for your prayers, your notes of encouragement and your generous contributions. It has been edifying to see your love for Our Lord and your continued support of His work which continues through our parish at all times, including such as now when we cannot physically join Him and each other at holy Mass as we desire.

Archbishop Gregory has stipulated that our Easter offertory will not be assessed for the diocesan tax this year. If you would like to take advantage of this opportunity note "Easter gift" on the memo line of your check and/or you can use your Easter offertory envelope to indicate this assessment free option.

Happy Easter!

A Visit to the Blessed Sacrament

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that Thou art truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. I love Thee above all things, and I desire to possess Thee within my soul. Since I am unable now to receive Thee sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace Thee as being already there, and unite myself wholly to Thee; never permit me to be separated from Thee.

A SHORTER ACT

I believe that Thou, O Jesus, art in the Most Holy Sacrament! I love Thee and desire Thee! Come into my heart. I embrace Thee; oh, never leave me!

Men's Group Forming

Contact Justin Rison at justin.rison@outlook.com to indicate your interest and availability for participation in a men's group to meet at least monthly for faith, discussion, and fraternity here in Benedict. You can also reach Justin at (240) 216-0404.

Sanctuary Lamp in Honor or Memory of Your Loved One

A \$25 contribution dedicates the lamp each week to the memory or intentions of a family member or loved one. Contributions will help to defray the cost of altar and votive candles.

Sunday Sermon: The Good Shepherd

Dearly beloved brethren, ye have heard from the Holy Gospel what is at once your instruction, and our danger. Behold, how He Who, not by the varying gifts of nature, but of the very essence of His being, is Good, behold how He saith: I am the Good Shepherd. And then He saith what is the character of His goodness, even of that goodness of His which we must strive to copy: The Good Shepherd giveth His life for the Sheep. As He had foretold, even so did He; as He had commanded, so gave He example. The Good Shepherd gave His life for the sheep, and made His Own Body and His Own Blood to be our Sacramental Food, pasturing upon His Own Flesh the sheep whom He had bought.

- Pope S Grgeory the Great

Oration

Let us pray.

O God, Whose Son hath humbled Himself, and Who hast through Him raised up the whole world, grant to thy faithful people everlasting joy; and as Thou hast delivered them from the bitter pains of eternal death, make them to be glad for ever in thy presence.

Through the same Jesus Christ, thy Son, Our Lord, Who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

R. Amen.

Stewardship

- **\$7K down payment church/hall oil tanks:** \$1,833
- **Offertory envelopes:** \$474 ("First Offering" envelope intended to defray this expense.)
- **Oyster fest virtual fundraiser** so far: \$2710.00

To designate a gift please place your check or cash in a plain envelope labeled with your offertory number or your name, the amount enclosed, and which expense you are designating. If using a check, please also include your offertory number and the designated expense in the memo line. Thank you.

THIS WEEKEND: Second Collection for Church Missions within the US

2020 Jubilarian Mass

Are you celebrating a special wedding anniversary? Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and 51+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass, held Sunday, June 28, 2020, at 2pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. For more information or to register for the Mass, please contact the parish office. The deadline to register is Friday, May 15.

"Saint Francis de Sales Catholic Church" is now on Facebook. "Like" us today!

**Regular Monthly Bill and
Offertory Comparison
Numbers Coming Soon**

- Assessments
 - Health Care
 - Property Ins/Cath Standard
 - Fuel oil
 - Wifi Hotspot
 - Internet/Phones
 - Electric streetlight
 - Elect/AC Hall
 - Elect/AC Church
 - Elect/AC Rectory
 - Security System
 - Payroll
 - Payroll Taxes
 - Retirement ADW Matching
 - Pension/Life Ins
 - Priest Food
 - Pastor Retreat
 - ADW Priest Convocation
 - Misc. Parish/Rectory Exp
 - Bank Fees
 - Water Bill
 - Expense Total**
 - Offertory Total**
- Thank you for your generous support!*

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Betsy Behne, Irving Chappelle, Dorothy Hume, Linda Javor-ski, Ray Stublarec, Miles & Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com to arrange for him to visit any homebound, ill or hospitalized parishioners or family members.

Rite of Christian Initiation - Adult Faith Formation Classes

Classes for adults seeking to enter the Church at Easter or to be confirmed next Spring will be offered at the rectory on Wednesday evenings from 4:30-5:45 and from 7:30-8:45 pm.

Classes are also offered in partnership with Sacred Heart Parish in LaPlata every Tuesday from 7-8:30 pm.

Children's Faith Formation

Our Church teaches that parents are the first teachers in the ways of Faith for all of our young people. No one has more power or responsibility before God for witnessing to our children of the fact of the Lord's Resurrection and His presence through the Church in our lives. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are welcome to enroll children for classes at the hall on Sundays at 10 am. Email Donna at markboat55@yahoo.com.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before enrolling children.

The Holy Sweeper Rotation is Currently on Hold

Holy Sweepers are the families and individuals who graciously keep our church clean and tidy. They clean once a week, for a two week period, on a rotating basis. The more Holy Sweepers in the rotation, the more time between each assignment.

If you would like to be a Holy Sweeper, please email Caitlin Sanders at braun.cait@gmail.com.

UPCOMING:

May 17: Second Collection for Catholic Relief Services

Mass Intentions and Schedule this Week

Sunday	26 Apr NP *	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Third Sunday of Easter
		†	Dominica II Post Pascha
Monday	27 Apr NP	†Gilbert Cecchini	S Peter Canisius
Tuesday	28 Apr NP	†Poor Souls in Purgatory	S Paul of the Cross
Wednesday	29 Apr 6:00 pm NP	Adoration	
		†William Goldsmith	S Peter of Verona
Thursday	30 Apr NP	†Juan Bonilla	S Catherine of Siena
Friday	1 May NP	†Elizabeth Andrews	S Joseph the Worker
Saturday	2 May NP	Intns Kim Family S Athanasius	
Sunday	3 May NP	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Fourth Sunday of Easter
			Dominica III Post Pascha



**** Mass in English *No public Mass until further notice - per indication of Archbishop Gregory**

If you would like to have a Mass offered, you may email mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com, stop by the parish office during regular business hours, drop a note in the collection basket or see Father after Mass. The customary offering for a Mass, per Archdiocesan guidelines, is \$10.00.

Staff

- Director of Liturgy/Secretary:** Mr. Stephen Krautle sjkrautle@gmail.com
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- Parish Council President:** Mr. Sid Marcus somarcus1@verizon.net
- Choir:** Mrs. Pam Gavin 301-884-8869 and gammypammy1@gmail.com

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

- Sunday...** 9:00am ** Traditional Latin 11:00am
- Weekday Masses in Latin:** See schedule in bulletin.
- Saturday...** 9:00am and Vigil of Sunday 5:30pm**
- Holy Day Masses:** 8:00am , 6:00pm** and, 7:00pm
- Confessions** offered prior to all weekend Masses
- Baptisms and Marriages:** By appointment 6 months in advance.
- Bulletin Deadline:** Two Thursdays prior to the date of publication. Send to braun.cait@gmail.com or call the rectory 301-274-3416. **New Parishioners: Welcome!** Please complete a registration form, available in the back of the church, and return it to Father or drop it in the collection basket.