

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

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Sanctæ Familiæ Jesu Mariæ Joseph

Colossians 3:12-17; Psalms 26:4; Luke 2:42-52

10 January A.D. 2021 *The Baptism of the Lord*

Isaiah 42:1-4 and 6-7; Psalms 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10; Acts 10:34-38; Mark 1:7-11

From the Pastor

Hospitality is very important to our Christian and parish life. One of the ways in which we show this welcoming and friendship is at our hall fellowship meal. Everyone is always welcome to join us and, although not required, welcome also to bring contributions of food. I invite anyone to approach me at any time with feedback as to whether we are doing this well or not.

In this New Year of Our Lord 2021 we continue to pray for the restoration of the true Faith throughout the Church, beginning with the worship handed down through the work of the Holy Spirit. We will continue to guide our parishioners in observing the Lord's Day properly each week as the bedrock of family life.

God love you,

Sunday Evening Mass

My original intention in designating Sunday evening Mass as primarily offered in English language was the thought that the Saturday evening group would switch over. They did not. The faithful coming to this new Mass are regular attendees at the Latin Mass or go back and forth between Latin and English. For that reason the Sunday evening Mass will be offered in traditional Latin.

Stewardship

To designate a gift that stays within the parish 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 on the memo line. Thank you.

- Oct/Nov Physical Plant Maint/Labor: PAID*
- November Maintenance Supplies: PAID*
- Nov Elect/Nov-Dec Fuel Oil: \$98.41*
- CR-6/Blue Rock for parking lot: \$191.87*
- Offertory envelope boxes ("First Offering") \$179.35*

(*Amount changed this week)

Sanctuary Lamp in memory of Richard K. Estes

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

The Sunday Gospel

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke *Luke 2:42-52*

And when he was twelve years old, they going up into Jerusalem, according to the custom of the feast, And having fulfilled the days, when they returned, the child Jesus remained in Jerusalem; and his parents knew it not. And so on.

Homily of St. Bernard Abbot *Homilia super Missus est, n.* 7-8

And he was subject unto them. Who was subject? And to whom? God to man! God, I repeat, to whom the Angels are subject, whom the Principalities and Powers do obey, was subject to Mary; and not only to Mary, but to Joseph also for Mary's sake. Marvel, therefore, both at God and man, and choose that which giveth greater wonder, whether it be the most loving condescension of the Son, or the exceeding great dignity of his Mother. Both amaze us, both are marvellous. That God should obey a woman is lowliness without parallel, that woman should rule over God, an elevation beyond comparison. In praise of virgins it is sung of them alone, that they follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. Of what praise do ye judge that woman to be worthy who is thus placed before the Lamb of God.

Prayer to Saint Joseph

Oh, St. Joseph, whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God. I place in you all my interests and desires. Oh, St. Joseph, do assist me by your powerful intercession, and obtain for me from your divine Son all spiritual blessings, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. So that, having engaged here below your heavenly power, I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of Fathers.

Oh, St. Joseph, I never weary of contemplating you, and Jesus asleep in your arms; I dare not approach while He reposes near your heart. Press Him in my name and kiss His fine head for me and ask him to return the Kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, Patron of departing souls - Pray for me.

Pope Francis announces Year of St. Joseph

December 8, 2020 - December 8, 2021 in honor of the 150th anniversary of the Saint's proclamation as patron of the Universal Church. The decree, authorized by the Pope, said that Francis had established a Year of St. Joseph so that "every member of the faithful, following his example, may strengthen their life of faith daily in the complete fulfillment of God's will."

Source: Catholic News Agency

Christmas Offertory 2020

\$8340.00

Thank you for your generous support!

Service on the Altar

Training for all current and prospective members of the Society of Saints Aloysius and Alphonsus (SSAA) altar boy society will be held on the first Saturday of each month after the 9:00 am Mass.

All interested boys and men are invited to please contact Jamieson Scarlata at 1619surfer@gmail.com

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappelear, Dorothy Hume, Robin Magnelli, Ray Stublarec, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Carolyn Parson, Ruth Anne Carr.

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 are scheduled by our faith formation director Aaron Percich. Email him to start formation: aaron.percich@comcast.net. Pick up a copy of the weekly Wanderer Newspaper available in church and see the "B" section for a basic adult catechetical resource.

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 asked to contact Aaron Percich to enroll children in weekly home lesson support at aaron.perich@comcast.net.

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

Holy Sweepers for the weeks of January 10 and 17 Percich Family

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. We are currently in need of some additional Holy Sweepers. Please prayerfully consider joining in this service to our parish community.

<u>UPCOMING:</u> Archdiocesan 2021 Appeal Announcement Sunday: January 31, Commitment Sunday: February 7 & Follow-Up Sunday: February 14

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	10 Jan	9:00 am*	Pro pópulo	The Baptism of the Lord
	11:00 am		†Richard K Estes	Sanctæ Familiæ Jesu Mariæ Joseph
		5:30 pm	Intns Ponton Family	The Baptism of the Lord
Monday	11 Jan	9:00 am	†Theresa Bourque	•
Tuesday	12 Jan	**	†Laurie Tipton	
Wednesday	13 Jan	6:00 pm	Adoration	
•		7:00 pm	Intns Mary Lynne & Ira Stavely	Octave of the Epiphany
Thursday	14 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Ponton Family	S Hilary/S Felix
Friday	15 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Ponton Family	S Paul, The First Hermit/S Maurus
Saturday	16 Jan	9:00 am	Intns Andrea & Derek Lemire	S Marcellus
Sunday	17 Jan	9:00 am*	Pro pópulo	Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
·	11:00 am		†McGeogh & Cusick Families	Dominica II post Epiphaniam
		5:30 pm	Intns Fr Cusick	

^{*} Mass in English ** Father away; no public Mass

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

Bookkeeper: Mr. Dennis Haspert **Bulletin:** Mrs. Caitlin Sanders **Choir:** Miss Jenni Scarlata

Director of Liturgy/Secretary: Mr. Stephen Krautle **Hall and Grounds:** Mrs. Donna and Mr. Mark Long

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Sunday: 9:00am*, Traditional Latin 11:00am, 5:30pm Weekday Masses in Latin: See schedule in bulletin

Saturday: 9:00am (Vigil by appt)

Holy Day Masses: 8:00am, 6:00pm* & 7:00pm **Confessions** offered prior to all weekend Masses *Mass in English 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.