



# St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

*Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland*

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## **Dominica Sexagesima**

*II Corinthians 11:19-33 and 12:1-9; Psalms 82:19 and 14; Luke 8, 4-15*

7 February A.D. 2021

## **Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Job 7:1-4 and 6-7; Psalms 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; I Corinthians 9:16-19 and 22-23; Mark 1:29-39*

### **From the Pastor**

Our countdown to Lent has begun. How are you preparing to observe the fasting, prayer and almsgiving of this season so as to experience conversion of life? Our faith is a constant call to conversion and Lent intensifies and aids us with particular graces needed for our salvation.

The name "Shrove" Tuesday comes from "shriven", which connotes the forgiveness of sins in Confession. Join us for a proper observance of Shrove Tuesday with confession and Mass preceding the customary supper.

### **Thanksgiving After Mass**

The Mass is the greatest reality on earth and, when it is over, the most appropriate thing to do is to thank God for it. The way we thank God is by speaking to him in prayer. Thus the thanksgiving prayer after Mass.

The text of the prayer is not dictated by the Church: it is in your own words. The length is also not prescribed: you speak to the Lord in your own way, which will be different for everyone, to thank Him for this greatest gift, greater than which cannot be imagined. Pause in church after Mass and have a heart to heart talk with the Lord in the silence of your soul.

### **Prayer to Saint Joseph**

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.

### **2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal**

This weekend: **Appeal Commitment Sunday at all Masses.**

### **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.

- March/April Fuel Oil/January Elect: \$849.26\*
- 11.Jan.21 Maintenance Labor: +\$506.03\*
- Chas County Prop'y Tax \$449.28
- Mass linens \$128.00

(\*Amount changed this week)

### **The Sunday Gospel**

From the Holy Gospel according to Luke

**Luke 8:4-15**

At that time: When much people were gathered together, and were come to Jesus out of every city, he spake by a parable. A sower went out to sow his seed. And so on, and that which followeth.

Homily by Pope St. Gregory **the Great.**

**5th on the Gospels**

Dearly beloved brethren, the passage from the Holy Gospel which ye have just heard, needeth not so much that I should explain it, as that I should seek to enforce its lesson. The Truth Himself hath explained it, and, after that, it beseemeth not man's frailty to fritter away His exposition by any further comment. But there is, in that very explanation by the Lord, somewhat, which it behoveth us well to weigh. If it were but we who bade you believe that by the seed is signified the word; by the field, the world; by the birds, the devils; and by the thorns, riches ye would perchance doubt of the truth of our explanation. Therefore the Lord Himself hath vouchsafed to give this explanation, and that, not for this parable only, but that ye may know in what manner to interpret others, whereof He hath not given the meaning.

### **Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday**

Tuesday, February 16: Confessions 5 pm, Mass 6 pm followed by supper at hall.

Wednesday, February 17: Masses with distribution of ashes at 9 am, 6 pm (English), 7 pm.

### **Waldorf Pro-Life Prayers - February 13**

Join other pro-lifers 10-11am at Planned Parenthood in Waldorf, 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602, on the second Saturday of each month, next on February 13th, to peacefully protest unjust, unlawful killings which take place there. We will be praying for the permanent closure of this and every Planned Parenthood in our nation.

### **Sanctuary Lamp in memory of your Loved One**

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.

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**Christmas Offertory  
2020**

**\$8440.00**

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound:** Irving Chappellear, 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](mailto: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](mailto: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 Deacon Butkiewicz to enroll children in weekly home lesson support at [jbutk@gmail.com](mailto:jbutk@gmail.com).

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

**Holy Sweepers for the weeks of February 7 and 14**

**Scarlata 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](mailto:braun.cait@gmail.com).

**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](mailto:1619surfer@gmail.com)

**UPCOMING:**

**2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal Follow-Up Sunday:** February 14  
**Second Collection for the Church in the Developing World:** February 17

**Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week**

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7 Feb</b>	<b>9:00 am*</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Church and Priests	<b>Dominica Sexagesima</b>
		<b>5:30 pm</b>	Military members & families	<b>Dominica Sexagesima</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>8 Feb</b>	9:00 am	Reparation for Hearts BVM/IHS	S John of Matha
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>9 Feb</b>	NP**	†Souls in Purgatory	S Cyril of Alexandria/S Apollonia
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10 Feb</b>	6:00 pm	<i>Adoration/Confessions</i>	S Scholastica
		7:00 pm	†Emma Maresch	Apparition of the BVM at Lourdes
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>11 Feb</b>	9:00 am	Conviction/conversion of sinners	Seven Holy Founders
<b>Friday</b>	<b>12 Feb</b>	9:00 am	Intns Gianna Porfiri	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13 Feb</b>	9:00 am	For our nation	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14 Feb</b>	<b>9:00 am*</b>	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
		<b>11:00 am</b>	Conversion Pres Biden	<b>Dominica Quinquagesima</b>
		<b>5:30 pm</b>	End to Communion in the hand	<b>Dominica Quinquagesima</b>

\* 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](mailto: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

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**Mass and Sacrament Schedule**

**Sunday:** 9:00am\*, Traditional Latin 11:00am, 5:30pm

**Weekday TLM Masses:** 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](mailto: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.