



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

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**- External Solemnity of the Patronage of S. Joseph -
Major Rogation- Third Sunday after Easter –Feast of S Mark
Gen 49: 22– 26; Luke 3: 21-23**

25 April A.D. 2021

Fourth Sunday in Easter

Acts 4:8-12; Psalms 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; Apocalypse 7:9, 14B-17; John 10:11-18

From the Pastor

A most joy-filled celebration of the season of Easter to all our families, guests, friends and neighbors.



The Archdiocese has notified us that they will consider our proposal for ceiling repairs at their next scheduled meeting on 13 May, the Feast of Our Lady of Fatima. Let us all fervently invoke her maternal intercession that t we may receive a favorable outcome. Let us also pray especially today, the Major Rogation, for the intercession of all the Saints, and to S. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, whose External Solemnity we observe today. Alleluia!

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND for Church Missions within the United States

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.

- Maint/Materials: PAID*
 - March/April Oil/Electric: PAID*
 - March Health Ins.: \$1,594*
- (*Amount changed this week)

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of Your Loved One

Dedication of the sanctuary lamp each week to honor or recognize the living or deceased. Proceeds help defray the cost of altar and votive candles.

ADW Jubilee Mass 2021

Each year the Archdiocese of Washington honors couples married 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 and 70+ years at the annual Jubilarian Mass. Due to COVID restrictions, in-person participation for the Jubilarian Mass is limited to 50 couples. Parishes are able to register one couple to attend the Mass. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis, until capacity is reached. The Mass will be live-streamed on Sunday, June 27 at 3:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Matthew . All couples registered by May 14th will receive a Jubilarian anniversary certificate regardless of in-person Mass participation. To receive a signed Jubilarian anniversary certificate or to register to attend the Mass, please contact the parish office before May 14, 2021.

“Because I go to the Father”

“This ‘little while’ is the whole duration of this present world. ... By His going to the Father He was about to bring it to pass that they should see Him no more. And thus it was that He said, not that He was about to die, and that after His death they should not see Him until He rose again, but that He was going to the Father, which He did when, after that He was risen again and had manifested Himself to them for forty days, He ascended up into heaven.”

- St Augustine

St Thomas Aquinas on Reverence toward the Eucharist

“Because out of reverence towards this sacrament, nothing touches it, but what is consecrated; hence the corporal and the chalice are consecrated, and likewise the priest’s hands, for touching this sacrament. Hence it is not lawful for anyone else to touch it except from necessity, for instance, if it were to fall upon the ground or else in some other case of urgency.”

- Saint Thomas Aquinas, Doctor of the Church
Summa Theologica

First Confessions

Our children must make their First Confession prior to receiving their First Holy Communion, to be conferred on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Please contact Deacon Butkiewicz or Father Cusick to make arrangements.

Confirmation Candidates

Please pray for our candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation to be conferred on the Solemnity of Pentecost, Sunday, May 23: Mary Isabel Paulitz, Aaron and Emily Williams, and Justin Perusse.

Mother’s Day Ad In SOMD Independent

Charles County Right to Life will run an advertisement on May 7, the Friday before Mother’s Day, honoring all mothers for choosing life. Please join others in standing for life and motherhood by placing the name of your mother (or wife, grandmother, aunt, cousin, friend) in the advertisement for a \$10 donation. Representatives will be available after Masses on May 2 to assist with signups. Another method of registering is to access <http://www.charlescountyrighttolife.com/mothersdayad.html> and register electronically.

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

**Spring Oyster Fest
2021**

**Current total:
\$4,933.00
As of 21 March**

*Thank you for your generous
support!*

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Robin Magnelli, Frances Ricco, Ray Stublarec, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn.

Please call the rectory at 301-274-3416 or contact Father Cusick at cusickk@adw.org 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 Deacon Butkiewicz to enroll children in weekly home lesson support at jbutk@gmail.com.

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

Holy Sweepers for the weeks of April 25 and May 2

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.

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

UPCOMING:

**May 16: Second Collection - Cath. Comm. Campaign & Cath. Campaign for Human Dev.
Pentecost - Confirmation conferred
Corpus Christi - First Communion conferred**

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	25 Apr	9:00 am* <i>Pro pópulo</i>	Fourth Sunday of Easter
		11:00 am †John Gorska	Third Sunday after Easter
		5:30 pm †Wes Beisel	
Monday	26 Apr	9:00 am †Stephen Maresch	Ss Cletus & Marcellinus
Tuesday	27 Apr	** †Wes Beisel	S Peter Canisius
Wednesday	28 Apr	6:00 pm <i>Visit to the Blessed Sacrament</i>	
		7:00 pm †Souls in Purgatory	Octave of S Joseph/S Paul of the Cross
Thursday	29 Apr	9:00 am Intns David Ponton	S Peter of Verona
Friday	30 Apr	9:00 am Souls in Purgatory	S Catherine of Siena
Saturday	1 May	9:00 am †Stephen Maresch	Ss Philip and James
Sunday	2 May	9:00 am* <i>Pro pópulo</i>	Fifth Sunday of Easter
		11:00 am †Intns N Jimenez	Fourth Sunday after Easter
		5:30 pm †Levi Willey	

* 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

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Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 11:00 am, 5:30 pm
Weekdays: Mon 9 am, Wed 7 pm, Thurs-Sat 9 am
Holy Days: 8:00 am, 7:00 pm
English: Sundays 9 am, Holy Days 6 pm
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.