



St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church

Traditional Latin Mass Parish of Southern Maryland

Rev. Kevin M. Cusick

Pastor

mcitl.blogspot.com@gmail.com

7185 Benedict Avenue
Post Office Box 306
Benedict, MD 20612-0306
Office: 301.274.3416
Fax: 301.274.0689
www.stfrancisbenedict.org

X.X.MMXXI

Dominica XX post Pentecosten

10 October A.D. 2021

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor

I look forward to seeing you all again next Sunday together for the first time in our newly renovated church.

Last week our crew installed the pews and are putting the final touches on the Church to prepare it for our reentry on October 13, when we will honor Our Lady of Fatima and begin a 40 hours devotion to thank our Lord. Please sign up in the hall today or on Sign-Up Genius at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D4DABA72BA5F94-sfds> and plan to join us.

Please make note of our new Sunday Mass schedule which begins next Sunday, October 17th.

Flyers are available for Oysterfest. Please take one to invite family and friends to join us. Mark your calendar to come and eat or to volunteer.

“Pray always.”

Banns of Marriage

Michael Evarrt and Cicilia Juliyanti will be joined in holy matrimony on October 30. Please keep them in prayer as they prepare for their new life together as man & wife.

New Sunday Mass schedule October 17th

We will add a morning low Mass at 8 am to our Sunday schedule of 9 am and 11 am when we move back into the Church. The 5:30 pm will be discontinued on that date.

Our parish charism is dedication to the integral tradition of the Church. God should come first on the Lord’s Day. We ask our children often to wake up even for leisure activities and vacation and we should do no less to teach them about God who should come before all else. Also according to our tradition, we incur no guilt if through no fault of our own we are unable to attend Mass on Sunday. Father is available to visit the homebound for Sunday Communion calls.

Keep in mind that Sunday evening traditional Mass is offered weekly both at Saint John’s in Hollywood at 3 pm and at Saint Joseph’s in Morganza at 6 pm.

Sanctuary Lamp in Memory of Liz Marcus

Dedication of the sanctuary lamp each week to honor or recognize the living or deceased. Offering \$25 and proceeds help defray the cost of candles.

The Sunday Holy Gospel

“At that time: There was a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.” And so on. - John 4:46-53

Homily by Pope St. Gregory the Great.

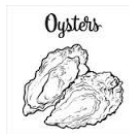
My brethren, the passage from the Holy Gospel, which ye have just now heard, standeth in need of no explanation. But lest I should seem to pass the same by in idle silence, I will say somewhat thereon, but that rather by way of exhortation than of explanation. Indeed, there seemeth to me to be but one point which calleth for explanation, and that point is this: Wherefore was it that when the nobleman went unto the Lord, and besought Him that He would come down and heal his son, Jesus said unto him, “Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.” The very fact that he had come to beseech Christ to heal his son, putteth it beyond all doubt that this nobleman believed; if he had not believed Him to be a Saviour, he would not have asked Him to save his son. Wherefore then said Jesus unto him: “Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe,” since he was one who had not seen, and yet had believed?

Celibacy for the Sake of the Kingdom

“Amen, I say to you, there is no one who has given up house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or lands for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now in this present age: ...and eternal life in the age to come.” - Mark 10:17 ff

“All the ordained ministers of the Latin Church, with the exception of permanent deacons, are normally chosen from among men of faith who live a celibate life and who intend to remain *celibate* “for the sake of the kingdom of heaven.”⁷⁰ Called to consecrate themselves with undivided heart to the Lord and to “the affairs of the Lord,”⁷¹ they give themselves entirely to God and to men. Celibacy is a sign of this new life to the service of which the Church’s minister is consecrated; accepted with a joyous heart celibacy radiantly proclaims the Reign of God.”⁷² (CCC 1579)

Mark your calendar and join us for Oysterfest on November 6



Please plan to join us for our Fall fundraiser on the first Saturday of November from 12-3 pm. Invite friends and family. We will need help at the raw bar and assistance with cole slaw and apple sauce portions. Let Father Cusick or Mark Long know if you are available to volunteer. Total raised: \$278.00

Stewardship

All gifts designated for maintenance will be assessment free for three years.

Fest Oysters: \$760.00
Savings deposit (church floor, hall) +\$9,075.00*
Maintenance Balance: +\$7,594.00*

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

**Ceiling, plaster, painting,
Chandeliers, floor and tung oil total
raised:**

\$260,232.05*

Amount deposited to savings:

\$182,180.00*

**Total amount remitted to John
Tiedemann, Inc.**

\$245, 999.98

*Thank you for your generous
support!*

**Amounts updated weekly*

Pray for our ill, hospitalized, those undergoing medical care and homebound: Irving Chappellear, Dorothy Hume, Frances Ricco, Ray Stublarec, Neal Sullivan, Miles and Elizabeth Torreyson, Eleanor Vaughn, Daniel Rodriguez, Paul Custer

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 in our lives through the Church. Those parents who wish to augment home school with parish faith formation are asked to contact the parish office.

Families must be attending Sunday Mass throughout the year before children can receive first sacraments.

Holy Sweepers for the weeks of October 10 and 17

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. 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:

- Oysterfest, Saturday, November 6 from 12-3 pm
- ProLife prayers every second Saturday of the month, 10-11 am, at Waldorf Planned Parenthood - 3975 St. Charles Parkway, Gateway Plaza, 20602
- **October 24: Second Collection for World Mission Sunday**

Mass Schedule and Intentions this Week

Sunday	10 Oct	9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Twenty-eighth Sunday
		11:00 am	†Anna Mareschi	Dominica XX post Pentecosten
		5:30 pm	†William Richard Benjamin	
Monday	11 Oct	9:00 am	†Baby Ponton	The Divine Maternity of Our Lady
Tuesday	12 Oct	**	Ponton Family	
Wednesday	13 Oct	6:00 pm	<i>Transfer of Eucharist/Confessions</i>	
		6:30 pm	Mass/Expositon: †Liz Marcus	S Edward Conf. (Votive SS Sacram.)
Thursday	14 Oct	9:00 am	Universal Church	S Callistus (Votive for Peace)
Friday	15 Oct	9:00 am	Benefactors & Parishioners	S Teresa of Jesus (Votive SSMM)
Saturday	16 Oct	9:00 am	†Requiem Lawrence Odom	S Hedwig
Sunday	17 Oct	8:00 am	†Barbara M Perusse	Dominica XXI post Pentecosten
		9:00 am*	<i>Pro pópulo</i>	Twenty-ninth Sunday
		11:00 am	Anonymous Benefactor	

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

Parish Council President: Mr. Sid Marcus

Physical Plant/Maintenance: Mr. Jamie Scarlata

dennishaspert@yahoo.com

braun.cait@gmail.com

rockyphoenix13@gmail.com

sjkrautle@gmail.com

markboat55@yahoo.com

somarcus1@verizon.net

1619surfer@gmail.com

Mass and Sacrament Schedule

Traditional Latin Mass: Sundays 8 am & 11:00 am

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.