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Saint Joseph Church

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD "Since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my people Israel." - Mt 2:6b

St. Joseph Church

PARISH and COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dear Parishioners,

Happy New Year! Like all of you I am expecting great things in 2022. I want to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your kindness and generosity. Thank you for supporting our parish as faithfully as you do through your time, talent, and treasure. We wouldn't be here without you. Thank

FROM TH PASTOR'S DESK

you also to those who decorated the church and to those who set up our living nativity for Christmas. I am personally grateful for the many gifts and prayers you gave me this Christmas. I am blessed to be the pastor of St. Joseph Church. Please know I remember all of you and your intentions at all my Masses. May God continue to bless us all in this new year.

Fr. Harry Stokes

FOR FULLY VACCINATED ONLY...



April 22 - May 2, 2022 \$3.999



*** Land Tour & Cruise ***

Athens - Corinth - Thessaloniki - Philippi Meteora - Kalambaka - Ephesus Mykonos - Patmos - Crete - Santorini

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For more information Contact Margaret Young at my728@aol.com



Parishioner Needs a Ride to Sunday Mass Still Looking for Help... Please call the office if you can help.

Thank you!

Three to Get Married **Marriage Preparation Program**

Three to Get Married Marriage Prep - JAN 20-23, 2022

The Three to Get Married Marriage Preparation Program is a Catholic Pre-Cana program for seriously dating and engaged couples. This marriage preparation course is an intensive preparation experience true to the teachings of the Catholic Church. Convenient one-weekend schedule. FOCCUS administration is included. \$315 per couple. Space will be limited and these weekends fill up quickly, so reserve your spot today! Find more information on the website ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/marriage/marriage-prep. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, Bethesda, MD.



Angel's Watch Giving Tree

Thank you for your generous support of this annual Christmas program.

Maurice J. McDonough Council #12128



4590 St. Joseph Way, Pomfret, MD 20675 **301-539-3903** (office) | **301-539-3912** (fax) Office hours: M-F, 9am-4pm stjoepomfret.weconnect.com

MASS SCHEDULE Saturday 4:00pm Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am M-Th 9:00am Communion Service Friday 9:00am Holy Days See website

CONFESSION SCHEDULE Saturday 3:00-3:45pm in the Vestry

Pastor Reverend Harry Stokes stjoepastor@comcast.net

Permanent Deacon Deacon Johnny Barnes

Permanent Deacon Deacon Jim Tittinger jim.tittinger@comcast.net

Religious Education/ Youth Ministry Coordinator Ali Rak stjoeformation@comcast.net

Bookkeeper Marla Chicwak stjoebookkeeper@comcast.net Parish Secretary Beth DeLabar stioeoffice@comcast.net

Administrative Assistant Annie Brewer stjoepa@comcast.net

Director of Music Andrew Blumhardt stjoemusic@comcast.net

Property Caretaker André Martin

POMFRET, MD

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PARISH INFORMATION



The Knights are Cooking Breakfast!!! on Sunday, January 9, 2022 serving after the 9:00am Mass

Enjoy some scrambled eggs with sausage and pancakes and more. Come and bring a friend! *No charge. Donations appreciated.*



THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 12128 OF ST JOSEPH'S PARISH ARE LOOKING FOR FINE CATHOLIC GENTLEMEN TO JOIN THEIR COUNCIL. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED OR HAVE QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT:

> RICARDO NAVARRO, FS 4655 BRIERWOOD ROAD LA PLATA, MD 20646-5613 <u>RICGEO@VERIZON.NET</u> 301.643.6626

Mass Intentions & Parish Activities This Week

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2 9:00am Mass Larry & Louise Swann & Theresa Swann † 10:00am PC Choir Practice	3 9:00am Mass Charles Coe † 9:30am AC Monday's Word	4 9:00am Mass Jacquelyn Campbell † 9:30am CH Prayer Group	5 9:00am Mass William Coughlon †	6 9:00am Mass William Benjamin†	7 9:00am Communion Service & Adoration	8 7:30am AC(BH) Men's Group
11:00am Mass For the Parish				Parish Office Closed Today		
	6:00pm AC				6:00pm CH	4:00pm Mass For the Parish
7:45pm AC Narcotics Anonymous	CCD 7:30pm AC/Zoom RCIA	7:30pm PC KoC meeting 8:00pm AC AA Online and In-Person Al Anon In-Person			Confirmation Rehearsal	Sunday January 9, 2022 9:00am Mass Allen B. Painter † 11:00am Mass Harolly Coombs †

Key: AC = Activity Center; CH = Church; PC = Parish Center; PO = Parish Office; PG=Parish Grounds

PARISH INFORMATION

COLLECTION REPORT

The Archdiocese assesses our offertory collections (unmarked donations from the collection basket and offertory envelopes) by 20%. This rule does not apply to donations marked "gift", "donation", "parish only" or similar instruction.

December 18/19 Offertory & gifts (in-pew) Online offertory & gifts	
Total	\$7,962.00
Amount needed to cover parish weekly budget	\$8,503.84

Poor Box.....\$240.06

Thank you for your generosity.



Celebrant(s)Communion
MinistersLector4:00pm
Fr. PresuttiTBDMeegan Lyles9:00am
Fr. PresuttiTBDJoe Labrie

PRIVILEGED TO SERVE Ministries at St. Joseph's -- January 8/9

> Church Cleaners - January 8 Galindo Family

TBD

<u>Altar Guild – January 8</u> TBD

Do you have a broken rosary?

Parishioner Diane Kenney has graciously offered to repair our broken rosaries free of charge! Simply put your rosary in a plastic bag along with your name and phone number, and place it in the basket in the vestibule. Diane will call you when your rosary has been repaired.



OUR PARISH

11:00am

Fr. Presutti

St. Joseph's - Pomfret

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, Pomfret

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am - 4pm

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

We welcome new families and individuals to our parish. Please register as soon as possible. **Benefits of membership are extended to those who have been registered for at least six months and who are actively participating in parish life and are known to the pastor.** Registration Forms are available in the back of the church, the parish office or download from the website. Forms can be returned through the collection basket, the mail or to the parish office. Please note that once children leave the household they should register on their own.

PARISH COUNCIL

Vanessa Aportadera, Betsy Chalifoux, Deborah Dudley, Kimberly Floehr, Mary Beth Gawthrop, Seth Rak

FINANCE COUNCIL

Harry Shasho (Chairman), Bob Dinneen, Matthew Neiman, Pamela Young

SECURITY COUNCIL

Ray Aportadera (Chairman), Bruce Gentile, Edward Holland

BAPTISM—Parents desiring Baptism for their child should register at tinyurl.com/stjoebaptism. Our DRE will then contact you for class requirements and scheduling. Classes meet monthly with a few exceptions. Parents requesting baptism should be registered for at least six (6) months and be regularly attending Mass.

MARRIAGE—Couples must make arrangements with the pastor at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date. No date can be guaranteed before meeting with the pastor.

PARISH CENTER—Please contact the parish office for rental information.

PARISH CEMETERY—Please call Catholic Cemeteries at 301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION—We welcome non-Catholics who are interested in joining the Catholic Church or in learning more about the Catholic faith, as well as Catholics who have not received First Holy Communion or Confirmation. Classes take place on Sunday at 11:30a.m. Please contact the parish office for more information.

NEW PARISHIONERS—Welcome to our parish community! Please obtain a registration form in the back of the church or contact the parish office. Please also notify the parish office if you change your address or move from the parish.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK—Please call the parish office to inform us of anyone who is hospitalized or confined at home and would like to receive a visit, Communion and/or anointing.

January 2, 2022

Charles Johnson

VOCATION CORNER

Please pray...

...an Our Father and a Hail Mary for the worthy priests who serve our Archdiocese and the Seminarians in the various stages of their formation.





SHORT-TERM: Patty Sestina, John Dries, Rhiyana MacNaughton, Heather MacNaughton, Billy Vogelson III, Ann Martin, James Hilton Proctor, Ada Johnson, James Berry, Anna Leigh Salazar, Stephenie Ratty, Andy Robey, Francesca Franch, Maureen Mudd, Mary Rigney, Kathy Gurka, Tess Franch, Bill Transue, Mary Beck, Joann Proctor, Steven Anderson, Mary Ida Stephens, Joe Buckler, Denise Edelen, Anna Ullman Bealle, Cathleene Anderson, Katie Moore, Felicia D'Haiti, Betty Scott, Virginia Kragh, Chris Ware, Clifton Dawes, Tim Christian, Sharron Winkler

UPDATING OUR PRAYER LIST: Names will remain on our shortterm list for 3 months. Call the parish office to re-request a name after 3 months or to remove a name when the person has regained health.

CONTINUING: Johnny Abell, Tony Anderson, Steve Bautista, William Briggs, Joyce & Charles Clements, Cathy Compton, James Russell Cooper, Therese Curry, Fr. Isidore Dixon, Diane Dries, Edward Gawthrop, Theresa & Walter Glovan, Bill Goodwin, James Green, Zvnae Green, Peggy Gregory, Marcia Hildreth, Harold Huntt, Brenda J. Jenkins, Joan Johnson, Mark Kleinsorge, Christopher Lee, Sam Lombardi, Colleen Long, Alice McGriff, Laura Meffley, Chris Moorhouse, Martin Muschette, Sr., Kim Owens, William Patton, Jr., Tammy Payne, Evalyn Phelps, Theresa Pickeral, Fr. Pittman, Derrick Proctor, April Sheffield, Dolores Steinhilber, John Sutay, Andrea Trevino, Michael Vernon, Kimberly J. Walker, Regina Weist, Thomas Wellons, Wilhelmenia Winston

OUR ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY:

Air Force: SSgt Karmyn A. Dyson III, TSgt Sam Martinez, Jr., E4 Justin Phelps, SSgt Marco D. Proctor, MSgt Ronald Panciera, III, SSgt Danielle Panciera. Army: Staff Sgt Brandon Robey Wilson, Sgt Ryan King, Sgt John Williams, CPT Kevin Burns, MAJ Jonathan Swan Navy: E4 Zachary D. Proctor, Patrick Ryan, Mark Cahill, LT David M. Phelps, Ethan F. Aris **USMC:** LCpl Marshall Teletchea, GySgt Lance Transue



