

Saint Joseph Church



4th Sunday

IN ORDINARY TIME

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away. - Lk 4:28, 30

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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

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Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Feast of the Presentation

Procession and Blessing of Candles at 6:30pm Mass

BRING candles to be blessed - see inside for more info

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

Feast of the Presentation

Join us for the Feast of the Presentation

Once again this year, we will hold a Mass on the Feast of the Presentation (**Wednesday, February 2nd at 6:30pm**) also known as Candlemas. This Feast used to mark the end of the Christmas season, but the blessing of candles has been retained as an important part of this day. Last year, we pre-ordered candles and had families reserve them, however this year we are asking you to purchase and bring your own. Candles must be *no less* than 51% pure beeswax (100% beeswax is **most** preferred). Candles must be free of perfumes or scents and dyes.

A couple of sources for 100% beeswax candles:

Local source, Zekiah Farms: <https://zekiahfarms3.com/shop/ols/products/h-beewax-candles>

Non-local, shipping option: <https://beeswaxco.com/product/standard-votive-beeswax-candles/>

Religious Order from which we ordered last year, Nativity Candles: http://www.nativitycandles.com/nc_cart/agora.cgi?cart_id=9375241.45544*N489K3&xm=on&product=Candles

There will be a blessing and procession before Mass. Mass will last about 30 minutes. All are welcome, whether having candles blessed or not!



Attention St. Joseph Parishioners,
Please prayerfully consider serving your parish as a volunteer in one of the following lay ministries: Arimathean, Bereavement, RCIA, Youth Ministry, CCD, Weekday Lector, Carpool Member (Weekend Masses).
Call the Parish Office to volunteer. *Thank you!*

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GREECE & EPHEBUS

POSTPONED TO 2024

*** Land Tour & Cruise ***



Fr. Ray Schmidt
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Substitute Teachers Needed at ANS

Archbishop Neale School is in need of substitute teachers. If you are interested, please contact the school office at 301-934-9595 for more information.

Any applicant must be in full compliance with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington's Child Protection Policy.



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

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PARISH INFORMATION



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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:

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Join us for "blessing of throats" at the 9am Mass on Thursday, February 3.

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Mass Intentions & Parish Activities This Week

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 9:00am Mass Phil Riedel, Sr. † 10:15am PC Choir Practice 11:00am Mass Jason Corby †  Begins today 7:45pm AC Narcotics Anonymous	31 9:00am Mass William Benjamin † 9:30am AC Monday's Word 6:00pm AC CCD 7:30pm AC/Zoom RCIA	1 9:00am Mass Judy Bednar † 9:30am CH Prayer Group 4:30pm Virtual Baptism Prep 7:30pm PC  KoC meeting 8:00pm AC AA Online and In-Person Al Anon In-Person	2 9:00am Mass No Mass this morning. <div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 10px; text-align: center;"> PARISH OFFICE CLOSED </div>  6:30pm Mass "Candlemas" Walter L. Zarger † 6:30pm AC 1st Rec/1st Comm Prep	3 9:00am Mass Charles Coe † 	4 9:00am Communion Service & Adoration 	5 7:30am AC(BH) Men's Group 4:00pm Mass Patricia Flaherty † Jackie Palmer † <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> Sunday February 6, 2022 9:00am Mass For the Parish 11:00am Mass William Coughlon † </div>

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

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.

January 22/23 Offertory & gifts (in-pew).....\$3,568.69
 Online offertory & gifts.....\$2,595.50
 Total.....**\$6,164.19**
 Amount needed to cover parish weekly budget.....\$8,503.84

Poor Box.....\$69.80

Thank you for your generosity.

Second Collection This Weekend

The second collection is for Catholic Schools Week. This year’s theme is

Catholic Schools: Faith, Excellence, Service.

Please give generously.

**PRIVILEGED TO SERVE
 Ministries at St. Joseph’s -- February 5/6**

Celebrant(s)	Communion Ministers	Lector
4:00pm Fr. Stokes	Deacon Barnes	Meegan Lyles
9:00am Fr. Stokes	Chris Young	Joe Labrie
11:00am Fr. Stokes	Deacon Jim	Charles Johnson

Church Cleaners - February 5

Norma Haner, Thea Palma, Alexandra Dudley, Cruz Moore

Altar Guild – February 5

Juanita Barnes and Penny Hart

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

St. Joseph’s - Pomfret

@ # stjoepomfret

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

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Harry Shasho (Chairman), Bob Dinneen,
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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.

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QUO VADIS SHADOW DAY (JUNIORS AND SENIORS) FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11 SAINT JP II SEMINARY

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OF PRIEST FORMATION, 202-636-9020.



SHORT-TERM: John Dries, Rhiyana MacNaughton, Heather MacNaughton, Billy Vogelsson 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 short-term 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, Diane Dries, Edward Gawthrop, Theresa & Walter Glovan, James Green, Zynae 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., E5 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

RECENTLY DECEASED: Robert Cutright
Wallace McNeal

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