

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph
December 26, 2021



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Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday 8:30 am, 11:00 am

Monday 8:00 am

Wednesday 8:00 am

Thursday 8:00 am

Friday 8:00 am

1st Saturday 8:00 am

Eucharistic Holy Hour

Friday after 8:00 am Mass (Virtual/In-Person)

Sacraments

Confession, *Saturday 8:30-10:00 am*

Baptisms, *by appointment.*

Marriages, *contact Pastor at least
6 months in advance.*

Welcome New Parishioners!

Registration forms are on our parish website

Bulletin articles

Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date.

Sun Jan 2 submissions due by Mon Dec 20 (early)

Sun Jan 9 submissions due by Fri Dec 31

Denise Young: bulletin@stjosephbeltsville.org



Not finding [Jesus], they returned to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. — Lk. 2:43-47

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- Sunday (12/26) 8:30am Feast of the Holy Family**
[Fr Johnson]; Pro Populo
- Sunday (12/26) 11:00am** [Fr MacFarlane];
+Diane Loy (Bill & Susan Zell)
- Monday (12/27) 8:00am** [Fr Johnson];
Rebecca Hunter (living) (Frank & Susan Hunter)
- Wednesday (12/29) 8:00am** [Fr Johnson];
+Jessica Clark (Pete Johnson)
- Thursday (12/30) 8:00am** [Fr Johnson];
Rebecca Hunter (living) (Frank & Susan Hunter)
- Friday (12/31) 8:00am** [Fr Johnson];
+Angel Florenosos (Marie Lynn Penegunda)
- Saturday (1/1) 8:00am First Saturday & Solemnity of Mary**
(not holy day of obligation) [Fr Johnson];
+Robert Nordling (Dee DeHaven & Denise Young)
- Saturday (1/1) 5:00pm Vigil** [Fr Binoj];
+Lisa Mossi (The Bagnall Family)
- Sunday (1/2) 8:30am Epiphany of the Lord** [TBD];
Pro Populo
- Sunday (1/2) 11:00am** [TBD];
+Robert O'Brien (Paul and Dorothy Herda)

To request a Mass for your friends and family please come by the parish office during office hours (Tuesday - Friday, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm) or send your request by mail. When sending a request, please mail to St. Joseph Church, 11007 Montgomery Rd, Beltsville, MD 20705 and include:

- Your Name, Phone Number, and e-mail
- The name of the person you would like the Mass offered for (please notate if they are **living** or **deceased**)
- If you'd like the first available Mass, or Mass offered on a particular date (*the Mass intention book fills up quickly*)
- Mass stipend (suggested donation is \$10)
- The address where you would like the Mass card mailed

We will contact you to confirm your request. Thank you!

All Masses listed take place in the church, and all are livestreamed on Zoom except for First Saturdays at 8:00am. Presider listed for each Mass subject to change with notice.

Holy Father's Intentions for December

Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Prayers for healing,

Please pray for the special needs of our Parish Community, for those listed here, and for requests listed in the Parish Book of Prayer.

- Karen Allen*
- Barbara Alderman*
- Sue Young*
- Tom Schilke*
- Ellie Sines*
- Carolyn Lank*
- Eileen Sullivan*
- Gary Gebauer*

To have someone included in this list, please email the bulletin editor at bulletin@stjosephbeltsville.org.

Names are listed for four weeks, unless otherwise informed.

Prayers for our beloved dead,

- Robert Nordling*
(son of Bob Nordling)
- Beverly Gebauer*
- John Condon, Jr.*
- Fr John A Carroll*
- Marc Barron*
- Alice Gould*



*Give them light, O Lord,
that they may go safely into Eternal Life.*



Mary's Room

is open for prayer
1/2 hour before/after Mass.
Maximum capacity is 6 persons at a time.

Many Thanks

to all who contributed to the Christmas Flower Fund in memory of their loved ones, which helped to beautify our sanctuary as we celebrated the birth of our Savior.

Blessing of the Bambinelli

It was great to see so many families bringing up the baby Jesus from their nativities, for our first annual Blessing of the Bambinelli here at St. Joseph's. This beautiful tradition started with Pope St. John Paul II each year on the 3rd Sunday of Advent in St. Peter's Square. Bambinelli is Italian, the plural of bambinello, which means little baby.



With a Father's Heart



Dear Parish Family,

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. This feast reminds us that family life is rooted in the unconditional love of God as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This love of God was made visible to us by the Holy Family. We look to the Holy Family as model for our own families.

Pope St. Paul VI (1897-1978) gave us some concrete ways that we can look to the Holy Family as model. First, the Holy Family teaches us the value of silence; how to meditate in peace and quiet and ponder those spiritual realities that lift our minds and hearts to God. Second, we learn about the love of a family and how it should be centered in Christ. And finally, the Pope taught that the Holy Family teaches about the dignity of work. St. Joseph teaches us how give glory to God in our work. These are wonderful lessons that we can take into our own families.

This weekend, we are invited to return to Nazareth and spend some time with the Holy Family. I encourage you to consecrate your families to the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Below is a beautiful prayer that you can say at home together with your family.

Consecration Prayer to the Holy Family

Lord Jesus, Your hidden years with Your Blessed Mother and St. Joseph showed us the beauty of the community of life and love that the family is meant to be. You taught us the value of selfless love, humble obedience, and silent sacrifice. You showed us how to sanctify the daily give-and-take of family life.

Today, we the members of ... family publicly acknowledge You as the true Head of our family and the King of our home. We pledge ourselves to model our family after the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph of Nazareth.

We consecrate to You, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Your Mother, in union with the Most Chaste Heart of St. Joseph, our family, our work, our play, our sorrows, and our joys, along with our interior and exterior possessions, including the value of our good actions—past, present, and future. This is the covenant we make with You, Lord.

Jesus, King of Families, King of our Church, come reign over us! Mary Queen of Families, Queen of our Church, take possession of our hearts! St. Joseph, Protector of Families, Patron of our Church, help us to be absorbed in and reflect the love of the Holy Family! Amen.

Faithfully in Christ,
Father Rob

FORMED

PICK OF THE WEEK

December 26, 2021

WATCH

FORGIVEN—SESSION 1: WHERE ARE YOU?

As we make resolutions for 2021, don't forget about your spiritual well-being! Through our Forgiven series, you can help guide friends and family to new spiritual beginnings!



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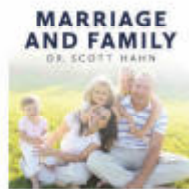
This past week, we celebrated the life of St. Stephen, heroic leader of the early Church. Join Dr. Gray and Dr. Barber as they discuss the first Christian martyr.

LEARN

LISTEN

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY: LOVE UNVEILED BY DR. SCOTT HAHN

The feast of the Holy Family reminds us to help our own families grow in holiness. With this in mind, join Scott Hahn as he shares his advice on how to bring sanctity into the home.



Our parish has a FORMED subscription. To set up your free account visit formed.org/signup and select our parish.

Stewardship

	December 5	November
Offertory	\$ 7,386.00	\$ 39,293.00
Budget		\$ 35,000.00
Difference		\$ 4,293.00
Debt Reduction	\$ 5,128.00	\$ 7,538.00
Mortgage (payment 15 of 60)		\$ 11,225.00
Difference		\$ -3,687.00

We depend on your generosity each week to pay our bills and keep our parish alive and thriving. You can also give to the parish through our online giving portal (one time or recurring payments accepted), which is found on the parish webpage under the 'Give' tab: stjosephbeltsville.org/give

Social Concerns

Much Needed Items for our Pantry:

Pasta/pasta sauce	dry beans/canned beans	
Pancake mix/syrup	Cereal	Oatmeal
Ketchup	Mustard	rice
canned veggies	canned fruit	Tuna
Snack items for kids	Juice (non drink boxes preferred)	
canned meats (chicken/spam/chili)		

We appreciate and accept any donations of food that are both unopened and unexpired, as well as gift cards to Aldi, Costco, Giant and Dollar Tree, and online donations through our site www.stjosephbeltville.org/give; then click Monetary Donation; and choose Food Pantry as the fund.

Thank you for your continuous generosity. If you have any questions please contact me at kaylamariebohorfoush@gmail.com

Catholic Charities Legal Network Seeking Volunteer Lawyers

Catholic Charities Legal Network counsels and provides legal representation to low- income and poor residents throughout the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. and relies heavily on volunteer lawyers to fulfill its mission. If you are a lawyer in active status who wants to make a real difference in the lives of families and individuals struggling in our community, please reach out to Dan Collopy at (301) 615-0949 or daniel.collopy@cc-dc.org to discuss how you can help. The Legal Network handles most civil practice areas and criminal expungements.

For Single Catholics

22nd Annual Epiphany Party at
St Raphael Church,
1513 Dunster Road, Rockville, MD 20854; Saturday
January 8 starting at 7pm.
Includes Ledo's lasagna dinner, salsa dance lessons,
complementary wine and beer, DJ, and more!
Send \$21 check donation by Dec 28 to
SCS Epiphany Party,
St Raphael, 1590 Kimblewick Rd., Rockville, MD 20854,
or \$23 by credit card at
<http://www.paypal.com/biz/fund?id=AJLD5F4VY43NE>;
\$27 cash, card or check at the door.
For more info, call 240-426-5589

Rosary Makers has begun in-person monthly meetings every first Monday of the month after the 8am mass from 8:30am - 9:30am at the Cry Room. Everyone who is interested to participate and become a Rosary Maker is welcome.



Religious goods cart - Looking for someone who can run the religious goods cart. If interested email Johanna Stefanelli at johannastefanelli@gmail.com or call or text 301-448-6884.

For donations to our **Clothing Ministry** please contact the ministry coordinator, Karen Konar at konars@hotmail.com. Please do not leave items anywhere on the church property, including outside of the Clothing House.

Synod is a greek word (synodos) meaning a meeting or assembly. The two Greek words that make up synod are syn meaning together and hodos meaning way or journey. The entire Catholic Church is called to participate in the upcoming Synod of Bishops! In preparation for the international Synod of Bishops in 2023, Pope Francis wants your input on the topic of "For a Synodal Church, Communion, Participation, and Mission." You are invited to join Fr. Rob for a parish listening session on January 15. More details to follow.



Men's Prayer & Breakfasts with Father Rob

Are you searching for something more out of life?



Saturday, January 8, 7:00 am at St. Joseph Church
Next talk will be given by Fr. John Barry,
Pastor of Resurrection Church in Burtonsville - topic TBA.

All men are invited to come to the School Multipurpose Room for breakfast after the Holy Half Hour.
Please RSVP to Fr. Rob: pastor@stjosephbeltville.org

Please see the flier on Flocknotes for details and all of our 2021-22 meeting dates.



Faith Formation

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2022 Confirmation Rite of Enrollment

The 2022 Confirmation Rite of Enrollment was held with the Confirmation Candidates and their parents on December 4th at the 5:00 pm Mass. The Rite of Enrollment ceremony marks the beginning of a "journey of faith" for youth and their parents, who are in the sacramental formation process. It is a sign to the larger community that all of us have a role in the formation of anyone in the parish. Likewise, it shows youth and their families that they are part of the larger faith community. The members of the parish community provide prayer and support which is needed for the children, their families, and their religion teachers and catechists throughout the formation period. Parishioners are invited to pick-up a 2022 Confirmation prayer card from the basket in the vestibule area of the church.



Ask Fr. Rob

We encourage kids from the parish (School and Religious Education Program) in grades PreK-12, to submit a question for Fr. Rob to answer. Student questions should be sent to reled@stjosephbeltsville.org. Fr. Rob will answer one question each week.



Question: Faith, 3rd Grade:

Were you ever in the children's Christmas Pageant, if so, what were you? Or what would you want to be?

Answer From Fr Rob: I can't recall ever being in a children's Christmas Pageant but if I could, I would want to be St. Joseph because I have so much devotion to him.

Papal Prayer for Catechists: Pope Francis has designated his monthly prayer intention for December 2021 for catechists. You can find a short video message [HERE](#) (online bulletin). I encourage you to join the Church around the world in praying for catechists. Be assured that we are offering the Holy Father's daily intention on behalf of each of the catechists at St. Joseph Parish: Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.



All women are invited to participate in a 9 week Bible Study group, starting Mon, Jan 3rd, 7:00pm on Zoom.

We will be using a nine week workbook: **Beholding Your King**, studying Christ as revealed and prophesied in the Old Testament Click or type this link to order:

<https://shop.walkingwithpurpose.com/collections/study-guides/products/beholding-your-king-study-guide>

For inquiries or to register contact Sarah Garcia
music@stjosephbeltsville.org



† School News

Become part of the St. Joseph's Regional Catholic School community!

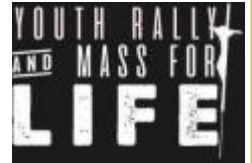
Merry Christmas from the faculty and staff of St. Joseph Regional Catholic School!

Jesus is the Reason for the Season!



The Youth Rally and Mass for Life is scheduled for January 21, 2022.

This year's event will be virtual, live-streamed on our YouTube channel from the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in downtown Washington. Limited seating for the in-person event will be available to local students. Please check back for details, or contact youthrally@adw.org for more information.



The Youth Rally and Mass for Life occurs each year in conjunction with the annual National March for Life held on (or near) the anniversary of the 1973 Roe v. Wade court decision making abortion legal in this country.

The Rally strives to encourage the youth participating in the national March for Life in their witness as disciples of Christ and promoters of the Gospel of Life. It is the largest annual archdiocesan event, which in many ways has grown to become a national (even international) event with pilgrims traveling from as far away as the US Virgin Islands and Australia.

Join us in prayer that as a nation, we may stop wandering in the wilderness of the culture of death and may enter into "life in abundance" (Jn 10:10) through our faith in Jesus Christ and our proclamation of the Gospel of Life!

As the Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the



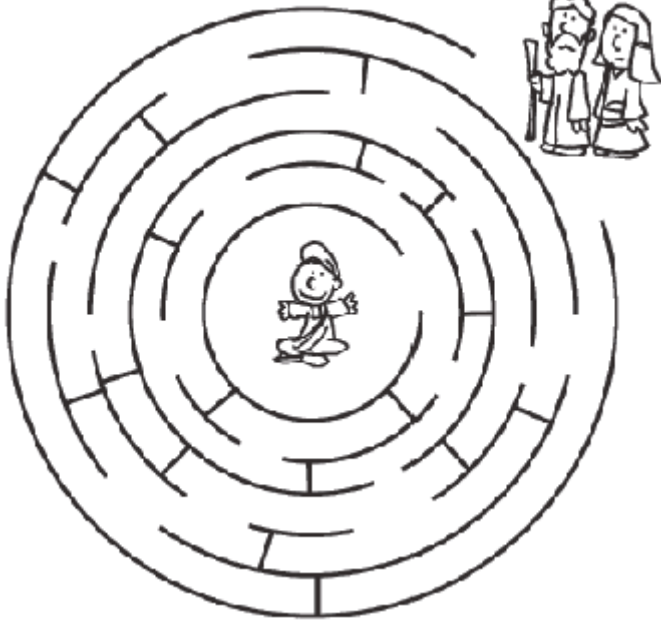
Archdiocese of Washington is sponsored a retreat for survivors. The Archdiocese will offer a women's retreat on February 18-20, 2022, for women who has been abused in any way by anyone. This retreat is an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

For more information go to <https://adw.org/the-way-retreat/>.

To register, email mcdonald@adw.org or call Deborah McDonald at 301-853-4466.

PUZZLE

Help Mary and Joseph find Jesus.



GROWING

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COLOR

Read the Gospel of the week and color the image.



Holy Family • Luke 2:41-52



GOSPEL

When Jesus traveled to Jerusalem as a 12-year-old young man, he felt completely at home in the Temple. He enjoyed talking to the teachers about his Father in heaven. His questions and his answers showed how much he loved God.

PRAYER

Dear God, help me to feel at home in my church like Jesus did.

MISSION

Help visitors to your church feel welcomed. As a family or as a class, make cards for visitors, asking them to come back.

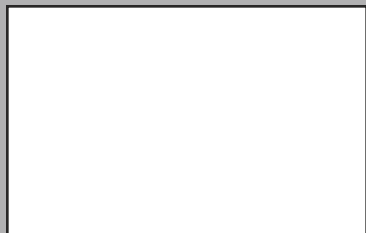
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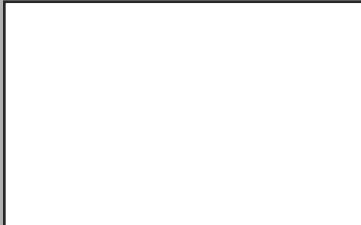
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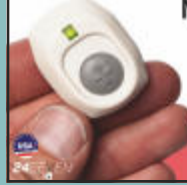
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