

This Week in our Parish

Sunday, July 23

Monday, July 24 – the rectory office will close early today Tuesday, July 25

Wednesday, July 26 Thursday, July 27 Friday, July 28

Saturday, July 29 Mass 5:30 pm

Server: S. Lucas

Lector: E. Andretta and E. Cronan EMoHC: E. Marks, B. Heinisch, K. Pereira

Sunday, July 30 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:30 am Mass

Server: J. Drew

Lector: M. Kelsey and D. Dooher

EMoHC: J. Drew, D. Hogan, D. Poole-Marks, K. Elsasser, M.

Granger, and S. Powell

10:30 am Mass

Server: S. Williams

Lector: J. Dean and S. Koons

EMoHC: S. Williams, K. Johnston, J. Jean-Pierre, B. Wagner

and L. Javarone

Coffee Hour: Ross and Fonseca

Noon Mass:

Server: F. D'Antuono and H. Soderman Lector: M. Meier and J. vonKanel EMoHC: F. D'Antuono and J. Blassingame

The schedule can always be found on our website: www.st-josephs.org

Opportunities for Service

McKenna's Wagon: Contact Dn. Gary Bockweg at (202) 544-3767 with inquiries or to sign up for a Sunday afternoon shift.

Project Rachel: Are you or someone you love suffering from a past abortion? Call Project Rachel for confidential help at (202) 269-HOPE ProjectRachel@adw.org

Knights of Columbus: For information please contact Patrick Abbott, patrick.abbott@gmail.com 202-355-3979

Vocations - CHECK IT OUT: For you or a friend! For everyone! Become a promoter! Answer the call! Visit www.dcpriest.org, call (202) 636-9020, or email jp2seminary@adw.org

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

Recently, a generous donor gave us rose bushes to beautify our property. Not only that, he sent a landscaping crew to plant the bushes and clean up our beds. I think you will agree they look wonderful. I'm thinking about hiring that company to come in several times a year in order to keep things looking neat.

This is an added expense to the parish, but I really think that an attractive campus is an EVANGELICAL TOOL. When people see beauty, they stop and reflect. They are naturally drawn to something that gives them a sense of peace. Washington is a fast-paced place and many people don't notice anything not directly tied to work; a pity for them.

St. Paul writing to the Philippians said, "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things(4:8). I pray that people will see the love we have for our church and grounds and will think about joining our parish.

Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Gurnee



Parish Announcements

Our team, St. Joseph's Joggers, is participating in SOME's Thanksgiving Day Trot for Hunger on November 24th. SOME's Trot for Hunger is a 5K run and

family walk held on Thanksgiving Day to benefit the homeless and poor in Washington, DC. The Trot provides essential support for SOME's programs for the poor and homeless and helps ensure that hungry District residents have a hot meal on Thanksgiving Day and every other day of the year. You can help our team support people in need by making a tax-deductible contribution in our team's name or by registering to participate in this year's Trot for Hunger. Your support makes a world of difference in the life of a child or adult in need. Sign up

at www.some.org. Early bird pricing goes until

July 31, 2017. Contact Suzanne Fenzel at 202-236-9200 or smfenzel@hotmail.com for more information.

Looking to meet people in their 20s and 30s living a vibrant Catholic life? It doesn't matter if you're new to the city or have been here for years, the Young Adult Ministry is happy to host you! Every month we offer Adoration, brunch after Sunday Mass, and service projects around the city. We also have frequent social events, faith formation series, sporting events, and other social events. For more info, email Andrew at yam.stjoseph@gmail.com.

Please pray for the sick in our parish, especially: Howard Brown, Msgr. Paul Langsfeld, Joe Reed and Donna Wilkes.



Archdiocese Announcements

All Young Adults are invited to our Theology on Tap series "Vacation Bible School" at Buffalo Billiards in Dupont Circle on

Tuesday evenings from July 11-August 1. We've upgraded from bible school crafts to craft beers as we question and explore how God's Word makes a difference in our daily lives. Bring your friends and meet other YA Catholics for Happy Hour specials from 6-7pm with a talk and Q/A to follow from 7-8pm. #totdc Learn more: https://www.facebook.com/DCCatholic/events/

Capitol Hill Group Ministry is hosting Sip and Savor – a celebration of local craft beer, food and music in support of our homeless neighbors. Join us for unlimited food samples and beer tastings from many of the Capitol Hill area's best restaurants and breweries. Enjoy music performed by local artists as you bid on great silent auction prizes. All proceeds support GHGM's services to our homeless and at risk neighbors. See you there on Saturday, September 23rd from 7-10pm at Eastern Market's North Hall.

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week - The theme for Natural Family Planning (NFP) Awareness Week, July 23-29, is "It's time! Say 'Yes' to God's plan for married love!" NFP Awareness Week is a national educational campaign of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops to celebrate God's vision for marriage and promote the methods of NFP. These methods reflect the dignity of the human person within the context of marriage and family life, promoting openness to life and the gift of the child. By respecting the love-giving and lifegiving nature of marriage, NFP can enrich the bond between husband and wife. For more information about NFP visit, www.adw.org/nfp.

Attention Financial Professionals! Help motivated people to break the cycle of poverty. Join Catholic Charities "Financial Stability Network" of financial professionals who will offer pro bono financial education, financial coaching, and tax return preparation services for low-income families and individuals in the Archdiocese of Washington. If you have any type of financial experience, consider joining the new network. For more information and to apply, please contact Deacon Jim Shanahan im.shanahan@cc-dc.org.

Caritas Counseling Center - a ministry of Saint Luke Institute, offers confidential, professional, and compassionate therapy for individuals, couples, and groups. They understand the importance of faith and will assist you with recovery from grief, depression, stress, difficult relationships, and more. For more information, please contact Dr. Crystal Taylor-Dietz, director, at 301-431-6865, or visit caritas-sli.org. Calls are confidential. Caritas centers are located in Silver Spring, MD and Towson, MD.

Help 'em Smile! By joining the Mid-Maryland Dental Mission of Mercy and Health Equity Festival, you can help 2,000 uninsured people experiencing dental calamity obtain \$2M work of emergency treatments. Dental and medical professionals and general volunteers, at least 18 years old, are welcome and must register in advance. Shifts are half a day: serve one or more shifts. Volunteers get an amazing experience (and a T-shirt). The event is September 7, 8, and 10 at the University of Maryland Xfinity Center in College Park, MD. Get more information and register at www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/MOM.

Welcome Home Re-Entry Mentorship - Become a mentor to someone returning to the community from incarceration. Studies show that a faith-based mentor who provides encouragement and support makes all the difference in preventing recidivism. Catholic Charities will train you and provide ongoing support, but you already know what to do: be kind, be compassionate, be caring, be optimistic, be reliable. Mentors are at least 25 years old and commit for an hour a week for a year. You will make a BIG difference in someone's life. Start now! For more information and to apply, please visit www.CatholicCharitiesDC.org/volunteer.



Mass Intentions

Monday, July 24

Weekday

St. Sharbel Makhluf, Priest Ex 14: 5-18 Mt 12: 38-42

8:00 † Sandra Johnson 12:10 † Rev. Edward Evans

Tuesday, July 25

St. James, Apostle 2Cor 4: 7-15 Mt 20:20-28

8:00 † Eugene Holmes12:10 † Rosemary H. Gallegos

Wednesday, July 26

Sts. Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ex 16: 1-5. 9-15 Mt 13: 1-9

8:00 † Rev. Edward Evans

12:10 For the Intentions of the Hollis Family

Thursday, July 27

Weekday

Ex 19: 1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Mt 13: 10-17

8:00 † Emily and Ted Slocum 12:10 † Rev. Edward Evans

Friday, July 28

Weekday

Ex 20: 1-17 Mt 13: 18-23

8:00 For the Intentions of the Jonathan DiSciullo

12:10 † Tom Caplis

Saturday, July 29

St. Martha

Ex 24: 3-8 Mt 13: 24-30

5:30 For the Intentions of Brittany Furr

Sunday, July 30

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 1Kgs 3: 5, 7-12 Rom 8: 28-30 Mt 13: 44-52

8:30 Pro Populo

10:30 For the Intentions of William Haine

12:00 † Ann Brown