



## This Week in our Parish

Sunday, November 25 – Christ the King

**Monday, November 26 – Women's bible study** 7pm in the St. Thomas More Center

**Tuesday, November 27 – Fr. Begg Bible Study** 7pm

**Wed., Nov. 28 – RCIA** 7pm, - **Rosary group** 8:30am

Thursday, November 29 **Human Trafficking Workshop** 7pm in the parish center.

Friday, November 30

**Saturday, December 1 - 5:30pm Vigil Mass**

Server:s S. Lucas

Lector: J. Jean-Pierre and P. Lee

EMoHC: S. Lucas and J. Blassingame

**Sunday December 2 – Festival of Light** 4pm in the church  
**8:30 am Mass**

Server: T. Turner and C. House

Lector: B. Hanlon and Te Turner

EMoHC:T. Turner, J. Robinson, K. Elsasser, M. Granger, K. Clay and S. Powell

**10:30 am Mass**

Server: G. Youbara and L. Rodhe

Lector: J. vonKanel and K. Johnston

EMoHC: E. Pahls, J. Marafino, A. Abraham, D. Hogan, S. Koons, B. Wagner

**Coffee Hour after the 10:30 Mass: Stephens & Williams**

**Noon Mass** Server: F. D'Antuono

Lector: L. Mangelkamp and P. Roehm

EMoHC: B. Krieger and F. D'Antuono

**4pm - Festival of Light lectors:** J. Adams, L. Harrell, J. Jones, S. Koons, S. Williams

The schedule can always be found on  
our website: [www.st-josephs.org](http://www.st-josephs.org)

## Sacramental Congratulations!

**Baptism** – November 11 – Robert Clark

**Wedding** – November 10<sup>th</sup> Kristen Harabedian & Trea Turner  
- November 11<sup>th</sup> Lauren Bosco & Jordan Harris

## 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](mailto:ProjectRachel@adw.org)

**Knights of Columbus:** For information please contact Patrick Abbott, [patrick.abbott@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.dcpriest.org), call (202) 636-9020, or email [jp2seminary@adw.org](mailto:jp2seminary@adw.org)

## Pastor's Corner

Adore the Lord in His Holy Court (Psalm 95:9)

Dear Parishioners:

A number of you have asked in the past to have Eucharistic Adoration here at St. Joseph's so that you could spend some quiet time with the Lord. Such a request makes a pastor's heart sing! Therefore, we will have adoration on **Wednesdays during Advent from 5:30-6:30 pm** beginning on December 5. This will be simple exposition and reposition. Please feel to stop in and say a quick prayer or spend the whole hour if you can. Pray for those who have stopped praying; pray for those with no one to pray for them; pray in thanksgiving for that with which God has blessed you. Please don't forget our parish mission as well, December 3-5. There is a lot going on here on the Hill.

## Save the Date!

- **Nov. 29 @ 7pm** Human Trafficking Workshop in the Parish Center
- **December 2<sup>nd</sup> 4pm** The Festival of Light in the church
- **December 3-5<sup>th</sup> 7pm** Parish Mission in the church – see information below.
- **December 15<sup>th</sup>** – decorate the church for Christmas  
*More details will follow in future bulletins & flyers.*

## Parish Announcements

**Parish Mission – December 3-5, 7pm** - Deacon Jim Munno will be the speaker. The title of the mission series is "My Peace I Give You" and each night will have its own theme that ties into the overall theme. So it is perfectly fine to come for one, two or all three nights. The evenings will begin at 7 pm in the Church and Deacon Jim will speak for approximately 45 minutes to an hour. We will then break into small group discussions for 20 or so minutes to give you a chance to process how his words effect your life.

**Workshop on Labor Trafficking - Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm** in the Parish Center. Many victims of labor trafficking go unnoticed every day, and so they do not receive the help they so desperately need. Labor trafficking could be happening in your own neighborhood. Perhaps you saw someone today that needed your help while you were at a store or passing a house around the block. Did you know what signs to look for? Do you know what to do when you identify an individual in a forced labor situation? Do you even know what constitutes labor trafficking? Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington and The Human Trafficking Legal Center has developed a workshop to educate members of faith-based communities on the issue of labor trafficking and its prevalence in the Washington, D.C. area. Hear from a survivor of human trafficking on the warning signs and the most effective ways to help someone in such a situation. You can play an important role in ending this "shocking offence against human dignity and a grave violation of fundamental human rights" to use the words of Pope Saint John Paul II. For any questions the Parish Rectory at 202.547.1223

## CHRIST THE KING

**Bible Study with Fr. Begg:** the next class is on Tuesday, Nov 27, at 7:00PM in the Parish Center. We are studying St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy. Please bring the handouts.

A weekly evening **Women's Bible Study** group meets Mondays, at 7pm in the St. Thomas More Center. The first book of study is "Full of Grace—Women and the Abundant Life" by Johnette Benkovic. Please contact Chris at [hunkfam@yahoo.com](mailto:hunkfam@yahoo.com) or 334-868-9091 if you are interested or have questions.

**Decorate the Church, Saturday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** – all day–

Join us in the church as we 'deck our halls' for Christmas. We need able bodied people to help arrange flowers, drape garland, string lights on trees and generally decorate the church. No need to RSVP – please just show up between 9 & 10. We will offer some beverages and food for the volunteers in the Parish center throughout the day. Questions? email [hanlon@st-josephs.org](mailto:hanlon@st-josephs.org) or call 202-547-1223



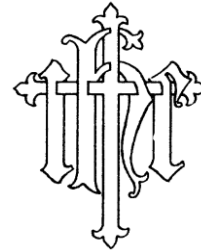
**News from St. Peter School - Fall Open House** If you are interested in a top-notch, Catholic education right here on Capitol Hill, mark your calendar to attend the St. Peter School's Fall Open House on Friday, December 7 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. St. Peter School is thriving as it celebrates its 150-year anniversary. The School offers grades Pre-K through 8, with a student body averaging 240 students and one class per grade. Characterized by a rigorous academic curriculum and a focus on service to others, St. Peter School students develop into well-rounded young people with solid leadership skills. A National Blue Ribbon School, St. Peter School is a caring community of students, parents, faculty and staff. We would love to show you what makes our school so special! Admissions Season is around the corner at St. Peter School, the Key to Educational Excellence since 1868! Applications, completed through TADS electronic enrollment, have opened via the school website ([www.stpeterschooldc.org](http://www.stpeterschooldc.org), under the Admissions tab). All applications are due by January 18, 2019. Questions may be directed to Mrs. Debbie Duff: [dduff@stpeterschooldc.org](mailto:dduff@stpeterschooldc.org) or 202-544-1618.

## Archdiocese Announcements

**It's not too early to start 2019 with a closer relationship with Christ.** Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center offers: **Spiritual Exercises for Women** Nov 30-Dec 2, 2018 / 3-day retreat/ \$225 per person (*this retreat offers a separate track for HS & College age young ladies- a perfect opportunity for Mother/daughter weekend*) · Jan 4-Jan 6, 2019 / 3-day retreat/ \$250 per person **Spiritual Exercises for Men** February 1-3/ 3-day retreat/ \*\$250 per person (*this retreat offers a separate track for HS & College age young men – a perfect opportunity for Father/Son weekend*)

**Personal Retreat Days: Jan 11 & Mar 22** Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Jesus tells us to "Come away with me," ... to Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center where your very own personal retreat awaits. In the short, focused, weekday hours from 8:30am - 4pm, an experienced retreat master will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. With time for one-on-one spiritual direction, quiet reflection, Mass, Confessions, and Eucharistic Adoration, plus

continental breakfast and hot lunch, you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. \$120 per person. Registration required. [www.ourladyofbethesda.org](http://www.ourladyofbethesda.org) . Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.



## Mass Intentions

**Monday, November 26**

*Weekday*

Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5 Lk 21:1-4

8:00 For the Intentions of Carolyn Poole

12:10 † Ms. Gloria H. Wills

**Tuesday, November 27**

*Weekday*

Rv 14: 14-19 Lk 21: 5-11

8:00 † The Eckert Family

12:10 For the Intentions of the Hollis Family

**Wednesday, November 28**

*Weekday*

Rv 15: 1-4 Lk 21: 12-19

8:00 † The Branch Family

12:10 † Jean Diana

**Thursday, November 29**

*Weekday*

Rv 18: 1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a Lk 21: 20-28

8:00 † Mildred V & Fernando W. Dews, Sr.

12:10 † Theodore Slocum

**Friday, November 30**

*St. Andrew, Apostle*

Rom 10:9-18 Mt 4: 18-22

8:00 The deceased members of

Joseph Kemp's family

12:10 The deceased members of Paul

Meagher's family

**Saturday, December 1**

*Weekday*

Rv 22:1-7 Lk 21: 34-36

8:30 † Geraldine and Joseph Bizek

5:30 † Eugene Holmes

**Sunday, December 2**

*First Sunday of Advent*

Jer 33: 14-16 1Thes 3:12-4:2 Lk 21: 25-28, 34-36

8:30 Pro Populo

10:30 † Maureen and Beth Hornish

12:00 † Joseph and Eleanor Kempt