

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 22, 2026

Mass Times

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Tues, Wed, & Fri: Check website
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)

Confessions

Sunday: Before Mass; After 8:00 a.m. Mass
Tues, Wed, & Fri: Before Mass; 4:30-5:00 p.m.
Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m.

Office Hours

Tues & Fri: 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
Wed: 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Adoration

The Church is open for prayer and adoration from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. unless Fr. Drew is away from the premises.

Please pray for those who are sick in our parish, especially Barbara Watson, Sarah Hancock, Billy Joe Hill, Annie T. Nelson, Joseph Tippet, Yvonne Lennon, John Hunt, Kathy Norris, Larry Miller, John Campbell, Max Long, Gailann White, James Davis, Tommy Johnson, Barbara Lilly, Joseph "Zip" Douglas, Josh Johnson, Alya Nelson, David Russell, Grant Bidle, Mary Helen Knight, Billy Patton, Jim Dunbar, and George "Gibby" Knight.

Mass Intentions for March 22nd through March 28th	
3/22 Sun – 8 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo: LL SMOOCH</i>
10 a.m.	Louise Schmitt
3/24 Tues – 12 p.m.	Viet-Bao Quach (Living)
3/25 Wed – 5 p.m.	All Expectant Mothers of the Parish
3/27 Fri – 12 p.m.	Rev. Milton E. Jordan
3/28 Sat – 5 p.m.	Rev. Joseph Naughton
March 15, 2026 Offertory	\$2,050.00
March 15, 2026 Easter Flowers	\$1,327.00
Thank you for your generosity!	

Men's Evening of Recollection – All men of the parish are invited to join for the next Men's Evening of Recollection on Tuesday, March 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the church.

Friday 1 April 3, 2026
Come Walk the Way of the Cross
Good Friday, 12:00PM, Rain or Shine
St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery
38888 Doctor Johnson Rd, Mechanicsville, MD 20659



HOLY WEEK 2026

Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week:
Mass at 5 PM

The Sacred Triduum

Holy Thursday, April 2nd

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper – 5 PM
Adoration at the Repository following Mass
until 10 PM

Good Friday, April 3rd

Liturgy for Good Friday – 6 PM

Holy Saturday, April 4th

Confessions 4 to 5 PM
Solemn Easter Vigil – 8 PM
(No 5 PM Mass on Holy Saturday)

Easter Sunday, April 5th

Masses at 8 AM and 10 AM

From Father's Desk

My Dear Parish,

Jesus converts the Samaritan village after speaking with the woman at the well. He converts the man born blind after the Pharisees expel him from the synagogue. Today we hear Jesus coming to the help of his friend, Lazarus, and in so doing converting many to faith in Him through their witnessing Lazarus raised from the dead.

He wants us all. Wherever we may be. Some of us may be better positioned to respond to Him. For others of us, it will not be so easy. All of us labor beneath some burden of ignorance, blindness, or sin. But in the midst of it all, God wants to work a wonderful thing. He wants to heal us most especially by giving us eternal life.

The story of Lazarus highlights how Jesus puts even his own friends to the test. To be loved by God is to be tested by him. "He chastises whom he loves." He doesn't even spare his own mother who must stand at the foot of her son's Cross, her heart pierced with sorrow.

All of it is to make known the wonderful works of God. All of it shows us that God's plan, even though it seems impossible to interpret, will, through the loving action of Our Savior, bring about the greatest good.

Let's ponder this more intensely as we begin Passiontide.

With paternal affection,
Fr. Drew

St. Mary's Chapel Fundraising Gala – Have you ever wanted to leave your mark for future generations? Well, you may have an opportunity during the Gala supporting the construction of the St. Mary's Chapel for perpetual adoration on Friday, May 8, 2026, from 6:00 PM – 10:00 PM, at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department. During the Gala there will be a chance to buy a beautiful stained glass window to be used in St. Mary's Chapel. For more information and to reserve tickets, visit www.StMarysChapel.net

OLW Fish Fry – Our Lady of the Wayside (37575 Chaptico Road, Chaptico, MD 20621) will hold a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 27, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. The dine-in menu includes fried fish, fish nuggets, fried popcorn shrimp, French fries, coleslaw, green beans, rolls, iced tea, and desserts. Adults are \$20, children 6-12 are \$10, and children 5 and under are free. Drive-thru carry outs are \$20 with the same menu, except whole fish only. Cash or check only. For more information, please email office@olwrcc.org or call 301-884-2502.

9th Annual "Walk in the Park" 5K Fun Run/Walk – Join us at St. Francis Xavier Church on Saturday, April 25, 2026 for this fun event to benefit our parish's Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund. This run/walk is open to all ages and abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Registration starts at 8 a.m. until 12 p.m. and run/walk participants group start is at 8:30 a.m. The registration fee is \$20 which includes a custom tee shirt. Kids 12 and under are free. Information on registration and even online giving is available in the vestibule and on our website: www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. When using the online giving option, be sure to select Walk in the Park. Donations are always welcomed.