



PARISH LIFE UPDATE

Holy Family Catholic Church, Randallstown

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 28, 2020

Parish Staff Contacts: <https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/staff>

Implementation of Phase 2 of Reopening: <https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/reopening>

Reservation for Public Sunday Holy Mass: <https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/signup>

PASTOR'S MESSAGE | Promoting a True Understanding of Freedom.

Independence Day is Saturday. We remember the freedom that our nation enjoyed as it made a transition from being a colony to becoming a country. Some persons did not share in this freedom in 1776, but these principles caused our beloved country to realize that this state of affairs could not continue. **We are grateful for those who are defending our freedom, including members of our armed services and humanitarian organizations.** Please join me in saying a prayer for: their safety; for their family and friends who are anxious about their safety; for a swift and just resolution to all conflicts; and for an end to terrorism.

Religious liberty is one of the freedoms that we enjoy according to the First Amendment of the Constitution. An enduring constitutional debate is the definition of "separation of Church and State." It will not be settled in this annual column. However, I propose that it does not mean silencing the voice of people of faith in public discourse. **People of faith have made invaluable contributions to our nation and world.**

Consider the role of the Catholic Church in the U.S.A. Imagine if our parochial, social service, educational, health care, and charitable ministries disappeared tomorrow. Next to the government (federal, state, and local), the second largest institution that provides services to people in need are ministries of the Catholic Church. Consider the role of faith communities in the Civil Rights Movement throughout the 20th century which enabled citizens of African descent to vote, enjoy public accommodations like other citizens, etc.

Catholic Social Teaching is the means by which we promote the dignity of each person as the foundation for promoting the common good of society and the well-being of all. This includes vulnerable persons such as the unborn child, immigrants, workers, and those who are impoverished.

The present national crisis is an episode in the ongoing struggle to overcome racism and its effects in our relationships, communities, and institutions. During his General Audience on June 3, 2020, Pope Francis said "... My friends, we cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life...."

On June 15, 2020, the Catholic Bishops of Maryland issued a letter on promoting racial justice entitled, *Building Bridges of Understanding and Hope*. They also write about this pro-life issue.

The Pastor's Message continues on the next page.

We must recognize that all of us share the same human nature and dignity because we are all created in the image and likeness of God; this is why human life is sacred. We call all people of good will to prayer to root out any hatred and animosity that has taken hold in one's own heart. Inspired by Jesus' command to "love one another as I love you" (John 15:12), we must seek to know and understand one another and to work to break down barriers through listening, prayer and a commitment to change hearts and minds (*Building Bridges of Understanding and Hope*, June 15, 2020; https://www.mdcatholic.org/racial_justice_letter).

Catholic Social Teaching principles are derived from the Gospel; explained in papal, conciliar, and episcopal statements; and demonstrated by our works of mercy. The Second Vatican Council reiterated that part of our baptismal vocation is to transform and sanctify our communities by the practice of our Faith (*Lumen Gentium* #11 and following). Many of these principles are part of the related to the Natural Moral Law, which applies to every person, whether or not they claim a religious affiliation. **May God help us to contribute to the common good of our beloved country and the world.**

MANAGING OUR EXPECTATIONS AS WE RESUME PUBLIC WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

It was a blessing to see familiar faces in the church pews last Sunday and not just an iPhone camera! Per Archdiocesan directive, only 30% of the building may be occupied. Since seating is limited, you must reserve your seat. Reservations for June 28 will be taken from Monday, June 22 at 9:00 am until Thursday, June 25 at 5:00 pm (note new closing time. See details on our website (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/signup>)).

I encourage you to manage your expectations. It is my hope that COVID-19 cases will continue to decline. However, cases are rising in states that reopened earlier than Maryland. Some of these states have reimposed some restrictions.

Remember that Archbishop Lori has continued to suspend the Sunday Holy Mass obligation. I reiterate what I said this past Sunday. [T]here is reluctance to join a public gathering at this time, especially indoors. I want you to know that is fine. No one should allow their conscience to be troubled about this matter."

Sunday Holy Mass at 7:30 am and 11:00 am will be on Facebook Live. Note the new times.

I ask you to remain prudent and vigilant. This is not against having faith in God. God has given us common sense.

MARYLAND CATHOLIC BISHOPS ISSUE LETTER ON RACIAL JUSTICE

The Catholic Bishops of Maryland (from the Archdiocese of Baltimore, the Archdiocese of Washington, and the Diocese of Wilmington) have issued a letter on racial justice. It is entitled, "Building Bridges of Understanding and Hope." **You can read it on the website of the Maryland Catholic Conference (https://www.mdcatholic.org/racial_justice_letter).**

LET US CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER

Let us pray for one another. Please continue to reach out to each other to see how others are doing. Know that the staff and I are here to serve you.

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always!

Father Raymond Harris

IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE 2 OF REOPENING

<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/reopening>

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Tuesday (6:30 – 7:30 pm) Thursday (10:00 am – Noon) Saturday (2:30 – 4:00 pm)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION & PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Saturday (2:45 pm – 4:00 pm)

You must follow the protocols, including wearing a mask in the church building at all times.

PUBLIC SUNDAY HOLY MASS AT 7:30 AM & 11:00 AM

We need parishioners to volunteer to serve as usher and cleaning crew members to begin public Holy Mass on the weekdays (Monday – Saturday at 8:30 am) and for additional Sunday Holy Masses (Saturday at 4:00 pm and the full Sunday schedule).

Ushers guide people to enter, find seating, during the Communion Procession, and to depart. Offertory will be received in containers on a table after Holy Mass. You won't touch anyone or anything except opening the doors for Holy Mass. Can you help? Contact Father Harris (rharris@archbalt.org).

Cleaning Crew members will clean the church after Holy Mass. You would use sanitizing wipes on pews where people sat, sanctuary railing, sanctuary chairs, the top of the Ambo (pulpit), doorknobs, and the restrooms (sink, toilet, doorknob). We will provide the gloves and sanitizing wipes. You supply the mask. We do not envision it taking longer than 30 minutes. can you help? Contact Deacon Evan Ponton (evan.ponton@archbalt.org).

NOTIFYING THE PARISH ABOUT CORONAVIRUS TESTING

If you have visited our parish campus, and later learn that you may have been exposed to someone with the COVID-19 virus, please contact the Parish Office so that we can pray for you. We ask that you keep the Parish Office informed throughout your self-quarantine. Confidentiality will be respected by the Parish Staff.

The same protocol applies if you have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus. Please contact the Parish Office so that we can pray for you. Confidentiality will be respected by the Parish Staff.

Please consider this as a moral obligation to love your neighbor.

PARISH OFFICE IS NOW OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

As of Monday, June 15, the Parish Office is open to the public from Monday to Friday (9 AM - 5 PM). You must wear a mask to enter the Parish Office, per the State of Maryland and the Archdiocese of Baltimore. So **that** the Parish Secretary may serve others who also need assistance, please be considerate of the time.

REFLECTION ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL READING

Read Matthew 10:37-42. “[Jesus said to his apostles:] *‘Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me.’*” (vv. 37-38). The Lord invites us to make a complete commitment to Him, influencing our choices and our conduct. Living in union with Christ makes it possible (see the Second Reading – Romans 6:3-4, 8-11).

Catechism of the Catholic Church #2232: “Family ties are important but not absolute. Just as the child grows to maturity and human and spiritual autonomy, so his unique vocation which comes from God asserts itself more clearly and forcefully. Parents should respect this call and encourage their children to follow it. They must be convinced that the first vocation of the Christian is to follow Jesus: ‘He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.’”

SUNDAY READINGS

June 28: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kings 4:8-11,14-16a + Psalm 89:2-3, 16-19
Romans 6:3-4,8-11 + Matthew 10:37-42

July 5: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Zechariah 9:9-10 + Psalm 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14
Romans 8:9,11-13 + Matthew 11:25-30

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Rocco Aliberti, K. Dale Anderson, Mary Anna Baffoe-Bonnie, Rose Balk, E. Alan Ball, Albert Blanchard, Mary Blanton, Sue Bray, Annette Brown, Josephine Burns, Beth Cassidy, Jeanette Cherigos, Chinyere Chikeka, JoAnn Coules, Liam Craane, Helen Dorman, Veronica Dougherty, Cassie Downey, Dorothy Eichelman, Neva Farrah, Barbara Failla, Guy Gable, John Gast, Dot & Joe Gertz, Cullis Glenn, Gary Gordon, Lisa Grey, Jeanie Hakanson, Sherell Hinton, Margaret Irwin, Rosemarie Jean-Louis, Mildred Jones, Cheryl Kauffman, Cassidy Keefe, Greyson Knight, Mary Liberto, Jeffrey Lohinski, Jane Matos, Jack McGinnis, Nancy McQuay, Bob Moan, Peggy Moan, Randy Norden, Margaret Ntatin, Leobarda Olivares, Louis Onwuanaibe, Cathy Owens, Darcia Parker, Joseph Perozziello, Don Rojas, Lincoln Ross, Vince Rosso, Paul & Elizabeth Ruch, Brenda Sadowski, Rosa Santos, Anthony Serio, Shannon Sharpe, Thelma Smith, Joanne Spriggs, Dottie Swol, Dorothy Lynne Sutch, Greg Thompson, Kimberly Thompson, and Catherine Walsh.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JUNE

Prayer intention for evangelization – The Way of the Heart: We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

MASS INTENTIONS

DATE	FATHER RAYMOND HARRIS	FATHER ANGEL MARRERO
Saturday, June 27	Lou Molino	Father Angel is away until July 20.
Sunday, June 28	7:30 am Tom Cavanaugh †	
Sunday, June 28	11:00 am People of the Parish	
Monday, June 29	Novena for Fathers	
Tuesday, June 30	Judy Centenera	
Wednesday, July 1	Jean Paterno †	
Thursday, July 2	June Creegan †	
Friday, July 3	Bernard Simons	

NOW RECEIVING MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested donation is \$10. **Options to submit your request:**

- **by visiting the Parish Office** (open Monday – Friday from 9 AM – 5 PM)
- **by phone:** Monday - Friday from Noon - 4 PM (410-922-3800, ext. 4)
- **email:** kerry.topel@archbalt.org
- **mail:** 9531 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD 21133

At this time, we will assign the intention to the next available date. We are not able to accommodate specific date requests.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY

This does not include what was given for "second collections. Before the suspension of Holy Mass with the presence of the faithful, we averaged between \$5,000 - \$7,000 on a Sunday. Please do what you can to help your parish to maintain our mission. Options on how to give can be found below.

Date	May 25 – 31	June 1 - 7	June 8 - 14	June 15 - 21
Via mail or hand-delivered	\$3,079	\$8,102.00	TBA	\$3,063
Via electronic funds transfer	\$530	\$1,505.65	\$465	\$1,455
Total	\$3,609	\$9,607.65	TBA	\$4,518

Thank you for your generosity!

Mail: Send your offertory envelope or check to: Holy Family Church, 9531 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD 21133

Via your bank: Please send your check to "Holy Family Church, 9531 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD 21133"

Electronically: Learn how to use Give Central at www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/give

Text to Give: Our newest option via GiveCentral.

Text OFFER <space> amount to 14108839358

For example, to offer \$50, you would text OFFER 50 to 14108839358 (no \$ is needed)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR PUBLIC SUNDAY HOLY MASS

RESERVING YOUR SEAT IS A MUST

Per Archdiocesan directive, only 30% of the church can be occupied per Holy Mass. With social distancing, & including the ministers of the liturgy (which I have limited), **there are about 35 seats available per Holy Mass.**

You must reserve your seat. Reservations for July 5 are open from Monday, June 29 at 9:00 am until Thursday, July 2 at 5:00 pm. There are two ways to sign-up.

1. **Sign-up in person by coming to the Parish Office** between 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. You will receive proof of reservation to present to an usher.
2. **Sign-up via our website (www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/signup).** Follow the instructions, sign-up, and print the email confirmation as your proof of reservation to present to an usher. While the link will be on the website on Sunday, June 14, you will not be able to sign-up until the reservation system is open.

INSTRUCTIONS WHEN COMING TO SUNDAY HOLY MASS

1. **THE SUNDAY OBLIGATION CONTINUES TO BE SUSPENDED.** Do not allow your conscience to be burdened. If you are concerned about your health or you are not ready to join any public gatherings yet, please be comfortable about not attending. Sunday Holy Mass at 11:00 am will be livestreamed on Facebook Live. You do not need a Facebook account to access it (www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live).
2. **CHECK YOUR HEALTH CONDITION.** You must take your temperature at home before you leave. If you have a fever, or are sick, or suspect that you may have been (or was exposed to) a contagious illness, please stay home and take care of yourself. If you are awaiting test results for COVID-19 or any contagious illness, you may not come to the parish campus, whether you have symptoms or not.
3. **MASKS MUST BE WORN BEFORE ENTERING THE CHURCH.** All persons aged 2 and older must always wear a mask. This is the requirement of the Archdiocese of Baltimore and the State of Maryland.
4. **CHILDREN MUST OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCE NORMS TOO.** If you bring children, they must be able to stay in one place. Otherwise, for the sake of their health and the health of others, they should not come to Holy Mass. For social distance reasons, the multipurpose room is not available.
5. **GREETING OTHERS:** While we will be happy to see others, greet them with words and a wave. Please do not congregate, hug, kiss, shake hands, etc.
6. **SEATING PROTOCOL:** You must provide proof of reservation. The ushers will seat you—whether as an individual or as a household—in designated seating from the front to the back.
7. **THE OFFERTORY COLLECTION WILL BE RECEIVED AFTER HOLY MASS.** Any offerings are placed in the designated receptacle as you are leaving the church.
8. **COMMUNION PROCESSION:** Follow the priest's instruction. No one may remain in the pew. Please maintain the social distancing of 6-feet from another person. Those who are not receiving Holy Communion will receive a blessing. For the safety of all, Holy Communion will be distributed initially in the hand only.
9. **DISMISSAL PROTOCOL:** You must follow the direction of the ushers, who will dismiss members of the congregation a pew at a time to ensure social distancing.

JOB SEARCHES: NEW BUSINESS & FACILITIES MGR & MAINTENANCE WORKER

Dennis Kast, our Business and Facilities Manager, will retire in October. He has done outstanding work here and I will miss him. I am working with a Search Committee to review candidates for two jobs: Business & Facilities Manager and Maintenance Worker. Links to these jobs are below. Interested persons should submit their application to the Archdiocese. During this stage of the search, applicants do not contact me.

Business & Facilities Manager

<https://archbalt.jobs.net/en-US/job/business-and-facilities-manager/J3M4CN6R3BYNJZNV686>

Maintenance Worker

<https://archbalt.jobs.net/en-US/job/maintenance-worker/J3N7DH6V76TTMH68SLW>

STAY CONNECTED WITH OUR PARISH ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook – Parish: <https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown.org>

Facebook – Father Harris: <https://www.facebook.com/FatherRaymondHarris>

Instagram – Parish: <https://www.instagram.com/holyfamily2019>

NEWS – GENERAL INFORMATION

HOLY FAMILY PARISH INVITES YOU TO JOIN US

All are welcome to join us as we strive to follow Christ within the fellowship of His Church. God's grace makes it possible for all to accept the entire Gospel, with its comforts and challenges (cf. *Mark* 1:15). **Registration forms can be found at our website** (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/registration>). Completed forms can be sent to the Parish Office (Holy Family Parish, 9531 Liberty Road, Randallstown, MD 21133).

If you have any questions about the Catholic faith, or want to explore becoming a Catholic, please contact:

Father Raymond Harris, *Pastor*

(410.922.3800, ext. 6 or rharris@archbalt.org)

Mrs. JoAnn Harvan-Chin, *Director of Faith Formation*

(410.922.3800, ext. 5 or joann.harvan@archblt.org)

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BOOK OF INTENTIONS

You now have an opportunity to submit a prayer request for the Book of Intentions in the narthex. Please keep your prayer request concise and send it to bookofintentions@gmail.com. Remember, this is not the place to request Mass intentions or to send a message to Father Harris or another staff member.

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LIVE-STREAM OF HOLY MASS & DEVOTIONS

For those who are unable to worship in person at this time, we have this option. **Watch and worship on Facebook Live.** Direct link: <https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>

Schedule: www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/livestream

No Facebook account? No problem! Go to the direct link (<https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>)

RECEIVE TEXT & EMAIL ALERTS VIA FLOCKNOTE:

Text HFR to 84576 or visit <https://hfr.flocknote.com>

By sharing your phone number, you will receive occasional texts, such as reminders about upcoming events. By sharing your email, you will receive a weekly newsletter from Father Harris and any urgent announcements.

NEWS

FATHER HARRIS WANTS TO HAVE A PUBLIC HOLY MASS ON SATURDAYS AT 4 PM

However, we need at least 4 people to volunteer for the Cleaning Crew to sanitize the church after Holy Mass. It takes about 15-20 minutes to do it. With the sanitizing spray, there is minimal touching. Gloves are provided. You bring your mask. Consider serving the Lord and your fellow parishioners in this way. **If you can help, contact Father Harris (rharris@archbalt.org)**

PUBLIC HOLY MASS ON WEEKDAYS BEGINS ON MONDAY, JULY 6

Beginning on Monday, July 6, Holy Mass at 8:30 am will be open to the public. It will be held from Monday to Friday only. Reservations are not required, but there is a limit of 45 persons. Please follow the protocols on our website (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/reopening>). All persons aged 2 years and older must wear a mask. You must leave when you pew is asked to dismiss so that we can sanitize the church. Holy Mass will continue to be broadcast on Facebook Live (<https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>).

PRAYER FOR RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

“O GOD OUR CREATOR, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.

“We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

“Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome—for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us—this great land will always be ‘one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.’

“We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. “

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GRADUATE RECOGNITION LISTING

Praise God and congratulations to you on your graduation! “And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him” (*Colossians* 3:17).

We want to publish a list of this year’s graduates. We will have a Graduates Recognition Sunday soon. **Please send the following information to JoAnn Harvin-Chin, Director of Faith Formation, via email (joann.harvan@archbalt.org) as soon as you are able.**

Name of Graduate
Relationship to parishioner
Name of School

Example: Raymond Harris, son of Jo Anne Harris. From Saint Mary’s Seminary, Baltimore, MD

NEWS – FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL GENERATIONS

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY ON SELECTED SUNDAYS

They meet two Sundays a month at 11:30 AM (12:30 PM after June 21) over Zoom. Email Mrs. JoAnn Harvan-Chin, Director of Faith Formation (joann.harvan@archbalt.org) for a Zoom invitation, dates, and questions. All youth aged 12-17 are encouraged to participate!

THURSDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY – July 2 at 10 AM

Our Director of Faith Formation is leading a new Bible Study composed by her on the mysteries of the Rosary. **It meets on Thursdays at 10 AM on Zoom video conferencing.** For questions or to receive an invitation to the Zoom meeting, please contact Mrs. JoAnn Harvan-Chin, (joann.harvan@archbalt.org or 410-922-3800, ext. 5).

NEWS – FAITH FORMATION FOR ALL GENERATIONS

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY – July 2 at 7 PM

“**The Spirit-Filed Church**” is the name of the series. On the first Christian Pentecost, the Church had a joy that they did not want to contain. They wanted others to share in this joy from the Lord. This includes becoming signs of Christ’s love and mercy. The Spirit-filled Church is sent to give witness to God who is love, truth, establishes justice, and fosters reconciliation.. **Watch on Thursday, July 2 at 7 PM on Facebook Live. No Facebook account? No problem! Go to the direct link (<https://www.fb.com/HFCRandallstown/live>).** We are reading John 20:19-23. The topic is: “Jesus Overcomes the Wounds of Rejection.”

INTERESTED IN HAVING A YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY?

JoAnn Harvan-Chin, Director of Faith Formation, is surveying young adults (ages 18 – 39) about their interest in having a regular Bible Study. Please contact her (joann.harvan@archbalt.org or 410-922-2800, ext. 5).

SUNDAY SCHOOL OF RELIGION 2020 – 2021 REGISTRATION IS OPEN

Sunday School of Religion (SOR) registration is open for Pre-K/Kindergarten – Eighth Grade and the Confirmation Class. When SOR will begin TBD. Parents and guardians, please read the following instructions carefully.

We are requesting that ALL 2020-2021 students, BOTH new and returning, to register this year for SOR since forms have been revised and information changes year to year. Registration forms are available on our website (www.holyfamilyrandal) for PreK/Kindergarten – Eighth Grade and the Confirmation Class or email our Director of Faith Formation, Mrs. JoAnn Harvan-Chin at joann.harvan@archbalt.org.

Completed forms along with cash or check for the tuition fee or statement of request to reduce/waive the fees can be sent in by mail, or hand delivered (slid through the Parish Office door slot) or emailed to Mrs. JoAnn Harvan-Chin at joann.harvan@archbalt.org.

Questions? Please contact our Director of Faith Formation, JoAnn Harvan – Chin (410.922.3800, ext. 5 or joann.harvan@archbalt.org).

NEWS – POSTPONEMENTS

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION POSTPONED

Archbishop Lori has decided that First Communions and Confirmations scheduled in May must be postponed. Once we return to some sense of normalcy, we will set new dates in consultation with the parents.

ANNUAL CRAB FEAST & BULL ROAST IS POSTPONED

Our annual Crab Feast & Bull Roast, originally scheduled for Saturday, July 25, 2020, has been postponed. The Service Committee is exploring a new date in October 2020.

NEWS – UPDATES

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE TREES ON CAMPUS?

A report from Dennis Kast, Business and Facilities Manager: The trees along the entrance driveway have been cutdown due to the Emerald Ash Borer. This insect infects the tree that causes it to die. The trees on the driveway ranged from 90% dead to 50% dead. An Arborist was consulted, and his recommendation was to remove the trees. There was a safety consideration for their removal. Ash trees become very brittle when dead. A falling tree could cause great harm to a passerby. The next step is to grind the stumps, remove the grindings, cover the holes with topsoil, and reseed.

PREGNANT, NEED HELP?

Gabriel Network: 1-800-ANGEL-OK or <https://gabrielnetwork.org>

Women’s Center West in Catonsville: 410-788-4433 or <https://www.womenscenterwest.com/>

Maternity Counseling / Adoption Services: Contact Catholic Charities at 410-659-4050

SUFFERING POST-ABORTION STRESS?

Rachel’s Vineyard Baltimore: 410-625-8491 or <https://www.archbalt.org/project-rachel/>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINES

The abuse of an intimate partner, whether it is a marriage or a dating relationship, causes physical, emotional, and spiritual trauma. Help is available. Call 1-800-MD-HELPS (1-800-634-3577). In an emergency, call 911.

CHILD & YOUTH PROTECTION

The Archdiocese of Baltimore and Holy Family Parish urge anyone who has reason to believe that a child has been subjected to abuse or neglect to report it immediately to the local Department of Social Services, Child Protective Services. The Baltimore County contact is 410-887-8463. The Carroll County contact is 410-386-3434.

If anyone suspects Church Personnel of abuse, neglect, or misconduct with a minor, please also contact the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection by calling the Victims’ Assistance Line (1-866-417-7469) or by contacting the Office directly (410-547-5348).