



SUNDAY BULLETIN

Holy Family Catholic Church, Randallstown

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 17, 2021

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

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

PASTOR'S MESSAGE: "Respecting the Sanctity of Life is Good News"

On Monday, January 18, our nation remembers the work of Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and many people who have contributed to the Civil Rights Movement. We will do this holiday a disservice if we do not contribute to a healing of racial tensions in our nation. Join me in offering the following prayer, knowing that as we cooperate with God, prayer will lead to principled action in our interactions.

O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness, no thought of ours is left unnoticed, no desire or concern ignored. You have proven that blessings abound when we fall on our knees in prayer, and so we turn to you in our hour of need. Surrounded by violence and cries for justice, we hear your voice telling us what is required... "Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God" (Micah 6:8). Fill us with your mercy so that we, in turn, may be merciful to others. Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities. Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will. Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a future filled with encounter and unity. Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts, for only by the prompting of your grace can we progress toward virtue. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen (© United States Conference of Catholic Bishops).

On Friday, January 22, the Church in the USA will observe a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. January 22 marks the 47th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court decision. People are encouraged to offer acts of penance on this day. This could include prayer, some form of fasting, or almsgiving.

God our Creator, we give thanks to you, who alone have the power to impart the breath of life as you form each of us in our mother's womb; grant, we pray, that we, whom you have made stewards of creation, may remain faithful to this sacred trust and constant in safeguarding the dignity of every human life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever (Collect for the Votive Holy Mass for Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life, *The Roman Missal*)

Respecting the inherent dignity of human life from the moment of conception and during every stage of life is good news. Let us pray and act on behalf of those who are vulnerable in our society, including the unborn, and for the well-being of mothers and fathers. **Our Church has supports the inherent dignity of human life at every stage and condition through our parochial, educational, medical, and social service ministries and institutions.**

WELCOME BACK, DARRON C. WOODUS!

During Holy Mass last weekend, I announced that Darron C. Woodus is returning to our parish to serve as my Pastoral Associate. His responsibilities will include the areas of liturgy, community outreach, and business and facilities management. He served as our parish Director of Faith Formation from 2016 – 2018. Then he served as the Pastoral Associate to Bishop Denis Madden, the Urban Vicar for the Archbishop. In addition to having pastoral and ministerial experience, he has extensive experience in the banking industry. I praise God that he is returning to serve our parish, effective February 1, 2021.

PASTOR'S MESSAGE (continued)

PERSEVERE IN PRAYER

Please join me in prayer for an end to this pandemic. May our efforts to slow its spread succeed. May those who are not cooperating with these efforts have a change of heart. May those who are providing safety, medical care, and other necessary services be protected as they serve with integrity.

In the First Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy, Saint Paul teaches that we pray for everyone, including those who are in authority (cf. *1 Timothy 2:1-4*). **On January 20, President-elect Joseph Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris will be inaugurated. Join me in prayer for them and for an orderly transfer of power.** Join me in prayer for the safety of all, including the tens of thousands of troops who are serving in Washington, D.C. because of the insurrection on January 6.

May the peace of Christ be with you and with all.

Father Raymond Harris | Email: RHarris@archbalt.org | Phone: 410.922.3800, ext. 6

REFLECTION ON THE SUNDAY GOSPEL READING

Read John 1:35-42. Our Lord Jesus Christ continues to form the great movement of Christian discipleship, proclaiming His Gospel and building His Church. What are the major steps in being part of this movement? (1) Stay with Jesus. We spend time in His presence, engaging in prayer, worship, and learning. (2) See what Jesus does. We learn to put what we are learned into practice. Being members of His Church is the context in which we integrate our beliefs into our behavior. (3) Serve in union with Jesus. We are representatives of the Lord in the world, inviting others to be reconciled to God.

Catechism of the Catholic Church #562: "Christ's disciples are to conform themselves to him until he is formed in them (cf. Gal 4:19). "For this reason we, who have been made like to him, who have died with him and risen with him, are taken up into the mysteries of his life, until we reign together with him."

Catechism of the Catholic Church #1816: "The disciple of Christ must not only keep the faith and live on it, but also profess it, confidently bear witness to it, and spread it: 'All however must be prepared to confess Christ before men and to follow him along the way of the Cross, amidst the persecutions which the Church never lacks.' Service of and witness to the faith are necessary for salvation: 'So every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven.'"

SUNDAY HOLY MASS READINGS

January 17: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Samuel 3:3b-10,19 + Psalm 40:2,4, 7-10
1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a,17-20 + John 1:35-42

January 24: Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 + Psalm 25:4-9
1 Corinthians 7:29-31 + Mark 1:14-20

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Intention for evangelization - Human fraternity: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE

THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday at 4 PM
 Sunday at 7:30 AM & 11 AM
"first come, first served" seating.
Maximum of 100 can attend

WEEKDAYS

Monday – Friday at 8:30 AM
"first come, first served" seating.
Maximum of 100 can attend
Rosary is prayed at 8 AM

Father Harris will revisit the issue of adding a third Sunday Holy Mass before the end of the year.

HOLY MASS INTENTIONS for January 16 – 22

Saturday, January 16 at 4 PM
 Timothy Dunn †

Sunday, January 17 at 7:30 AM
 The People of Holy Family Parish

Sunday, January 17 at 11 AM
 John Gast †

Monday, January 18 at 8:30 AM
 Luke Miller & Family

Tuesday, January 19 at 8:30 AM
 Jean Alexander

Wednesday, January 20 at 8:30 AM
 Juliana Nchang

Thursday, January 21 at 8:30 AM
 Helene Atelefack †

Friday, January 22 at 8:30 AM
 Jerry Anderson †

† means a member of the faithful departed

Options to submit your request s for Mass Intentions (suggested donation is \$10).

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

Tuesday • 9 AM – 10 AM
Thursday • 9 AM – 10 AM with Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday • 2:30 PM – 4 PM

You must follow the protocols as noted on our website (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/reopening>), including wearing a mask in the church building at all times.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION & PENANCE (CONFESSIONS)

Learn more: <https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/penance>

Saturday • 2:45 – 3:45 PM
Other times: by appointment with Father Harris in person

Has it been awhile? Do not be afraid! Ask the priest to help you. Receive God's healing mercy.

CONNECTED: GROWING IN CHRIST TOGETHER

Whether we can worship in the parish church on The Lord's Day or not at this time, we are spiritually connected as we continue to grow as disciples of Christ within His Church. We continue to fulfill our parish mission.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Holy Family Parish is to help people to believe in Christ, belong to His Church, and bless our communities. We strive to fulfill our mission through worship, evangelization, faith formation, stewardship, fellowship, and service.

CONNECTED SCRIPTURE VERSE

Jesus said to His disciples, "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing."

PARISH CONNECTED PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Vine and we are the branches. Apart from You, we can do nothing. Strengthen our connections with You and with one another as we proclaim your Gospel and build your Church. You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Jean Alexander, Rocco Aliberti, K. Dale Anderson, Jerry 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, Anne Emerson, Neva Farrah, Barbara Failla, Guy Gable, 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, Luz Molock, 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.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED

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

THE ANGELUS: Usually prayed at 6 AM, Noon, & 6 PM

The Angel of the Lord declared to Mary:
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary...

Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
Be it done unto me according to Thy word. Hail Mary...

And the Word was made Flesh:
And dwelt among us. Hail Mary...

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray: *Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts; that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.*

SUNDAY OFFERTORY REPORT

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 \$6,000 - \$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.

Christmas Offering to date: \$9,557 (same since the last report)

Date	Dec 21 – Dec 27	Dec 29 – Jan 3	Jan 4 – Jan 10
Via mail or hand-delivered	\$3,737	\$4,520	\$7,140
Via electronic funds transfer	\$635	\$645	\$755
In church (envelopes)	\$6,030	\$4,560	\$2,129
In church (non-envelopes)	\$251	\$584	\$241
Total	\$10,653	\$10,309	\$10,265

Thank you very much 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 \$0, you would text OFFER 50 to 14108839358 (no \$ is needed)

POOR BOX DONATIONS FOR JANUARY

The Holy Family Conference of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society coordinates our parish efforts to serve those who are in need.

ANNUAL APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC MINISTRIES 2020

166 households pledging \$39,823 – 99% of the Goal

Thank you for your generosity to the work of the Lord in our parish and Archdiocese. **As of January 5** (data in parenthesis indicates change since the last report),

Households pledging	+ 1	166
% parish households	same	35%
Amount pledged	+ \$1,000	\$39,823
% of goal	+ 3%	99% of \$40,386
Rebate to Date		\$7,050.54

Our parish receives 25% of donations received up to the goal and 50% of any donations given after the goal has been surpassed.

Father Harris has donated \$250. Any amount that you can give will glorify the Lord and further His work. You can also contribute electronically by visiting the website (www.archbalt.org/appeal/give). Please be sure to select "Holy Family-Randallstown" as the parish.

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)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The Parish Office is open 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.

LIVE-STREAM OF HOLY MASS & DEVOTIONS

For those who are unable to worship in person currently, we have this option. **Watch and worship on Facebook Live. Direct link:** <https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>
Schedule: <https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/livestream>
book account? No problem! Go to the direct link (<https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>)

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.

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>

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.

STAY CONNECTED BY VISITING OUR PARISH WEBSITE

<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org>

PARISH NEWS

WELCOME NEW REGISTERED PARISHIONER!

We praise God that you have joined our parish community!

Mrs. Emma Kouassi of Randallstown

POPE FRANCIS: Post-Angelus Message to the USA on January 10, 2021

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/angelus/2021/documents/papa-francesco_angelus_20210110.html

ARCHBISHOP WILLIAM E. LORI: Statement on the U.S. Capitol Protests

<https://www.archbalt.org/press-release-01-06-21/>

STATEMENT OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

<https://www.usccb.org/news/2021/us-bishops-president-condemns-violent-protests-and-prays-safety-chaos-threatens-us>

2021 PARISH CALENDARS ARE AVAILABLE NOW

Father Harris thanks the Saint Charles Borromeo Council of the Knights of Columbus for helping our parish to pay for the calendars.

ACCOMODATIONS FOR THOSE WHO WANT TO RECEIVE THE EUCHARIST Y ON THE TONGUE

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that the COVID-19 virus can be transmitted through breathing. This is the only reason that Archbishop William Lori strongly encourages communicants to receive the Eucharist initially in the hand. It is for the health of the clergy and all worshippers.

After continued consultation with his doctors, Father Harris will not administer the Eucharist directly on the tongue on a regular basis. He has several comorbidities and must reduce the risk during this pandemic. **During Holy Mass at 11 AM, a Communion Minister is available to administer the Eucharist directly on the tongue.**

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED: January 18

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, January 18, which is the federal holiday in honor of the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King, Jr. The Holy Rosary will be prayed at 8 AM and Holy Mass will be offered on that day.

HOLY MASS FOR THE PRESERVATION OF PEACE & JUSTICE: January 18

On the federal holiday in honor of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Father Harris will offer the Votive Holy Mass for the Preservation of Peace and Justice on **Monday, January 18 at 8:30 AM.**

PRAYER BEFORE THE PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION: January 19

Archbishop William Lori has asked the Archdiocese of Baltimore to pray for President-elect Joseph Biden and Vice President-elect Kamala Harris. **Join Father Harris is praying the Holy Rosary at 8 PM on Facebook Live.** No Facebook account? No problem! Use the live-stream link on our website (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org>) or use the direct link (<https://www.fb.com/HFCRanbdallsotwn/live>). Archbishop Lori suggested that we pray the Prayer for Civil Authorities written by the first Archbishop of Baltimore, John Carroll (<https://www.archbalt.org/prayer-for-our-government-by-archbishop-john-carroll/>). Read Archbishop Lori's message calling us to prayer (<https://catholicreview.org/building-a-nation-of-peace-and-justice/>).

PARISH NEWS

TUESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: January 19

Join us on **Tuesdays at 7:30 PM via Zoom video and phone conferencing**. To receive a Zoom invitation, contact our Director of Faith Formation, JoAnn Harvan-Chin (joann.harvan@archbalt.org or 410-922-3800, ext. 5).

NINE DAYS FOR LIFE PRAYER CAMPAIGN: January 21 – 29

Join thousands of Catholics nationwide praying the annual 9 Days for Life novena, January 21-29. Sign up today at 9daysforlife.com.

THURSDAY MORNING ADULT BIBLE STUDY: January 21

Our Director of Faith Formation, JoAnn Harvan-Chin, is leading a Bible Study composed by her on the mysteries of the Rosary. **Join her on Thursday, January 21 at 10 AM via Zoom video and phone conferencing**. To receive a Zoom invite, please contact JoAnn Harvan-Chin (joann.harvan@archbalt.org or 410-922-3800, ext. 5).

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY: January 21

Join Father Harris on Thursday, January 21 at 7 PM on Facebook Live. A Facebook account is not needed to access the link (<https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>). **The series theme is, "Identity: Christ, the Christian, and the Church."** Deepening our understanding of what Jesus says about Himself will do the same regarding our identity as His disciples gathered in His Church. **The topic is, "I am the Gate." The text is John 10:1-10.**

DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE LEGAL PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN: January 22

On the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court Decision, the Catholic Bishops of the USA ask the faith to observe this day. **On Friday, January 22 at 8:30 AM, Father Harris will offer the Votive Holy Mass for For Giving Thanks to God for the Gift of Human Life.**

HELP US TO RESTOCK OUR FOOD PANTRY: Resumes January 23 & 24

The Saint Vincent de Paul Society is ready to receive your food pantry donations. **Hunger knows no season.** Place your donation in your car trunk. Drive to the curb near the Parish Hall entrance. Do not get out of your car. Open your trunk and a SVDP volunteer will take your donation out of the trunk and close the trunk.

**After Saturday Holy Mass at 4 PM
After Sunday Holy Mass at 7:30 AM & 11 AM**

Non-perishable canned, bagged, or boxed items. No out-of-date items.

- **Canned Vegetables:** corn, green beans, mixed veg, peas, pork & beans, tomatoes, white potatoes, yams
 - **Meats:** canned meats, canned tuna fish
 - **Pasta & starches:** bread stuffing, canned ravioli, instant mashed potatoes (box), macaroni & cheese (box), pasta, pasta sauce, rice (box)
 - **Fruit:** canned fruit, cranberry sauce
 - **Desserts:** cake mixes, canned frosting, Jell-O® (small boxes), muffin mix (small boxes)
 - **Other:** canned soups, cereal, jelly, peanut butter, tea
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FOURTH TUESDAY ROSARY: January 26

The Saint Charles Borromeo Council of the Knights of Columbus invite you to pray the Holy Rosary on **Tuesday, January 26 at 7 PM in the Main Church**. All the mysteries (joyful, sorrowful, glorious, luminous) will be prayed, but feel free to stay for one, some, or all of them. It will not be live-streamed.

PARISH NEWS

BRING WATER TO BE BLESSED: February 6 & 7

On the first weekend of the month, Father Harris will offer a formal blessing of water after the homily during Holy Mass. Please bring a **container of water**. Blessed salt will be added to your containers after Holy Mass. Then take this Holy Water home as a reminder of your baptism and your calling to become a saint.

FIRST SUNDAY CONFESSIONS: February 7

Father Harris will resume hearing confessions on the First Sunday of the month. The next scheduled session is Sunday, February 7 from 10:15 AM – 10:45 AM. The session must end at 10:45 AM so that Father Harris can prepare for Holy Mass at 11 AM. As usual, the Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation is also celebrated on Saturdays from 2:45 PM – 3:45 PM or by appointment. **Has it been awhile? Do not be afraid. Ask the priest to help you. Receive the healing mercy of God.** For more information about this sacrament and a sample examination of conscience, please visit our website (<https://www.holyfamilyrandallstown.org/penance>).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MORALITY OF RECEIVING COVID VACCINES

Recently the Committee on Doctrine and the Committee on Pro-Life Activities of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops advised that it was morally acceptable for Catholics to receive the vaccines made by these companies.

“UPDATE: Use of Pfizer, Moderna COVID-19 vaccines is morally acceptable, say bishops”

<https://www.catholicnews.com/update-use-of-pfizer-moderna-covid-19-vaccines-is-morally-acceptable-say-bishops/>

The full statement from these USCCB Committees

<https://www.usccb.org/moral-considerations-covid-vaccines>

Statement by the Maryland Conference of Catholic Bishops, “Maryland Bishops Encourage Use of COVID Vaccine”

<https://www.mdccatholic.org/bishopscovid>

INFORMATION SESSIONS ABOUT THE DIACONATE

The diaconate is part of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. The deacon is ordained to bear witness to Christ the Servant through the ministry of the Word, Liturgy, and Charity. **Those men who are accepted into the four-year formation process have stability in their lives, families, and faith.** By the time of ordination, the candidate has been a Catholic for at least ten years. If married, he has been married at least ten years at the time of ordination. able to provide for the needs of his family, while balancing formation and future ministry expectations.

Interested? Contact your parish priest and deacon. Attend one of the information sessions:

Wednesday January 27 • 6 PM

Saint Bernadine, Baltimore

Wednesday, February 10 • 7PM

Zoom

Please assist the formation team by registering with Kristine Arata, Kristine.Arata@archbalt.org (registering allows us to contact you if adjustments must be made to the schedule). To ensure an understanding of the commitment of formation, applications are only available to those who attend an information session, or after special consideration with a member of the formation team: Father Mike Triplett (mtriplett@archbalt.org), Deacon Larry Matheny (lmatheny@e-stignatius.org), and Deacon Scott Lancaster (slancaster1@stlouisparish.org).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIRTUAL PEACE WALK: January 18

Saint Bernardine Parish invites you to the 8th Annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. & Rev. Msgr. Edward Michael Miller Peace Walk on **Monday, January 18, 2021 at Noon**. It is a live-streamed Prayer Service and Virtual Walk. It will be led by Bishop Dennis Madden, the Urban Vicar, and Monsignor Richard Bozzelli, Pastor of Saint Bernardine Parish. **It will be broadcast on the parish's Facebook page and YouTube channel. Search for "St. Bernardine Catholic Church".**

HELP FOR TROUBLED MARRIAGES: January 29 – 31

Retrouaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about *Retrouaille* and to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 29 – 31, 2021, please visit: <https://www.HelpOurMarriage.org> or call (443) 400-7017, or email 3015@HelpOurMarriage.org.

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.arch? balt.org/project-rachel/](https://www.arch?balt.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).

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 as soon as possible 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 as soon as possible so that we can pray for you. Confidentiality will be respected by the Parish Staff. However, for the safety of all, we would have to notify the Archdiocese of Baltimore and follow directives to notify the Parish community.

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

HOLY MASS ON THE LORD'S DAY "FIRST COME, FIRST SEATED" POLICY

As an experiment, Father Harris is suspending the reservation system for Holy Mass on The Lord's Day. **Worshippers are seated on a "first come, first served" basis.** Per Archdiocesan directive, **church seating capacity is limited to 30% per Holy Mass.** With social distancing and including the ministers of the liturgy, **there are now 100 seats available per Holy Mass.**

- **Saturday at 4 PM:** As usual, the doors will be open for private prayer (2:30 – 4 PM) and Confessions (2:45 – 3:45 PM). Please follow the direction of the ushers to be seated in the section for households or individuals. .
- **Sunday at 7:30 AM & 11 AM:** As usual, the doors will open 30 minutes before Holy Mass begins. If necessary, please form a line and observe social distancing even outdoors. Please follow the direction of the ushers to be seated in the section for households or individuals.

INSTRUCTIONS WHEN COMING TO SUNDAY & WEEKDAY 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 are not ready to join any public gatherings yet, please be comfortable about not attending. Holy Masses on The Lord's Day will be live-streamed on Facebook Live (Saturday at 4:00 PM, Sunday at 7:30 AM & 11 AM) on Facebook Live (<https://www.facebook.com/HFCRandallstown/live>). No Facebook account is needed.
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 are happy to see others, greet them with words and a wave. Please do not congregate, hug, kiss, shake hands, etc.
6. **SEATING PROTOCOL (Sunday Holy Mass):** 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.