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October 11, 2020 Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



"Come to the feast." - Mt 22:4bc

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*Worship Aid and Bulletin*

## Introductory Rites

### Entrance Antiphon

#### Congregational Refrain



### Greeting

#### Glory to God (Recited):

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we adore you, we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.  
Amen.

### Opening Prayer

## Liturgy of the Word

#### First Reading: 25:6-10A

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines, juicy, rich food and pure, choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples, the web that is woven over all nations; he will destroy death forever. The Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the LORD has spoken. On that day it will be said: "Behold our God, to whom we looked to save us! This is the LORD for whom we looked; let us rejoice and be glad that he has saved us!" For the hand of the LORD will rest on this mountain.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God**

## Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23



**R. I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life.**

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## Second Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Brothers and sisters:

I know how to live in humble circumstances;

I know also how to live with abundance.

In every circumstance and in all things

I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry,  
of living in abundance and of being in need.

I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

Still, it was kind of you to share in my distress.

My God will fully supply whatever you need,

in accord with his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.

To our God and Father, glory forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord

**R: Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation:



**R. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.**

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## Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. He dispatched his servants to summon the invited guests to the feast, but they refused to come. A second time he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those invited: "Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."' Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business. The rest laid hold of his servants, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged and sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast

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whomever you find.' The servants went out into the streets and gathered all they found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth.' Many are invited, but few are chosen."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Homily

Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Universal Prayer

### **Liturgy of the Eucharist**

Music during the Preparation of the Altar and the Gifts

#### **Instrumental**

*The offertory baskets will not be passed, instead we ask that you give your offering on your way in or on your way out in the contactless drop baskets.*

*To maintain the brevity of the Mass and protection of all during this pandemic, the Eucharistic Acclamations will be recited.*

Preface Dialogue

Preface Acclamation

Memorial Acclamation

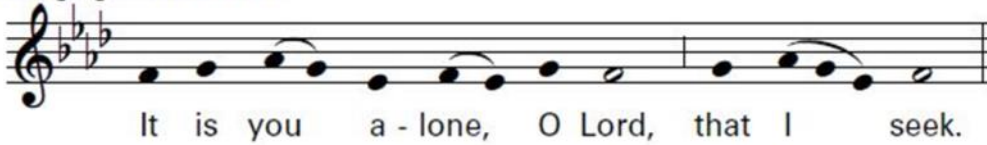
The Great Amen

The Lord's Prayer

## Communion Rite

### Communion Antiphon

#### Congregational Refrain



### GOD OF MERCY

Ricky Manalo, CSP and Bob Hurd

Refrain

God of mer - cy, ho - ly mys - t'ry, ev - er faith - ful one,  
you have pitched your tent a-mong us, rec-on - cil - ing love.  
Heart and mind of Christ, live with - in our lives,  
form us in - to peo - ple of mer - cy and grace.



During Communion: The direction for communion is the opposite of what we used to do. We will be using the side aisles to receive and return on the opposite aisle.

The outside sections go first and then the center sections. Center sections, please remain kneeling until it is your turn.

Please use the markings on the floor to maintain 6ft from other families in the communion aisle out of care for our community.



#### An Act of Spiritual Communion by St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

## Concluding Rite

Blessing

Solemn Dismissal

Sending Forth

**Instrumental**

*Thank you for worshipping with us today, and we are praying for you and your family!*

*This worship aid is yours to keep. Take it home with you to continue reading the bulletin which contains lots of information about continuing your faith and ways you can participate at JGS.*

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Weekend Mass Times

**Saturday Vigil**—4:30 p.m.

**Sunday** — 8:00 a.m. in the church ; 10:45 a.m. In church or in your car *live-streamed at 10:45 a.m. on Facebook and YouTube*

Weekday Mass

Mon—8 a.m. Eucharistic Service (in the church)

Tues-Sat—8 a.m. (in the church) *live-streamed on Facebook and YouTube*

Click here to [Sign up for Mass](#)

Click here for the [JGS Facebook Page](#)

Click here for the [JGS YouTube Channel](#)

**WELCOME**



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we know from the weather recently, we are well into the season of fall. It always seems to “hit” quite fast. Locally, I have seen an abundance of wildlife on our grounds gathering food for the winter. Could this be a sign of what type of winter we will have? Time will tell.



As we journey through the fall during the pandemic, it is good to remember several things. We must not let our guard down in terms of health protocols both at home and here at Jesus the Good Shepherd. Plans are being finalized for the health protocols we will be using for possible in-door activities. As the colder weather approaches, it must be determined how and when our indoor facilities can be used. Toward that end, I continue to work with the Pandemic Leadership Team which I established soon after the pandemic began as well as with our Safety and Security Committee which is now several years old. Both committees have been great and extremely helpful in keeping us all safe here at JGS.

While I think of it, this is just a pastoral recommendation and reminder about getting your vaccinations. It is anticipated from the medical experts that this winter could be complex in terms of viruses. First, it is recommended to get the flu vaccine in preparation for the winter. For those 55+, it is also recommended to get the shingles vaccine. God willing, we will also have soon a vaccine for COVID-19. I hope and pray that you will seriously consider these vaccines to protect yourself and for those around you as we journey through fall and into winter.

This Sunday’s gospel is about a wedding feast. It is always considered an honor to be invited to such! We are being asked to participate in an important event in another person’s life, and to share their joy and their blessings.

Presumably, those who invite us have a high regard for our friendship and our presence. To refuse, much less ignore, such an invitation is simply not very good manners. When the friendship that is being celebrated is between us and God, then the obligation to respond is considerably more serious.

The parable invites the question: What is more important than participating in the love and life of Jesus Christ?

*Let us pray. Ever-loving God, we turn to you in our need and seek you when we are lost. Let your spirit of friendship open our hearts to receive your love in abundant measure that we might ever rejoice in the presence of your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

May God bless you throughout this beautiful season of fall!

Father Mike

**Weekend Mass Intentions for October 10-11, 2020**

4:30 PM Vigil	For the repose of the soul of Michael J. Dziedzic at the request of his family
8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Rosaria "Sara" Hiers-Payne
10:45 AM	For the repose of the soul of Richard Collinson at the request of Terrie Moon

**Mass Intentions for October 12-17, 2020**

Mon	10/12	8 AM	<i>Eucharistic Service</i>
Tues	10/13	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of William J. "Bill" Phalen, husband of Donna, at the request of Ed and Anne Brophy
Wed	10/14	8 AM	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thurs	10/15	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of John Richard Gomez at the request of Don and Cornelia Poudrier
Fri	10/16	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Rosa Chin Dao at the request of her family
Sat	10/17	8 AM	For the repose of the soul of Angela Hofmeyer at the request of Tim and Donna Corcoran

## Ministry Schedule for Oct 17-18, 2020

Mass	Eucharistic Support	Lector	Greeter	Sanitizing Volunteer
4:30 PM Vigil	Buck	Allison	Gilmer/Malenab/Metler	Holaus(2)
8:00 a.m.	Johnson	Coker	Buck/Leslie/Thorne	Addison(2)/Horabik(2)
10:45 a.m.	Parlett(2)	Kuhn	Poudrier/Schultz/Thompson	Collins

To volunteer please email Sheryl Fischer at [receptionist@ccjgs.org](mailto:receptionist@ccjgs.org) or call 410-257-3810 ext 1001

### New to JGS?

**NEW MEMBERS**—Are you new to Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community? WELCOME! The registration form for JGS is available on the JGS website at [ccjgs.org](http://ccjgs.org). We would like to welcome you in person. You and your family are invited to our next New Member meeting on **November 8, 2020** at the pavilion or Centre following the 10:45 Mass. Masks required.



**COVENANT SUNDAY 2020—LOVE THY NEIGHBOR.** Thanks to all those who joined the Covenant Sunday celebration and took the *Love Thy Neighbor* pledge. All are encouraged to take the pledge and sign the banner and take a sticker.

The banner will be available for signatures after Mass this weekend and next.

#### The pledge is three parts:

#1 – Pray the Covenant Prayer.

#2 – Live the "Love Thy Neighbor" pledge. Throughout the year, pledge to pray for:

- Blessings and support of each other
- All those impacted by the pandemic
- Sanctity of life
- Healing in our world

and pledge to keep each other safe by following the Covid-19 protocols.

#3 – Give us your John Hancock! Sign your name on the pledge banner located in the Centre.

### Upcoming Events



**SHARE FOOD ORDERS ARE DUE THIS WEEKEND, OCTOBER 10-11.** You can order a food package via email, text or phone by contacting Lynn Robinson, [Lynn@rwmnc.com](mailto:Lynn@rwmnc.com) or 301-467-8550. [Click here for the menu.](#)

**SAT, OCT 17 AT THE 4:30 P.M. MASS—MINISTRY OF LECTOR TO BE CONFERRED ON PARISHIONER, MICHAEL DORSETT:** We are happy to announce that Jesus the Good Shepherd Community welcomes Auxiliary Bishop Michael Fisher who will install our member, Michael Dorsett officially as a lector as a further step toward his ordination as a permanent Deacon! Mike will be installed with his classmates as part of the 4:30 p.m. Mass that day. We congratulate Mike, his family and his classmates on this wonderful occasion. We wish Mike and his classmates God's abundant blessings during his continuing formation to become a permanent deacon.

**ITEMS NEEDED FOR BIRTHRIGHT: Baby items due Monday!!!** The Martha & Mary Society has had an urgent request for certain baby items to re-supply Birthright in Prince Frederick. The most needed items are: diapers size 4 and 5, diaper bags, crib sheets, sleepers with feet in them - infant and toddler sizes, and clothes for boys and girls in infant sizes. If you can provide any of the above please leave them in clearly marked bags "Birthright" in the center from now until Monday, October 12th.



**VIRTUAL BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN FOR BIRTHRIGHT!** Birthright of Prince Frederick is a pro-life pregnancy crisis center dedicated to help mothers-to-be and their unborn child. Due to the Covid-19 crisis, we are seeing more unplanned pregnancies and mothers losing their jobs. Therefore, mothers and their children need our help more than ever right now. Donations help purchase pregnancy tests, diapers, formula, clothing, cribs and car seats to benefit women facing an unplanned pregnancy. A \$50 donation will provide diapers for 1 month, \$100 will provide a car seat, and \$300 will provide a crib & mattress. Any support is sincerely appreciated. Checks may be made payable to Birthright of Prince Frederick, or by clicking here. Please write JGS Community in the memo line so Birthright knows which church you are from.



**SHARE THE HARVEST FOOD COLLECTION** In keeping with the pledge we made on Covenant Sunday to *Love Our Neighbor*, we are having a SHARE THE HARVEST food collection for the Ladies of Charity Food Pantry. The most needed items are: cereal, peanut butter and jelly, canned fruit, vegetables and beans, soup, canned meat and tuna, pasta and pasta sauce, meals in a can. Donations may be left on the cart at the church entrance. Thanks for your continuing generosity to our neighbors in need at this difficult time.

#### Jesus the Good Shepherd Catholic Community Covenant Prayer

Father, you have called us to be a People of the Covenant. You sent your only begotten Son to be our Savior so that we might praise You, proclaim your Word, encounter You in the sacraments, welcome each other, share our faith, bring our sacrifices and be strengthened for your service.

We pray that we might be a source of compassion toward the poor, justice for the oppressed, peace for the troubled, healing for the wounded, and wisdom for the searching.

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that we might live the mystery of your love and fulfill the covenant we celebrate in the Eucharist. Father, we ask this Jesus' name. Amen



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST SUNDAY, OCT 18**— the JGS KOC will offer takeout (boxed breakfast) on Sunday morning, Oct. 18th from 8:45 to 9:45 and 11:30 to 12:30 PM.

This is how it works: During the service times, simply come to the Centre, following physical distance instructions when entering, pick up a boxed breakfast and leave your donation. For car-side service, park in back lot near playground and someone will be out to get your order and collect donation. **No pre-order is required.** Free will offering suggestion is \$5/box or \$15/family (3 or more). Cash preferred, but credit cards accepted at walk-up station only. Donations will benefit our charitable work.

#### Menu:

- Choice of either western omelet style or regular scrambled eggs
- Hash brown potatoes
- 2 pieces of bacon and 2 sausage links
- biscuit and side of gravy
- bottle of water

Enjoy

### Prayer For The Unborn

Oh God, who has given us the great gift of life, we ask You today to bless all unborn babies.

Watch over them as they grow and develop in their mother's womb, that they might be born healthy and happy and be welcomed with tender love and deep joy.

In a special way, we ask You to bless those babies who are unwanted and may never be born.

Welcome them into Your loving embrace that they might find their home in You.

Bless and guide all pregnant women that they might respect and cherish the great gift of life growing within them.

May they accept their child as an Irreplaceable gift from You.

Amen

JGS Pro-Life Ministry 2014  
Owings, Maryland



### A.C.T. - Active Catholic Teens

The high school youth program is open to all teens. \*Because of the precautions we will be taking this year, you must be registered to participate in ACT. [Click here to register](#) or go to [ccjgs.org/youthministry](http://ccjgs.org/youthministry).\*



**Confirmation:** Classes for the preparation of the Sacrament of Confirmation have begun. Please go to <https://www.ccjgs.org/confirmation> for more information; or click [here](#). Classes meet virtually and in person.



If you are interested in registering your child/ren, or have questions/concerns about this year's learning plan or cost, please send an email to Casey Esser ([religioused@ccjgs.org](mailto:religioused@ccjgs.org)) or Tammy Genelin ([religioussaide@ccjgs.org](mailto:religioussaide@ccjgs.org)). Click [here for the link the CFF page on the JGS website](#).



## Virtue of Spirituality



### THE JOURNEY IS ABOUT TO BEGIN

Are you ready to learn more about the Catholic Faith?

Do you know someone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? Discover the love Jesus has for you and the critical role Catholicism plays in this incredible faith journey! RCIA begins in just a couple weeks! For more information, contact Liz Parker at

[adultfaith@ccjgs.org](mailto:adultfaith@ccjgs.org).

### JOURNEY TOWARDS CHRIST

Bring it on.

### LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK



Come to the feast! God calls us to participate in the banquet of life, a banquet that can fill and satisfy us like no other. It is a spiritual feast where we kind find inner refreshment and satisfy the thirst and hunger of our souls. Do you want to come? Every human being receives an invitation; no one is excluded. There is no charge and an abundant table is set. Some will blatantly refuse. They see no merit in attending and feel that they can fill their needs in other ways. Others will simply ignore the invitation. Maybe they are too consumed with other matters they feel are more important at the time. Still others may even get angry and feel deep resentment for even being asked, resorting to acts of violence in protest of the very presence of the feast. In spite of this, many will also come. They will be the good and the bad, the lost and the lonely, and the ones who understand. They know love when they see it. When they go to the feast, they will rejoice and be glad as they will have found the God for whom they looked! ©LPI



*The sick:* MaryAnn LaRosa; Sandi Bressi; Bev Ganley; Christopher Crandall; Louis Johnson; Doreen Dardzinski; Katie Lakie; Elaine Shelby; Mary Ann Harlan; Keith Hanagriff; Tim Connors; Alma Marie Streicker; Frank Santora; Sue Baczynski; Anne Brophy; Ray Wenderlich; Duke Dusseau; Buddy Curtis; Bob Adams; Marsha Dunn; Janet Cleary; Pat Conway; Leslie Hill

For the repose of the soul of Alice Novy, wife of Bob, former JGS parishioners.

Friends/relatives in need of prayer and for those who have died contact the church office monthly to include them in our bulletin.



### Readings for the week of October 11, 2020

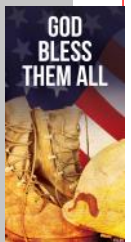
Sunday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10  
Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31—5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7 [cf. 2]/Lk 11:29-32  
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48 [41a]/Lk 11:37-41  
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Lk 11:42-46  
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2a]/Lk 11:47-54  
Friday: Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13 [12]/Lk 12:1-7  
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7 [7]/Lk 12:8-12  
Next Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10 [7b]/1 Thes 1:1-5b/Mt 22:15-21  
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### We pray for all the members of the United States Military. We pray that all are kept from harm, especially:

Staff Sergeant Christopher R. Skirchak; LT Jg Matthew Schwartz; Steve Looney; Billy Looney; Will Jones; Michael Hardy; LT. Alex Scott; Nicholas Majers; David Keffer; James Lan-son Weeks; Captain Robert Pat-terson, USMC; LT Nadila Khan, USN; Ross Noon; Col Phil Noltemeyer; Sr A Matthew Cullens; William Ryan Thayer; LT. Col. Brian Genelin; Michael Parker; Michael

Henry Thayer; LT. Col. Gerald Cullens; Noah Pirner; Scott Mega; Capt. Kal Bassma; Mark Smith; Jacob Floyd; Joseph Masoero; Chris-topher Kuczek; Tyler Menoche; Tim Addison; Dylan Rayfield; Joshua Snyder; Brennan McConnell

Please contact the church office to have a name added to this list.





# THANK YOU

for your generosity

**LANDSCAPING IMPROVEMENTS AT OUTSIDE GROTTTO:** The Grotto area is behind the church and down the hill. This summer, the beginning of a major "re-make" of landscaping took place with the removal of seven, large, dead sycamore trees. Due to the generosity of a parishioner, a total relandscaping of the Grotto was completed. This was due to a substantial donation from a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous. Our sincere thanks to our parishioner for their extraordinary generosity to our community. The Grotto has taken on "new life" and it is now very attractive as a meditative prayer space on our grounds. The Grotto is available on weekends for your prayerful reflection. Please enjoy it!!!



**In their statement on Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, the U.S. Catholic bishops lift up various issues of different moral weight and urgency.** Some issues they mention include: "protecting the unborn, refugees and immigrant families; fighting racism and religious intolerance; aiding those impacted by poverty and conflict; preserving the family; and caring for our common

home." Learn more about the issues and watch brief videos at [FaithfulCitizenship.org](http://FaithfulCitizenship.org).

During this election season, our parish will be utilizing materials from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops on *Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship* and *Civilize It*. These materials are non-partisan and seek to help Catholics engage in the political process with an informed conscience, as our faith calls us to do. Distribution of other election-related materials on church property will not be permitted. Among other activities, posting flyers or signs, passing out campaign literature, and leaving unauthorized materials anywhere in the building or on car windshields, are prohibited. We appreciate your compliance with this policy.

**Voting Guidelines and Dates** There has been a lot of confusion as the State adjusts voting guidelines in light of the pandemic. I wanted to make sure you had the following information about the process in Maryland this year. An abbreviated version of this is on our election page ([mdcatholic.org/elections](http://mdcatholic.org/elections)).

- Oct. 13: Deadline for voter registration
- Oct. 20: Requests for mail-in ballot must be received
- Oct. 26-Nov. 2: In-person early voting
- Nov. 3: Election Day

All registered voters in Maryland may request a mail-in ballot this year to be sent to them by mail, fax, or via a download from the State.

This [webpage has very helpful information](#) on mail-in voting. As with any election, it is very important that voters carefully follow all instructions in completing their ballots.

The completed mail-in ballot may be returned by mail or by dropping it off at the local election board office, early voting center or election day voting center.

As of today, early voting sites have been announced, but not Election Day voting sites. Due to the pandemic, the number of voting locations will be lower than in a normal year

Contact Laura Cleary at 410-257-3810 ([secretary@ccjgs.org](mailto:secretary@ccjgs.org)) for Mass Cards/ Intentions; Sponsor Certificates (for Sacraments) or to place bulletin announcements. *Deadline for bulletin items is Thursday at noon, 10 days before the weekend you want your article to appear. Thank you!*



**CONSIDERING A CATHOLIC EDUCATION** for your child? Our regional school, Cardinal Hickey Academy, offers diverse course offerings and high standards to children in grades pre-k through 8th grade. Even during this 2020-2021 school year, CHA offers in-person classes. Call: 301-812-0404 or [cardinalhickeyacademy.org](http://cardinalhickeyacademy.org).

**2020 ANNUAL APPEAL:** We recently received a report from the Archdiocese on where we stand with this year's Annual Appeal. **Jesus the Good Shepherd Community is approximately at 83% of its goal.** This is wonderful news! I wish to thank our parishioners who have donated to the 2020 Annual Appeal. The support of all members of JGS shows what a positive impact our community makes for people in need especially during the pandemic. Among the needs the Appeal supports are the hospital chaplaincies which serve the sick and the dying in numerous hospitals throughout the Archdiocese; Catholic Charities which provides food and other assistance to thousands, and the St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families. This Catholic agency continues to offer temporary housing, counseling and child-care services to single mothers. These needs, and many others benefited by the Appeal, depend on our financial support. If you have not yet made your gift pledge to the 2020 Annual Appeal, it is not too late. **Visit [appeal.adw](http://appeal.adw) to make your gift today.** God is not outdone in generosity. When we are generous, God is generous even more back to us! God loves a cheerful giver. Please support the 2020 Annual Appeal. Thank you!



**THE ANGEL TREE IS ALMOST HERE!** Believe it or not, Christmas is less than seven weeks away. Here at JGS and in Calvert County, we are starting to get ready for this wonderful time of year. After all we have been through in 2020, it feels good to look forward to the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ and important to remember those less fortunate. Following our pledge, "Love thy neighbor," our Angel Tree will be coming soon and when it is up, please consider taking a tag (or two) to help bring a smile to a child's face this coming Christmas!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING for the weekend of October 4, 2020:

Weekly Offertory \$ 6,411  
We need \$7,000 weekly in the offertory to stay afloat  
 September Faith Direct offertory \$ 34,768  
We need \$32,500 monthly in Faith Direct to stay afloat

\*Egiving through FaithDirect is calculated monthly.  
 Thank you for your generosity!

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!



**ARE YOU ON FAITH DIRECT?** Offertory is essential to your JGS church operations! JGS relies heavily on Sunday offertory to maintain operational budgets, staff, and resources for our community. It is essential that, during this isolation time, we continue to give an offering to our church for it to be sustained in the future.

Questions? Contact Pam Huseman  
[accounting@ccjgs.org](mailto:accounting@ccjgs.org)

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