



## Spirit-Trained

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

**T**he Spirit that descended upon Jesus is the same Spirit with which we have been baptized. In one way or another, it calls us out into the world, into the lives of others. At times, that call is a passionate desire that burns like fire “eager to do what is good,” as Paul wrote to Titus (Titus 2:14). It shows itself as a call to the work we do in life—perhaps parenting, teaching, medical work, or creating jobs through business. The Spirit beckons us into making the world a better place in which to live.

Sometimes, however, the Spirit’s voice echoes with calls made to us by others. Teachers are urged to become principals. Employees are recognized as potential managers and supervisors. People receive requests to volunteer in community or school projects. At other times, the Spirit calls us through the needs of life. A child may need to care for an aged parent. A family may have a child with special needs. One-sided relationships may call for a listening ear that saps our patience.

Saint Paul wrote to Titus that, in all of this, we are being trained by God’s Spirit to live life as follows: temperately, with a sense of balance, perhaps between giving and receiving; justly, because life is not all about us; and devoutly, for there is a power greater than ourselves (Titus 2:12). It may help to realize that those in training do not always perform their work perfectly. It is the nature of being trained. Trust the Spirit to train you well. ●

### Reflect

***How is the Spirit training you to make the world a better place?***



## St. Joseph's Church

was consecrated on the 29<sup>th</sup> of January 1928.  
It is the oldest standing Roman Catholic Church on the island.

Address: 45 Somerset Road, Sandys MA 03, Bermuda  
or  
P.O. Box MA 05, Mangrove Bay, Sandys MABX, Bermuda.  
Telephone: (441) 234-2321  
Email: [stjosephbermuda@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephbermuda@gmail.com)

**Acting Pastor: Fr. Joseph Morley - Cell: 705-0236**



### Tentative Mass Schedule Saturday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. Sunday morning at 8:45 a.m.

Baptism	By appointment: one month in advance
Weddings	By appointment: one year in advance (approx.)
Sacrament of Reconciliation	By appointment
Filipino Mass 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday 11:00 a.m.	18 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
Kids & Youth Ministry	Resumes 19 <sup>th</sup> January.
Children's Mass	23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2025
Pastoral & Finance Council	13 <sup>th</sup> January 2025
Monthly Coffee Social	26 <sup>th</sup> January 2025

### DIocese of HAMILTON IN BERMUDA

Most Rev. Bishop, Wiesław (Wes) Śpiewak  
[www.romancaholicbermuda.bm](http://www.romancaholicbermuda.bm)

### Parish Team Leaders

<b>Mrs. Elizabeth Card</b> – Pastoral Council Chairperson	<b>Mrs. Annette Barclay</b> St. Vincent de Paul Society Representative
<b>Walette Cross</b> Stewardship Representative	<b>Natalia Walker</b> Religious Education Kids & Youth Ministry
<b>Mrs. Mary Harvey</b> - Parish Administrator & Finance Committee Team Leader	<b>Mrs. Jane Farge</b> Music Ministry



### Today's Hymns

<b>Entrance:</b> When Jesus Comes to be Baptised	<b>#337</b>
<b>Offertory:</b> Sacred Silence	<b>#657</b>
<b>Communion:</b> Come to the Water	<b>#626</b>
<b>Recessional:</b> I Heard the Voice of Jesus	<b>#692</b>

**Leader of Song: Justin Tavares**



*The St. Joseph's Parish family takes this opportunity to thank you for coming to worship with us today. May the loving Lord always be with you, and with your families.*



### Sunday – 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025

**Proclaimer of God's Word**  
**Opening/Closing of the Church**  
**Eucharistic Minister**  
**Collection Counters**  
**Altar Servers**  
**Music**

**Jane Bermingham**  
**Kathie Ausenda**  
**Elizabeth Card**  
**Annette Barclay**  
**Seamus Stones**  
**Jane Farge**

**Prayers:** Please keep our **sick and shut-ins** in your prayers, especially Ilene Bremar, Eleanor Correia, Bernie & Eileen Davies, Jenny Woods; Jose Garcia, Evelyn Pinlac, and Mary Maybury.

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, 11<sup>th</sup> January For the people of St. Josephs**



**Sunday, 12<sup>th</sup> January - For our loved ones** in whose memory donations were made towards new air conditioners.

+ Bermingham, Rowe, Higgins & Lopez families; Reynolds & Ausenda families; Anthony & Rita Faries, Manuel, Joseph, Frank, George, James Faries, Rita Faries Smith, Tony & Solange Faries, Mary Soares, Mary Pedro, and Charles Spanswick; Eugene DeSilva, Angie & Joe DeSilva, Joan & John Mello, Mary & Fred, Louisa & Manuel; Hughes/Mello families; James & Violet Stones, Kenneth & Beryl Young, Erna Young and David Young; David & Maria de Lurdes, Antonio Froias & Maria de Jesus, David Tavares & Hannah Jimenez; Jose Miguel Arruda; Barclay, Heyliger & Smith families; Reginald Pitman, Zita Pitman-Smith, Ken Moench, Hilda Moench and Charlie Smith; Alexandra Barclay, Martin & Teresa Hutley; Jose & Maria Rego; Carlos & Luis Rego; Lucy & John Moffat, Susan & James Moffat, John, Louise & Richard Card, Arthur, Marie & Paul Card; Ernest, Alice, Peter & Ernie Whitney; Fr. David Doran; Fr. Carl Fritz; Fr. Joseph Bogusz; Bishop Brian Hennessy; Marja Warakois & Lempe Escola; Bobbe Cauchi; Peter & Mary Hogg; Suzanne Tann; Ellen (Nellie) & Ron Jenkins; and for those loved ones not mentioned.

### ATTENDANCE & COLLECTION

MASS	Attendees	Collection
Saturday, 4 <sup>th</sup> January 4:00 p.m.	4	55.00
Sunday, 5 <sup>th</sup> January 8:45 a.m.	40	299.00
		<b>\$354.00</b>

*Thank you for your kindness and generosity, it is appreciated. Banking information: St. Joseph's Parish – Account Number: 20006060757062100 – Bank NT Butterfield*

### BIRTHDAYS

**Leonora Carter** **17<sup>th</sup> January**

May God, our loving heavenly Father, grant you many more special days

**During the Mass today our First Holy Communion candidate, Rhea Ingraham will observe her Belonging Celebration.** She was unable to participate with her class last Sunday, due to illness.

After the Mass this morning, we will be taking down the Christmas tree and decorations, so please stay for a while to help. "Many hands make light work," and your help will be appreciated.

Our "Kids & Youth Ministry" will resume on **Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025.**

### Condolences:

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Justin, whose granddad, Denis DeSousa, passed away last Saturday evening. Denis and Lillian were active members of St. Josephs for many years, prior to their moving to Florida.

Our dear Petra, passed away on the 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2025, and to her family we extend our heartfelt condolences. Her funeral will be held on Wednesday, 15<sup>th</sup> January. Rosary at 10:30 a.m. followed by the Mass.

Both these dear people were "Good and Faithful Servants" (Math:25:23). Please pray for the repose of Denis and Petra's souls, and keep their families in your prayers during this time of their bereavement.

### PASTOR'S POINT:

Dear Parishioners,

A Jubilee Year is a significant moment in the life of the Church in which she celebrates the year of messianic favour inaugurated by Christ through His Incarnation and Paschal Mystery [cf. Lk 4:19; John Paul II, *Tertio millennio adveniente* (Latin for 'As the third millennium approaches') is an apostolic letter of Pope John Paul II, promulgated on 10 November 1994, concerning preparation for the Great Jubilee of the Year 2000.]. Proclaimed every 25 years since the 13th century, the celebration of jubilee years typically included pilgrimages, processions, celebrations of Mass, and an invitation to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These liturgical celebrations are opportunities to receive the Lord's mercy, especially through the practice of the Jubilee indulgence, and lead to the performance of works of mercy.

The theme for this Jubilee is Pilgrims of Hope, and the Bull suggests several ways to bring Christ and His message of hope to the world, for example, by working for peace and an end to conflicts, promoting human life, showing amnesty to prisoners, upholding the dignity of migrants, healing the sick, and accompanying the elderly - or even through the forgiveness of debts, a custom of jubilee years in the Old Testament. Each diocese will vary its focus, but here in Bermuda there will be a focus on particular groups of people which will take place at each of our 6 Churches. More details will be forthcoming as outlined in the 2025 List of Diocesan Events Calendar in the Bishop's Corner which will highlight the usual various annual Diocesan activities.

Brothers and sisters, let us make this year truly HOPE FILLED and may all of the graces this year stay with you forever. On this solemnity of the Baptism of the Lord continue to remind us of our own Baptism and may we live our life to the fullest.

God bless,  
Fr. Joe Morley, (Acting) Pastor  
Vicar General (DOHB)

### WORDS OF LIFE (USCCB) - January 12th

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities  
"How to Build a Culture of Life" ([respectlife.org/culture-of-life](http://respectlife.org/culture-of-life))

\*\*\*\*\*

### BISHOP'S CORNER:

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I presume that the information below is generally known but I also thought that it would not be wrong to give you some further explanation into this practice.

Our Diocese, as all Catholic dioceses worldwide, is obliged to organise annually four collections that are destined to support the needs of specific sectors of the Church. These collections are known as "Pontifical Collections".

- Canon 1271 Collection:** This Code of Canon Law requires dioceses' to financially help the apostolic works of the Holy See. This collection in our Diocese is usually done in January and this year it will be taken on the weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> of January.
- Collection for the Holy Land:** Its target is to collect funds for support of Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land, and for the welfare of their Christian brethren and local communities. This year this collection will be taken at Good Friday services on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April.
- Peter's Pence Collection:** Peter's Pence is the name given to the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father, as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church, and for the relief of those most in need. It will be taken on the weekend of the 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> June.
- World Mission Collection:** Donations go, in their entirety, to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, beginning or poor. This collection will be taken on weekend of the 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> October.

I would like to have one more Special Collection, sometime in Lent, in order to support the construction of the Pastoral Centre at the new church of Our Lady of Lourdes in Bangladesh. More information will be provided in due course.

May your weekend be restful and your week blessed!

Bishop Wes

### REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR FOOD DRIVE

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Advent Food Drive. It was a great success, and we are very grateful for your generosity. Across the Diocese, we delivered approximately one hundred bags/boxes of groceries to The Eliza DoLittle Society for their food pantry, which is amazing. This will go a long way to help those in need. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

# Dear Padre,

***We are told that we are baptized into Jesus' death and resurrection, and that baptism is necessary for our salvation. But why was Jesus baptized?***

Jesus was baptized, not because he needed saving, but so that others might be saved. By accepting baptism, he established this act as the normative path for salvation. Saint John Chrysostom addressed this question: "Though [Christ] needed not baptism for his own sake, yet carnal nature in others had need thereof." Or as St. Gregory

Nazianzen said more poetically: "Christ was baptized that he might plunge the old Adam entirely in the water."

Another reason Jesus accepted baptism is suggested by St. Augustine. He said our Lord was baptized "because he wished to do what he had commanded all to do." This is true servant leadership—not asking of others what one is not willing to do oneself. Or as St. Ambrose said, "This is justice, to do first thyself that which thou wishest another to do, and so encourage others by thy example."

Perhaps as we launch into a new year, we might try to remember our baptismal promise to "put on Christ" and imitate Jesus in this way: to not ask of anyone—our children or parents; employers or employees; teachers or students; principals or pastors; or even presidents—what we do not ask of ourselves, especially when it comes to honesty, dedication, civility, and charity. ●



SWEET MARSHMALLOW / SHUTTERSTOCK

***The Redemptorists / DearPadre.org***

## **Do you have a question for the Padre?**

Go to [DearPadre.org](https://dearpadre.org) to send your question and to learn more about *Dear Padre*.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
January 13	January 14	January 15	January 16	January 17	January 18	January 19
<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>St. Anthony,</i>	<i>Weekday</i>	<i>Second Sunday</i>
Heb 1:1–6	Heb 2:5–12	Heb 2:14–18	Heb 3:7–14	<i>Abbot</i>	Heb 4:12–16	<i>in Ordinary Time</i>
Mk 1:14–20	Mk 1:21–28	Mk 1:29–39	Mk 1:40–45	Heb 4:1–5, 11	Mk 2:13–17	Is 62:1–5
				Mk 2:1–12		1 Cor 12:4–11
						Jn 2:1–11



© L'OSSERVATORE ROMANO

## **A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS**

***Let us thank the Lord for baptism. Let us also thank him for the parents who brought us to the font, for those who administered the sacrament...for the community in which we received him.... Do I acknowledge, in my life, the light of the presence of God, who sees me as his beloved son, his beloved daughter?***

**ANGELUS, ROME, JANUARY 7, 2024**