

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 25, 2025

Mass Times

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation)
Tues (Latin): 5:00 p.m.; Wed, & Fri: 12:00 p.m.

Confessions

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

Office Hours

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

Adoration

The Church is open for prayer and adoration from 6:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. unless Fr. Drew is away from the premises.

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

Mass Intentions for May 25th through May 31st	
5/25 Sun – 8 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i> : LL SMOOCH
10 a.m.	Jim & Jeanne Simick (Living)
5/27 Tues – 5 p.m.	Douglas & Daniel Brown, Joshua Holton
5/28 Wed – 12 p.m.	Michael Eric Adams
5/30 Fri – 12 p.m.	Paul Howe
5/31 Sat – 5 p.m.	John F. Adams
May 18, 2025 Offertory	
Thank you for your generosity!	
\$2,747.00	

Care Net Baby Bottle Blitz – Care Net Baby Bottles will be available for pick-up in the back of the church starting May 11, Mother’s Day. Care Net SoMD offers no-cost support and licensed medical services to women facing unplanned pregnancies in Southern Maryland - at no cost to our patients and clients. Your spare coins can change a life, transform a family, and impact generations. Here’s How it Works: Take a Baby Bottle home. Pray for Care Net SoMD and the women and families that we serve. Fill the Baby Bottle with coins, cash, or checks or fill a virtual bottle by scanning the QR code and giving online. Bring the bottle back to church by Sunday, June 15th.

Daily Mass Schedule Change (for the early summer)

Beginning on May 27

Tuesday 5:00 PM

Wednesday 12:00 PM

Friday 12:00 PM

Check the website for updates

Happy Memorial Day!



From Father's Desk

My Dear Parish,

Next Sunday we'll celebrate the Feast of the Lord's Ascension and Pentecost the Sunday after that.

The significance of these moments are crucial for a Christian's own self understanding.

It is of the utmost convenience for us that Jesus should depart and return to the bosom of His Father. Where the Head has gone, the Body will follow in hope. Until then, we receive the consolation and strength of the Holy Ghost. This special outpouring is sufficient and plenty good for us to fulfill, with flying colors, the commandments Our Lord left us.

This is the Divine plan for us, that we be made holy. This is literally the meaning of the word "Sanctification." And God wouldn't reveal his expectations for us without simultaneously filling us with the confidence that we can carry out his orders.

Salvation. Sanctification. Eternal Life. A New Commandment. Do This in Memory of Me. God's life fits our own and clothes it with immortality. Our created human nature receives the Gift of a superadded creation of Divine love, given to us by God Himself, ordaining us to gain what He wants for us all. These are days of great hope.

With paternal affection,
Fr. Drew

SoMD Mass with Healing Prayers – Monday, June 2, 7:00PM - Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Lexington Park. Confessions available beginning at 6:30PM. 7PM Mass followed by healing service. All are invited to come and receive healing prayers in the Eucharistic Presence of our Lord. Bring your family member or neighbor.

Part-Time Secretary Position at St. Aloysius Catholic Church, Leonardtown, MD – We are now accepting applications for a part-time position, 20 hrs. per week, church secretary Wed-Thu, 9am-4pm., Fri, 9am-3pm. For further information please call Denise, 301-475-8064 or email dbecher@saintalloysiuschurch.org.

Part-Time Secretary Position at Our Lady of the Wayside, Chaptico, MD – We are now accepting applications for a part-time position, 16-20 hrs. per week, church secretary. Regular Hours – Monday – Friday, 9:00 – 1:00, Summer Hours – Monday to Thursday 9:00 – 1:00. For further information, please call our office at 301-884-2502 or email office@olwrcc.org.

Candlelight Eucharistic Procession on June 19 – Join the Catholic parishes of St. Mary's County for a beautiful Candlelight Eucharistic Procession through downtown Leonardtown on Thursday, June 19 at 8:00 PM. The procession will begin at St. Aloysius Church. All are welcome to witness and worship the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist!

Invitation to Mass and Celebration of the Holy Jubilee – Saturday, May 31, 2025 – In this Holy Jubilee Year, the Church calls us to focus our attention on Christ, the hope of all. In him, "*hope does not disappoint,*" because "*the love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*" (Rom. 5:5). On Saturday, May 31, 2025, the archdiocese will host a Pilgrimage, Mass and Celebration of the Holy Jubilee at the St. John Paul II Shrine and at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. This gathering which will begin at 12pm and end with the 4:30pm vigil Mass, seeks to bring together the archdiocesan faithful from various parishes, cultures, and neighborhoods so we can joyfully proclaim Christ our Hope. This sacred time of joy and grace will include a music festival, catechesis sessions, Eucharistic procession, confessions, adoration, and Mass. You and your family are warmly invited to participate in this celebration. It will be an opportunity to gain plenary indulgence for yourself or a deceased loved one. For more information, visit the pilgrimage page on the ADW website <https://adw.org/event/dc-pilgrimage-and-celebration-of-the-holy-jubilee-2025/>.