

Saint Joseph Catholic Church

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The Most Holy Trinity

June 15, 2025

Mass Times

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

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 June 15th through June 21st	
6/15 Sun – 8 a.m.	Rev. Kevin P. O'Reilly
10 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i> : LL SMOOCH
6/17 Tues – 5 p.m.	Rev. Joseph Townsend (Living)
6/18 Wed – 5 p.m.	Dcn. Clark Lee Glenn, Sr.
6/20 Fri – 5 p.m.	Dcn. Emmett Chad Martin
6/21 Sat – 5 p.m.	Rev. William Brailsford
June 8, 2025 Offertory	\$2,572.00
June 8, 2025 School Support	\$397.00
Thank you for your generosity!	

Ladies Sodality Father's Day Bake Sale – This Sunday, June 15 the Ladies Sodality will be having a bake sale after the 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM Masses. Thank you for your support!

Seven Sisters Apostolate – We have openings for the Seven Sisters Apostolate group at St. Joseph's. Each woman commits to praying a holy hour in front of the Tabernacle on a specific day of the week for one year for our pastor, Fr. Drew. This year's commitment will begin on July 7. See sevensistersapostolate.org for more details. Please contact Cookie Pontzer to join and be assigned a particular day or to volunteer to be an on-call substitute.

Return Bottles – Care Net Baby Bottle Blitz – 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**.



From Father's Desk

My Dear Parish,

We may think that we can say quite a bit about God without really knowing Him. We can say that He's the Best there is, that He's the reason anything exists, that He's supremely intelligent. But we pretty soon reach a limit. Even if we were to tease out all of the implications of what it means that He is the cause of everything, or that His goodness cannot be surpassed by any other, we would still, at best only be pointing toward a thing which we all might agree to call "God." Our capacity to know this one we call "God" would, on our own, show itself at best hardly to be up to even the most imprecise attempts at the task.

Fortunately—or Providentially, as it were—this very God comes to help us. Rather than let us pitifully to dangle in ignorance and error He comes to the rescue with the Gift of Revelation. He reveals who He is to us. This is, in fact, exactly how he calls Himself, "I am who I am." In so revealing himself we get to know a God who is also concerned with the welfare of mankind. That He desires what is best for us both personally and as the Human race. That he makes himself known to us.

The great revelation about the Divinity is that God, in the unity of a single Divine essence, is really three distinct persons: The Father, the Son & the Holy Spirit. The Three Persons, each related to the other, constitute a Trinity of Persons in a single Divine unity.

There's no way we would have figured that on our own without God showing us. May God continue to strengthen our understanding of Him through the contemplation of the Most Sacred mysteries of our Faith.

With paternal affection,
Fr. Drew

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!

Combat Veteran Support Group – The next meeting will be on June 23 at St. Aloysius Parish Hall (22800 Washington St, Leonardtown) at 6:30 PM. Join St. Aloysius parishioner Chris Kotlinski, LtCol USMC (Ret) OIF and OEF Veteran and other combat veterans to foster a community support network for combat veterans and their families seeking camaraderie and a Christian way of life, and to discuss how to incorporate the power of God and Christian Life in our recovery, transition, and understanding of our combat experiences and Post Traumatic Distress Disorder (PTSD).

Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection, and Worship Night – Join us on Sunday, June 22 at 6PM at St. Aloysius Church, Leonardtown for an amazing evening with Adoration & Praise, Reflection and individual prayer. This month we will be introducing a new format with more quiet Adoration time. If you struggle to stay focused in prayer or would like to grow in your Eucharistic Prayer Devotion, join us! Music provided by: Fiat! Contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for more information at: (301) 475-7139 also visit us at: www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org.

Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's

Affordable High School in the Catholic Tradition

Gear Up & Discover Chesterton Event

Date / Time: Wednesday / June 25, 2025 / 6-8PM

Location: 28299 Old Village Road

Mechanicsville, MD 20659

RSVP and Info: <https://forms.gle/diUZRHi6dYgepDnG6>

