



St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church

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NEW PARISHIONERS... St. Aloysius extends a warm welcome to all who are joining us for prayer, worship, or instruction. If you are new to the area or returning home to the Church, we invite you to register and make St. Aloysius your parish. Registration forms can be obtained at the church, on our website, or by calling the rectory.

FIND A SMALL GROUP... Find Small Group Faith Formation opportunities in our area for both adults and high school teens by visiting www.ConnectStMarys.com.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)... RCIA is the process of welcoming new members to the Catholic Church. It is intended for adults who have never been baptized or for adults who have been baptized Christian and now wish to practice the faith in the Catholic tradition. It is an ongoing process of formation, catechesis and liturgical rites. Anyone interested is asked to call the rectory to discuss the process.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM... Parents are asked to call the parish office to register for the Baptismal Preparation Meeting and for the baptism of their child. Parents are expected to be participating members of the parish.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE... Couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with the pastor six months to one year in advance of their intended wedding date, in order to allow time for marriage preparation. At least one of the engaged should be a registered and practicing member of the parish.

ANointing OF THE SICK... The Sacrament of the Sick is for the spiritual comfort, strength and healing of the ill. If there is a need for the sacrament in your family or household, please contact the rectory as soon as possible.

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL... Pre-K-8th Grade. If interested, please contact Mrs. Helen Bowles in the school office Monday through Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm, 301-475-9795 for space availability.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION... Pre-K-8th Grade, 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM, during the school year. To register please contact Leonard Wathen at the Rectory or visit the parish website.

March 27, 2022

Fourth Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am and 11:00 am
Daily: 12:15 pm Tuesday & Thursday
8:30 am Wednesday & Friday
7:30 am Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES: As Announced inside the Bulletin.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays in Lent at 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: 7 days a week: 6:30-7:30am & pm

FIRST FRIDAYS: Mass at 8:30 am

FIRST SATURDAYS: Mass at 7:30 am, Holy Hour till 9:00am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Thursday: 11:30-12 Noon
Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

STAFF

Pastor.....Rev. David W. Beaubien, ext. 14
Deacon.....Deacon Joseph Vavrus
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper.....Denise Becher, ext.10
Receptionist/Bulletin EditorJennifer Bicknell, ext.11
Religious Education/Youth Ministry..... Leonard Wathen, ext.16
Coordinator of Music.....Beth Domingue
Custodian.....Robert Barger

Principal, Father Andrew White SchoolJanet Szoch
Secretary, FAW School.....Helen Bowles

RECTORY HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8 am-4 pm
Friday 9 am-3 pm



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PASTOR'S CORNER

Prodigal Mercy

Luke 15:11-32

Each of the three main characters in the so-called “Parable of the Prodigal Son” carries distinct material for fruitful meditation—the younger son, the elder son, and the father.

The younger son strikes a universal chord in human nature, susceptible to the desires of the flesh and worldly allurements and experiencing the wretchedness that results after giving in to these temptations. The elder son exhibits all-too-human envy at another’s good fortune. Complaining that his own past obedience is taken for granted, he resents that his younger brother, after wasting his inheritance, is received back into the household with full sonship restored, no questions asked and without any consequences for bad behavior. The father, on the other hand, is the only one who exhibits larger-than-life, almost superhuman, characteristics. Laying aside his paternal dignity and rushing out with welcoming arms, the father’s charity completely overlooks the sin of his profligate son, who in effect had wished him dead. The father then gently pleads with the resentful elder son, whose obedience to his father seems to have lacked the requisite motivation of filial love.

In this way, Jesus reveals the nature of God’s unfathomable love, which extends to both the profligate and the pridefully self-righteous. The father calls for the finest robe to be put on his younger son, representing the restored dignity of his human nature, a ring for his finger signifying the return of his rights within the family, sandals for his feet, the completion of his outward glorious vesture, and the sacrificial feast to celebrate the family reunion.

Symbolically, the younger son calls to mind all who were outcast or marginalized from the heretofore people of God—sinners against God’s law and tax collectors, who cooperated with the pagan authority. The parable ends with a poignant “question mark”: Will the elder son come to the feast? Will he repent of his self-righteousness?

Whether in the past we have fit the model of one son or the other, will we be enlightened with a new vision of the infinite depth of God’s mercy? Our Father wants to clothe us in the robe of his graces, place the ring bearing his name on our finger, our feet in sandals for gospel mission, and to celebrate with us the eternal sacrificial banquet of the Lamb among the communion of saints!

~Fr. David

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, Mar. 29:

12:15 pm

Arthur “Larry” Miller

Wednesday, Mar. 30:

8:30 am

Mary Margaret & Tom Miedzinski

Thursday, Mar. 31:

12:15 pm

Michael T. Norris, Sr.

First Friday, April 1:

8:30 am

The Deceased Members of the
Queen & Brooks families
Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm

First Sat., April 2:

7:30 am

Sarah Lacey

5:00 pm

Mary & Howard Spalding

Sunday, April 3:

8:00 am

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

11:00 am

Joseph F. Hancock

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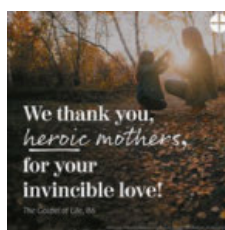
the Sick and Homebound in our Community: Jeanne Bean, Wally Bowles, Michael Brooks, Timothy Butler, Steve Daczowski, Charles Davis Sr., George Guy, Teresa Higgs, Jim Hutchison, Allison Kohut, Jay McCleaf, Jake Meerman, George Nelson, Rebecca Swales, Jerry Thompson and Adrienne Wathen.



BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: The community of St. Aloysius would like to extend our condolences to the family of **Louis Holden**, who passed away recently. May the angels lead him into paradise; may the martyrs come and welcome him to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem; and may the peace of Christ which is beyond all understanding give his family comfort and peace.

RESPECT LIFE

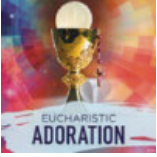
WORD OF LIFE: May all mothers facing difficult pregnancies be lovingly accompanied as they prepare to encounter Christ anew through the gift of their children. We pray to the Lord.



“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving

birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (The Gospel of Life 86).

EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE



Join us for **DAILY AM and PM Holy Hours** for adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and silent prayer in the Sacred Heart Chapel. 7 days a week: **6:30-7:30 AM and PM**
Come for all or a portion of the hour as your time allows.

MORNING PRAYER on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays** at **7:30 AM** in the Sacred Heart Chapel.

FLOCKNOTE- To receive email and/or text updates from St. Aloysius Church, please visit our website at www.saintalloysiuschurch.org, and sign up for Flocknote. Scroll down to bottom of home page under Receive Flocknote Updates.

MONDAY NIGHT APOLOGETICS -7:00-8:30pm
St. John's Church (St. Jude Room) The Topic will be: **"The Value of Chastity"**

For more info., email: Kenneth.scheiber@smrhs.org
The virtual option will be via zoom.
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UNBOUND PRAYERS

The Gospel promises us peace, but we so often find ourselves bound by feelings of anxiety, fear, guilt, hopelessness, and shame. **Unbound Ministry** is a safe, confidential, and effective prayer ministry to help us to respond more fully to the Gospel using five simple keys. *To learn more or to sign up for an appointment with a trained Unbound team visit* www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/unbound



PATRIOTIC ROSARY- Join us each Wednesday after the 8:30am Mass.



ROSARY- Tuesdays/Thursdays after the 12:15pm Masses



ADORATION GUARDIAN TRAINING

Daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the Sacred Heart Chapel (6:30 to 7:30 AM & PM) continues to go well!
We could use additional volunteer Adoration Guardians, both to support those who are already volunteering, and to discern the possibility of adding an

additional daily hour. If you would like to learn to expose and repose the Blessed Sacrament to support Adoration in our chapel, please join Fr. David for an **Adoration Guardian training on Wed., March 30 at 7:30 PM**, following the conclusion of our evening holy hour.

VOCATIONS CROSS-Tom and Jane Burke will take the cross and pray for Vocations this week.



JOIN US FOR OUR LENTEN MISSION- Lenten Soup Supper & Presentation

Thursday, March 31

Gather at 5:30 PM

Lenten Soup Supper from 6-7 PM

Presentation on the Shroud of Turin at 7 PM.

To sign up: <https://www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/>

ST. VINCENT de PAUL



Thank you for your generous support of our parish food pantry! **NOTE: For April we will collect food after all Masses, Sat/Sun, April 9/10th.** The next **MONTHLY OPEN FOOD PANTRY** will be on **Saturday, April 16th, from 9AM-11AM**. For more information, please contact the SVdP at 301-481-2942 or svdp@saintalloysiuschurch.org

STEWARDSHIP

ParishSoft online giving:

<https://giving.ParishSoft.com/app/giving/stalloysius>

SHARING OUR TREASURE

Weekly Offertory Contributions-March 19/20, 2022

1st Collection

Offertory Basket: **\$ 3,710.00**

Direct Debit: **\$ 1,330.00**

Total

\$ 5,040.00

2nd Collection: Assessment

Offertory Basket: **\$ 888.00**

Direct Debit: **\$ 397.50**

Total

\$1,285.50

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK will be for the **Easter Flowers**

PATRON OF THE WEEK: Parran's Flooring Center.

If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.

ANNUAL APPEAL



2022 Annual Appeal: From God's Abundance, Our Gifts of Charity | Thank you to parish families who made a gift to the 2022 Annual Appeal! *Your support strengthens our archdiocesan ministries to be a beacon of hope and help for all who seek Christ's love.* If you haven't made your gift, please do so today and help our parish reach our 2022 goal of \$58,400. Visit appeal.adw.org to learn more about the 2022 Annual Appeal and to donate online. Thank you for your gift of charity as a sign of God's abundance in your life.



DID YOU KNOW?- 90% of Deaf children are born to hearing parents. Gallaudet University, here in Washington D.C., is the only Deaf university in the world! President Lincoln signed the charter for the university in 1864. Catholic Deaf students have been supported through campus ministry at the university since its beginning.

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL

NEW SIGN: Thank you so much to the **Knights of Columbus Council 1470** for the gorgeous new road sign! FAWS families are very appreciative!

AWARDS: Several FAWS students competed in the 74th Annual Prince George's Area Science Fair that was held this past weekend. Over 400 student projects were judged from schools in three neighboring counties. Congratulations to **Ava Chadwick, Evan Chadwick, Emmie Hanks, and Natalie Stevens** who combined earned a dozen awards!

THREE STUDENTS participated in the **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship at the State Level!** Congrats to **Ava Chadwick**, 1st Place, **Collin George**, 2nd Place, and **Oliver Stevens**, 2nd Place.

CONGRATULATIONS to FAWS's Kindergarten Aide, **Mrs. Jane Cusic** for receiving a Local School Superhero Award in the "Southern Maryland News" newspaper!

FUN RUN: The Crusader Fun Run is coming up on **April 9th**. To register and for more details visit here: <https://www.fatherandrewwhite.org/funrun>

COMMUNITY

2022 LENTEN REVIVAL at *St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in St. Inigoes, MD*—join a **former pastor** serving as the celebrant of the Mass and the revivalists:

March 30: Father Raymond Moore

The theme for the Revival is **"Joy inside my Tears: Finding Joy in my Brokenness."** Mass at 7:00 pm each night, preceded by Adoration and a Soup and Salad Social at 6:00 pm. Confessions will be heard throughout Mass. The Gospel Choir will sing at the Revival, and a free-will donation will be collected. All are invited. *For more information, call the Parish Office at 301-872-5460.*

WALK IN THE PARK- Join us at **St. Francis Xavier Church** on **Saturday, April 9** for the **Walk in the Park** to benefit our parish's *Newtowne Manor House Fund*. Registration starts at **8 a.m. until 2 p.m.** and run/walk participants may begin. The registration fee of \$20 includes a tee shirt. Kids 12 and under are free. *Information on early registration and online giving is available on our website:* www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. Donations are always welcomed. Questions—please contact Sarah Matisick at **301-247-7416**.

SPRING CRAFT SHOW

sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the HVFD **Sunday, April 10th from 10am-3pm.**

Free Admission and Parking

Lunch will be available—Stuffed ham will be sold by the pound or as sandwiches as well as other lunch choices.

Homemade Bake Sale Table

Donations of non-perishable food items gladly accepted for St. Mary's Helping Hands.

For more information, please contact

Leone Gatton at: Craftshow@HVFD7



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DOLLY AND ME TEA- Sat., April 16th

from 12-3pm at the Hollywood Volunteer

Fire Department Social Hall

\$25/per ticket: Reservations Required

Activities: Musical Chairs for Children with Prizes; Dolly Beauty Shop \$5; 4x6 Picture with the Easter Bunny \$10; Grab Bags \$10 & \$15 options; Raffle Items

Vendors: on Site Selling Clothing for Your Dolls

Food served: Finger Sandwiches, Scones, Dessert and Tea

Decorate Your Own Table: Prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd Place

To Decorate Your Own Table or to Make a Reservation, Call **Lynn Brady: 240-538-2503**



The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) Food Drive

During the Lenten season of almsgiving, please consider supporting our missionary religious sisters The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) with much needed items. Bags will be **distributed** Sat./Sun., **April 23/24** and **returned** Sat./Sun., **April 30/May 1**. **A wish list of recommended items will be provided with the bags.** If you would like to participate in the delivery effort, please contact the Madden family at **207-837-5845** for details. *It is always a joyous and rewarding day visiting with the sisters. A big thank-you in advance for your generosity!*



ST. JOHN'S SUMMER PROGRAM 2022-

SOMD's largest summer camp, is now open for online registration. We are offering more than **80 camps** this summer including **Police Academy, Babysitter Training, Lucky Dog Camp, Coaster Park Design, Paintball, Combat Archery, Cake Boss, Camper vs. Wild, among others.** The Program's goal is to help our children grow in knowledge and love of Christ and our Catholic faith, while enjoying an amazing summer with young, strong Catholic role models as instructors. **We open every day with song and prayer and Fridays with Mass.** Extended care is available, and we are a **Maryland licensed summer camp.** To view the new summer schedule and to find more information about St. John's Summer Program, please visit:

www.StJohnsSummerProgram.com



BINGO - Sponsored by Knights of Columbus, Council 1470



WHEN: Fridays at 6:30pm

WHERE: Father Andrew White School gym

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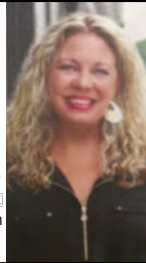


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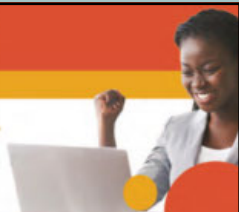
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