

### 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 <a href="https://www.ConnectStMarys.com">www.ConnectStMarys.com</a>.

**ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)** 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, Sunday 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM. To register please contact Leonard Wathen at the Rectory or visit the parish website.

May 29, 2022

#### The Ascension of the Lord

#### **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.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: 7 days a week: 6:30-7:30 AM/PM

FIRST FRIDAYS: Mass at 8:30 am

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

#### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

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

#### STAFF

Pastor	Rev. David W. Beaubien, ext. 14
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RECTORY HOURS: Monday-Thursday 8 am-4 pm Friday 9 am-3 pm



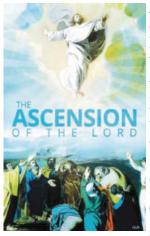


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#### **PASTOR'S CORNER**

#### The Cause of our Joy

Luke 24:46-53



Joy, which is so characteristic of Christian life and worship, has its roots in the event we commemorate today, the Ascension of Jesus into heaven. It completes the Resurrection, the central event of his life. What we call the "Ascension" was his final departure from a series of appearances disappearances throughout the forty days after the Resurrection. The event was cloaked in a glory that had heretofore been

hidden from the eyes of his followers.

His final departure from the earthly realm might have suggested a day of sadness, but actually, the opposite was true. When they saw Jesus go up to heaven, the apostles felt a joy that they could scarcely contain. Even though the human aspect of Jesus disappeared from their sight, they felt themselves immeasurably more joined to God, from whom they would be "clothed with power from on high" (vs. 49). From Jerusalem, where the Lord died and rose, they would go out with confidence and evangelize the whole world.

Throughout the Easter season to this point, the flame of the Paschal candle has reminded us of the presence of Christ, as he appeared to his disciples after the Resurrection, reminding them of many things. After next week, Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles, the Paschal candle will return to its place by the baptism font, where it signifies that his visible presence passed over into the sacraments of the Church.

As the greatest of the sacraments, the Eucharist unites us to Jesus in heaven. Strengthened by it, the Great Commission of Jesus is for us too. At the very least, the Ascension keeps hope alive that we will make a critical difference in our increasingly secularized world.

During this next week until Pentecost Sunday, pray for the coming of the Holy Spirit in new ways, especially to make the world a more humane place, fit for its divine destiny.

~Fr. David

#### PRAYER & WORSHIP

#### MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, May 31: The Visitation of the Blessed

Virgin Mary Marcia Pritchett Wednesday, June 1: St. Justin, Martyr Barbara C. Lawrence

Thursday, June 2:

12:15 pm

8:30 am

12:15 pm Isabelle Ralev First Friday, June 3: St. Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

8:30 am Andrew, Nettye & Jack

Mattingly

Saturday, June 4:

7:30 am Eileen Jewell 5:00 pm Pro populo Sunday, June 5: PENTÉCOST SUNDAY

8:00 am Pro populo

11:00 am Mary Agnes Stewart



the Sick and Homebound in our Community. Jeanne Bean, Wally Bowles, Michael Brooks, Timothy Butler, Steve Daczkowski, Fr. John Dakes, Charles Davis Sr., George Guy, Teresa Higgs, Jim Hutchison, 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 families of Priscilla

Wentworth Hall, Florence Michalski and Gilbert **Hoffman, Jr.,** brother of Mrs. Janet Szoch, principal of FAWS, who passed away recently. May the angels lead them into paradise; may the martyrs come and welcome them to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem; and may the peace of Christ which is beyond all understanding give their families comfort and peace.

#### RESPECT LIFE

WORD OF LIFE: For all Christians: That our example may give witness to the precious gift of human life in this world and the invitation to eternal life in the next. We pray to the Lord.

"The Lord says to us, 'Do not fear: I am with you' (Isaiah 41:10). He speaks these words not as one who merely observes our pain, but as one who experienced immense suffering. And the very wounds



that bear witness to his suffering indicate the essence of our identity and worth: we are loved by God. Reflecting on the healed wounds of the Risen Christ, we see that even our most difficult trials can be the place where God manifests his victory. He makes all things beautiful. He makes all things new." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Be Not Afraid" NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.

#### **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.saintaloysiuschurch.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: "Preferential Option for the Poor"

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

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88964893464?

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Meeting ID: 889 6489 3464 Passcode: 2C81iF





#### **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.saintaloysiuschurch.org/unbound



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



**VOCATIONS CROSS**— Theresa Dent will take the cross home and pray for Vocations this week.



Join Us for a

#### HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS

First Friday, June 4th in the Chapel at 6:30pm



**In Observance of Memorial** Day, the office will be closed Monday, May 30th and will reopen on Tuesday, May 31st.

#### THE MYSTERY OF THE EUCHARIST

#### ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH- TUESDAY **EVENINGS | 6:30PM JUNE 7, 14, 21, 28**

Come participate in a dynamic study to increase your faith and knowledge of the mystery of the Eucharist. The evenings will include fun refreshments, desserts, and a FORMED video series with parish-wide experience! Sign up for the event on our



**ROSARY**– Tuesdays/Thursdays after the 12:15pm Masses

parish website: saintaloysiuschurch.org



#### PARISH LISTENING SESSION REPORT

A copy of the report of the parish Listening Sessions that took place at the beginning of last November 17<sup>th</sup> as part of the Universal Synod, entitled "For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation, and Mission" is available. The report includes a summary of parishioner responses to the questions which were posed, a summary report from our Special Needs Ministry listening session, and a copy of the summary report of the two November 17th sessions which was sent to the Archdiocese. To receive a copy, please call the parish office and we can provide you with an electronic copv.

#### **RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY**



**FAMILY OF FAITH CHILDREN'S** RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

For updates, visit:

https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/familyoffaith



#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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Monumental VBS from July 18 -- 22, 9 AM -- 12 PM,

in our hall, for children age 4 to Grade 6!

Go off-road for a Monumental adventure through the colorful canyons and sunbaked trails of the southwest. By exploring God's awesomeness, kids form a rock-solid faith for the road ahead.

To sign up your kids or grandkids, visit https:// saintaloysiuschurch.org/vbs. Volunteers are also needed, (great way to get service hours). For info., please contact Leonard Wathen at lwathen@saintaloysiuschurch.org.

#### ANNUAL APPEAL



2022 ANNUAL APPEAL JOIN IN THE MISSION of the Annual Appeal as we offer together from God's abundance our gifts of charity. Thank you!

https://adw.org/ways-to-give/annual-appeal/ways-to-give/

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

ParishSoft online giving: https://giving.ParishSoft.com/app/giving/stalovsius

#### SHARING OUR TREASURE

Weekly Offertory Contributions-May 21/22, 2022

**1st Collection** 2nd Collection: Ladies of Charity

Offertory Basket: \$ 4,488.00 Offertory Basket: \$ 1,544.00 Direct Debit: **\$ 1,305.00** *Direct Debit:* \$ 542.50 Total \$ 5,793.00 Total \$ 2,086.50

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK will be for our School Support

PATRON OF THE WEEK: Burchoil. If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.

#### FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVE INSTRUCTORS **WANTED:** Each quarter FAW middle school students take an elective class once a week. (ex. Architectural Modeling, Shakespeare for Kids, Debate Class, Physics in Flight, and Olympic Games). For the 2022-23 academic year, the school is looking for adults to volunteer to share their expertise or passion with the students. Classes will be held on Wednesday mornings for 8 week sessions. All instructors will need to be VIRTUS compliant which includes having a background check and taking a "Protecting God's Children" workshop. Please contact Mrs. Szoch at principal@fatherandrewwhite.org if you are interested in sharing your time and talent with the wonderful middle school students.

#### FAW SCHOOL ADVISORY BOARD OPENINGS:

The Father Andrew White School Advisory Board is looking for people to serve as Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, or Secretary. If you are interested or would like to nominate someone, please contact Mrs. Szoch at principal@fatherandrewwhite.org or Fr. David at dbeaubien@saintaloysiuschurch.org.

#### ST. VINCENT de PAUL



THANK YOU for your generous support of our parish Food Pantry! The next Food Pantry OPEN PANTRY is Saturday, June 18, from 9-11AM. Food will be collected June 18/19 after all Masses on Community

Sunday. For more information, please contact the SVdP at 301-481-2942 or svdp@saintaloysiuschurch.org

#### **COMMUNITY**

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#### ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY MASS-

St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery, Monday, May 30th at 10:00am

Fr. David Beaubien will be the main celebrant. Mass is offered each year at this

time for the deceased members of the parishes of St. Mary's, Charles, Calvert and Prince George's counties and for those who have passed away during the past year. Commemorative reading of the faithful departed will begin at 9:15am.

Located in Helen, MD on Doctor Johnson Road adjacent to the Mother Catherine Academy (Route 238). The Mass will be held rain or shine as there will be a tent. For additional info., contact (301) 475-5005 or (301) 932-1766.

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