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.

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. Lauren Breedlove in the school office Monday through Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm, 301-475-9795 for space availability.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION...Pre-K-8th Grade, Sundays from 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.

October 26, 2025

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time



SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:00 am and 11:00 am

Daily: 12:15 pm Tuesday & Thursday

8:15 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 8:15 am

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

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Thursday: 11:30-12 Noon— 12:45-1:15pm (Sept.-June)

Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

STAFF

| PastorRev. David W. Beaubien, V.F., ext. 14 | |
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| Deacon | Deacon Joe Vavrus |
| Deacon | Deacon Matt Menard |
| Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper | Denise Becher, ext.10 |
| Receptionist/Bulletin Editor | Izel Ventura, ext.11 |
| Religious Education/Youth MinistryLeonard Wathen, ext.16 | |
| Coordinator of Music | Beth Domingue |
| Custodian | Robert Barger |
| Principal, Father Andrew White S | SchoolJanet Szoch |

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



www.SaintAloysiusChurch.org www.facebook.com/staloysius20650 www.twitter.com/staloysius20650

PASTOR'S CORNER

Made Right with God

Luke 18:9-14

The Gospel of Luke is known for its many instructions on prayer. The parable of the tax collector and the Pharisee offers examples respectively of what to do and what not to do in prayer. The Pharisee offers a prayer of thanksgiving, the tax collector one of supplication. Both are good and necessary. But this is how not to give thanks: "that I am not like the rest of humanity..." (vs. 11) In contrast, the tax collector offers a deeply heartfelt act of contrition, knowing the extent to which he has separated himself from God's people and from God himself by the typical practices of extorting funds in collaboration with an oppressive regime. According to the parable, both of them come near the Temple's Holy of Holies with its mercy seat, where the high priest would enter once a year on the Day of Atonement to offer expiation for the sins of the people.

Similarly, as Mass typically begins with the Penitential Rite, we prepare ourselves with a prayer of supplication by which we place ourselves in a humble frame of mind with respect to God whom we approach, and say: Kyrie eleison, or Lord, have mercy. In this regard we distinguish between general prayers for forgiveness such as this and the Sacrament of Reconciliation by which sins are actually taken away. Since Jesus had not yet instituted the sacraments, the tax collector was made right with God because of his humble and honest contrition for sin. Now that Jesus has opened the way for the forgiveness of sins by paying the penalty on our behalf in his death on the Cross, we approach the "mercy seat" of expiation in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, where we confess our sins to Jesus through his minister the ordained priest. For those who ask why we can't go straight to God like the tax collector, the answer is that there is no other "mercy seat" except the encounter with Jesus and no other Temple than the sacramental presence of Christ himself.

Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Reconciliation when he breathed the Holy Spirit on his apostles on the day of the Resurrection. Primarily meant to restore sanctifying grace following serious (mortal) sin, it reconciles us with the Body of Christ the Church and clears our souls to receive him in Holy Communion. The therapeutic value of confession is also readily experienced for light (venial) sins and to gain mastery over temptations to sin.

We should frequently offer our thanksgiving to God, supremely expressed in the Eucharist of the Mass, for all his mercies and gifts. In the meantime, all we have to do is compare ourselves, not to each other like the Pharisee, but to Christ the sinless one. Then, everyone will realize the necessity of personally owning the prayer of supplication and contrition like the tax collector and, especially, making use of the Sacrament of Confession to be made right with God (vs. 14).

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, Oct. 28: Sts. Simon and Jude, Apostles

12:15 pm Steven Fenwick

Wednesday, Oct. 29:

8:15am Meta Wilt

Thursday, Oct. 30:

12:15 pm Alan Cline

Friday, Oct. 31:

8:15 am Lois Ann Leicht

Saturday, Nov. 1: Solemnity of All Saints

7:30 am *Pro populo* 5:00 pm (*incense*) *Pro populo*

Sunday, Nov. 2: Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day)

8:00 am (incense) All Souls 11:00 am (incense) All Souls

PLEASE REMEMBER



IN PRAYER

The Sick and Homebound in our Community
We lift up in prayer all those in our parish community
who are ill, or hospitalized.

May God's healing grace comfort and strengthen them.

Catherine Bell Atlas, Jeanne Bean, Rita Bond, Wally Bowles, Michael Brooks, Loretta Broxson, Timothy Butler, Fr. Rory Conley, Donna Corcoran, Susie Crocco, Ann Davis, Charles Davis Sr., Nolma Diamond, Jr., Jeff Flick, Mary Claire FitzGerald, Stephanie Gonzalez, Jim Hutchison, Paula Kidwell, George Lancaster, Sherry Marigliano, Virginia McKeen, Irene Michaud, Chuck Miller, Kristy Nelson & Madison, DeShawn Plater, Mary Pyle, Harry Rogers, Jerry Thompson and Rosette Young.



BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: The community of St. Aloysius extends heartfelt condolences to the family of *Deacon Andrew J. Nosacek* of the Archdiocese of Washington, who entered eternal rest recently. May the angels lead him into paradise. May the martyrs welcome him and guide him to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, bring comfort to his loved ones during this time of sorrow.



EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE



St. Aloysius Church has been designated as a pilgrimage site for the Jubilee Holy Year 2025. You can obtain an indulgence each time you participate in Holy Mass, Liturgy of the Hours, Stations of the Cross, the Rosary, or a

Penance Service at St. Aloysius Church during the Jubilee Year.

To obtain the indulgence, you must meet certain conditions:

Be in a state of grace / Confess / Receive Communion / Pray for the Pope's intentions / Must complete the specific prayers or works required for the indulgence

https://adw.org/the-year-of-the-jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope/



The **2026 MASS BOOK** is now open. To ensure fair access for all parishioners, we kindly ask that each household limit their requests to Five

(5) Masses total per household. Only two (2) of

those Masses may be scheduled on weekends. This policy helps us accommodate as many families as possible and maintain a balanced schedule throughout the year. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

VOCATIONS CROSS – Lisa Kohut will take the cross home and pray for vocations. Please pray for our Seminarians. https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/vocations-cross

Peace in the Storm is a faith-based fellowship for those living with chronic pain or illness, and their caregivers. Friday, Nov. 7 @ 2:00-3:00 PM at the Parish Hall Email: liz.tomaszeski@gmail.com for more details.



Parishioner Ann Wyvill's stunning painting of St. Aloysius featured in our art show and Jubilee ornaments is being raffled off. Tickets are \$10 and available online or at the rectory. Proceeds benefit the parish.

Don't miss your chance to own this beautiful piece of parish history.



In celebration of the Jubilee Year 2025, St. Aloysius Church is designated as a Jubilee Pilgrimage site and its offering special commemorative ornaments. Each ornament is \$20, with proceeds directly supporting our parish. Ornaments purchased online will be available for pickup at the parish office during regular

office hours. Reserve yours today and take home a keepsake. Order online at

www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/jubilee-2025-ornament

Bereavement Ministry Refreshments and Fellowship

Sunday, November 9 at 1:30PM in the Parish Hall Please email office@saintaloysiuschurch.org to RSVP.



The Pastoral Council is preparing our new Parish Photo Directory. Come to the hall after Mass and have your family picture taken. Alternatively, you may email a digital photo of your family to with the subject line "Family Photo". Please include the

names of all family members pictured so we can ensure correct spelling. Photo submission will be accepted through the end of October.

Email:parishcouncil@saintaloysiuschurch.org We appreciate your help in making this directory complete!



St. Aloysius CHRISTMAS DINNER 2025

If you are interested of helping please join our committee meetings at 6:30 PM

in the parish hall conference room.

Next meetings: Nov. 12th & Dec. 9th

For info, please email Pam Harms at harms2@mac.com



6:00 PM – Potluck Refreshments 6:30-7:30 PM - Presentation & Group Discussion

A Seven-Part Small Group Series is meeting every Tuesdays through Nov. 18 in the parish hall from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM. Foretold: Finding Hope in God's Providence Participation is free, but online registration is requested. Details at https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/foretold

STEWARDSHIP

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

SHARING OUR TREASURE - October 18/19, 2025

2nd Collection: Propagation of Faith **1st Collection** Offertory Basket: \$ 5,582.00 Offertory Basket: \$ 1,326.00

355.00 Direct Debit: **\$ 1.190.00** *Direct Debit:* \$ 1,681.00 \$ 6,772.00 Total **Total**

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK—All Souls **PATRON OF THE WEEK: Carroll's Service Center** Please patronize our sponsors.





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

POOR BOX



RECIPIENT WILL BE: St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry to help stock the shelves for the monthly distribution

ST. VINCENT de PAUL



The next open pantry is Sat., Nov. 15th 9-11AM. Food will be collected after all Masses, November 15/16, Community Sunday. The pantry needs your help to replenish our shelves.

For a complete list see our website:

saintaloysiuschurch.org>"parish ministries">food pantry

Please email us if you'd like to receive the pantry flocknote. THANK YOU for your generosity! For additional info: please email: foodpantry@saintaloysiuschurch.org

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL

Did you know you can help support Father Andrew White by simply buying your Christmas gifts? Please consider purchasing your gift cards through our RaiseRight program! There are hundreds to choose from. A percentage of the cards purchased benefit school. Please will our email fawraiseright@gmail.com to purchase.

The **BOOK FAIR** is in town! The Scholastic book fair will be in Father Andrew White's library. All are welcome, please contact hsa@fatherandrewwhite.org or 301-475-9795 for hours or more information.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT



SUMMER APPEAL PROJECT

Work has begun on scraping and repainting the external surfaces of the church windows and will continue through Friday, Oct. 31. Exterior restoration of the church windows is underway and will continue through Oct. 31. All precautions

are being taken for your safety. Please do not enter any areas marked with tape and signage, as these zones will shift as work progresses. During the first week, crews will focus on the church steeple, and a crane will be positioned in front of the church. As a result, the front parking spots will be closed and the front doors will be inaccessible; please use the side entrances. FAWS drop-off and pick-up traffic will follow the usual flow, though the lane in front of the church will shift slightly to the left to accommodate the crane. Thank you for your patience and cooperation during this important project.

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY



First Friday Adoration & Game Nights

6:30 to 8:30 pm, the first Friday of each month



Summit Lake Camp Registration

Registration opens August 21 and closes October 31, 2025



Known: Experiencing God in Daily Prayer

Sunday nights, 7 to 8:30 pm, starting September 7



Mount 2000 Registration

Registration opens October 14 and closes December 15, 2025



FAMILY OF FAITH CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM-

For details go to https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/

COMMUNITY

SoMd, MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS

Monday, October 27, at 7:00pm

Immaculate Heart of Mary in Lexington Park. You're warmly invited to join us for a healing prayer Come with hearts full of expectant faith. Sacrament of Confession begins at 6:30PM.



BOXES OF JOY -- Please take a shoebox from the vestibule and fill it with the suggested items on the list. Enclose a check

for \$9.00 to defray shipping costs. Boxes are due back by November 9th. Thank you for bringing joy to many children! For more info: 240-298-1674 Gordon Stellway



ADOPT A SAILOR OR MARINE THIS **CHRISTMAS** The Chaplaincy at NAS PAX River invites you to share the love of Christ by hosting a Sailor or Marine for the holidays.

Open your home for a holiday meal, offer transportation if needed (base access can be arranged upon request), and create a warm & welcoming atmosphere that reminds them they are not forgotten. If interested in this ministry opportunity, please contact the Chaplain by Sat., Nov. 15 at israel.alvarado11.mil@us.navy.mil for more details.



The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) & The Virgin of Matará Annual Fall Food Drive Please return bags today Sat./Sun., Oct. 25/26.

To participate in the delivery effort, Oct. 26th, contact Laura Madden at 207-837-5845 for details.

APOLOGETICS– MONDAY, 10//27 at 7:00-8:15pm

Where: St. Johns Francis Regis Parish (St. Jude Room in Msgr. Harris Center)

The topic will be: Transgenderism and the Catholic Church Google Meeting: Apologetics 2025-26 https://meet.google.com/woq-fmef-djg



SACRED HEART CHURCH ANNUAL FALL DINNER Drive-thru Dinner/Carry Out only

Sunday, October 26 from 11am until sold out Sacred Heart Church, 23080 Maddox Road, Bushwood, MD Fried Oysters, Stuffed Ham, Turkey w/Dressing, Parsley Potatoes, Candied Sweet Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw and Rolls, Cakes Available for purchase **CASH or CHECKS ONLY-\$30.00**



St. Mary's Youth Memorial will hold a Candlelight Vigil, Sunday, November 2nd, 7 pm at the Memorial - 20016 Point Lookout Rd, Great Mills, MD, 20634. All are welcome to support those who lost young family

members. In case of inclement weather, the service will take place at Holy Face Church - 20408 Point Lookout Rd. Email any questions to: smymemorial@gmail.com