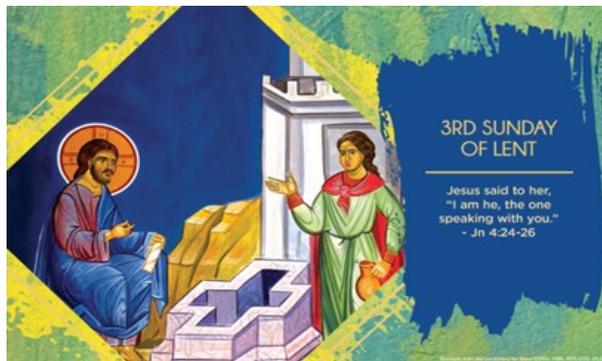


# St. Aloysius Gonzaga Catholic Church



March 8, 2026  
3rd Sunday of Lent



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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](http://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.

## 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.

**EUCCHARISTIC 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

*Pastor*.....Rev. David W. Beaubien, V.F., ext. 14  
*Deacon*.....Deacon Joe Vavrus  
*Deacon*.....Deacon Matt Menard  
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*Receptionist/Bulletin Editor* .....Izel Ventura, ext.11  
*Religious Education/Youth Ministry*.....Leonard Wathen, ext.16  
*Coordinator of Music*.....Beth Domingue  
*Custodian*.....Robert Barger  
*Principal, Father Andrew White School* .....Janet Szoch

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



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**PASTOR'S CORNER**

**Worshipping in Spirit and Truth**

*John 4:5-42*

Year A of the liturgical cycle has longer gospel readings on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Sundays of Lent, leading to the extensive Passion narrative on Palm Sunday. In other years too, when there are candidates for full initiation into the Catholic Church, especially those to be baptized, the Year A readings may be used. In rich detail, these gospels from St. John allude to the spiritual effects of the sacrament of baptism with the themes of living water (the woman of Samaria, *chapter 4*), the enlightenment of faith (the man born blind, *ch. 9*), and being raised to new life (Lazarus in the tomb, *ch. 11*). The Passion narrative, then, followed by the Resurrection story at Easter, give us the hidden fundamental reality that goes on in baptism, the Passover of the Lord from death to life and the newly baptized person's participation in it.

Beginning with a request for a drink and leading to an offer of "living water" (*vs. 10*), the trajectory of the conversation between Jesus and the woman at the well culminated in his self-identification as the Messiah. From their own historically related traditions, both Jews and Samaritans were looking for the Messiah to come. Ultimately, they would worship neither on the competing mountains in Samaria nor in Jerusalem, but "in Spirit and truth" (*vs. 23*).

The woman gradually came to understand who Jesus was. Like her, many believe that Jesus is more than a prophet, even the Savior of the world. While others may acknowledge him, they are indifferent or do not know how such faith can impact their lives. They are "spiritual but not religious," as we often hear it said. To be sure, many "spiritual" people outdo Christians in virtuous living and in loving care and concern for others.

Likewise, our scientific age is replete with experts uncovering true things about the world. All recognize its order and beauty so intricately woven and interconnected from the minutest particles to the vastness of outer space. Yet where is the worship? Worship becomes possible only from a recognition of the Truth who is the source of all "truths." It is willingly and intentionally submitting oneself body and soul to that which is the bestower of meaning to all things. Many would recognize Spirit and truth in various aspects, but would they worship? I once served in the music ministry of a congregation where all agreed they should worship, but had diverse and competing notions of whom or what should be worshipped. It made choosing music difficult.

Worship entails commitment. We define ourselves by that to which we commit. Our commitment to family makes us a member of the family, to the nation its citizen, to God his sons and daughters, to Christ members of his Mystical Body. We find our identity in the One whom we worship. As we receive his holy Body and Blood, especially, our worship in the Holy Mass is that by which Jesus communicates his identity to his people. How does one convince others of the Truth behind all truths? Like the

Samaritan woman, it is through personal encounter with the Truth and testimony to others as the opportunity arises, beginning with family and acquaintances. When we know him who is the Truth, we cannot but offer him our worship, all we have and all we are. Beginning simply with the act of worship, we reveal our true identity and offer to others the invitation to salvation in the true Messiah!

~Fr. David

**PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK**

<b>Tuesday, Mar. 10:</b>	
12:15 pm	Joseph "Freddie" Hancock
<b>Wednesday, Mar. 11:</b>	
8:15 am	Elizabeth Ann Murphy
<b>Thursday, Mar. 12:</b>	
12:15 pm	James Edward McCleaf, Sr.
<b>Friday, Mar. 13:</b>	
8:15 am	Dick & Cecilia Curry
<b>Saturday, Mar. 14:</b>	
7:30 am	Ceci Hoffman
5:00 pm	Stephen L. Bean
<b>Sunday, Mar. 15:</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Lent</b>
8:00 am	Tick & Ada Gough
11:00 am	<i>Pro populo</i>

**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.**

Jeanne Bean, Wally Bowles, Michael Brooks, Loretta Broxson, Timothy Butler, Evelyn Candelaria, Fr. Rory Conley, Donna Corcoran, Susie Crocco, Selma Curtis, Ann Davis, Charles Davis Sr., Nolma Diamond, Jr., Beth Domingue, 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 and Jerry Thompson.



**BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE:** The community of St. Aloysius extends heartfelt condolences to the family of **Rita Bond and Ralph Butler** who entered eternal rest recently. May the angels led them to paradise. May the martyrs welcome them and guide them to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, bring comfort to their loved ones during this time of sorrow.

*THE THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT*

**EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE**



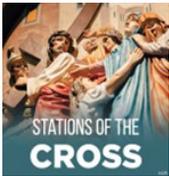
Join us for **DAILY AM and PM Holy Hours** for adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and silent prayer *in the Sacred Heart Chapel.*  
7 days a week: **6:30-7:30 AM and PM**  
**Come for all or a portion of the hour as your time allows.**

**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.saintaloyiuschurch.org](http://www.saintaloyiuschurch.org), and sign up for Flocknote. Scroll down to bottom of home page under Receive Flocknote Updates.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Thursday: 12:45 pm  
Saturdays: 3:00 pm  
Second Sunday of the month after all Masses  
Good Friday, April 3: 1:00 pm  
Holy Saturday, April 4: 3:00 pm



**Fridays: 7:00 pm**  
**Good Friday, April 3: 3:00 pm**

**PATRIOTIC ROSARY**

Join us as **we Pray for our Country** each Wednesday after Mass.



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



**MOMS (of all ages)-St. Aloysius Mothers' Group**  
**Mar. 11 every 2nd Wed. of the month 7pm**  
[StAloysiusMoms@CatholicMomsGroup.com](mailto:StAloysiusMoms@CatholicMomsGroup.com)



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*St. Mary's Council #1470*  
**Fridays at 6:30pm in the FAW School gym**



**Contribution letters** are available for pickup at the parish office during regular business hours. Parishioners who require their letter to be mailed or emailed may contact the office at 301-475-8064



**SUSTAIN THE FLAME: LIFE IN THE SPIRIT-**  
**Next meeting for those signed up: Monday, March 9 from 6:30-8:30pm**  
and will include potluck refreshments.

*Eucharistic Adoration & Worship Night*

Sunday  
**March 15th, 2026**  
5 pm to 6:30 pm  
St. Aloysius Church  
Leonardtown, Maryland

*I was blind, but now I see.*

Adoration  
Reflection  
Prayer  
Quiet Time

Music provided by: *Paul* *Let it be done...*

This event is offered to you through the Bread of Life Center for Peace, serving our Catholic community. Contact us at: (301) 475-7139 www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org

**"Grieving with Great Hope"**  
**Bereavement Workshop**  
**Sundays: 1:30-3:30pm, 3/8**

**POOR BOX**

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

**STEWARDSHIP**

ParishSoft online giving:  
<https://giving.ParishSoft.com/app/giving/staloyius>

**SHARING OUR TREASURE- 02/28 and 03/01, 2026**

<b>1st Collection</b>	<b>2nd Collection: School Support</b>
Offertory Basket: <b>\$4,771.00</b>	Offertory Basket: <b>\$ 1,177.00</b>
Direct Debit: <b>\$ 3,255.00</b>	Direct Debit: <b>\$ 365.00</b>
<b>Total \$ 8,026.00</b>	<b>Total \$ 1,542.00</b>

**February Online Giving: 2,807.00**

2026 Annual Catholic Services Appeal  
**BE THE LIGHT**  
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**2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK- Easter Flowers**  
**PATRON OF THE WEEK: Brinsfield Funeral Home**  
*Please patronize our sponsors.*

**RESPECT LIFE**

We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life'. We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility of choosing to be unconditionally pro life" (*The Gospel of Life* 28).

ST. VINCENT de PAUL



The next open pantry is Sat., Mar. 21 9-11AM. Food will be collected after all Masses, March 21/22 Community Sunday. THANK YOU for your generosity, helping the SVdP help others!

**FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEER MEETING, Tuesday, March 10 at 5:30 PM.** Please plan to attend this biannual meeting for pantry volunteers. We will meet in the church hall for approximately an hour. Anyone interested in volunteering or just learning more about the pantry are welcome! Please email [foodpantry@saintalloysiuschurch.org](mailto:foodpantry@saintalloysiuschurch.org) if you have questions or would like additional information. **THANK YOU!**

**LENTEN FOOD DRIVE, Community Sunday, March 14/15** Please help our parish food pantry provide food to those in need in our community with your donations of food items. Food will be collected in the church foyer and hall breezeway after each Mass. To assist the pantry in providing a variety of needed non-perishable food, here are suggested items by the first letter of last names. **Please, no items stored in glass or expired.**

*Thank you for your generous support!*

**A-E:** cereal, oatmeal, crackers (boxes of saltines), pancake mix, syrup

**F-J:** juice (shelf stable 100% juice), canned fruit, applesauce, peanut butter, jelly

**L-Q:** soup, pasta, spaghetti sauce, macaroni and cheese

**R-T:** baked beans, beef stew, canned meats: tuna, chicken, ham

**U-Z:** mayonnaise, ketchup, mustard, cooking oil

**FOOD PANTRY OPEN HOUSE:** In celebration of the 5-year anniversary of our parish food pantry, the pantry will be open after all Masses on Community Sunday, March 14/15 for parishioners to browse the pantry! Send an email to [foodpantry@saintalloysiuschurch.org](mailto:foodpantry@saintalloysiuschurch.org) if you have any questions.

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY

**First Friday Adoration & Game Nights**  
6:30 to 8:30 pm, the first Friday of each month

**FAMILY OF FAITH CHILDREN'S RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM-** For details go to <https://saintalloysiuschurch.org/familiesoffaith>.



**INTERESTED** in learning more about the Catholic Faith or becoming Catholic?  
*Contact Leonard Wathen*  
at [lwathen@saintalloysiuschurch.org](mailto:lwathen@saintalloysiuschurch.org) for info.

**THE CLOCKS SPRING FORWARD**  
Daylight Saving Time Begins



COMMUNITY

**APOLOGETICS – MONDAY, 03/09** at 7:00-8:15pm

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

The topic will be: **Defense of Fasting**

Google Meeting: Apologetics 2026

<https://meet.google.com/woq-fmef-djg>



**LOYOLA ON THE POTOMAC**

Ignatian Weekend Retreat at Faulkner, MD  
Jesuit Retreat House

**Date: Mar. 13-15**

Features presentations and prayers that embrace the movements of the Spiritual Exercises. This year's theme reflects what Scripture teach about Jesus being the living water. **Register online at [www.loyolaonthepotomac.com](http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com)**



**The Servants of the Lord (SSVM)**

**Food Drive-** Please consider supporting our missionary religious sisters

The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) with much needed items. Bags will be **distributed** Sat./Sun.,

**Mar. 14/15** and **returned** Sat./Sun., **Mar. 21/22.** See wish list on the bags. To participate in the delivery effort, Mar. 22, contact the Maddens at **207-837-5845** for details.



**EVENING OF LENTEN REFLECTION for the Ministry to the Separated or Divorced (Virtual)**

**Wednesday Evening, March 18, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm, via Teams** Continuing our reflection on the Beatitudes, with Father David. We will consider how God calls us to share his love in ways that bring us into loving communion with God and those around us. Join with other separated and divorced Catholics to consider Christ's great and merciful love for you as we converse, reflect, and pray the Stations of the Cross together. 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Be sure to **register to receive the meeting link using this form.** Contact the Office of Family Life at [flm@adw.org](mailto:flm@adw.org) or 301-853-4499 for more information.

**Friday Lenten Carryout Shrimp Dinner-KofC**

Where: St John's Church, Hollywood, Md. Msgr. Harris Center

Time: 4PM to 6:15PM

Dates: **Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> and Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>**

Stop by and pick up your dinner.

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**Spring Drive-Thru Dinner**—On Sunday, **March 22** from 11:00 a.m. until sold out **Holy Angels Church** in Avenue, MD. The menu includes: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Beets and Dinner Roll. The cost of the dinner is \$30.00. There will be a delicious homemade Bake Table. call 301-769-3332 or email [holy01angels@aol.com](mailto:holy01angels@aol.com)



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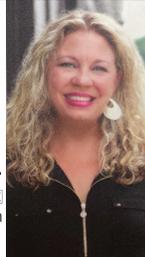
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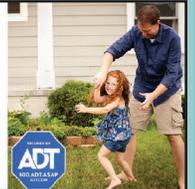
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