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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.

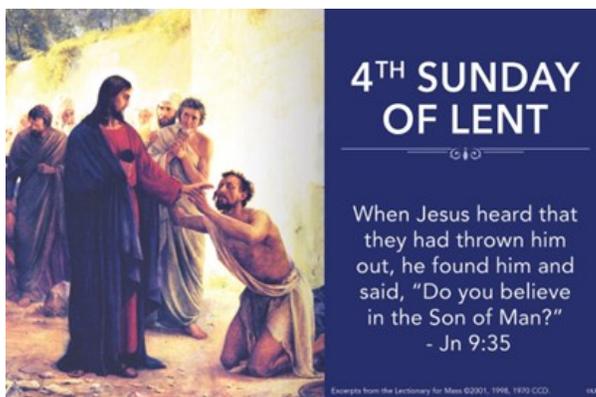
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE... Couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with the pastor six months to one year in advance of their intended wedding date, in order to allow time for marriage preparation. At least one of the engaged should be a registered and practicing member of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

March 15, 2026
4th 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
8:15 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
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper.....Denise Becher, ext.10
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Coordinator of Music.....Beth Domingue
Custodian.....Robert Barger
Principal, Father Andrew White SchoolJanet Szoch

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



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PASTOR'S CORNER

Light for the World

John 9:1-41

The gospel for the 4th Sunday of Lent is another of the long passages, which allude to an aspect of baptism, the first sacrament. Baptism bestows divine faith, a kind of spiritual enlightenment, along with hope and charity, the theological virtues. As a person intentionally and knowingly approaches baptism, the enlightenment is already taking place. It is fulfilled by the power of the Holy Spirit in confirmation, after which in a period of *mystagogy*, the person continues to be formed in the Christian life. In baptism a person is made a child of God, all personal sins up to that point are forgiven, original sin is washed away, and original grace is restored, which was lost by the sin of our first parents.

The man born blind provides the context for a conversation about regaining spiritual sight. The disciples were to learn that that physical disability was not a result of anyone's particular sin, but an opportunity for God's love and mercy to be made manifest in those who need our care. As Jesus was about to minister to the blind man, he revealed himself as the "light of the world." Then, meeting him alone, Jesus identified himself as the "Son of Man," leading him to the light of faith.

Many of those who reacted to the restoring of sight to the man born blind were less than believing about the miracle, each blind in their own way—the man's neighbors, the Pharisees and his own parents. On their part, the man's neighbors did not seem convinced that the healing happened and suggested that there had been a confusion of identity. The Pharisees were unbelieving because Jesus performed the cure on the Sabbath, and anyone who broke the Sabbath could not be a man of God. Finally, out of fear that they might get expelled from the synagogue, the man's parents were afraid to believe.

Whether we are among family members, neighbors or others at large, we find ourselves increasingly immersed in a world that is unbelieving, skeptical or indifferent to faith. The Church at all levels must speak and act with utter authenticity in the ways of gospel and to be that light. The case is not as if the old formulas have already been tried and found wanting. It is that the true teachings need to be tested against new notions of human morality. While not allowing ourselves to be passive about the real threats to our tradition and the well-being of humanity, how else can we know the power of reason and nature embedded in the teachings of Christ unless they are put to the test by a world that is increasingly struggling in darkness? We have an obligation to shed God's light and truth always in charity. It is a work of mercy!

~Fr. David

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

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| Tuesday, Mar. 17: 12:15 pm | Frances Quade |
| Wednesday, Mar. 18: 8:15 am | Anniversary of Dedication of St. Aloysius Church, 1962 |
| Thursday, Mar. 19: 12:15 pm | ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY <i>Pro populo</i> |
| Friday, Mar. 20: 8:15 am | Deborah Johnson |
| Saturday, Mar. 21: 7:30 am 5:00 pm | George Nelson, Sr. Ernie Pfeiff |
| Sunday, Mar. 22: 8:00 am 11:00 am | Fifth Sunday of Lent Woodin & Elizabeth Oswald <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.

RESPECT LIFE



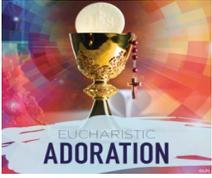
We are facing an enormous and dramatic clash between good and evil, death and life, the 'culture of death' and the 'culture of life'. We find ourselves not only 'faced with' but necessarily 'in the midst of' this conflict: we are all involved and we all share in it, with the inescapable responsibility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

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

THE FOURTH 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, and sign up for Flocknote. Scroll down to bottom of home page under Receive Flocknote Updates.



We extend our deepest gratitude to **Cardinal Robert McElroy** for blessing our St. Aloysius parish with his presence and celebrating Mass with our community. His visit was a profound gift, one that filled our parish with joy, inspiration, and a renewed sense of unity in faith. We are grateful for the time he shared with us, for his words of wisdom, and for the pastoral warmth he brought to our parish family and those of St. Mary's County. May God continue to guide and strengthen him in his ministry!

VOCATIONS CROSS – Joe and Gerda Biglin will take the cross home and pray for vocation this week: <https://saintaloyiuschurch.org/vocations-cross>



SUSTAIN THE FLAME: LIFE IN THE SPIRIT-
Next meeting for those signed up:
Monday, March 16 from 6:30-8:30pm
and will include potluck refreshments.



Contribution letters are available in the parish office. To have yours mailed or emailed, please call 301-475-8064.

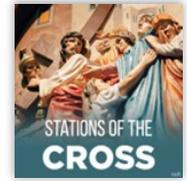
Kalnasy Concert Series at St. Aloysius 2026 Season



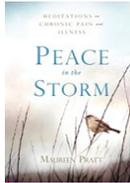
SAVE THE DATE
Sunday, April 19 at 3:00 pm
Voice and Piano Recital
Fr. David Beaubien
with **Janis Nowlan**, piano
and visiting **Riverside Brass Quartet**



Mental Health Ministry Update: The next planning meeting will be held on March 19. For questions or comments, please contact **Deacon Matt Menard**.



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



The Peace in the Storm Project is here at St. Aloysius! Our parish hosts a faith group for caregivers and individuals living with chronic pain and illness. Through inspired books and discussion guides by Maureen Pratt, we pray, reflect, and grow closer to Jesus and each other. Please join us monthly in person meetings are held in the Parish Hall on the First Friday of each month.

2:00-3:00 PM.

Dates: Apr. 25, May 1, & Jun. 5

Contact Liz Tomaszkeski

Email: liz.tomaszkeski@gmail.com

POOR BOX



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

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ParishSoft online giving:

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

SHARING OUR TREASURE– 03/07 and 03/08, 2026

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| 1st Collection | 2nd Collection: Debt Reduction |
| Offertory Basket: \$4,842.00 | Offertory Basket: \$2,091.00 |
| Direct Debit: \$1,170.00 | Direct Debit: \$ 597.50 |
| Total | Total |
| \$6,012.00 | \$2,688.50 |



2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Catholic Relief Services

PATRON OF THE WEEK: St. Mary's Ryken

Please patronize our sponsors.

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! In today's Gospel, Jesus gives sight to the blind man. Through grace we are also

transformed from not seeing to seeing and then Jesus sends us to help others see and to believe. Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brings joy, peace, forgiveness, mercy and kindness to the hurting hearts of the poor. In the month of January, the Conference assisted 15 families, including 45 people by providing \$3,150 for rent and utilities. Conference members made 7 home visits. In February, the Conference assisted 10 families including 24 people with \$2987 for rent, utilities, and medications. Conference members visited 8 families. The Food Pantry provided 63 families with food in January, and 76 families in February, including guests who shopped at the pantry, Cedar Lane residents who receive delivered groceries, and families visited by Conference members.

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY



INTERESTED in learning more about the Catholic Faith or becoming Catholic?
 Contact **Leonard Wathen**
 at lwathen@saintaloysiuschurch.org for info.

COMMUNITY

APOLOGETICS— MONDAY, 3/16 at 7:00-8:15pm

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

The topic will be: Seeing the Eucharist in the Multiplication of the Loaves

Google Meeting: Apologetics 2026
<https://meet.google.com/woq-fmef-djg>

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, begun during Advent, 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 or 301-853-4499 for more information.



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.



Friday Lenten Carryout Shrimp Dinner-KofC



Where: St John's Church, Hollywood, Md. Msgr. Harris Center
Time: 4PM to 6:15PM

Dates: Mar. 20th and Mar. 27th
Stop by and pick up your dinner.
Cash, Check, or Credit Cards accepted



SPRING OYSTERFEST, Benedict on the Patuxent, **Saturday, March 21, Saint Francis de Sales Hall, 7209 Benedict Ave. 12-3 PM.**

Local oysters fried, scalded and raw at outdoor bar, local whole BBQ pig, steamed shrimp, hush puppies, potato salad, green beans, cole slaw, candied yams, green beans, mac and cheese, homemade desserts. \$30 per adult, reserve a table for six and one person eats free. \$10 per child, \$50 for more than four children in one family.

Brown Bag Auction
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Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad
 22855 Lawrence Avenue, Leonardtown
March 21, 2026
 Doors Open at 9 am
 Auction begins at 11am
 Refreshments available
 Sponsored by: LVRS Auxiliary

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

9th Annual "WALK IN THE PARK- at St. Francis Xavier Church on **Saturday, April 25th** for the **5K Fun Run/Walk** to benefit our parish's **Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund.** Registration is **8am-noon** and run/walk participants start at 8:30 am. **The registration fee of \$20 includes a custom t-shirt.** Kids 12 and under are free. Donations are always welcomed. **Information on registration:** www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. Questions-please contact Sarah Matisick at **301-247-7416.**



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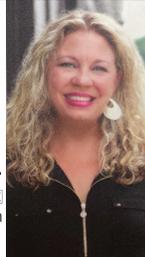
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