

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.

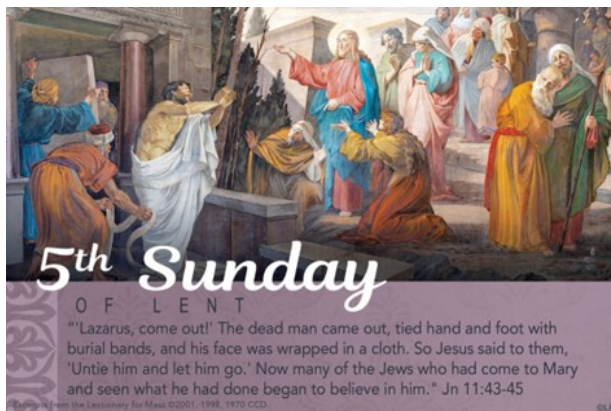
SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE... Couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with the pastor six months to one year in advance of their intended wedding date, in order to allow time for marriage preparation. At least one of the engaged should be a registered and practicing member of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

March 22, 2026
5th 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
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Deacon.....Deacon Matt Menard
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RECTORY HOURS: Monday-Thursday 9 am-4 pm
Friday 9 am-3 pm



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PASTOR'S CORNER

The End of Man?

John 9:1-45

In my youth, when passing by a cemetery, I would ask myself, "Is this the end of man?" If the end of man is burial in the ground and a stone marker, then life is absurd. I see now that this was God's way of opening up my understanding that was eventually going to be filled in with resurrection faith. It took a while. I first had to reaffirm my Christian faith that had been subtly planted in me many years before in baptism.

The opportunity came eventually when I was serving in a church which welcomed people of any and all faiths, including secular humanism. As an exercise in highlighting their unique openness, the worship committee invited members to submit each one's own personal beliefs to be tabulated. Partly as an ironic gesture and partly out of sincerity, I wrote out the Nicene Creed, signed my name to it, and placed it in the box. I had a feeling that no one else was going to profess anything so radical. Around the same time, I recall mentioning to a theology professor, a member of the same congregation, how mystified I was in reading that a well-known Christian writer and bishop had recently claimed that the resurrection of Jesus really happened and that it was not merely some spiritual insight given to the apostles. He shared my puzzlement.

During this time, while also serving as a musician at the Saturday Vigil Mass in a Catholic parish, I was impressed at their regular recitation of the same Creed. The claim of resurrection as expressed in it continued to grow on me. God must have a sense of humor. Less than ten years later, after full initiation, I wrote out the same Creed by hand and signed it as part of the promise of fidelity prior to diaconate ordination in the Catholic Church.

Prompted by Jesus that her brother Lazarus would rise again, Martha expressed resurrection faith: "I know he will rise, in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus continued that such a mystery begins here and now with faith in him as "the resurrection and the life" (*vss. 24, 25*) To demonstrate that, he called Lazarus out of the tomb.

Life with all its tragedies, sorrows and losses retains eternal meaning and purpose as Jesus raises our souls from despondency and discouragement. The tombs will break asunder and the stone markers will be tossed aside in the resurrection on the last day. Before then, with undying confidence, we say with Martha, "I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world" (*vs. 27*).

~Fr. David

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, Mar. 24:	
12:15 pm	Ceci Hoffman
Wednesday, Mar. 25:	THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
8:15 am	Right to Life in Maryland
Thursday, Mar. 26:	
12:15 pm	Brian O'Hara
Friday, Mar. 27:	
8:15 am	James Edward McCleaf, Sr.
Saturday, Mar. 28:	
7:30 am	Stanley Konopka
5:00 pm	<i>Pro populo</i>
Sunday, Mar. 29:	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
8:00 am	Michael T. Hall
11:00 am	T.J. & Rose Lukose

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.

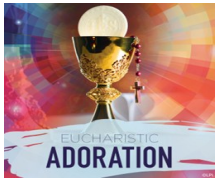
Fasting and Abstinence During Lent

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence for all Catholics ages 18–59. On days of fasting, one full meal is permitted; two smaller meals may be taken if needed, but they should not equal a full meal. Abstinence from meat is required for everyone age 14 and older. Seafood is permitted. All Fridays during Lent are also days of abstinence for those 14 and up. *If possible, the Good Friday fast is encouraged to continue through Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, in keeping with the paschal fast a way of honoring the Lord's suffering and death and preparing our hearts to celebrate His Resurrection with deeper joy.*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Thursday: 12:45 pm
 Saturdays: 3:00 pm
 Good Friday, April 3: 1:00 pm
 Holy Saturday, April 4: 3:00 pm

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



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

VOCATIONS CROSS – Marion McAloon will take the cross home and pray for vocation this week: <https://saintaloyuschurch.org/vocations-cross>

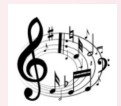


SUSTAIN THE FLAME:
LIFE IN THE SPIRIT-
Next meeting for those signed up:
Monday, March 23 from 6:30-8:30pm
and will include potluck refreshments.



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**

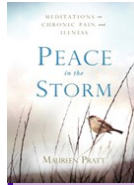


BRICK FUNDRAISER- Honor a loved one
Details: \$250 per brick, personalize 3 lines up to 15 letters/space per line. Order forms in the vestibule or on our website www.saintaloyuschurch.org. Questions- call the rectory at 301-475-8064.

RESPECT LIFE



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).



Peace in the Storm Project at St. Aloysius now hosts a monthly faith-sharing group for caregivers and those living with chronic pain or illness. Using Maureen Pratt's inspiring books and guides, we pray, reflect, and grow together in Christ. Join us on the first Friday of each month in the Parish Hall.

2:00-3:00 PM.
Dates: April 25, May 1, and June 5
Contact Liz Tomaszeski
Email: liz.tomaszeski@gmail.com

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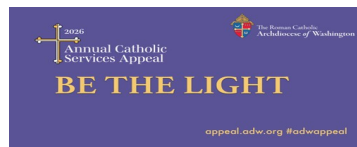
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to help stock the shelves
for the monthly distribution

STEWARDSHIP

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

SHARING OUR TREASURE- 03/14 and 03/15, 2026

1st Collection	2nd Collection: Easter Flowers
<i>Offertory Basket: \$4,866.00</i>	<i>Offertory Basket: \$ 2,206.00</i>
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2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

St. Vincent de Paul

PATRON OF THE WEEK: ADT—Monitored Home Security—Please patronize our sponsors.

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The next open pantry is **Sat., April 18 9-11AM. Food will be collected after all Masses, April 18/19 Community Sunday. THANK YOU** for your generosity, helping the SVdP help others!

Spring Drive-Thru Dinner—This 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

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY

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



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

LENTEN SEAFOOD DINNERS AT IHM
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Lexington Park- Fridays in Lent until 3/27 from 4 - 7 pm.
Both Dine-In and To-Go meals are available.
 Order online @ seafood.ihmrcc.org



Friday Lenten Carryout Shrimp Dinner-KofC



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

Date: March 27

Stop by and pick up your dinner.
Cash, Check, or Credit Cards accepted

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

COMMUNITY

APOLOGETICS— MONDAY, 3/23 at 7:00-8:15pm
 Where: St. John Francis Regis Parish (St. Jude Room in Msgr. Harris Center)
 The topic will be: Seeing Eucharist in the Last Supper
 Google Meeting: Apologetics 2026
<https://meet.google.com/woq-fmef-djg>



The Servants of the Lord (SSVM) & The Virgin of Matará Annual Fall Food Drive
Please return bags today Sat./Sun., Mar. 21/22.
 To participate in the delivery effort, March 22th, contact Laura Madden at **207-837-5845** for details.



The Call to be Peacemakers at Camp Maria Retreat Center
Wednesday, March 25
5:30-6:30pm

Free to attend. Come to one or all weeks
Register Online at campmaria.org

This weekly gathering is an invitation to be together in prayer for peace and non-violence for our country and world. Our time together includes reflections on the call to be peacemakers, silent prayer, and sharing. Registration not required, but to help us plan, please let us know if you foresee attending at sistechris@campmaria.org



St. Mary's Ryken
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Summer Knights Camps at St. Mary's Ryken return this summer, running Monday–Friday from June 15 through July 31 for children ages 5–15. Campers can explore a variety of fun and engaging options including Baking & Cooking, Ceramics, Pokémon, Flag Football, Flight Academy, Fishing, Music & Theatre, Plushie Making, and more. Camps run from 9 a.m.–3 p.m., with before care starting at 7 a.m. and after care available until 6 p.m. **Lunch is included daily.** Spots are limited, so families are encouraged to register soon. **Receive \$20 off – use code 20off26SK at checkout.** Visit www.smrhs.org/summerknights to view the schedule and register.

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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