

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.

August 30, 2026

22nd 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.

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
Parochial Vicar.....Rev. Martin Begley, ext. 19
Deacon.....Deacon Joe Vavrus
Deacon.....Deacon Matt Menard
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Receptionist/Bulletin EditorIzel Ventura, ext.11
Religious Education/Youth Ministry.....Leonard Wathen, ext.16
Coordinator of Music.....Beth Domingue
Custodian.....Robert Barger
Principal, Father Andrew White SchoolJanet Szoeh

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



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PASTOR'S CORNER

“Quo Vadis, Domine?”

Matthew 16:21-27

A non-scriptural story in the Catholic tradition relates that by the time St. Peter reached Rome and Christians were suffering under severe persecution, the chief apostle was leaving the city to escape death. On the road, he met the risen Lord carrying the cross. He recognized Jesus and asked him, “Quo vadis, Domine?” – “Where are you going, Lord?” Jesus replied, “Romam eo, iterum crucifigi.” – “I am going to Rome to be crucified again.” With that, Peter regained courage and returned to the city to undergo his own martyrdom, as tradition has it, by being crucified upside down. Apparently, he deemed himself unworthy to be put to death in the same manner as his Lord.

The apocryphal story of Peter’s change of mind on the road leading out of Rome squares well with his tendency in the gospels to vacillate. Immediately after he made the remarkable confession, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God,” (16:16) he objected that Jesus would suffer greatly and be killed by the Jerusalem authorities (16:22). On one hand Peter had faith in Jesus, but then underwent a failure of trust. Later, at the trial of Jesus, Peter would deny three times that he knew Jesus, even though he had protested his fidelity at the Last Supper.

To be a Christian, each of us must carry the cross that has been allotted to us. We usually do not have to search far for it. The cross comes to us as a matter of course – in the chores of daily life, at work, at school, in family life and in our general interaction with others. This is why a sense of personal vocation is so necessary, that is, knowledge of one’s calling from God through his Holy Spirit. In the midst of our responsibilities, we should frequently recall the fundamental purpose in our lives as the source of joy and meaning. If we see all our work as motivated by a singular joy, then life itself becomes the unfolding of our divine vocation.

Empowered by the Holy Spirit which the apostles received at Pentecost and aided by the reminder from Jesus on the road, Peter took hold again of his own cross and completed his vocation to be Christ’s vicar on earth. Not only are his successors called to do the same, but each member of Christ’s body the Church must bear the cross of witness. Ask yourself, “Quo vadis?” – “Where are you going?” I hope you will answer, I am following in the footsteps of Jesus and the great saints of the Church. Even though the road may be hard, I am on the way to glory!

~Fr. David

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, Sept. 1:	World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation For Married Couples
12:15 pm	
Wednesday, Sept. 2:	Rev. Robert F. Keffer
8:15 am	
Thursday, Sept. 3:	St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church Rev. Michael J. Murray
12:15 pm	
(1st) Friday, Sept. 4:	Parish Conference of the SVdP
8:15 am	
(1st) Saturday, Sept. 5:	St. Teresa of Calcutta Fidel Candelaria
7:30 am	
5:00 pm (<i>incense</i>)	Joseph & Margaret Shrader
Sunday, Sept. 6:	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Catherine Madden
8:00 am (<i>incense</i>)	
11:00 am (<i>incense</i>)	<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.

David & Dolly Abell, Jeanne Bean, Dr. Joseph Bicknell, Wally Bowles, McKinley Briscoe, Michael Brooks, Loretta Broxson, Timothy Butler, Evelyn Candelaria, Fr. Rory Conley, Donna Corcoran, Susie Crocco, Ann Davis, Jim Davis, Charles Davis Sr., Nolma Diamond, Jr., Jeff Flick, Mary Claire FitzGerald, Stephanie Gonzalez, Bertha Hunt, Jim Hutchison, Jonathan Kibler, George Lancaster, Lainie Mattingly, Sherry Marigliano, Virginia McKeen, Irene Michaud, Chuck Miller, Cy Munley, Kristy Nelson & Madison, DeShawn Plater, Harry Rogers, Jerry Thompson, Dustin Williams and Lee Wilson.



St. Aloysius Parish joyfully celebrates the start of a new school year! As **Father Andrew White School** begins the 2026–27 academic year, we pray that God fills every classroom with

bright moments, strong hearts, and faith-filled learning. May the Lord bless all students, teachers, staff, and families with enthusiasm, peace, and a wonderful year ahead. Let’s make it a great year!



The parish office will close early on Friday, Sept. 4th at 2:00pm. The office will also be closed on Monday, Sept. 7th in observance of Labor Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 8th



BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: The community of St. Aloysius extends heartfelt condolences to the family of **Noël Salah**, mother of Rev. Michael Salah who entered eternal rest recently. May the angels lead her into paradise. May the martyrs welcome her and guide her to the holy city, the new and eternal Jerusalem. May the peace of Christ, which surpasses all understanding, bring comfort to her loved ones during this time of sorrow.

EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE

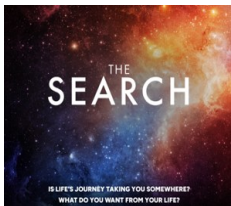


Join us for **DAILY AM and PM Holy Hours** for adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament and silent prayer in the Sacred Heart Chapel.
7 days a week: **6:30-7:30 AM and PM**
Come for all or a portion of the hour as your time allows.

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

Mental Health Ministry will lead a Rosary in the Sacred Heart chapel at 4 pm on the First Saturday of each month. Please join us!



Our eight-part biweekly series
Next Meeting: Aug. 31
Every other Monday * 7:00-8:30 PM
St. Aloysius Church Hall

This small group series is for anyone who's curious about faith or looking for a fresh start. Whether you've never been part of the Catholic Church, are exploring who Jesus is, or simply haven't been to church in a while, you are warmly invited. No pressure, no expectations—just a place to ask questions, listen, and explore. For more information visit our website at <https://saintalloysiuschurch.org/the-search>. Scan the QR code to register.



Peace in the Storm Project— Small groups will meet **Friday, Sept. 4th at 2:00-3:00 PM** in the Parish Hall.



A ministry of hope and belonging. Through the inspired books and discussion guides by Maureen Pratt, we pray, reflect, grow closer to Jesus and each other. For more information, please contact Liz Tomaszewski at liz.tomaszewski@gmail.com



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Training for new altar servers will take place on **Sept. 5, 12, and 19**, from **1:00–2:00 PM** in the church. Open to students **4th grade and above**.



First Wednesdays of the month at 9:30am in the Parish Hall.
Contact **Chris Guy** at **301-481-1502**



MOMS (of all ages)-St. Aloysius Mothers' Group
Sept. 9 every 2nd Wed. of the month 7pm
StAloysiusMoms@CatholicMomsGroup.com

Summer's last Hurrah!



Potluck Picnic

Please join us for a free parish potluck picnic!

The picnic will be held **rain or shine** on **Sunday, Sept. 13**, behind Father Andrew White School next to the playground from **12:30 pm – 2:30 pm**. Food will be served indoors in FAW gym regardless of the weather.



Food provided by parish:

Hot dogs, hamburgers, veggie and turkey burgers, and beverages: water, iced tea, and lemonade

Recommended food items to bring:



A – J *salad*
K – R *dessert*
S – Z *side dish*



To RSVP, see our website: <https://saintalloysiuschurch.org>

STEWARDSHIP

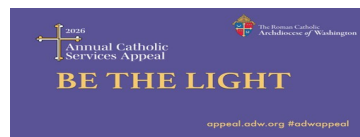
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<https://giving.ParishSoft.com/app/giving/stalloysius>

SHARING OUR TREASURE– 8/22 and 8/23 2026

1st Collection:

Offertory Basket: \$ 4,778.00
Direct Debit: \$ 1,190.00
Total \$ 5,968.00



2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: School Support
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POOR BOX



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

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The next open pantry is **Sat., Sept. 19/20**
9-11AM. Food will be collected after all
Masses. Sept. 20 Community Sunday. MANY
THANKS to all who volunteer and donate to
support the food pantry!

Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it." The challenge is to let go so God can lead us. This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul enabled the poor to experience Jesus' presence by providing 42 people with \$3,777 in assistance for rent and utilities. Also, our Food Pantry provided assistance to 76 families, 10 of which were delivered when Conference members conducted home visits.

FATHER ANDREW WHITE

FAWS is seeking a **Maintenance Specialist** to work as-needed during the summer and 2026-27 school year. Hourly rate information available upon request. Please contact office@fatherandrewwhite.org or call 301-475-9795 with any questions.

FAWS is currently accepting applications for **Substitute Teachers** for the 2026-27 school year. Please email office@fatherandrewwhite.org or call 301-475-9795 for information.

FAWS is currently accepting applications for a **part-time music teacher** for the 2026-27 school year. Please apply online via adw.org or reach out to office@fatherandrewwhite.org for more information.

FAWS is currently accepting applications for a **part-time aftercare employee** for the 2026-27 school year! Please email office@fatherandrewwhite.org for more information.

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Families of Faith, our parish children's Religious Education program, is scheduled to begin on Sunday, **September 13 at 9:15 am** at Father Andrew White School. For details and registration, go to:

<https://saintalloysiuschurch.org/familiesoffaith>

RESPECT LIFE



If you or someone you know has had an abortion, be assured that it is never too late to seek God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Additionally, other confidential, compassionate help is available. Select "Find Help" from the menu on www.hopeafterabortion.org to find the diocesan Project Rachel Ministry near you. *USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "Bridges of Mercy for Healing after Abortion"* www.usccb.org/bridges-of-mercy

COMMUNITY



LOYOLA ON THE POTOMAC
The Treasure Within: Holy Light
Ignatian Weekend Retreat at Faulkner, MD
Jesuit Retreat House
Date: September 11-13

Join us for a weekend of prayer, healing, strengthening, and mission as we reflect on the grace of God in our lives and discern where God is calling us to be hope to others.

[Register online at www.loyolaonthepotomac.com](http://www.loyolaonthepotomac.com)



A special Field Mass and Rosary will commemorate the **Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows on Tuesday, Sept. 15** at the **St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery at 38888 Doctor Johnson Road in Mechanicsville (Helen), MD (located behind the Mother Catherine Academy School)**. Rosary and Mass are offered for the deceased members of our community, and the Church especially encourages those who have recently suffered a loss of joining us. Rosary and Mass will begin at 10:00 a.m. with Fr. Chip Lockett from Our Lady of the Wayside as our celebrant. An enclosable tent will be erected for everyone's comfort in the cemetery rain or shine. For more information you may contact the office of the Catholic Cemeteries Southern MD Regional Office at (301) 475-5005 or (301) 932-1766 or email us at gop@ccaw.org.



COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE:

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WHEN: Saturday, October 3, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

WHERE: Knights Hall, 41605 Fenwick St., Leonardtown

HOW: Sign up at: WWW.REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG

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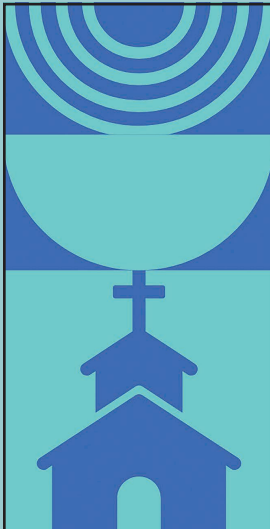
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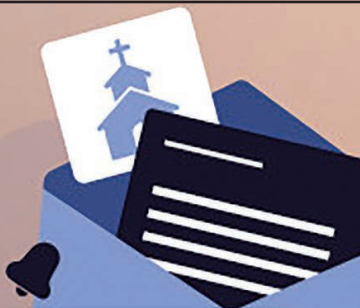
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