

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.

September 13, 2026
24th 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
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper.....Denise Becher, ext.10
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 Szoch

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



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SCAN ME

PASTOR'S CORNER

Forgive us our debts, as we..."

Matthew 18:21-35

At all levels, the Church practices the ministry of reconciliation (*II Corinthians 5:18, 19*). To Peter and his successors Jesus gave the power of the keys of the kingdom of heaven (*Matthew 16:19*). As an example, the pope designates works and prayers which can be done to obtain an indulgence on behalf of the souls in Purgatory. Jesus then extended that authority to the apostles (*Matthew 18:18* and *John 20:23*—"whose sins you forgive are forgiven them"). Bishops and priests who follow in the line of the apostles, being ordained to act *in persona Christi capitis*—in the person of Christ the Head—reconcile sinners to God and to the Church through the sacrament of Penance. Furthermore, all members of the Church are called to extend forgiveness to any who have offended them as a condition for receiving God's mercy.

To illustrate Peter's question about how many times one ought to forgive an offender, Jesus offered the parable of the servant forgiven of a huge debt but who was unwilling to forgive a co-worker's much smaller debt. The Greek word for "debt" can mean either an obligation that is owed or a sin. This helps us realize that every sin in itself incurs a debt owed to God.

The fifth petition of the Lord's Prayer says, "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." In some Christian traditions, the word "debts" is used, which is more Biblically accurate, but "trespasses" appropriately broadens the meaning to include sins, not just something tangibly owed.

The message of the parable is that as the king forgave the servant's unpayable debt, so Jesus alone has paid the debt of our sins by reconciling us to God through his Passion and Death on the cross. By our participation in the sacraments, we gain access to that redemption. The sobering message of the parable, however, is that God can hold that debt-forgiveness in abeyance on condition that we ourselves extend mercy on the human level to those who have sinned against us. Even though the servant had been forgiven his large debt at the start, the forgiveness was withdrawn once it was found out that he failed to extend the same mercy in turn. For that he was consigned to the place of eternal punishment.

God's redeeming love is free and cannot be forced or leveraged. But his mercy, which we seek personally through sacramental practice, is activated in the end by the day-to-day forgiveness we show to others. "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors" has eternal consequences.

~Fr. David

Summer Appeal: Thank you for your generosity! Our **Summer Appeal raised \$29,564**. Your gifts have already supported the **purchase of a zero-turn mower** and the **repair of the Parish Hall AC**, and other all important needs throughout our church. We are truly grateful for your support.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK

Tuesday, Sept. 15:

12:15 pm

Wednesday, Sept. 16:

8:15 am

Thursday, Sept. 17:

12:15 pm

Friday, Sept. 18:

8:15 am

Saturday, Sept. 19:

7:30 am

5:00 pm

Sunday, Sept. 20:

8:00 am

11:00 am

Our Lady of Sorrows

Allison Kohut

**St. Cornelius, Pope, and
Cyprian, Bishop and Martyrs**

Emilio Balmaceda

Scott Mattingly

James Phillip Howard

**St. Januarius, Bishop &
Martyr**

Sherwin Discaya

Ernie Pfeiff

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Peggy Norris

Pro populo

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, Sherry Marigliano, Virginia McKeen, Irene Michaud, Chuck Miller, Cy Munley, Kristy Nelson & Madison, DeShawn Plater, Harry Rogers, Jerry Thompson, Dustin Williams and Lee Wilson.



We give thanks for all St. Aloysius grandparents. For those caring for little ones, those cheering on grown grandchildren, and those watching over us from heaven. May God bless all St. Aloysius grandparents today and always.



Potluck Picnic

*Please join us for a free parish
potluck picnic!*

The picnic will be held **rain or shine,
TODAY**

(Sunday, Sept. 13) behind Father Andrew White School next to the playground from **12:30–2:30 pm**. Food will be served **indoors in the FAW gym** regardless of the weather.



BORN TO ETERNAL LIFE: The community of St. Aloysius extends heartfelt condolences to the family of **Lainie Mattingly**, 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.



Our eight-part biweekly series
Next Meetings: Sept. 14, 21 & 28
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.



THE JOURNEY HIGH SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE

Invites all teens in Grades 8–12 to historic St. Clement's Island on Saturday, September 26, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., for a day of prayer and inspiring talks at the site where the first Catholic Mass was celebrated in the English colonies. Registration is \$10, and participants should bring a bag lunch and a camping chair or blanket. Register today at SouthernMarylandRoots.org.



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

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

Peace in the Storm Project— Small groups will meet **Friday, Oct. 2** 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 Tomaszeski at liz.tomaszeski@gmail.com

You're Invited to Our **Fall Fellowship**

GROW IN FAITH. DEEPEN YOUR LOVE.

Encounter Christ IN THE HOLY EUCHARIST.

A BIBLICAL **WALK THROUGH THE MASS**

See the Mass WITH NEW EYES!

TUESDAY NIGHTS! BEGINNING OCTOBER 6 AT 6:00 PM

5 WEEKS TOGETHER Faith, Fellowship & Understanding

ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH HALL Come for the faith. Stay for the fellowship!

YOU'LL DISCOVER...

- ✓ The biblical roots of the Mass
- ✓ A deeper understanding of the prayers and responses
- ✓ A richer love for the Holy Eucharist
- ✓ Ways to participate more fully and meaningfully
- ✓ A welcoming community walking the journey of faith together

COURSE MATERIALS \$20

Your optional donation helps cover course materials

We don't want cost to keep anyone from joining! If purchasing the materials would be a hardship, our parish will gladly cover the cost. We want everyone who wishes to participate to be able to join us!

Sign Ups Are On **THE ST. ALOYSIUS PARISH WEBSITE!**

BRING A FRIEND AND JOIN OUR PARISH FAMILY! Let's walk together on this beautiful journey of faith.

SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE TODAY!

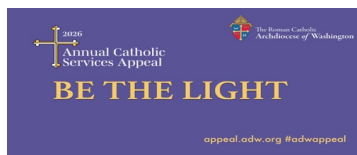
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<https://giving.ParishSoft.com/app/giving/stalloysius>

SHARING OUR TREASURE— 9/5 and 9/6 2026

1st Collection	2nd Collection: School Support
Offertory Basket \$ 6,809.00	Offertory Basket: \$ 1,815.00
Direct Debit: \$ 3,255.00	Direct Debit: \$ 395.00
Total: \$10,064.00	Total \$ 2,210.00



2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: Debt Reduction
PATRON OF THE WEEK: Hancock Refrigeration, Heating & Cooling

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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 will be held on Sat., Sept. 19 from 9-11 AM. Food donations will be collected after all Masses. **Sept. 20** is Community Sunday. **MANY THANKS** to all who volunteer and donate so generously to support our food pantry!



Friends
OF THE POOR
WALK

The St. Vincent de Paul Society's (SVDP) 19th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held Oct. 3, 2026. The goal of the Walk is to raise money to assist our neighbors with basic needs including rent, utilities, medicine and food. Starting at Father Andrew White School, the walk route goes through the streets of Historic Leonardtown. There will be a post-walk brunch, music, theme baskets for a silent auction, balloons for children, and door prizes. Doors open at 7:30 am; Walk begins at 9:00 am. The Walk is sponsored by the SVDP Conferences at St. Aloysius and Immaculate Conception Churches. Register at www.walkforthe poor.com or on the day of the Walk. Donations can also be made on the registration site. For more information, contact Patty Belanger at (301) 904-7990.

FATHER ANDREW WHITE

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

Our parish children's Religious Education program **begins today**, Sunday, September 13, at 9:15 am at Father Andrew White School. For details and registration, go to:

<https://saintalloysiuschurch.org/familiesoffaith>

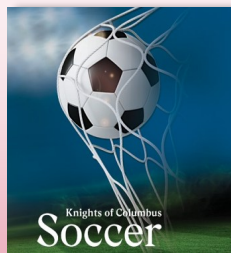


St. Aloysius is traveling to **Damascus Summit Lake** from June 20-25, 2027! Current 8th to 11th grade students are eligible to attend. Our parish has spots saved until Oct. 31. For details and registration, go to <https://www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/camp>.

COMMUNITY



A special Field Mass and Rosary for the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 15 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery (38888 Doctor Johnson Rd., Mechanicsville/Helen, behind Mother Catherine Academy). Fr. Chip Luckett from Our Lady of the Wayside will celebrate the Mass. The Rosary and Mass are offered for deceased loved ones, especially for those who have recently experienced a loss. An enclosable tent will be provided, rain or shine. For more info, contact the Catholic Cemeteries Southern MD Regional Office at 301-475-5005 or 301-932-1766, or email qop@ccaw.org



2026 Knights of Columbus Soccer Challenge

Boys and Girls, ages 9-14
Host: Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council #1470
Location: Father Andrew White School, S.J. Field
Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026
Time: 9 am registration
Contact: douglasjburfield@gmail.com



Dinner includes: 3 crab cakes, fried chicken, ham, potatoes, green beans, beets, and dinner rolls. Baked goods will also be available for purchase. **Cost:** \$35 per dinner. For more info, call 301-994-0607 or email secretary@stgeorgercecc.org



COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE:

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
St. Mary's Council #1470

WHEN: Saturday, October 3, 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
WHERE: **Knights Hall**, 41605 Fenwick St., Leonardtown
HOW: Sign up at: WWW.REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG
then insert KOC1470 into the box FIND A DRIVE in the upper right corner. Or call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) After registering for your donation appt., use Rapid Pass the DAY of the drive to fast track your donation "check in." Go to: www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass to learn more.

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