

# *Our Lady's Catholic Church*

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## **Pastor**

Rev. John T. Nguyen

## **Permanent Deacon**

Deacon Thomas Spalding (Retired)

## **Parish Secretary and Bookkeeper**

Mrs. Rebekah J. Guyther

## **Religious Education Coordinator**

Mrs. Christine H. Biglin

## **Schedule of Masses**

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday - Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy days as announced

## **Parish Office Hours 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

Weekdays

Closed on Monday

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Fourth Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

By appointment, with enough time for Parents to meet with the Priest.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

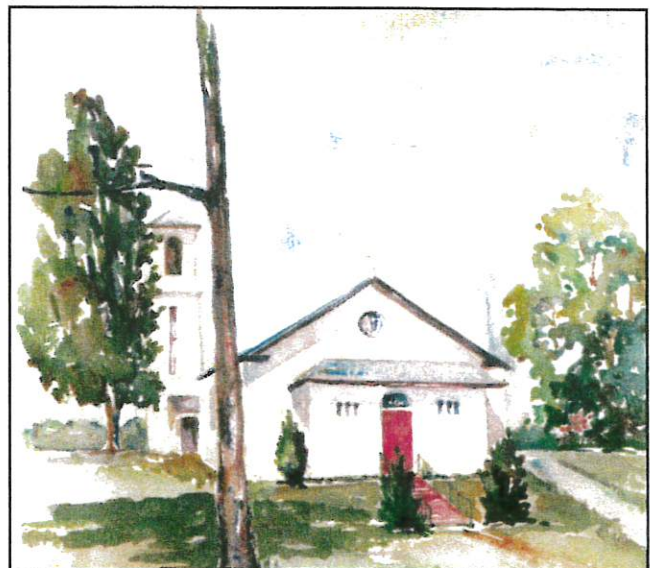
Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

## **Religious Education**

Classes for those attending Public School please call Parish Office.

## **Registration in the Parish**

Parishioners should be registered. We need you! Forms are available at the door to the church.



## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

### REFLECTION

"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world", proclaims John the Baptist in today's Gospel as Jesus comes to him to be baptized. We hear these words proclaimed again each Sunday when we are invited to receive Jesus in the Eucharist. Jesus, before he was led like a lamb to slaughter, shared his Body and Blood with his closest friends and asked that they continue to do this in his memory. We are indeed blessed to be called to this Eucharistic meal.

Isaiah, Paul, and John the Baptist were each called by God for a special purpose, Isaiah tells us of being called to reach out first to the exiled people of Israel and then to all nations. Paul tells the Corinthians that he was called to be an apostle. John was called to make Jesus known by baptizing with water. Now it is our turn to listen for God's call. Then we can respond, as we do in today's psalm, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

January 25

4:00pm First Reading J Marek  
Second Reading M Boruta

January 26

8:30am First Reading B Biglin  
Second Reading M Biglin

11:00am First Reading D Cress  
Second Reading B Russell

### ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

	4:00 PM	8:30AM	11:00AM
Jan 25/26	A Johnson B Gruby	H Krissoff Z Van Ryswick M Van Ryswick	J Cress A Jago K Biglin

### ALTAR SOCIETY

Weekend of January 25/26

Helen Krissoff & Clara Cammack

### Parish Calendar

January 25-26 – Food for the Poor Priest will be visiting our Parish.

**King Cake 4 Life!** American Heritage Girls are selling King Cakes for Mardi gras to support Pro-Life Pregnancy Center. The cake is a cross between a coffee cake and a French pastry that is decorated in the colors of green, purple and gold with a plastic baby hidden inside. The donation per cake is \$40. For more info see the flyer at the church doors.

### MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

You may request a Mass for a loved one by recording their name in the Mass Intention Book on the table near the Sacred Heart Statue in the church. Just select a date from the monthly list of dates, then complete one of the Mass Intention envelopes and include your stipend. **Put the envelope in the Collection basket.** The usual stipend is \$10. If this is a financial hardship for you, just give what you can or simply make the request. Mass cards signed by Fr. John are also available. Please contact the rectory if you need assistance.

### INTERCESSORY PRAYER INTENTIONS

Parishioners at Our Lady's Church commit to pray for the needy, the sick and the dying and their families. If you or a loved one is in need of prayer, we will remember them in our daily prayers. Just list your intention in the Intercessory Prayer binder that is located at the Mary Statue. We will join our prayers with yours that God our loving Father will bless you with abundant grace, strength and wisdom to endure the current trial and that His peace will envelop you always.

### Food for the Poor Appeal Next Weekend

Father Richard Paul Lewandowski will be at our parish next weekend, January 25/26 to speak about the mission of **Food for the Poor**. He is a priest of the Diocese of Worcester, MA. Presently, he assists **Food for The Poor** in raising awareness and direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean. Fr. Lewandowski was ordained in 1974, and his ministries have included serving as an associate pastor and pastor in many parishes, and Campus Ministry. He is a licensed mental health counselor and writes children's books. In addition to his ministry with **Food for the Poor**, he serves at St. Richard's Parish, Sterling, MA, and counsels first responders and combat veterans. Please be generous in supporting this very worthwhile appeal.

St. Aloysius Church is looking to fill out a team of 6-8 roofers or those with carpentry skills for an 8-day relief mission to Green Turtle Cay, Bahamas, in February. The area was recently devastated by Hurricane Dorian. Travel by van to Pompano Beach, Florida, and sail by 55' yacht. Lodging on board. For further information, contact Dan Guenther at 301-475-3106.

## SUNDAY January 19, 2020 & ITS VIGIL

### **Mass Intentions**

Sat Jan 18	8:00 am	Healing for Struggling Families
	4:00 pm	Joseph Howard Goddard and Margaret Lorraine Goddard
Sun Jan 19	8:30 am	Mae, Johnny & John Robert Gough
	11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Jan 21	8:00 am	Michael Perigo
Wed Jan 22	8:00 am	Webster & Mary Catherine Bell
Thu Jan 23	8:00 am	Ernest & Elizabeth Bell
Fri Jan 24	8:00 am	Señor Benigno Valdiglesias Casteñeda
Sat Jan 25	8:00 am	Healing for Struggling Families
	4:00 pm	Mae, Johnny & John Robert Gough
Sun Jan 26	8:30 am	Eddie Vause
	11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners

### **Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick**

Ginny Ulett, John Allum-Poon, James Holly, Evelyn Ryce, Dennis Gately, Teresa Fenwick, James "Boogie" Howe, Keith Harless, Claudia Fenwick, Cathy Norris, Ricky Burroughs, Anna Daugherty, Ben DeWeese, Rick Quigg, Dona Hamlet, Bob Russell, Rene Chicoine, Jessica Higgs, Benny Benson, Margaret Breakfield, Irene Dixon, Katie Gately, Anna Marie Quade, Pat Bateman, Jim Hein, Ann & Jim Sheasley, Claudia Geroni, Marlene Norris, Sarah Milburn, Agnes Higgs, James N. Trossbach, Edith McFadden, Ann Duchesne, Pat Goin, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, Philip Woodburn, David Wood, Charles Mills, Alice Holly, Jackson Morgan, Gary Rogers, Wayne Norris, John A. Abell, Jessica Coss, John Fenwick, Cecelia Knott, Angelina Prucha, Jimmy Ludwig, David Cook, Angel Spalding, Ray Harding, Jr., Kim Sariego, Caroline Sadler, Ellie Vance, Deacon Tom & Rose Spalding, Trish (McWilliams) Guy, Elsie Good, Christina Howe, Ethan Swayze, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick, Jimmy Morrisette, Joyce Thompson, Timothy Sauler, Jacob Johnson, Shane Copsey

### **CHARITABLE OUTREACH COMMITTEE**

The Charitable Outreach Committee is continuing to collect food for St. Cecilia's food pantry and for Helping Hands food pantry. *Thank you for answering Christ's call to "Feed the hungry" by regularly donating food items.* Food can be left in the back of the church by the Sacred Heart statue.

**Call the Rectory:** Please keep Fr. John or the Parish Office informed if someone is sick or hospitalized. We can add their name to the prayer list. They can also have a visit from Fr. John.

**Encounter Grace** is hosting a **Catholic Women's Book Club Get-Together** February 18, 2020, from 630 -830 pm. ( Location TBD ) The book they will be discussing is *St. Monica and The Power of Persistent Prayer* by Mark Aquilina and Mike W. Sullivan. This is a free event, open to women 18+. More information and link to register can be found at [www.encountergrace.com](http://www.encountergrace.com).

A **Catholic Women's Retreat**, hosted by Encounter Grace, will take place on Saturday, March 28, 2020, at Immaculate Conception Church, Mechanicsville MD. The retreat, **The Grace of Yes with Lisa Hendey**, is a full-day retreat. Open to Catholic women ages 18+, cost is \$45.00 and includes retreat, breakfast and lunch. Information and link to register can be found at [www.encountergrace.com](http://www.encountergrace.com).

**Queen of Hearts LVRSA Fundraiser.** Please join us to take a chance to pick a card and find the Queen of Hearts to win. Each Thursday there will be a chance to win until she's found. Thank you for your support to the LVRSA.

Date: Every Thursday

Time: 4pm-6:45pm, drawing is at 7pm

Place: Fitzies Marina Restaurant and Pub, Leonardtown

### **Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections:**

**Celebrate Catholic Schools:** We are kicking off Catholic Schools Week the weekend of January 25th/26th! Father Andrew White School students are serving as lectors and altar servers and bringing up the gifts. They have many special events that week to celebrate the uniqueness of their Catholic school. The children are participating in service projects, attending International Night, and celebrating all that Catholic schools have to offer as they highlight how Father Andrew White is a community where they learn, serve, lead, and succeed.

**Father Andrew White School Open House:** Did you know that Father Andrew White was named a 2012 Blue Ribbon School and was recently voted as the #1 Private School by "The Enterprise" newspaper readers? It's time to find out why! You are cordially invited to visit our award winning parish school! Father Andrew White Catholic School is having an Open House on Friday, January 31st from 10-11:30am. Come see school in session and meet the dedicated and caring staff and discover how our students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith."

**Shoe Drive:** FAW is still collecting shoes to be distributed to those in need. Please consider donating your shoes today by putting them in the shoe collection box in the school lobby or in the St. Aloysius Church Parish Hall lobby! The collection runs through February 1st.

### **The National March for Life 2020 in Washington, DC will be held on Friday, January 24th.**

This year's theme is "Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro-Woman." Knights of Columbus Council 1470 is sponsoring a 55 passenger coach bus leaving from and returning to the St. Aloysius Church parking lot, expect to leave at 10am and return by 7pm. This is open to all; Council 1470 Knights and their families ride for free, donations within means will be accepted in place of a passenger fee for Care Net of Southern Maryland.



## **Marriage Enrichment Series**

Take the time to invest in your marriage by attending a series of enrichment sessions together, hosted by the Office for Family Life held at St. Aloysius Church. The series is held on Tuesdays from 7-9PM

- January 28<sup>th</sup> EQUAL
- February 4<sup>th</sup> COMMUNICATIONS
- February 11<sup>th</sup> SEXUALITY AND INTIMACY
- February 18<sup>th</sup> THRIVING VS. SURVIVING

Presented by: Rebecca Mullan, MS, LPC  
Register at: [mestaloysius.eventbrite.com](http://mestaloysius.eventbrite.com)

## **Leap into the 12 Steps of Recovery**

Living through a loved one's process of addiction and recovery is challenging and sometimes overwhelming for all involved. This retreat offers the opportunity to reflect on how the 12 Steps of Recovery may support anyone on this journey towards acceptance, serenity, and growth one step at a time. The Retreat leaders, Sister Judy Donohue and Father Dennis Knight bring years of experience in working in the areas of addiction and recovery using the 12 step model as a tool toward Spiritual recovery and growth. **The registration deadline for this retreat is Friday, February 14, 2020.**

**AT THE WELL** is a ministry that brings hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the newly separated and divorced and those who still struggle with issues many years later. At the Well aims to restore hope, and begin authentic healing. We use a 12 week program called *Surviving Divorce*, guided by videos, small group discussion and workbooks, to work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce, find personal healing and hope, and discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you. The next session begins **February 9**, meeting Sundays from 6 to 7:30 pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church in Lexington Park. To register or for more info, contact Judith at [atthewell@ihmrcc.org](mailto:atthewell@ihmrcc.org) or 240-298-4044. Suggested donation of \$25 to cover the cost of materials. Free Child care is available if needed. Join us on this powerful journey to hope and healing!



There will be a Mass with Healing Prayers and Eucharistic Adoration on  
Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 5:30 pm at  
Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish.  
Confessions start at 5:00 pm; all are welcome.

**Walking Where Jesus Walked -- Pilgrimage to the Holy Land!** Join us in the footsteps of Jesus, October 18 to 27, 2020. We will visit many biblical holy places on this trip including: Nazareth, Cana, Galilee, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Gethsemane, Holy Sepulchre, the Jordan River, Dead Sea and more! Fr. Rob Maro and Fr. Michal Sajnog will be joining us to provide Mass, confession and spiritual direction. The cost of this trip based on double occupancy is only \$3,855.00. Please contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for the full itinerary and trip details at (301) 475-7139 or visit our website:

[www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org](http://www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org) and click on the Holy Land Pilgrimage button at the top right. You can also stop by Heavenly Presents and ask for Pat. This trip will fill up fast, so don't wait to register!

**St. John Vianney Catholic Church, 105 Vianney Lane, Prince Frederick, MD will host a Mental Illness Speaker Event:** NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Maryland and its local affiliate, NAMI Southern Maryland, are hosting *Voices of Experience: Living Well with Mental Illness*® for the first time ever in Southern Maryland on **January 14, 2020 from 7:15pm to 9:00pm**. There will be a reception beforehand beginning at 6:00pm. This free program features trained speakers who share their personal journeys with mental illness and recovery. There will also be a paid, pre-event reception for sponsors, decision makers, influencers, speakers, and other VIPs. "Previous attendees have said this event is inspirational," says NAMI Maryland Executive Director, Kate Farinholt, "The stories shared are personal, raw, and real, and show that there is hope; that you can come back from the dark days of mental illness." The speaker event is free and open to the public. Tickets to the reception can be purchased for \$50. NAMI Maryland and NAMI Southern Maryland encourage members of the community to register online at <https://tinyurl.com/MDVoicesofExperience>.

### **Lighthouse Catholic Media CD & Book Rack**

Visit our kiosk and find inspirational CDs, pamphlets and books on our Catholic faith. These items are very reasonably priced.

**Large Print Missalettes:** We have a dozen large print missalettes at the doors of the church. If you need to use one please take one for Mass and return it when Mass is over. We hope you find the large print helpful and let the office know if you have any questions about this.

**WELCOME!** Our parish family extends a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship, guidance or instruction. We invite you to register and make Our Lady's Church your parish. Registration forms can be at the doors of the church, in the office, or online [www.ourladyschurch.org](http://www.ourladyschurch.org).





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