

Our Lady's Catholic Church

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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.



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.



Third Sunday of Lent

REFLECTION

During this holy season, we examine and reflect upon our lives and call on God for aid. There are times in our lives - and this may be one of them - when we feel alone, abandoned. We may ask, as the Chosen People did when thirsting in the desert, "Is the LORD in our midst or not?" As we grow weary crossing the deserts in our life, let us remember Jesus' words: "I am with you always".

Water takes center stage in scripture today. The chosen People grow thirsty in the desert and the LORD provides water from the rock in Horeb. The Psalmist recalls this event to urge us not to harden our hearts as they did. Paul suggests the image of water in stating that the love of God has been poured into our hearts. A thirsty Samaritan woman realizes that in Jesus she has received living water. Let us quench our thirst with God's word.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

March 21

4:00pm First Reading E Cecil
Second Reading R Stancil

March 22

8:30am First Reading A Gill
Second Reading L Wells

11:00am First Reading D Cress
Second Reading D Dudziec

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

	4:00 PM	8:30AM	11:00AM
Mar 21/22	J Hancock A Tippet D Van Ryswick	M Van Ryswick B Gruby	J Cress A Jago K Biglin

ALTAR SOCIETY

Weekend of March 21/22

L Fenwick, L Himmelheber, S Woodburn

New Volunteer Training at CareNet

Training for new volunteers begins on April 7th. If you've ever thought about volunteering at CareNet, if you want to be a part of your community and see lives changed - this is the training for you. CareNet SoMD is looking for both men and women who want to put their faith into action and be a part of the good work we are doing. Morning and evening sessions are available, to sign up call 301-475-5333 or 410-326-6866.

Easter Flower Offerings: There are envelopes for Easter Flower Offerings at the doors of the church.

This is a beautiful way to remember our deceased loved ones during this Holy Season. Please return the completed envelopes by Palm Sunday, April 5.

Parish Calendar

March 20 - Healing Prayers, Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions will follow 8:00am Mass.

March 20 - Stations of the Cross at 6pm, followed by Confessions.

March 27 - Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions will follow 8:00am Mass.

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ANNUAL JUBILIARIAN CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

The Annual Archdiocese Jubilarian Celebration of marriage, honors couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years. This year the Mass will be held on Sunday, **June 28, 2020 at 2:00pm** at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception with his Excellency, Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory, as the celebrant. To register, please contact the Parish Office. Friday May 22nd is the last day to register.

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 \$55.00 and includes retreat, breakfast and lunch. Information and link to register can be found at www.encountergrace.com.

Encounter Grace is hosting a **Catholic Women's Book Club Get-Together** Tuesday, April 21, 2020, from 630 pm-830 pm. (Location TBD) The book they will be discussing is *Listen To Your Blessed Mother* by Gary Zimak. This is a free event, open to women 18+. More information and link to register can be found at www.encountergrace.com.

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.

SUNDAY March 15, 2020 & ITS VIGIL

Mass Intentions

Sat Mar 14 8:00 am	Healing for Struggling Families
4:00 pm	Doris Wolff
Sun Mar 15 8:30 am	Sarah & Dick Hammett and
	George & Frances Wigginton
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Mar 17 8:00 am	Jimmy Bowles
Wed Mar 18 8:00 am	Gladys Guy
Thu Mar 19 8:00 am	Bill Berg
Fri Mar 20 8:00 am	Jimmy Bowles
Sat Mar 21 8:00 am	Healing for Struggling Families
4:00 pm	Marguerite Brubacher
Sun Mar 22 8:30 am	Jimmy Abell

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Ginny Ulett, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Dennis Gatley, 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 Gatley, Anna Marie Quade, Pat Bateman, 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. **During Lent** we ask that you make a special effort to donate food. Please leave your donations of non-perishable food items in the back of the church near the Sacred Heart Statue. *Thank you for answering Christ's call to "Feed the hungry" by regularly donating food items.*

Our Lady's Winter Coat Drive - Thank You!

THANK YOU to our parishioners who donated to the winter coat drive this year. We had such a huge response from the parish that we were able to outfit not just the needy at Three Oaks Center in Lexington Park, but had enough coats left over to give to The Mission in Great Mills as well. All coats were immediately distributed to many in the community who primarily live outdoors. A very worthwhile mission that we are so happy to be able to support. *Thank you again to all those in the parish who so generously donated to this wonderful cause!*

Christmas in April St. Mary's County, Inc. is dedicated to "improving the quality of life for the low income, elderly and disabled homeowners in our community." This local charity provides free home repairs and maintenance to those in need.

Volunteers- Join a group of Our Lady's Church parishioners and the Charitable Outreach Committee to help out with the 30th annual Neighbors Helping Neighbors day on April 25th 2020. Sign-up sheet is located by the St. Joseph statue. The last day to sign up is **Sunday, March 15th**. Both skilled and unskilled volunteer workers are welcome to participate.

Donations- Visit www.christmasinaprilmc.org or call 301-884-2905. Donations are much needed and appreciated.

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections:

Save the Date: On May 2nd, Father Andrew White will have a Kentucky Derby themed Auction at Bowles Farm. Be on the lookout for more fun details soon!

Destination Imagination Competition: Congratulations to all FIVE of the FAW Destination Imagination teams who showcased their research, talents, innovation, and wit at the regional DI competition last Saturday! The Rising Stars were able to complete their exhibition performance with a packed audience, launching six original rockets while telling their story of traveling through space! The three elementary teams and one middle school team competed in the Fine Arts, Engineering, and Improv categories respectively. All four teams took 1st place in their categories! Please wish the teams, the Dragon Wolves, 7 Lucky Starbucks, DItermined (Fuzz) Wonders, and Jack of All Trades, the best of luck as they gear up to compete at the State competition at UMBC on March 28th!

Catholic Relief Rice Bowl Contributions

For more than 40 years, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Rice Bowl program has helped feed the poor around the world. Please get a cardboard Rice Bowl Bank located at the doors of the church. The bank comes with a Lenten Calendar to guide your Lenten Prayers, fasting and almsgiving. As a family, read the stories of hope and daily reflections to inspire your Lenten journey and guide your Lenten almsgiving -- fill the bank with change or cash during the 40 days of Lent and **return on Easter, April 12**. All money collected will go to Catholic Relief Services.



**Holy Angels Church in Avenue celebrates
Eucharistic Adoration at 6pm followed by Mass
at 7pm every Wednesday evening.
All are welcome.**

Golf Ball Drop--Flat Iron Farm in Great Mills has generously offered to host this event for St. Michael's School. Saturday, May 9th. We hope to have all 2000 balls sold to make this a successful event. Tickets are \$100 each and winners can win up to \$50,000. You can purchase tickets now on line at www.smsgolfballdrop.com.

Holy Angels Church Seafood Dinner

On Sunday, **March 22, 2020**, from 11:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD, will be serving a delicious Seafood Dinner. The menu includes: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Crab Balls, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Pickled Beets, and all the trimmings! **Served buffet style -- all you can eat!** Adults - \$30.00; Children (12 to 6) - \$8.00; and Children (5 & under) - Free. Carryout's are available at \$28.00 each. There will be delicious homemade desserts and a craft table! The Raffle Prize this year is for a total of **\$1,500 in cash!** The **First prize is \$1,000 and the second prize is \$500.** You do not need to be present to win. Holy Angels Church address is 21340 Colton Point Road, Avenue, Maryland 20609. For more information or to purchase advanced tickets, please call the rectory at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com

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! 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.

Annual Spring Oyster Fest at Saint Francis de Sales Hall in Benedict, Maryland on Saturday, March 28 from 12 to 3 PM located at 7209 Benedict Avenue. Tickets are \$25 at the door. Family rates. All you can eat. Oysters fried, scalded and raw at our outdoor bar, shrimp, ham. Homemade side dishes. Cake sale, silent auction. Reserve a table for six and one person eats free. Tickets available at the door. More info 301-274-3416 or email cusickk@adw.org.

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE OF PRAYER TO ALABAMA -- APRIL 18 TO 22

Don't miss this opportunity to visit the beautiful Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament and the Eternal Word Television Network. Fr. Rory Conley, pastor of St Mary's in Bryantown, will accompany us as Chaplain. The cost of this trip based on double occupancy is only \$925.00, which includes: airfare, bus transportation, hotels, breakfast and lunch, along with entry fees and stipends. 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

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.

Plan your Lenten Retreat Today!

You don't have to travel far away to get away from the noise of the world and find new focus in your life through a personal encounter with Christ. Our Lady of Bethesda is just inside the beltway and ready to serve you!

-For Men: Mar 27-29--Preacher: Fr. Charles Sikorsky, President of Divine Mercy University
-For Women: Mar 20-22--Preacher: Fr. Daniel Pajerski, President of Our Lady of Bethesda;
Apr 2-5--Preacher: Fr. Stephen Ellis, LC
Cost is \$250 per person for the 3-day retreat, \$330 per person for the 4-day retreat. Registration is required. Find more retreats and links to register on the website www.ourladyofbethesda.org. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, A Place to Encounter Christ! 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

The Light is ON for You

Confession Times during Lent at Local Churches

Monday: 5:30pm - 6:30pm Our Lady of the Wayside

Tuesday: 6-7pm St. Michael's; 6-7pm Sacred Heart (Bushwood)

Wednesday: 6-7pm Holy Angels; 6-7pm Our Lady Star of the Sea; 6:30-8:00pm St. Aloysius, 6:30-8:00pm Immaculate Conception

Thursdays: 6:00pm Immaculate Heart of Mary

Fridays: 8:30 am and 6:30pm Our Lady's Church at Medley's Neck; 6:00-7:00pm Holy Face; 7:30pm St. Francis Xavier; 6-8pm St. George

Maryland Day Mass

March 25, 2020 is the 386th anniversary of the passengers on the Ark and the Dove landing at St. Clements Island in the Potomac. March 25 is the Feast of the Annunciation. The settlers, led by Father Andrew White, S.J. celebrated the first Mass in the new Maryland colony on this feast day in 1634. In commemoration of that special event, since 1976, local residents have gathered at the historic Saint Ignatius church at Saint Inigoes to celebrate the Mass of the feast day, the Announcement of the angel to Mary about the Son of God to be born into the world, and to remember the founding of the Maryland colony. This year 'Maryland Day', March 25, Feast of the Annunciation, Mass will be celebrated at 6 p.m., at historic St. Ignatius church, Saint Inigoes, celebrant is Father William George, S.J. All are welcome to attend.

St. John's School Spring Auction: Save the date for the Rockin' & Roarin' 2020s! Join us for delicious food by Bailey's and live entertainment by Spectrum on Saturday, April 25, at 6 p.m. at the Monsignor Harris Center. We will have door prizes, games, raffles, and live and silent auctions. Contact us to donate your skills or items for auction at sjsauction2@gmail.com. Tickets are \$45 each or \$80 per couple (must be at least 21 years old to attend); purchase at www.sjshollywood.org.

St. John's School Second Annual Golf Tournament: Thursday, May 14, 2020 at Breton Bay Golf & Country Club, Leonardtown. 8 a.m. check-in/practice/putting contest; 9 a.m. shotgun start. \$125 per person or \$500 per foursome; food and beverages included. Sponsorship opportunities from \$100-\$1,000. Visit www.sjshollywood.org to register, sponsor or donate! For additional info, contact Sara McAloon: sara.mcaloon@yahoo.com (717) 491-4044.

Quo Vadis Hiking Trip—On Sunday, March 29, 2020, all high-school age young men who are interested in learning more about the priesthood are invited to go on a Quo Vadis hiking trip at Great Falls National Park. The day will include Mass, lunch, Eucharistic Adoration, dinner, and the opportunity to spend time with priests, seminarians, and other high-school age young men who are open to the priesthood. The day will run from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Bus transportation will be provided throughout the Archdiocese. More information is available and registration is open at <https://dcpriest.org/high-school>. Please contact the Office of Priest Vocations (vocations@adw.org or 202-636-9020) with any questions.

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.

Date: Every Thursday

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

Place: Action Lounge and Billards

Fried Chicken Dinner LVRSA Fundraiser

Date: April 15, 2020

Time: 11am-9pm

Place: Kevin's Corner Cafe, Leonardtown

Please join us for a fried chicken dinner, dine-in or carry-out to support the Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad.

Auxiliary. Thank you!

Guidance Regarding the Coronavirus from the Archdiocese of Washington: *No one is ever under an obligation to shake hands during the Sign of Peace (a statement of peace, bow or other gesture is appropriate). Anyone who is ill, or suspects he or she is ill, should refrain from receiving from participation in public activities, including Mass. If you need to refrain from Sunday Mass, you are dispensed from the Sunday obligation. We are continually monitoring the situation with an interdisciplinary team, including health professions. We will inform you if further guidance on precautions should be considered.*

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.

Make a Difference for Christians in Syria

The Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC is part of the Franciscan Custody (province) that has served the people and shrines in the Holy Land for 800 years. Please keep the Franciscan friars and parishioners in Syria in your prayers as they struggle to keep our Catholic faith alive in the midst of the war that has engulfed this second cradle of Christianity, the place of St. Paul's conversion. Learn more at myfranciscan.org/Syria or 202-526-6800, x895.

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.



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