

#### **Pastor**

Rev. John T. Nguyen

#### **Permanent Deacon**

Deacon Thomas Spalding (Retired)

#### Parish Secretary and Bookkeeper

Mrs. Rebekah J. Guyther

#### **Religious Education Coordinator**

Mrs. Evelyn Ryce

#### Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 pm

Tuesday – Friday: 8:00am Holy Days as Announced

#### Parish Office Hours 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Tuesday – Friday Closed on Monday

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Immediately after Mass or By Appointment

## OUR LADY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Church – 41410 Medley's Neck Road
Parish Office – 41348 Medley's Neck Road
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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 at least six months in advance.

#### **Religious Education**

Online classes for those attending Public School.

Please call the Parish Office.

#### Registration in the Parish

Parishioners should be registered. We need you!
Registration forms are available online or at the doors of the church.



#### **Baptism of the Lord**

#### REFLECTION

At our baptism we were told, "you have become a new creation and have clothed yourself in Christ." Each Sunday we come here a new creation, transformed, even if we're not conscious of it. Baptism has created us anew, has given us new life. Also, no matter what we may be wearing, we are clothed in Christ. In what we do and what others see, we hope to show that we have put on Christ. On this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, let us appreciate the new we have become.

Last week we celebrated Epiphany, when Mary's newborn baby was revealed to the world as a king. Today we hear God's voice revealing Jesus as the Son of God. Both Isaiah and John the Baptist prepare the world for the Lord's coming by describing who he is. But the Lord did not come just to those who recognize these two Jewish men, so when telling a group of Gentiles about Jesus, Peter tells them that God accepts everyone who believes. May God's word bring us to a deeper understanding of who Jesus is.

#### 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.

Our Lady's Church is happy to offer online giving for families to easily give one-time and recurring gifts! Simply make a secure donation via electronic check, debit or credit card by visiting <a href="https://ourladyschurch.org/">https://ourladyschurch.org/</a>. Click on the "Donate" button and in the "comment" section designate how you want your donation allocated, i.e. Offertory, Education, Utilities, etc. Please consider sharing your gifts without the hassle of remembering to send in checks and envelopes.

Virtual Spiritual Retreats, with Spiritual

**Direction:** During this time of physical separation, Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center is providing virtual retreats so that you can connect with others and feed your soul. Currently, these programs are being offered at no cost, and a suggested donation of only \$75 per person is greatly appreciated. For more info:

https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/w hat-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritualexercises-promo

#### Message from Fr. John:

As we celebrate Advent and the Christmas season remember that due to limited space and health concerns, dispensation from the Sunday and holy day obligation will remain in effect. Please arrive at church early to insure adequate seating. We have set up a TV in the basement in case the church is full and we will have a Eucharistic minister bring communion to you during Communion time.

Please keep in mind these important guidelines when visiting the church:

- A face mask is required.
- Sanitize your hands.
- Social distancing is required.
- Enter the church through the front door unless you require handicap access.
- Exit through all doors.
- Minimize the use of the restrooms if possible.
- Pews are marked for safe social distancing.
- There will be no offertory collection, but we will have a donation receptacle as you enter the church.
- Missalettes and paper aids in the pews are removed. You may take a missalette at the church door to keep. Or you can access the readings from your electronic device from our website or at <a href="https://www.usccb.org/">https://www.usccb.org/</a>.
- There will be no exchange of the sign of peace and no holy water in the fonts.

Confessions are held after Mass or by appointment.

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.

### SUNDAY January 10, 2021 & ITS VIGIL

# Mass Intentions Sat Jan 9 4:00pm David Bogie Sun Jan 10 8:30 am Frank Dorsey & Betsy Combs 11:00 am Our Lady's Parishioners Tue Jan 12 8:00am Robie Bailey Wed Jan 13 8:00am Walter & Patsy Wise Thu Jan 14 8:00am Ben Greenwell

Tommy & Frank Bell

Dick & Sara Hammett

Pat & Ruth Swann

George & Frances Wigginton
11:00 am Our Lady's Parishioners

Fri Jan 15 8:00am

Sat Jan 16 4:00pm

Sun Jan 17 8:30 am

#### CHARITABLE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

The Charitable Outreach Committee is continuing to collect food for St. Cecilia's food pantry and for Helping Hands food pantry. *Please answer 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.

We have continued to collect food for the needy during the Pandemic. St. Cecilia's Food Pantry is very grateful for your kind generosity.

#### "Share the Warmth"

The Charitable Outreach Committee is collecting coats, sweaters, jackets, gloves, hats, scarves, and socks to provide for those who are in need of warmth on a cold day. Please drop off the garments in the rear of the church, next to the Sacred Heart statute. For any additional information please contact John @ 240-528-0966.



#### Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections:

Helping our Neighbors: During the last week of school before Christmas, FAW raised \$565 that was donated to Project WARM (Wrapping Arms 'Round Many). They also collected cans for the poor. They are doing a great job living out the Corporal Works of Mercy and helping the local needy!

<u>Save the Date</u>: Father Andrew White School will be having a Drive-Thru Italian Dinner on February 6, 2021. More details to come!

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Cami Noe, Patty Van Ryswick, Jerry Pope, Barbara Dudziec, 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, Dona Hamlet, Bob Russell, Rene Chicoine, Jessica Higgs, Margaret Breakfield, Irene Dixon, Katie Gatley, Pat Bateman, Ann & Jim Sheasley, Claudia Geroni, Marlene Norris, Sarah Milburn, Agnes Higgs, James N. Trossbach, Edith McFadden, Pat Goin, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, David Wood, Charles Mills, Alice Holly, Gary Rogers, Wayne Norris, John A. Abell, Jessica Coss, Cecelia Knott, Jimmy Ludwig, David Cook, Angel Spalding, Ray Harding, Jr., Kim Sariego, Caroline Sadler, Ellie Vance, Deacon Tom & Rose Spalding, Trish (McWilliams) Guy, Christina Howe, Ethan Swayze, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick, Jimmy Morrisette, Timothy Sauler, Jacob Johnson, Shane Copsey

#### **Help Our Marriage**

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue, or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped many couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information or to register for the upcoming program beginning with a weekend on January 29th - January 31st, 2021, please visit: <a href="www.HelpOurMarriage.org">www.HelpOurMarriage.org</a>, call (443) 400-7017, or email: 3015@HelpOurMarriage.org

#### ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL APPEAL

The Annual Appeal for 2021 will begin the first weekend in February.

Our 2020 Annual Appeal results as of November 30, 2020 are as follows:

**Parish Goal:** \$34,700

**Total Commitments:** \$19,895

% of Goal Committed: 57.3%

**Total Paid:** \$19,505



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