

#### **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

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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.



#### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### REFLECTION

Jesus called us to love God with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength and to love our neighbor as ourselves. This Valentine's Day, we commit ourselves to nurturing that love for God and love for our neighbor. Let the Body and Blood of Christ we receive in the Eucharist bring us the strength and courage to truly become the body of Christ in the world today.

Both the first reading and the Gospel deal with the illness of leprosy, not exactly the subject we hoped to hear about on Valentine's Day. In Moses's day, leprosy was a sign of sinfulness and separation from God. But in the Gospel, Jesus, the Son of God, reaches out and touches the leper. The leper is literally not separated from God at all. Not even leprosy is a barrier to Jesus' healing touch. As members of the body of Christ, it is now up to us to bread through those barriers. Listening to the word of God, let us take Paul's words as a challenge: "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

#### 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: <a href="https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo">https://ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/what-are-spiritual-exercises/virtual-spiritual-exercises-promo</a>

<u>Parish Calendar</u>

February 17 – Ash Wednesday

Mass times are 8:00am and 7:00pm.

Message from the Archdiocese:

As we continue to celebrate Mass during COVID, remember that due to limited space and health concerns, dispensation from the Sunday and holy day obligation will remain in effect.

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

- · A face mask is required.
- Sanitize your hands.
- Arrive to church early for Mass to insure adequate seating.
- Social distancing is required.
- Enter the church through the front door unless you require handicap access.
- Exit through all doors.
- Singing by the Congregation is prohibited.
- 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 physical contact exchange of the sign of peace and no holy water in the fonts.

Confessions are held after Mass or by appointment.

### SUNDAY February 14, 2021 & ITS VIGIL

Mass	Intentions
Sat Feb 13 4:00pm	John Francis Fenwick
Sun Feb 14 8:30 am	Loyd Stancil
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Feb 16 8:00am	Philip Woodburn
Wed Feb 17 8:00am	Walter & Patsy Wise
7:00 pm	Our Lady's Parishioners
Thu Feb 18 8:00am	Philip Woodburn
Fri Feb 19 8:00am	Kurley Family
Sat Feb 20 4:00pm	John Francis Fenwick
Sun Feb 21 8:30 am	Bernie Beavan
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners

## 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. We recently received this kind thank you letter from them:

Dear Parishioners of Our Lady's,
Thank you so much for your
continuing support of St. Cecilia's Food
Pantry. Your Thanksgiving and Christmas
donations were so very generous. How
wonderful to receive such a variety of
food and hygiene supplies. Laundry
detergent, dish soap, deodorant was
included in your gifts to the Pantry. You
are so kind.

God bless, Joyce Bean, Director

**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.

PICK UP A COMPLIMENTARY LENTEN
COMPANION BOOKLET AS YOU EXIT THE
CHURCH

#### 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



#### Father Andrew White, S.J. School

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#### Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections:

The Virtue of Prudence: Our parish school is participating in a "Virtues in Practice" program this year. Each month, the whole school focuses on the same virtue as they hope to grow closer to Jesus by imitating His life and virtues. They also learn more about the saints who exemplify these good habits. This month students and their families are learning about the virtue of prudence. Please join them by modeling how you make good decisions in specific circumstances during the month of February.



The 2021 Annual Appeal is here! This year's theme is SEEKING CHRIST to remind us in this time of hardship and need that Christ is the one, true source of the healing, unity, and love that we all seek. Through our collective support of the Annual Appeal, we strengthen the Body of Christ that is our local Church, and we sustain her many charitable works that serve the spiritual and other needs of all those within and beyond our parish boundaries. If you have not already made a commitment it is not too late. Brochures describing how you can make your donation are available as you exit the church. Your gift will also be credited towards our parish goal. Learn more about the Annual Appeal at appeal.adw.org.

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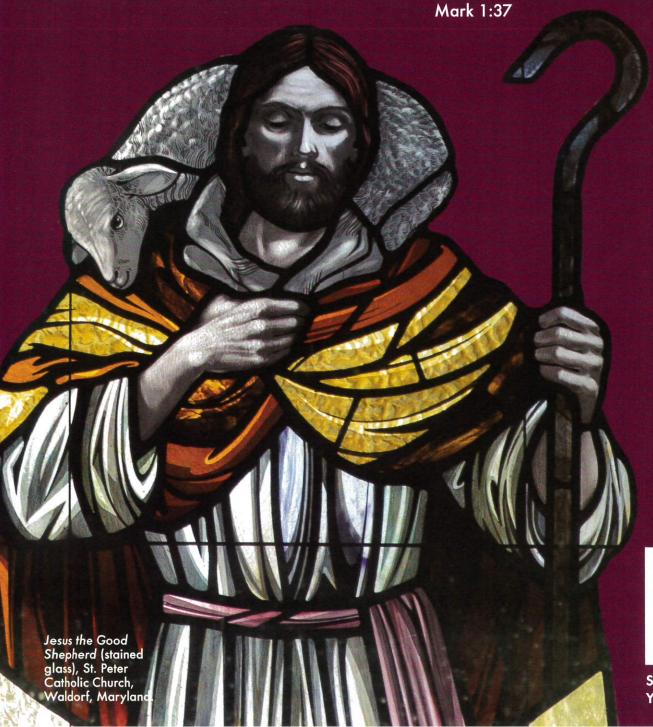
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