

## **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.



## **Fourth Sunday of Easter**

## REFLECTION

We celebrate Good Shepherd Sunday today, recalling Jesus' promise to protect us from harm, to rescue us when we stray, and to guide us home at the end of the day. Ultimately Jesus laid down his life for us, as he told his disciples that he would do. We likely come here today with worries and concerns on our mind. Let us find comfort in knowing that the Good Shepherd watched over us, providing comfort, protection, guidance, and above all, salvation.

Two metaphors in today's readings describe Jesus. Peter, drawing upon the words of the psalmist, calls Jesus the cornerstone. He is the foundation of our Christian faith, the one who conquered death and brought salvation to the world. In the Gospel, Jesus identifies himself as the Good Shepherd. He leads and cares for his sheep, even sheep outside the fold, eventually laying down his life for them, for us. Let us reflect on how Jesus is our cornerstone and our shepherd.

## **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.

NIGHTLY ROSARY: The Council of Catholic Women for the Archdiocese of Washington (CCW-ADW) invites all, who would like to unite in prayer at this time of uncertainty, to join in our nightly Rosary at 8 p.m., 7 days a week. We offer this prayer for the healing of the Church and for our currently health - challenged world. To join us, call 605-468-8016, ID 357090# at 8 p.m. seven days a week. If you have any questions, please email us at <a href="mailto:archdioceseccw@gmail.com">archdioceseccw@gmail.com</a>. For other prayer resources please see our website <a href="mailto:https://www.councilofcatholicwomen-adw.com/">https://www.councilofcatholicwomen-adw.com/</a> See the tab: Coronavirus Prayer Resources, which lists many opportunities for daily Mass and meditations.

## 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 at Our Lady's Church are held after Mass or by appointment.

## SUNDAY April 25, 2021 & ITS VIGIL

## Mass Intentions

Sat Apr 24 4:00pm	Dr. John Francis Fenwick
Sun Apr 25 8:30 am	Allan Hayden
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Apr 27 8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed Apr 28 8:00am	Walter & Patsy Wise
Thu Apr 29 8:00am	Joe Cullison
Fri Apr 30 8:00am	Eleanor Ferns
Sat May 1 4:00pm	Walter & Patsy Wise
Sun May 2 8:30 am	Bill Moody
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners

## CHARITABLE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

St. Aloysius is opening a new food pantry to supply non-perishable food to neighbors in need at a centralized county location. We need your help! Our Lady's Church hopes to support the effort through food donations for the pantry's monthly food distribution. Please continue to bring non-perishable healthy and nutritious foods to the church and place your contributions by the Sacred Heart statue. For more information visit, <a href="https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/food-pantry">https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/food-pantry</a>. Thank you for your generosity!

If you wish to make a monetary donation, please address check to: SVdP, designate food pantry in the memo and mail to: St. Aloysius Church, PO Box 310, Leonardtown, MD 20650

## REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

It's time to register for CCD for the upcoming 2021/2022 year. Religious Ed annual fees are \$50 for one child, \$90 for two children, \$100 for three or more. You may register by going to our website and registering online and paying online. When paying online designate in the comment section "CCD Registration".

You can also print a registration from our website, fill it out and send it along with payment to:

Our Lady's Church 41348 Medley's Neck Road Leonardtown, MD 20650

## Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Jacqueline Muir Westlein, Mike Russell, Patty Van Ryswick, 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 School Crusader Connections:

Now Enrolling: Father Andrew White Catholic School has opened enrollment to new families for the 2021-2022 school year. We welcome you to consider becoming a part of this amazing, award winning school. Schedule a private tour to discover how our students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith." Call the office at (301) 475-9795 or email principal@fatherandrewwhite.org.

A One Day Retreat - St. Joseph: Tools for Our Journey, will be held on Saturday, May 1 (Feast of St. Joseph the Worker) at St. Joseph Church, 29119 Point Lookout Road in Morganza.

Registration with Breakfast begins at 7:15 am, the first talk begins at 8 am followed by Mass, two more talks with lunch (catered by Chick-fil-a) served in between and ending with healing prayers. This Year dedicated to this great Saint is an invitation for us to learn more about him with the help of Fr. Drew Royals and Fr. Martin Flum. Tickets are available through

Eventbrite: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/st-joseph-retreat-tools-for-our-journey-tickets-149071692445">www.eventbrite.com/e/st-joseph-retreat-tools-for-our-journey-tickets-149071692445</a> or call Bread of Life Center for Peace at (301) 475-7139. You can also stop by Heavenly Presents to Register in person. The cost is \$15 which covers the cost of Lunch and Eventbrite fees. There is limited seating due to COVID restrictions. Registration ends on Tuesday, April 27, 2021.

**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.

# The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary is holding the following fundraisers:

LVRSA Ledos Fundraiser
 Date: Wednesday, May 5, 2021

Time: 4pm-8pm

Place: Leonardtown Ledos Restaurant
The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad
Auxiliary is hosting a fundraiser at the
Ledos Restaurant in Leonardtown MD. You
can call ahead for take-out at 301-475-9280
or dine-in for some delicious food and
support our fundraiser. Please be sure to
let your server/cashier know you are there
to support the LVRSA fundraiser so we can
get credit for your purchase. Thank you for
supporting our fundraiser!

The LVRSA "Virtual" Bake Sale The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary will be hosting an online "Virtual" Bake Sale on Thursday, May 6, 2021. All items will be visible at the LVRSA Facebook site, under the Events tab. Click on the event to view items and bid on the items. Items will be available for a preview on May 5th, after 8pm. Bidding will occur from 7am to 7pm on Thursday, May 6th, with winners posted on the site later that evening. Pick-up of winning items will occur on Friday, May 7th from 9am to 1pm. (Any late pick-up requests will be accommodated). Thank you for your support of the Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad!

## NEWTOWNE MANOR WALK IN THE PARK New Date September 18, 2021

On behalf of the Friends of Newtowne Manor House, this is to advise you of the new date, Saturday, September 18, 2021 for the Newtowne Walk in the Park. This decision is based on hopefully more people will have had the COVID-19 vaccine and our small business supporters will have had more time to recoup. Protocols for COVID-19 will be in place such as masked registration and staggered start times for social distancing. We are trying to provide a safe environment while enjoying the Walk in the Park. So please spread the word and mark your calendars for September 18, 2021. If you have any questions, please call Sarah Matisick, 301-247-7416. This walk benefits the restoration of the Newtowne Manor House.

# Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington News

Financial Education Program Coordinator
AmeriCorps Opportunity: Catholic Charities'
Financial Stability Network is recruiting a parttime AmeriCorps volunteer to provide financial
education that will help clients create positive
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education-related professionals who want to give
back and who can serve about 18 hours/week. To
learn more about the responsibilities and benefits
of this role and to apply, visit this webpage or
check our website:

https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/volunteer/

Event Volunteering Opportunities: Catholic Charities offers many ways to volunteer during COVID-19, both in person with social distance and remotely. You can learn about them at <a href="https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/covid-19-volunteer-opportunities/">https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/covid-19-volunteer-opportunities/</a> or on our <a href="Volunteer-Event Calendar">Volunteer-Event Calendar</a>. We appreciate your service!

Part-Time Office Manager Position at St. Cecilia in St. Mary's City: St. Cecilia is looking for a part-time Office Manager to coordinate administrative duties and office procedures. Requirements needed: Proficient in computer/internet utilization including Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, and Outlook, in particular), superb people skills, hands-on experience with office machines (scanners and printers), excellent time management skills, the ability to multi-task and prioritize work, attention to detail and problem-solving skills. and a creative mind with the ability to suggest improvements. For inquiries about this position, please contact Liz Jenkins by phone 301-862-4600 or by email stcecilia@md.metrocast.net.

St. John's School is hosting its ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT on Thursday, May 6, at Breton Bay Golf & Country Club. Check-in begins at 8 a.m. Shotgun start at 9 a.m. Scramble tournament. \$125 per individual or \$500 per foursome. \$30 cheat packages (mulligans, throw, and string). Food and beverages included. Sponsorship opportunities available. Register at <a href="https://www.sjshollywood.org">www.sjshollywood.org</a>.



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