

#### **Pastor**

Rev. John T. Nguyen

# **Permanent Deacon**

Deacon Thomas Spalding (Retired)

## Parish Secretary and Bookkeeper

Mrs. Rebekah J. Guyther

# Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

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

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m. Holy days as announced

## Parish Office Hours 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday Closed on Monday

# Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

# 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.



# Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# REFLECTION

"The whole is greater than the sum of its parts," we hear from time to time, meaning that a collection of things put together can be greater than what would be expected when each is alone. Today we hear two accounts of times when a seemingly inadequate number of loaves of bread provided plenty for a huge crowd to eat. We hope to exemplify the same saying when we join together as Church. Separately, we may feel inadequate to carry on the mission of Jesus. But together we form the body of Christ, capable of building the kingdom of God here on earth. Joining together today to be nourished in the Eucharist, let us dream of how together we can change the world.

In the first reading, Elisha takes an offering of barley loaves and shares it with many more people than it would be expected to feed. All ate plenty and some was even left over. In the Gospel, Jesus takes five barley loaves and two fish and is able to share them with over five thousand people. All ate their fill, and twelve baskets were filled with the leftovers. God is able to provide more than we need, despite all appearances to the contrary. As we sing in the psalm today, "The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs."

# Announcement from the Archdiocese of Washington

The dispensation from obligation to attend Mass was lifted on June 26. Catholics are encouraged to return to public Mass. This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe that they were recently exposed to the coronavirus, or another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a hospital or nursing facility; or those with serious underlying health conditions.

# Message from Fr. John

Please note the following procedures we are following at our parish:

- † The use of masks while gathered indoors is not required for fully vaccinated individuals and is recommended for non-vaccinated individuals. If you're fully vaccinated, you may continue to wear masks, particularly if you have an underlying health condition. The priests and other ministers of communion are still required to wear masks when we distribute the Body of Christ.
- † Social distancing is still required between individuals from separate households for indoor gatherings; however, the requirements are relaxed. We are now opening all the pews on the St. Joseph side of the church. The Blessed Mother side will remain as every other pew for those who are still not comfortable being too close physically to non-family members.
- † During the sign of peace, we may continue what we have been doing (waving, smiling, nodding) but shaking other people's hands is still not allowed.

Thank you for your continued patience as we celebrate Mass through the Pandemic.

**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.

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.

The Knights of Columbus Council 1470 Bingo is back on Friday nights. The Knights use proceeds from Bingo to support local charities such as The Center for Life Enrichment and local Catholic schools to name a few. We have a brand new machine and are starting at a new time of 6:30PM. Doors open at 5:00pm at the Father Andrew White School Gym. Good Luck and we hope to see you there.

# **Mass Intention Requests**

**New Procedure:** Please call the Parish Office at 301-475-8403 to request a Mass Intention. The usual stipend is \$10 and Mass cards signed by Fr. John are available.

# SUNDAY July 25 2021 & ITS VIGIL

	Mass	Intentions
i	Sat Jul 24 4:00pm	Joseph Granta
	Sun Jul 25 8:30 am	Florence Kurley
	11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
	Tue Jul 27 8:00am	Rich Cina
	Wed Jul 28 8:00am	Lois Ann Dement
Ì	Thu Jul 29 8:00am	Lois Ann Dement
	Fri Jul 30 8:00am	Barbara Dudziec
	Sat Jul 31 4:00 pm	William Crowell
	Sun Aug 1 8:30 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
	11:00 am	Barbara Dudziec

# CHARITABLE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Our Lady's Church is collecting donations of food for St. Aloysius' food pantry. Please bring non-perishable healthy and nutritious foods to the church and place your contributions by the Sacred Heart statue. For more information on how you can help and what types of food they prefer, please visit,

https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/food-pantry. With the help of Our Lady's Church, they assisted 32 families June. With your support they are also able to sponsor a *Food Give Away Day* on the third Saturday of the month. The next *Food Give Away Day* is August 21 from 9-11am.

The Charitable Outreach Committee is looking for any parishioners (disabled, elderly, etc.) that could use help with outside chores this summer. Things like pressure washing siding, spreading mulch, weeding gardens, etc. Mostly outside chores to remain covid safe. If you or anyone you know could use help with these sorts of things, please contact the church office.

# Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary Fundraising Events:

#### Queen of Hearts LVRSA Fundraiser

Place: Action Lounge and Billiards, 25470 Point Lookout

Road, Leonardtown, MD 20650

Time: Ticket Sales Start at 4pm, last sale at 6:45pm,

drawing at 7pm

Dates: Every Thursday until the Queen of Hearts is chosen by the winner. Thank you for your support and good luck!

#### LVRSA 10th Annual Everything Sale

Date: August 14, 2021 Time: 6am-12pm

Place: Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Building.

Lawrence Avenue, Leonardtown MD 20650

Selling everything from plants, crafts, and yard sale items to yummy baked goods. Tables for rent by

contacting Ms. Fenwick at 301-247-0394.

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Judi Rowes, Eleanor Fenwick Ripple, Jacqueline Muir Westlein, Mike Russell, Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Dennis Gatley, Norbert & Teresa Fenwick, 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. 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.

St. Mary's Catholic School in Bryantown is seeking to hire a Third Grade Teacher and a Music Teacher for the upcoming 2021-2022 school year. Please contact Catherine Silverstone, Principal, at silverstone@bryantown.org or by phone at 301-932-6883.

## **FOOD FOR THE POOR**

This weekend, July 24/25, Rev. Joseph M. Monahan, T.O.R. will celebrate all Masses and speak about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor through Latin America and the Caribbean.

Fr. Monahan will share personal witness about Food for the Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another. Fr. Monahan was ordained in 1990 as a Third Order Regular Franciscan. He has served for over 25 years in Catholic Health Care Ministry as board-certified Director of Pastoral Care and Vice President of Mission & Ministry.

Every prayer counts! Please join the Little Sisters of the Poor in praying one million Rosaries to conquer the coronavirus pandemic. Sign up for the one million Rosary campaign at <a href="http://littlesistersofthepoor.org">http://littlesistersofthepoor.org</a>.



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