



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

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.



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTION

Often we hear what we want to hear, not what we need to hear. It's only human; even Saint Peter showed this tendency. When Jesus told his disciples that he would suffer and be killed, Peter showed this tendency. When Jesus told his disciples that he would suffer and be killed, Peter immediately drew him aside and criticized him. Not only did Jesus rebuke him, he told the crowd that everyone who follows him must suffer as well, must willingly take up their cross. Let us pray for the courage to take up our crosses, comforted with the knowledge that God always accompanies us in our struggles.

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.

WOMEN'S NIGHT OF REFLECTION

SEPTEMBER 14TH, 7:00PM

ST. CECILIA CHURCH, St. Mary's City

How can we confidently navigate this world of uncertainty? The Lord told Martha, "...that there is need of only one thing." - Luke 10:42. Fr. Larry Swink will begin the evening with Eucharistic Adoration, followed with a talk. Confession will be available. This month's talk is ***"Mary and Martha: Finding Peace at the Feet of Jesus."*** We invite all women to come and refocus, refresh and rest before our Lord.

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 <https://ourladyschurch.org/>. 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.

Religious Education News

Our Religious Education/CCD Program, begins *Sunday, September 26* at St. Aloysius Church and Father Andrew White School. (Note this is a change to the original start date.) Children in Kindergarten through 8th grade who are not going to Catholic Schools will need to enroll. You need to register your student online at:

<https://www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/children>. For additional info call the Rectory at 301-475-8403.

COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by Knights of Columbus
St. Mary's Council #1470

WHEN: Saturday, 16 October 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

WHERE: Knights Hall, 41605 Fenwick St., Leonardtown

HOW: Sign up at: WWW.REDCROSSBLOOD.ORG then insert KOC1470 into the box FIND A DRIVE in the upper right corner. Or call 1-800-RED-CROSS(1-800-733-2767). After registering for your donation appointment, use Rapid Pass the DAY of the drive to fast track your donation "check in." Go to: www.redcrossblood.org/RapidPass to learn more.

SUNDAY September 12, 2021 & ITS VIGIL

Mass Intentions

Sat Sep 11 4:00pm	Norbert Martin Fenwick
Sun Sep 12 8:30 am	Bill Goldsborough
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Sep 14 8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed Sep 15 8:00am	Walter & Patsy Wise
Thu Sep 16 8:00am	Bill Goldsborough
Fri Sep 17 8:00am	Bill Goldsborough
Sat Sep 18 4:00 pm	Lillian Kidd Cowan
Sun Sep 19 8:30 am	Betty Ann & Bernie Beavan
11:00 am	Our Lady's Parishioners

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Melissa Higgs Trossbach, Paul Woodburn, Jr., Stephen Skundrich, Eleanor Fenwick Ripple, Jacqueline Muir Westlein, Mike Russell, Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Dennis Gatley, 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 Sario, 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

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://saintalloysiuschurch.org/food-pantry>. With your support they are able to sponsor a **Food Give Away Day** on the third Saturday of the month. The next **Food Give Away Day** is September 18 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.

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.

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.

Mass Intention Requests

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.

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections:

SPIRITUALLY adopt a classroom for the 2021-2022 School Year! Father Andrew White School would like to have your prayerful support. Please choose which classroom you would like to pray for and email principal@fatherandrewwhite.org with your choice. Suggestions are to say a weekly rosary, pray for the students, the teacher and aide. Pray also for the seeds of faith to take root in the soil of our children's hearts! Thank you for your support!

Job Opportunities: FAW is seeking aftercare staff for the 2021-2022 school year. Applicants must be over 18 years of age, available 3-5 days per week from 2:45-5:30pm and must complete a background check and fingerprinting prior to beginning work. For more information, or to submit a resume, please email: fawslibrary@fatherandrewwhite.org FAW is seeking substitute teachers for the 2021-2022 School Year. If you are interested in being a substitute teacher, please contact Mrs. Szoch: principal@fatherandrewwhite.org

The Our Lady Star of the Sea travel club is welcoming vaccinated parishioners and their guests to join them on a 2 day/1 night Christmas holiday bus trip to Colonial Williamsburg and Busch Gardens December 6-7. Depart by luxury motor coach from OLSS. Trip price of \$345 pp includes bus, hotel, entry fee to all activities, 2 breakfasts and one dinner. A \$50 refundable check deposit is requested by Sep. 15.

Contact Mary Beth Brown for more details. marybeth@bytheseatravel.com or 443-623-6368.

Mass is celebrated in English every Wednesday evening at St. Peter Claver Church in St. Ingoes, MD at 6:00PM preceded by Adoration and Confession from 4:00pm-5:45PM. The church's contact information is 301-872-5460 or st.peterclaver@verizon.net.

Holy Angels Church Seafood Dinner

On Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. until sold out., Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD is having our **Fall Seafood Dinner Carryout Only**. The menu includes: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, and roll. The cost is **\$30.00**. There will be a delicious homemade bake table! Holy Angels Church's address is 21340 Colton Point Road, Avenue, Maryland 20609. For more information, please call the rectory on at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com

Heavenly Morning Prayer Breakfast, Saturday, September 18, 2021, St. Aloysius Parish Hall, Leonardtown

The Bread of Life Center for Peace is delighted to invite you to our next Prayer Breakfast, "*God's Tapestry!*" Doors will open directly after 7:30 am Mass at St. Aloysius Church. The morning will include Breakfast, Rosary and talk given by our speaker Meredith Quinn. Meredith was timid and fearful as a child and faced many difficulties, but Jesus was never far from her to console her and encourage her even through her adult life! Come hear this amazing testimony and be uplifted in your own Spiritual journey! Get your ticket online through Eventbrite or register by calling Bread of Life Center for Peace at: (301) 475-7139 or stop by Heavenly Presents. Your registration is important to help us to plan for set up and food. **Registration ends on Tuesday, September 14th, 2021.** A "Free Will Offering" will be collected for those who are able to contribute to cover cost. We will also collect your donations of nonperishable food items, diapers, formula, and toiletries for the St. Aloysius Food Pantry. Thank you for your generous support!

Field Mass - Our Lady of Sorrows Feast Day

A special Field Mass and Rosary will commemorate the Church Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows. The services will be held Wednesday, **September 15th** in St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery, Helen Maryland. (Located behind Mother Catherine Academy). The Rosary and Mass is offered for the deceased members of our community and the Church especially encourages people who have recently suffered a loss to participate. The Rosary and Mass will begin at 5:00 PM with our celebrant, Father Charles "Chip" E. Luckett, from Our Lady of the Wayside Church in Chaptico. An enclosable tent will be erected for everyone's comfort so the Mass will be held in the cemetery rain or shine. For additional information, you may contact our office at (301) 475-5005 or (301) 932-1766, or email us at gop@ccaw.org.

Camp Maria Raffle: *This year more than ever your support is greatly needed and much appreciated.* First prize is \$5,000, Second prize \$1,500 and Third prize is \$500. Tickets are \$25 each and five tickets for \$100. Only 800 tickets will be sold. The drawing will take place at the Camp Maria Annual Oyster Scald on Sunday, October 10, 2021 at Camp Maria Retreat Center. You need not be present to win, but we'd love to see you at the Oyster Scald. To purchase raffle tickets: go

to www.campmaria.org and make a purchase for tickets. Or call Camp Maria Retreat Center at 301-475-8330 for more information.

Yard Sale at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department to benefit the Sunshine Fund of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department will be held on September 18, 2021 from 7am to 11am at the Hollywood VFD Parking Lot. Rain or shine. Rent a table for \$20 – Payment will be collected the morning of the yard sale. RSVP for a table to Lexi Goldsborough at 240-298-9965.

4th Annual Walk in the Park 5K Fun Run/Walk

Join us at St. Francis Xavier Church on Saturday, September 18th for this fun event to benefit our parish's Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund. This run/walk is open to all ages and abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Masked registration (as needed) starts at 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. and run/walk participants may begin. The registration fee of \$20 which includes a tee shirt will help preserve this historical landmark. Kids 12 and under are free. Information on registration and even online giving is available on our website: www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. Donations are always welcomed. If you need additional information, please contact Sarah Matisick at 301-247-7416.

THE ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY'S 14th ANNUAL FRIENDS OF THE POOR WALK will be held on Saturday, October 2nd at 9 A.M. (rain or shine) at Father Andrew White School. The St. Vincent de Paul Society offers assistance to those in need in our community. The goal of the Walk is to call attention and raise awareness to the needs of the poor. Beginning at Father Andrew White School, the course will take walkers through the streets of Historic Leonardtown. There will be a post walk brunch, music, theme baskets for a silent auction, balloons for children and door prizes.

There is no registration fee, but walkers are encouraged to collect pledges or donate to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Walkers can also invite family members and friends to sponsor them. Preregister now at www.fopwalk.org. Same day registration begins at 7:30 A.M. Walk with us on October 2nd. You can make a difference. For further information, contact Patty Belanger at 3019047990 or Joan Goyco at 240-256-5792.

Now Hiring

Bookkeeper Needed: St. George Catholic Church is seeking a *part-time* Parish Bookkeeper to assist in maintaining the system of internal control over the parish accounting and financial reporting. If you or anyone you know might be interested in this part-time position, please contact the church office at (301) 994-0607 or email Father Paul at fr.paulnguyen@stgeorgercec.org.

Part-time Music Coordinator: St. George Catholic Church is currently seeking a *part-time* Music Coordinator to lead and play for Saturdays 5:00PM and Sundays 10:30AM Mass and Holy Days of Obligation. The ideal candidate will be an energetic, creative person, participating faithfully in the sacramental life of the Church, interested in making music and leading the parish choir/cantor. Please call the church office for more information at 301-994-0607 or email Father Paul at fr.paulnguyen@stgeorgercec.org.

Apologetics 101

Every Catholic is called to be an apologist – and this class will equip you to answer that call! Come and have fun “locking horns” with contemporary arguments against the faith. Join us Mondays starting September 13, 2021 from 7pm-8:15pm at St. Francis Xavier Church Parish Hall. The first topic will be “Equality and the Catholic Church”. For more info email Kenneth.scheiber @smrhs.org or Fr. Ryan Pineda at pinedar@adw.org.

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 archdioceseccw@gmail.com. For other prayer resources please see our website <https://www.councilofcatholicwomen-adw.com/>. See the tab: Coronavirus Prayer Resources, which lists many opportunities for daily Mass and meditations.

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 <http://littlesistersofthepoor.org>.

Take a Personal “Retreat” Day Sep 24, Oct 29, Nov 5

Are your days overcrowded, jam-packed, and busy, busy, busy? Jesus tells you to “Come away with me...” to Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center where your very own personal retreat awaits. During your personal retreat, from 8:30am-4pm, an experienced retreat director will guide you to a place of rest with Christ. The retreat schedule allows for one-on-one spiritual direction (optional), quiet reflection, Mass, Confession and Eucharistic Adoration, plus continental breakfast and lunch, so you will be nourished and cared for while Our Lord speaks to your soul about the depths of His love for you. Cost is \$120 per person. Advance Registration is required, and registrations will be limited to facilitate appropriate social distancing. Visit our website to register and to find more dates ourladyofbethesda.org/programs/retreats/personal-retreat-days. or call 301-365-0612. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.

Marriage Workshop: Strengthening Your Love Marriage Renewal Workshop Oct 9-10, 2021

A Christ-centered weekend designed to offer practical tools that can help foster effective communication and emotional closeness in your marriage. Make your marriage thrive, not just survive! The expert speaker team includes Catholic psychologists, therapists, and priests who will offer their expertise and experience, plus they will be on hand the entire weekend to offer individual consultation, upon request. Please note: This is NOT an overnight program. Cost: \$400 per couple. Seating will be limited to facilitate social distancing. Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007 Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817. See our website for more details about measures to limit exposure to illness, details about the program and links to register: www.ourladyofbethesda.org.


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