



## *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

### **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.



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## Second Sunday of Advent

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### REFLECTION

"Welcome one another," Saint Paul commands us, "as Christ welcomed you." Indeed, the Lord welcomes us here each Sunday as we gather together to celebrate the Eucharist. But let us not forget the first part, that we are also called to welcome one another. Moreover, as Paul welcomed Gentiles, and the wolf became a guest of the lamb, we are called to welcome those who are not like us: those coming from other cultures, speaking other languages, or expressing other viewpoints. Let us welcome all to this celebration.

"Prepare the way of the Lord," Isaiah cries through John the Baptist's words, and we continue to heed that call today. Before we hear John quote him, we hear Isaiah himself, longing for the day when the Lord's chosen one would arrive, and justice and harmony would blossom. Let us prepare a place in our hearts and in our homes for the Lord, so that we may sing, like the psalmist, of a new day of justice and peace for one and all.

### FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	<i>\$2,567.00</i>
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	<i>300.00</i>
<i>Utilities</i>	<i>601.00</i>
<i>Other</i>	<i>409.00</i>

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

December 8	8:00am	Weekday Lector
(IC of BVM)	7:00pm	D Dudziec
December 10	4:00pm	J & J McAllister
December 11	8:30am	M. Clements
	11:00am	A Moseley

### 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. ***We are currently accepting Mass intentions for 2023.***

**New Parishioners:** Our Lady's Church extends a warm welcome to you! If you are new to the area or just returning home to Our Lady's, we invite you to register and make Our Lady's your parish. Registration forms can be found at the doors of our church, at the Rectory or you can register online at [www.ourladyschurch.org](http://www.ourladyschurch.org).

### **Christmas Flower Remembrances**

Christmas flower envelopes are at the doors of the church. This is a beautiful way to remember our deceased loved ones during this Holy Season. We ask that you return your Christmas Flower envelope by December 18.

### Parish Calendar

- December 4** – Christmas Giving Tree gifts due.  
**December 8** – Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is at 8:00am and 7:00pm.  
**December 18** – Christmas Decorating and Lunch following the 11am Mass.  
**December 18** – Christmas Flower Envelopes are due.  
**December 24** – Christmas Eve Mass 4:00pm.  
**December 24** – Christmas Eve Vigil 10:00pm.  
**December 25** – Christmas Mass 8:30 and 11:00am.  
**December 26 – January 2** - Parish Office Closed.



### **Our Lady's Church Christmas Giving Tree**

*Gift items are due back this Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.  
If you have any questions or need assistance please call Susan 240.577.8541.*

**We will decorate the church for Christmas on Sunday, December 18, following the 11:00am Mass. Please help us decorate and enjoy lunch with us!**

### **In honor of Our Lady of Fatima**

The World Apostolate of Fatima, Archdiocese of Washington Division presents: **"The Blue Army"**  
Join them for **Rosary, Mass, Confession, Divine Mercy Chaplet, and healing prayers on Tuesday, December 13 at 1:00pm** in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Chapel, in the Basilica of the National Shrine, Michigan Ave, DC. For more information call 301-595-1770



## SUNDAY December 4, 2022 & ITS VIGIL

### *Mass Intentions*

Sat Dec 3	4:00pm	Doug Woodburn
Sun Dec 4	8:30am	Robert Lee Owens
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Dec 6	8:00am	Joseph & Mary Ellis
Wed Dec 7	8:00am	Tick & Ada Gough
Thu Dec 8	8:00am	Johnny, Mae & John Robert Gough
	7:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri Dec 9	8:00am	Eugene & Lucille Carozza
Sat Dec 10	4:00pm	Woodin & Elizabeth Oswald
Sun Dec 11	8:30am	Sara & Dick Hammett and George & Francis Wigginton
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners

### *Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick*

John Thiel, Mary Anne Groat, Judy Roa, Charles Fenwick, Ann Johnson, Judi Leppo, Bob Greenwell, Mary Clements, Virginia Fenwick Diehm, Alvin Kragh, Steve Himes, Theresa Clements, Marian Wright, Bill Benson, Rose Marie Benson, JoEllen Marek, Melissa Higgs Trossbach, Paul Woodburn, Jr., Stephen Skundrich, Eleanor Fenwick Ripple, Jacqueline Muir Westlein, Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Dennis Gatley, Teresa Fenwick, Claudia Fenwick, Cathy Norris, Ricky Burroughs, Anna Daugherty, Ben DeWeese, Dona Hamlet, Bob Russell, Jessica Higgs, Margaret Breakfield, Irene Dixon, Pat Bateman, Sarah Milburn, Agnes Higgs, James N. Trossbach, Edith McFadden, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, Charles Mills, Alice Holly, Cecelia Knott, Jimmy Ludwig, Angel Spalding, Ray Harding, Jr., Rose Spalding, Trish (McWilliams) Guy, Christina Howe, Ethan Swayze, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick, Shane Copsey

### **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 (no glass jars please) 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 Charitable Outreach Committee will be collecting coats, jackets, sweaters, scarves, gloves, hats, socks, etc. for those who need warmth on a cold day.** Please leave the items next to the Sacred Heart Statue. Contact John Duvall at 240.528.0966 for more information.

**WE HAVE ADVENT BOOKLETS AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH FOR YOU TO PICK UP. THIS BOOKLET HAS THE MASS READINGS AND DAILY MEDITATIONS FOR EACH DAY DURING ADVENT.**

### **December 10/11 Collection for Retirement Fund**

**for Religious:** Next weekend you'll find envelopes in the pews and monthly envelope subscribers received an envelope in their mailing. Please consider contributing to this worthy collection. Nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brother, and religious order priests have devoted their lives to prayer and ministry – educating the young, tending the sick, aiding the needy, and more. Yet after years of serving for little or no pay there is a profound shortage in retirement savings. Your support helps furnish care, medicine, and other necessities. Thank you for your consideration.



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*We hope you and your family had a very happy Thanksgiving! At FAW we are grateful for our many blessings and thankful for the support from our affiliated parishes!*

**High school teens from St. Mary's County are going to Lifeteen's Covecrest from July 30 to August 5, 2023!** Camp Covecrest is a Catholic summer camp in Georgia where parish youth groups from all over the country come together to experience summer camp at its best. Teens are given the opportunity to dive deeply into their Catholic faith and strengthen their relationship with Christ while having unforgettable experiences. For details and local registration, go to <https://www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/camp>.

### ***Take a Personal "Retreat" Day this Advent!***

Take a break this fall and enjoy your very own personal retreat at **Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center on December 9, 2022.** 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 \$140 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](http://ourladyofbethesda.org). Or call 301-365-0612.

**Our Lady of Bethesda Retreat Center, 7007  
Bradley Blvd., Bethesda, MD 20817.**



# Retirement Fund for Religious



**Please give to those who have given a lifetime.**

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*Standing, from left: Fr. William Graham, OFM Cap, 75; Sr. Mary Lucille Stelly, SSF, 89; Sr. Angele Marie Sadlier, O Carm, 91; Fr. Bertrand Ebben, OP, 90.*

*Seated, from left: Sr. Joan Flores, SSF, 81; Sr. Denis Rodrigue, O Carm, 93; Sr. Ann Martinez, MSC, 82.*

**[retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org)**

**To give at your parish:** Make your check payable to your parish. (Write RFR on the memo line.)

**To donate by mail:** Make your check payable to Retirement Fund for Religious. Please do not mail cash.

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