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## Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

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### REFLECTION

We come together today, as we do each Sunday, to praise and thank God and to celebrate the Eucharist as Jesus called us to do. We do all this in a spirit of humility, aware that all that we are and all that we have comes ultimately from God and that the Eucharist is Christ's own Body and Blood, which he offered to us so that we could have eternal life. Today's Gospel reminds us that it is proper to humble ourselves before the Lord, for we are called to serve, not to be served.

We are reminded today that we have all been called to a life of service before God. Malachi specifically addresses the priests, who of all people should not be setting a poor example. Paul reminds the Thessalonians that the apostles gave their very selves in their work and ministry. Finally, Jesus warns the crowds what will happen if one exalts oneself. With humble hearts, let us ponder God's word.

### FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	\$2,626.00
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	400.00
<i>Other</i>	1,489.71

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

Nov 11	4:00pm	D Dudziec
Nov 12	8:30am	Cress Family
	11:00am	R Stancil

**Box of Joy:** The Knights of Columbus, Council 1470 in conjunction with the Charitable Outreach Committee and Cross Catholic Outreach's Box of Joy boxes are ***due back this Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>***. Please return your boxes to the table or bench at the Sacred Heart Statue. If you have any questions please contact Jamie Mattingly, 240-434-5531.



Eucharistic Adoration with Confessions at  
Our Lady's Church – Wednesdays 8:30-9:30am



**SOUTHERN MARYLAND MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS:** Monday, November 27<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church 22375 Three Notch Rd, Lexington Park. Inviting all to lay aside the busyness of the day and come be renewed, refreshed, healed by our Lord. In the presence of the Blessed Sacrament, inviting all to come, lay it all before Jesus and receive healing prayer. Come with expectant faith. Confessions begin at 6:30pm.

**The Auxiliary of the Leonardtown Fire Department will host a THANKSGIVING DESSERT ONLINE AUCTION ON Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 7am-7pm.** Auction will be held on Facebook.

<https://www.facebook.com/lvfd1auxiliary>.

**Annual Fall Craft Show sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department will be held on November 19, 2023 from 10am to 3pm.** The Ladies Auxiliary will be serving refreshments. There will be a bake sale table. Donation of non-perishable food items gladly accepted for St. Mary's Helping Hands Pantry. For more information contact [craftshow@hvfd7.com](mailto:craftshow@hvfd7.com).

**Pick up your 2024 Calendar at the Doors of the Church.** These calendars are compliments of Mattingly-Gardiner Funeral Home.

### RETIRED PRIESTS COLLECTION 2023

This weekend, November 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> is the Archdiocesan collection for Retired Priests. Our priest enrich our lives in many ways: they baptize our children, comfort us in the confessional, witness our marriage vows and hold our loved ones' hands as the Lord calls them home. Let us come together to help provide care and housing for our retired priests so they can live their retirement in dignity. There are envelopes in the pews that you may mail directly to the Archdiocese or you may put in the collection basket or you can give online at [adw.org/rpc](http://adw.org/rpc). If you miss this weekend, we will have the envelopes available at the doors of the church in the month of November.

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## SUNDAY November 5, 2023 & ITS VIGIL

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### *Mass Intentions*

Sat Nov 4	4:00pm	All Souls
Sun Nov 5	8:30am	All Souls
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Nov 7	8:00am	All Souls
Wed Nov 8	8:00am	All Souls
Thu Nov 9	8:00am	All Souls
Fri Nov 10	8:00am	All Souls
Sat Nov 11	4:00pm	All Souls
Sun Nov 12	8:30am	All Souls
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners

### **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.

**SHARE THE WARMTH COAT DRIVE** – The Charitable Outreach Committee will be collecting any warm clothing and accessories, such as coats, gloves, socks, etc. to provide for those who are in need of warmth on a cold day. Please leave items next to the Sacred Heart Statue. Feel free to contact John 240-528-0966 for additional information.

### **Faith Foundations: Sacraments**

Come learn what Catholics really believe about Baptism, the Eucharist, and other sacraments of the church. Where are the seven sacraments found in the Bible? Leonard Wathen will teach this course at St. Aloysius Church Monday nights from 6:30 to 8:45 PM beginning Nov 6 at St. Aloysius Church in the hall. The course will be held on Nov 6, 13, 20, 27, Dec 4 & 11. Participants can register at <https://www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/faith-foundations>. This *Faith Foundations* course is an adult faith formation series for all adults and is the core of the Archdiocese of Washington's catechist certification process. All are welcome! The cost of each Faith Foundations course is \$29 per person, with a \$9 automatic scholarship for catechists seeking certification.

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

Alex Duvall, Betty Leresche, Mary Alberta Goddard, Jerry Pope, John Rossi, Jeannie Pichee, Margaret Campion, Johanna Brubacher Malone, Mary Anne Groat, 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., Eleanor Ripple, Jacqueline Muir Westlein, Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, 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 Trossbach, Edith McFadden, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, Charles Mills, Alice Holly, Cecelia Knott, Ray Harding, Jr., Rose Spalding, Trish McWilliams Guy, Christina Howe, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick

### ***Grieving with Great Hope***

5-week small group workshop to help people grieving the loss of a loved one. Bereavement Workshop Dates in 2024: Sundays 3-5pm: 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4. Contact: Jennifer Bicknell (301-475-8064 x11) or [jbicknell@saintalloysiuschurch.org](mailto:jbicknell@saintalloysiuschurch.org)

***Saint Aloysius Catholic Church welcomes all to attend our Sensory-Friendly Vigil Mass on Saturday, December 2 at 5:00PM.*** According to the National Catholic Partnership on Disability (NCPD), sensory-friendly Masses include lower lighting, softer music, Scripture readings from the Children's Lectionary, and shorter, more literal homilies. *Families and individuals can get up and move, bring fidgets or noise-canceling headphones, and "participate in the liturgy just as they are." The biggest difference is that we try to create an environment free of stigma.*

**Immaculate Heart of Mary's Church is hosting a Gobble Gallop 5k Race** - on Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving Day) at 7:30 am. Join them for their very first Gobble Gallop 5K race this year on Thanksgiving morning! To register to race, go to <http://gobble.ihmrcc.org>.

### **A Prayer For Those Forgotten in Death**

*Receive my prayer dear Lord, for those who have no one to pray for them. Many endured loneliness, war, severe poverty, or natural disaster and departed this world without loved ones to mourn their passing. Though I may not have personally known them, let my heart be moved by their plight, in life and in death. I implore you to stretch forth your paternal arms to these celestial abode of happiness, light and peace forever and ever.* -Amen