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# Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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## REFLECTION

Today we are given the chance of a lifetime: a preview of what we will face at the end of time, straight from the lips of the One who will come in glory on that day. This is Christ the King, who rules over God's creation. In today's Gospel, Jesus confides to his disciples how he will pass judgment on us all. Keep in mind that it's never too late. Let us take heed so that we may do what Jesus expects from us. Then one day may we inherit the kingdom prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

## FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	\$2,794.00
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	1,555.00
<i>Education Fund</i>	335.00
<i>Other</i>	220.87

## LECTOR SCHEDULE

Dec 2	4:00pm	B Russell
Dec 3	8:30am	Cress Family
	11:00am	R Stancil



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

*Healing Prayers at Our Lady's Church – First*  
Friday of the month following 8:00am Mass.



**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. 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.

**Christmas Tree Lighting:** Sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department on Sunday, November 26, 2023 – Rain or Shine. Parking Lot Opens at 4:00 pm – Santa arrives around 5:30 pm - this will be a parking lot event. Each child will receive a goodie bag, filled with crafts. Santa & His Elves Can't Wait to See You!! Bring you camera for a picture.



## **Christmas Decorating**

We will decorate the church for Christmas on December 17, following the 11:00am Mass. Please help us decorate and bring a dish to share if you are able.

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

## **Novena for the Feast of the Immaculate**

**Conception** – Please join us at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Morganza (29119 Point Lookout Rd) for nine evenings of prayer leading up to Our Lady's Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. We'll meet at 7:00 PM in the Church for about an hour each night, beginning Thursday, November 30. There will be time for prayerful reflection, silent adoration, and the chance to go to Confession during these nine nights. Please consider joining us for any or all of these nights of prayer as we prepare ourselves to celebrate what God has accomplished so wonderfully in Our Lady's Immaculate Conception. The Saturday and Sunday time will be for the hour following the conclusion of the evening Mass. Join us and bring a friend.

## 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.

## **2024 'WARM Program @ Camp Maria**

**Dec 31 – Jan 7     *Volunteers Needed!***

WARM is a winter emergency sheltering program that relies on volunteers in the community to provide two meals and warm beds during the winter months. St John's is partnering with Camp Maria Retreat Center to support WARM Jan 3-7, 2024. **Volunteers are sought for meals and monitoring.** To learn more or volunteer, visit <https://sugeni.us/4Nxt>, or contact: Ann Kovalcik at Camp Maria Retreat Center [director@campmaria.org](mailto:director@campmaria.org) 301-475-8330 or Mary McGlinn at (240)298-7645 or Walt Gardiner at (703)304-6264

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## SUNDAY November 26, 2023 & ITS VIGIL

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### *Mass Intentions*

Sat Nov 25	4:00pm	All Souls
Sun Nov 26	8:30am	All Souls
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Nov 28	8:00am	All Souls
Wed Nov 29	8:00am	All Souls
Thu Nov 30	8:00am	All Souls
Fri Dec 1	8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat Dec 2	4:00pm	Doug Woodburn
Sun Dec 3	8:30am	John Francis Mattingly
	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.

**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)

### **2023 Advent Reflection Series at Camp Maria Retreat Center:**

- Friday, December 8 - Journey with Mary
- Friday, December 15 - Emmanuel: What does this mean for me?
- Friday, December 22 - Preparation: What am I waiting for?

Cost \$50 Per session, \$125 all three sessions  
Continental breakfast and a meatless lunch included. Register online at [campmaria.org](http://campmaria.org) or call the office at 301-475-8330.

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

Mary Edna Bowles, Pat Riegel, 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.*

### **Parish Calendar**

**Dec. 1** – Healing Prayers following the 8:00am Mass.

**Dec. 6, 13, 20 & 27** – Eucharistic Adoration with Confessions 8:30-9:30am.

**Dec. 8** – Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass times 8am and 7pm. This is a holy day of obligation.

**Dec. 17** – Christmas Decoration and Pot Luck immediately following the 11:00 Mass.

**Dec. 17** – Christmas Flower envelopes are due.

**Dec. 24** – 4:00pm Christmas Eve Mass.

**Dec. 25** – Christmas Morning Mass times are 8:30am and 11:00am.

**Dec. 26 – January 1** – Parish Office Closed.

**Jan. 1** – Mary, the Holy Mother of God Mass time is 10:00am. This is a holy day of obligation.

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