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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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Web page: http://ourladyschurch.org

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.



Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTION

"You can't take it with you." It's a reminder that the wealth we accumulate in this world does not transfer to the next. In our secular society, this saying often implies that you should spend your wealth now while you can enjoy it, but our faith demands that we look at wealth differently. Building up material wealth is irrelevant to our vocation as disciples and can distract us from what is truly important. Let us lift our hearts and raise our voices to God, who is the source of our true wealth.

"Vanity of vanities," we hear right off the bat today, a condemnation of our inclination to labor and obsess over the many material goods we have or hope to accumulate. In the Gospel, Jesus invites us to listen to a parable that addresses this pointless avarice. We get to hear the surprise awaiting the rich man whose harvest was so huge his barns couldn't hold it. In between, we hear Saint Paul's advice to the Colossians: "seek what is above." It's too late for the rich man in Jesus' parable, but it's always timely advice for us.

FINANCES

Last week's offertory will appear in next week's bulletin.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Aug 9	4:00pm	E Abell; D Dudziec
Aug 10	8:30am	Cress Family
	11:00am	R Stancil; S England



This week the Sanctuary flowers were donated by Margie Freeze in loving memory of Alice Fleury.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

If you would like to have Altar Flowers in honor or memory of someone please call or email the Parish Office: 301-475-8403 or olcmedleysneck@gmail.com. The donation is \$50.

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

September 7, World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly (US) "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" is the theme for the 5th World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. This scripture passage from Sirach 14:2 proclaims hope in the Lord as the companion for those who grow in relationship with God as they grow older in years. The U.S. bishops have approved the transfer of the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly in the U.S. to the first weekend after Labor Day (September 6 and 7, 2025) to coincide with National Grandparents Day in the United States. Grandparents are cherished members of our family. They offer wisdom and love, and they share their faith and tell stories of God's merciful presence in their lives. We thank God for their example and ask that he bless them with happiness and good health.

Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary Yard Sale, August 16th from 6am-Noon. Come check it out at the Leonardtown Rescue Squad Building. Tables for rent \$15. Contact Arlene Fenwick 240-298-9588. Also, donations for the events are appreciated. No clothes please, but most other things are accepted. Contact Chip Fenwick 301-247-2418.

August is Make-A-Will Month! St. Mary's Ryken is happy to share a free, easy-to-use resource that helps parishioners create a will online — offering peace of mind for you and your loved ones, while supporting the causes that mean the most to you. Without a will, important decisions about your legacy could be left to the state. Now is a great time to plan ahead and ensure your wishes are honored. Getting started is simple:

- Create Your Will Complete a straightforward online form in as little as 15 minutes.
- Consider a Gift Help sustain Catholic education for future generations by including a gift to a Catholic school like St. Mary's Ryken.
- Make it Legal Finalize your will by following your state's signing and witnessing requirements.

Visit <u>mycatholicwill.com/smrhs</u> and use code **SMRHS** to get started for free!

FAW is recruiting for the following positions:

Director of Extended Care (part-time position): Are you interested in being part of this rewarding opportunity to work with children between the ages of 4-12 during after school hours? If you are passionate about working with children, have a heart for ministry, and have strong organizational and leadership skills, send your resume to Mrs. Janet Szoch at principal@fatherandrewwhite.org or Teresa Schmidt at schmidt@fatherandrewwhite.org

Aftercare Workers: Hours are M-F 2:30-5:30 PM. Pay is \$20/hour. Please contact Mrs. Schmidt at schmidt@fatherandrewwhite.org for more information.

Substitute Teachers: Please contact office@fatherandrewwhite.org for more info.

SUNDAY August 3, 2025 & ITS VIGIL

Mass Intentions

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Sat Aug 2	4:00pm	Doug Woodburn
Sun Aug 3	8:30am	Michael Sliwinski
1	1:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Aug 5	8:00am	Peter Wigginton
Wed Aug 6	8:00am	Eldred Greenwell
Thu Aug 7	8:00am	Kenny & Teddy Wathen
Fri Aug 8	8:00am	Gertrude Curtis
Sat Aug 9	4:00pm	George Abell
Sun Aug 10	8:30am	James & Verti Parker
1	1:00am	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 in the choir side vestibule. For more information on how you can help and what types of food they prefer, please visit,

https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/food-pantry. With your support they are able to sponsor a *Food Give Away Day* on the third Saturday of the month.



Our Lady's Next Coffee & Donuts will be Sunday, August 10th after 8:30 am Mass.

<u>Mass Intention Requests</u>: To request 2025 Mass Intentions, please call or email the Parish Office with your request. The usual stipend is \$10.

The Incredible Story of Noah at the Sights and Sounds Theater in Lancaster PA: There are 50 tickets available for this bus trip leaving from St. Mary's Catholic Church in Bryantown on Satuday, November 8, 2025. The ticket will cost \$180 per person. The bus departs at 7 am with breakfast boxes waiting for each attendee. Bring your own coffee to enjoy on the bus while heading to Lancaster on a Keller Coach Bus (bathroom on board). Arriving at the theater around 10:15 am, the show will last around 2 1/2 hours. We will then load the bus and head to the Lancaster Golden Corral Buffet to eat a late lunch. Arriving back at St. Mary's around 7:00 pm. There will be goodie bag for each attendee. Register at: www.ourdaybreakjourney.com/events or call Penny Bailey 301-399-2655.

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Jamie Nelson, Emilie Dolaher, Charles Fenwick, Jr., Anne Powers, Cristi Reid, Mary Alberta Goddard, Leonard Kohl, Ethan Fenwick, Mary Edna Bowles, Alex Duvall, Betty Leresche, Jerry Pope, John Rossi, Jeannie Pichee, Alex Datzuk, Mary Anne Groat, 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., Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Teresa Fenwick, Claudia Fenwick, Ricky Burroughs, Anna Daugherty, Ben DeWeese, Dona Hamlet, Margaret Breakfield, Irene Dixon, Pat Bateman, Sarah Milburn, Agnes Higgs, James Trossbach, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, Charles Mills, Alice Holly, Cecelia Knott, Ray Harding, Jr., Trish McWilliams Guy, Christina Howe, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick

Movie Night: Conceivable with Care Net SoMD.

Thursday, August 7th 6pm to 9pm UNDER 16 WITH PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN. There will be a special movie night at R/C Lexington Exchange Movies 12! We'll be watching the film Conceivable. This event is sponsored by Faith Bible Church in Mechanicsville, MD. The screenwriter, Beth Caulfield, will join us for the evening and be available for questions and discussion after the screening. friendsofcarenetsomd.org

As the Church continues to minister to all survivors of abuse, the Archdiocese of Washington is sponsoring a retreat for survivors. The archdiocese will offer a women's retreat on Sept.19-21, 2025 and April 25—26, 2026. In partnership with the Archdiocese of Atlanta, a men's retreat will be held June 12-14, 2026. The Way retreat is an occasion for survivors to reflect on God's plan for their lives and for healing through prayer and the sacraments.

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in St. Inigoes, invites you to its Annual Pre-Labor Day Festival on its historic grounds on Sunday, August 31, **2025, from 12:00Noon to 6:00pm.** Come and enjoy a day of "fun, fellowship and food!" Dinners with crab balls, fried chicken, and baked ham will be for sale, and free entertainment will be provided including a car show, Gospel and R&B entertainment, face painting, and Bubble Balooza. To purchase your pre-paid discounted dinner tickets for only \$32.00, call the Parish Office (301-872-5460) before August 17, 2025, or go to the website (https://www.stpeterclaverchurch.org/) to the "Donate" dropdown menu. Discounted dinner tickets are available to EMT, Fire and Rescue workers with identification now through the day of the festival.



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