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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.



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

REFLECTION

Today's second reading speaks of a great cloud of witnesses, perhaps referring to the large number of Christians who gave witness to their faith through their words and actions. Baptized in the Lord, we are those witnesses now. Looking around and seeing our faith community gathered here today, let us think of ourselves as a "great cloud of witnesses," assured of each other's support and encouragement as we live out our discipleship to the Lord.

FINANCES

Last Week's Offertory	\$4,588.00
Last Week's Online Contributions	1,830.00
Utility Fund	805.00

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Aug 23	4:00pm	D Dudziec; E Abell
Aug 24	8:30am	J & J McAllister
-	11:00am	K McCurdy; S England

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

SAVE THE DATE: CATHOLIC FAMILY FESTIVAL

- Sunday, October 12, 3-8 PM, at Cardinal Gibbons Park, (across from St. Peter Claver Church). An open invitation to all, our 15 Catholic parishes of St. Mary's County are coming together for a day of faith, fellowship and fun! Potluck Picnic, family and children activities and games, youth and young adult yard games and cornhole, music and sitting areas for the young and old alike. Outside candlelit Eucharistic Procession and rosary! Mark your calendar – more details to come.

Father Andrew White School News: Are you looking to be a part of a community that wants to make a difference in a child's life? Are you looking for part time work? Please consider becoming a member of our Aftercare Team! Hours: Monday – Friday 2:30 - 5:30. Pay is \$20/hr. Contact: Mrs. Shedd at justineshedd@gmail.com.

Mark Your Calendar for Camp Maria's Oyster Scald!

On Sunday, October 12th, 2025...12pm-4pm. The cost is free to attend and food/drink and raffles available for purchase. Bring yourself, friends, and family for a fun afternoon at beautiful Camp Maria featuring live music, raffles, delicious food and drink, and plenty of activities for kids.

Enroll Now for Religious Education! Our Lady's Church is once again collaborating with St. Aloysius Church for our family-centered children's Faith Formation program. Families of Faith empowers and equips parents as the primary teachers of their own children. An emphasis is placed on good habits for Catholics families (daily prayer, weekly Mass, and monthly Confession). We meet on Sundays from 9:15 to 10:30 AM in Father Andrew White School. Register now for the 2025-2026 school year. Classes for Pre-K (age 4) through 8th grade begin on September 14, 2025. For more info or to register, go to https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/familesoffaith. Or contact Leonard Wathen, Director of Religious Education, 301-475-8064 or lwathensaintaloysiuschurch.org. New volunteers are welcome.

2025 Tri-County Memory Walk

A powerful community event dedicated to honoring the lives lost to addiction and supporting those still fighting. The event is held on Saturday, September 13 from 5pm-8pm at Serenity Farms, 6932 Serenity Farms Rd, Benedict, MD. This event is hosted by Project Eco and the Tri-County Memory Walk Committee. This walk is a sacred space for remembrance, healing, and hope. Addiction has touched nearly every family in our region, and this event offers a chance to come together in love, prayer, and solidarity.

Youth Performing and Visual Arts Showcase at SMR - Early Bird Discount Until September 1, 2025!

Students in grades 5–8 are invited to take part in the *Youth Arts Showcase* at St. Mary's Ryken—a fun and inspiring opportunity to grow in the performing and visual arts with guidance from our award-winning faculty and student mentors. **3 options to participate:**

Youth Honors Chorus – Build vocal skills and perform in a Christmas concert on the SMR stage!

Knights Music Mentors – Play with SMR student musicians in a final group Christmas concert on the SMR stage.

Visual Arts Showcase – Submit artwork based on the theme "Snowflakes and Sleighbells."

Open to public, private, and homeschool students. Visit https://www.smrhs.org/arts/youth-honors-chorus for rehearsal dates, other details, and to register today!

SUNDAY August 17, 2025 & ITS VIGIL

Mass Intentions Sat Aug 16 4:00pm Amy Runco Sun Aug 17 8:30am Clarence Goddard, Jr. 11:00am Our Lady's Parishioners Tue Aug 19 8:00am Bob Russell Wed Aug 20 8:00am Margaret Elaine Dolgos Thu Aug 21 8:00am Amy Runco Fri Aug 22 8:00am Kathy Norris Sat Aug 23 4:00pm Michael Laney Sun Aug 24 8:30am Dick & Sara Hammett and George & Frances Wigginton

Charitable Outreach Committee

Our Lady's Parishioners

11:00am

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.



Mark your calendars for our next "Coffee & Donuts" which will be on Sunday, September 7th 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.

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.

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Kathy Bell Atlas, Peg Duchesne, Marilyn Higgs, 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, 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, Paul Woodburn, Jr., Patty Van Ryswick, John Allum-Poon, Evelyn Ryce, Teresa Fenwick, Claudia Fenwick, Anna Daugherty, Ben DeWeese, Dona Hamlet, Margaret Breakfield, Irene Dixon, Pat Bateman, Sarah Milburn, Agnes Higgs, Beth Higgs, Peter Van Ryswick, Alice Holly, Cecelia Knott, Ray Harding, Jr., Trish McWilliams Guy, Christina Howe, Jean Bowles Wathen, Jody Van Ryswick

Malvern Retreat House is holding a women's retreat on September 12-14 in Malvern PA.

The retreat's theme is "EUCHARIST: FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY" and includes seminars, music, prayer, fellowship and Mass. For more information: www.malvrnretreat.com or call 610-644-0400.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 24, 6PM, "PILGRIMS OF HOPE" MONTHLY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, REFLECTION AND WORSHIP NIGHT

Join us at 6PM at St. Aloysius Church, Leonardtown for an amazing evening with Adoration, worship, reflection on Hope and this Jubilee Year and individual prayer. This month we will be introducing a new format with more quiet Adoration time. If you struggle to stay focused in prayer or would like to grow in your Eucharistic Prayer Devotion, join us! Music provided by: Fiat! Contact Bread of Life Center for Peace for more information at: (301) 475-7139 also visit us at: www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org.

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 mycatholicwill.com/smrhs and use code SMRHS to get started for free!



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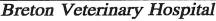
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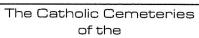
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