

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. Joseph R. Cwik
cwikj@adw.org

Parish Business Manager

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

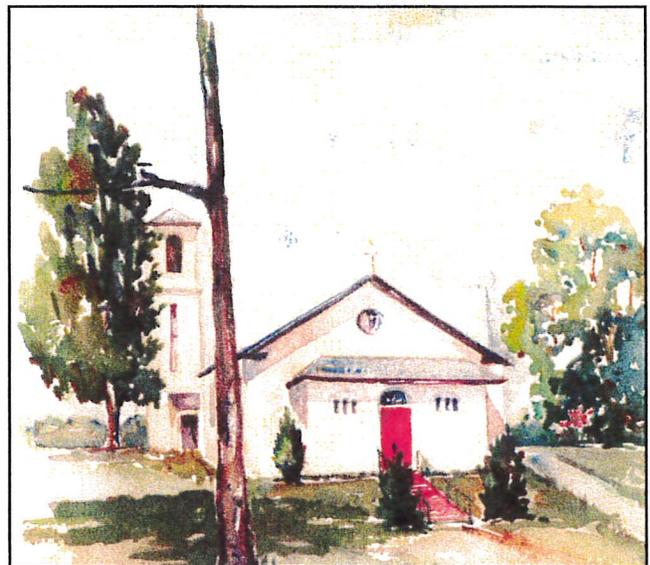
Parish Office Hours 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday - Friday

Closed on Monday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.



Second Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION

“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!” So proclaimed John the Baptist as he prepared the world for the coming of the Messiah. We may not be preparing for Jesus Christ’s arrival in the flesh or plunging into the Jordan River, but John’s words apply just as much today as they did then. We must recognize and repent of our sins in order to be prepared for the Lord’s arrival in our lives in any way. And the kingdom of heaven is still at hand, glimpsed when we are reconciled with God and our neighbor. May we hear John’s words as if they were directed to us here and now.

FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	\$3,558.00
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	975.00
<i>Utility Fund</i>	697.00
<i>Other</i>	325.00

LECTOR SCHEDULE

Dec. 8	8:00am	J & J McAllister
	7:00pm	E Tennant; J Ritchie
Dec. 13	4:00pm	E Abell; E Tennant
Dec. 14	8:30am	J Ritchie; A Moseley
	11:00am	G Hein; J Roman



Our Lady's is hosting an Advent Tradition: “Nine Lessons and Carols”

on Saturday, December 13 at 6:00pm.

Help is needed! Alison Johnson needs volunteers to join as readers or to join as singers. If interested, please email Alison Johnson (alison.johnson@smrhs.org) or Fr. Joe (cwikj@adw.org) to learn more. Please consider joining the choir on this special evening to help our parish prepare for Christmas!

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 the Christmas Season.

Return the completed envelopes by Dec. 21.



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



Breakfast with Santa

Sponsored by the Auxiliary of the Leonardtown Volunteer Fire Dept, on Saturday, Dec. 20 from 8am -11am. Visit with Santa from 9am-11am.

***Pictures with Santa, Children's Crafts,
& Photo Booth***

WARM Program at Camp Maria

The WARM Program is a winter sheltering program hosted by faith communities of St. Mary's County on a rotational basis from November to March.

Camp Maria will host the WARM program from December 28, 2025 to January 4, 2026. Volunteers are sought from the local Catholic Community to support the program at Camp Maria. Volunteers are needed to provide Meals; Supplies; Site Setup; Site Breakdown - **but particularly for Monitors**. To learn more or to signup, visit <https://campmaria.org> or call Mary McGlenn 240-298-7645.

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Mass times are Monday, December 8, 2025 at
8am and 7pm. This is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

BEAR HUGS FOR HEALING is a program that delivers stuffed bears to hospitalized children during the holidays. To give a sick child a bear-hug this Christmas, please drop off your donated bears by Dec. 17 to Heavenly Presents, 22697 Washington Street (on the Square), Leonardtown. Store hours are Tue. through Sat., or use the after-hours drop box outside the store front door. Your tax-deductible monetary donations will be used to purchase bears at a discounted price! Please make checks payable to the Bread of Life Center for Peace and mail them to: PO Box 338, Leonardtown, MD 20650. You may also make donations at www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org click on Bear Hugs! Due to health and safety concerns, donated bears must be newly purchased and delivered in their original packing with store tags attached. Used stuffed bears are not accepted by the hospitals. Bear Hugs was an inspiration received in thanksgiving for favors granted through the intercession of Our Lady of Fatima and St. Jude. Please contact Patricia Disandro at 240-681-3606 for more details about how you can participate in this special outreach.

HEAVENLY PRESENTS CATHOLIC GIFTS AND BOOK

STORE – Give your loved ones the gift of faith this Advent & Christmas! We are stocked with great gift items including: Framed art, Crucifixes, rosaries, books, children’s section, coffee mugs and more! Hours of operation: Tues, Thurs: 10AM-5PM, Wed, Friday: 10-6PM, Saturday: 10-4PM. Special hours Black Friday: 10AM-9PM. 22697 Washington Street (in Leonardtown Square), Leonardtown. (301) 475-9770.

SUNDAY December 7, 2025 & ITS VIGIL

Mass Intentions

Sat Dec 6	4:00pm	Doug Woodburn
Sun Dec 7	8:30am	Michael Sliwinski
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Mon Dec 8	8:00am	Loyd Stancil
	7:00pm	Darlene Sliwinski Hill
Tue Dec 9	8:00am	Agnes Marie Higgs
Wed Dec 10	8:00am	Agnes Marie Higgs
Thu Dec 11	8:00am	Jeffrey Scott Frazier
Fri Dec 12	8:00am	Marilyn Ann Higgs
Sat Dec 13	4:00pm	David Sliwinski
Sun Dec 14	8:30am	Amy Goddard
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners

Please, Pray for the Intentions of Our Sick

Catherine Stancil, Peg Duchesne, 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, 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, Beth Higgs, Alice Holly, Cecelia Knott, Ray Harding, Jr., Christina Howe, Jean Bowles Wathen

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 info on how you can help and what types of food they prefer, please visit, <https://saintaloyuschurch.org/food-pantry>.

THE CHARITABLE OUTREACH COMMITTEE IS SPONSORING A COAT AND WARM CLOTHING DRIVE. WE WILL BE COLLECTING ALL WARM ITEMS FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE IN NEED. PLEASE LEAVE COATS, SOCKS, GLOVES, ETC. IN THE DESIGNATED CONTAINERS AT THE CHOIR SIDE VESTIBULE. QUESTIONS SHOULD BE SHARED WITH JOHN @ 240-528-0966.

Walk with Mary

Saturday, December 13, 2025

11:00am Procession from the Shrine of the Sacred Heart Parish to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception - 1:00pm Rosary - 2:00pm Mass
Principal Celebrant Robert Cardinal McElroy
Concelebrant, Bishop Evelio Menjivar
More info, visit adw.org/walkwithmary or 301-863-5335.

February 14, 2026, Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage:

Join us at the Annual Wedding Anniversary Mass to honor the Vocation of Marriage on Saturday, February 14, 2026, 10am at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. This Annual Mass is a celebration of the living vocation of all couples who provide a Catholic witness to the beauty of the Sacrament of Matrimony. Couples, please register with your parish office by February 6, 2026, to attend the Mass and/or request a certificate in honor of their anniversary year. All married couples and their families are welcome, regardless of how long you have been married. Please contact the parish office to register.

Mass Intention Requests: To request a 2026 Mass Intention, please call or email the Parish Office with your request. The usual stipend is \$10.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS Collection date, weekend of 12/14/2025

They have spent decades caring for those in need, but years of service for little or no pay have left many religious communities without sufficient retirement savings. Today, over 20,500 elderly religious depend on the Retirement Fund for Religious to help cover their rising health care costs, medication, and daily living expenses. Your gift can help ensure they receive the care they deserve.

Our Lady's Church Christmas Giving Tree

Giving Tree gifts (along with the original tag) are due back this weekend. Return your gift to the Choir side vestibule. If you need assistance with returning your gift, please call Kathleen 301-904-5547.

Living Nativity at Camp Maria – Dec. 12/13th, 2025

Camp Maria needs volunteers and support in the form of decorators, event staff, commentators and guides, financial contributions, etc. to help run this wonderful new community event. More info visit campmaria.org/living-nativity or email sisterchris@campmaria.org if you are interested in helping out. This new and exciting Christmas-time offering enters our guests into the story of Christ's birth as you walk through five scenes leading to the Nativity. With live animals and choral music by St. Maries Musica and the St. Mary's Ryken Knight-N-Gales, this family-friendly event will be enjoyed by all who attend. Tickets are available for purchase at campmaria.org (\$10 per person, 5 years old and under free)

Loyola Retreat House is offering a weekend retreat: "Caring for our Common Home" on January 9-11, 2026.

Loyola on the Potomac Retreat House is located in Faulkner, Maryland. This is a guided weekend retreat led by Dr. Rob McDowell. Spend a weekend reconnecting with God, with nature, and with your own sense of purpose in caring for the world around you. Through guided prayer, discussion, and personal reflection, we'll explore how to live more sustainably and mindfully, deepening our connection to creation and integrating ecological responsibility into our spiritual practices. Retreat fee: \$255



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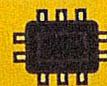
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