

# *Our Lady's Catholic Church*

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## **Pastor**

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## **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.

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

By appointment, with enough time for Parents to meet with the Priest.

## **Sacrament of Marriage**

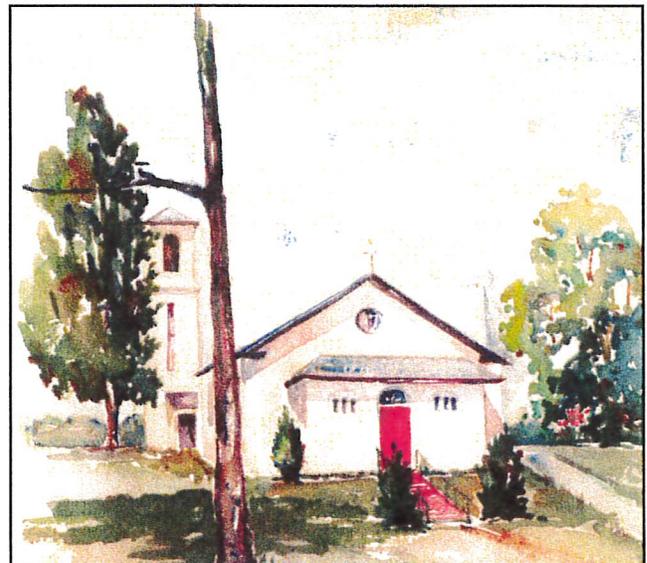
Arrangements should be made six months in advance.

## **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.



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# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

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## REFLECTION

On the Sunday after Christmas, we honor the Holy Family and hold them up as a model for our own families. From the start, Jesus, Mary and Joseph had to deal with hardships, uncertainty, and even danger. But together they placed their trust in God and grew ever stronger in their bond with each other. We too are called to trust in the Lord as we face the trials and difficulties of our own lives. As we continue our Christmas celebration, may our families be consecrated in the love of the Holy Family.

Today's readings offer a number of lessons about family life. Ben Sira shares his wisdom about children's responsibilities to their parents particularly as their parents age. Saint Paul's advice to the Colossians about how to treat each other teaches us well how to treat members of our own families. The Holy Family places their trust in the Lord as they fear for their safety in dangerous circumstances. May today's readings encourage us as we seek God's blessings upon families of every kind.

### FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	\$4,097.00
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	800.00
<i>Education Fund</i>	460.00

### LECTOR SCHEDULE

Dec. 31	4:00pm	S England; E Abell
Jan. 1	10:00am	J Ritchie; B Russell
Jan. 3	4:00pm	M Clements; E Abell
Jan. 4	8:30am	B Russell; J Ritchie
	11:00am	S England; S Stewart

### 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](mailto:olcmedleysneck@gmail.com).

The donation is \$50.

***Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God***  
**Mass times are Wednesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 4pm and Thursday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am.**  
**This is a Holy Day of Obligation.**

***Begin the 2026 in the presence of the Lord. All are invited to consecrate the first hour of the New Year to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at a Candlelight Eucharistic Adoration on Thursday, January 1, from Midnight to 1:00 AM, at Historic St. Ignatius Church, 17682 Villa Road, St. Inigoes, MD. Join us in prayerful silence, adoration, and thanksgiving as we place the year ahead into God's hands. For questions, please email Fr. Patrick Agustin at [agustinp@adw.org](mailto:agustinp@adw.org).***

***Is that you Fr. Joe?*** Fr. Joe (or any of our Priests) would NEVER ask for a donation of any kind via text or email. If you ever receive a text or email that claims to be Fr. Joe and is requesting money or gift cards, please know that it is a scam. If you're unsure contact the parish office at 301-475-8403 or email [olcmedleysneck@gmail.com](mailto:olcmedleysneck@gmail.com).

**The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary (LVRSA) is hosting a fundraiser at Ledos in Leonardtown on Wednesday, January 7, 2026 from 4pm - 8pm. Dine-in or Carry-out and please be sure to tell the cashier/server you are there to support the LVRSA Fundraiser so we can get credit for your visit. Thank you for your support!**

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & WORSHIP NIGHT: PEACE BE WITH YOU, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 28:

Sunday, December 28, 6 to 7:30pm at St. Aloysius Church: Eucharistic Adoration, Reflection and Eucharistic Procession. This will be your last opportunity to gain the plenary indulgence at St. Aloysius Church for the Jubilee Year! The Jubilee Year 2025 will conclude in local dioceses on **December 28, 2025** (and in Rome on **January 6, 2026**, with the closing of the HolyDoor of St. Peter's Basilica). Music provided by: Fiat! More info contact Bread of Life Center for Peace: (301) 475-7139 or [www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org](http://www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org).

### Our Parish Cemetery

Catholic Cemeteries has kindly requested that we help to maintain the beauty and dignity of the sacred grounds by following these cemetery regulations:

1. Fresh cut flowers are welcome all year.
2. Artificial flowers permitted only if secured to the headstone.
3. Other decorations such as glass containers, candles, lights, metal staffs, benches, rocks, bricks, stones, landscaping edging of any kind, or chairs, etc are prohibited and subject to removal.
4. Flags are permitted on burial sites three days before and three days after Memorial Day, Flag Day, Independence Day and Veterans Day.
5. Planting trees, shrubs, flowers, etc. is **not allowed**.
6. Pets are not permitted on cemetery grounds.

Unsuitable flowers or other decorations of any type may be removed by the Cemetery groundskeeper if they are inappropriate, or the season is over. If you have any questions about this please contact Catholic Cemeteries at 301-475-5005 or the Parish office at 301-475-8403.

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## SUNDAY December 28, 2025 & ITS VIGIL

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### *Mass Intentions*

Sat Dec 27	4:00pm	Mary Ann Ganzer
Sun Dec 28	8:30am	Sara & Dick Hammett and George & Frances Wigginton
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Dec 30	8:00am	Marilyn Ann Higgs
Wed Dec 31	8:00am	Olga Russell
	4:00pm	Steven Fenwick
Thu Jan 1	10:00am	Marilyn Ann Higgs
Fri Jan 2	8:00am	Marilyn Ann Higgs
Sat Jan 3	4:00pm	Dolores Vandegrift
Sun Jan 4	8:30am	Our Lady's Parishioners
	11:00am	Loyd Stancil

### *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>.

**Thank you for helping with our Warm Clothing Drive!** Warm clothing was provided for Three Oaks Center for men and homeless women, Carver Elementary, and a Group Home in Leonardtown.

*We are no longer collecting for the Warm Clothing drive, but we appreciate your continuous support of the Food Pantry, which needs support year-round.*

**A Note from Carver Elementary Regarding the Christmas Giving Tree:** *Thank you all so much for making this holiday season special and possible for our community. There were many hugs and tears as parents received their items, a true reflection of the impact of your generosity. You have been an incredible blessing, and we cannot thank you enough for your support. Wishing you all many blessings and a very happy holiday season!*

**Explore SOMD Catholic:** [www.SOMDCatholic.org](http://www.SOMDCatholic.org), created to help unite and support our Catholic community in Southern Maryland. From Mass times and parish events to Bible studies and spiritual resources, everything you need is gathered in one easy-to-use site. Stay connected—join our Flocknote for weekly updates on Catholic events and opportunities near you!

**“Grieving with Great Hope” Bereavement Workshop begins on January 11, 2026.** This is a 5-week small group workshop to help people who are grieving the loss of a loved one. Contact Jennifer Bicknell 301-475-8064 or [office@saintaloyus.org](mailto:office@saintaloyus.org) for more info or to sign up.

*“...They shall be comforted” (Matthew 5:4)*

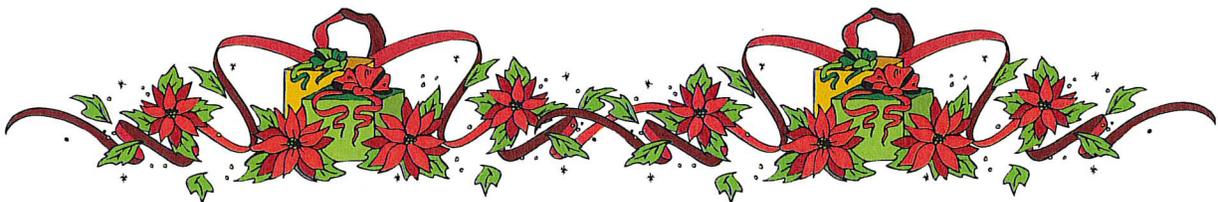
### **February 14, 2026, Wedding Anniversary Mass to Celebrate the Vocation of Marriage:**

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.

### **Mental Health Ministry Presents: QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) Suicide Prevention Training.**

**Saturday, January 24, 2026, 9:00 AM- NOON**  
**Saint Aloysius Parish Hall, 22800 Washington Street, Leonardtown.** QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — the 3 simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. Just as people trained in CPR and the Heimlich Maneuver help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. Each year thousands of Americans, like you, are saying "Yes" to saving the life of a friend, colleague, sibling, or neighbor. Often times, the simple offering of hope and social and spiritual support can avert a suicide attempt entirely. Our trainer, Jevon Billups is an MHFA National Trainer and the DCBC Mental Health and Wellness Coordinator. Rev. Billups serves as the Vice President of the DC Baptist Convention for 2026. Participants are asked to register by January 17, 2026 using the sign up link <https://saintaloyuschurch.org/qpr-question-persuade-refer-suicide-prevention-training>. For questions contact Liz Tomaszkeski at email: [liz.tomaszkeski@gmail.com](mailto:liz.tomaszkeski@gmail.com). To learn more about the QPR Institute: <https://qprinstitute.com/about-qpr>

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



## 2025 CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERINGS

*The flowers on the Altar were donated in memory of, or for the intentions of, the following:*

Dominic & Helen Abell  
*Douglas Abell*

Thomas & Rose Spalding  
*Cathy Fenwick & Scott Cooley*

All Deceased Members of the Abell & Higgs Families  
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*Pete & Susan Ganzer*

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*Joseph Bowles Family*

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John I. (Brother) Bowles, Potsie & Merrill Dement;  
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*Phyllis Superior*

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*Bob & Sara Wigginton*

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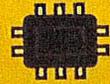


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