



## *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](mailto:cwikj@adw.org)

### **Parish Business Manager**

Mrs. Rebekah J. Guyther

### **Schedule of Masses**

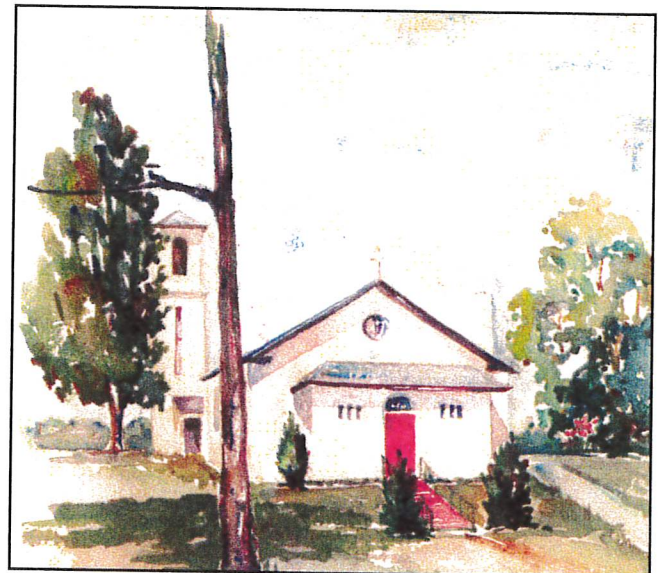
Saturday: 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.  
Holy days as announced

### **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.



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## Fifth Sunday of Lent

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### PONDERING THE PAST WEEK

On Laetare Sunday, we are reminded that our Lenten penances lead to joy as those practices bring us to Christ; an action we see clearly in last week's Gospel *The Man Born Blind*. In the Gospel, a reason for joy is that Jesus' ministry restores us completely. Thinking of that greatest sin, or shame that still lingers? God wants to redeem it. The obstacle that feels permanent? God's ready to strengthen. We rejoice for the ministry of Christ we read about in the Scripture is at work today! Another reason for joy is found in the repetitive replies that man provides to those who ask, "How were you healed?" His answer is a simple recalling of the physical actions he was told to do. He remains consistently faithful to his encounter with Jesus and Jesus' word that eventually leads him to his second encounter with Christ. In this second encounter, he not only hears Jesus, but now sees Him! In our lives of Faith, we too live like the man born blind, giving consistent faithful witness as we listen to and live the Word of God. This may not seem to be the most exciting at times or the most profound or persuasive, but we trust, like the man born blind, that our consistent faithfulness will lead to an encounter where we not only hear Jesus but see Him in whom our joy will be complete!

#### FINANCES

<i>Last Week's Offertory</i>	\$4,845.00
<i>Last Week's Online Contributions</i>	730.00
<i>Utility</i>	815.00
<i>Archdiocesan</i>	581.00
<i>Other</i>	874.00

#### LECTOR SCHEDULE

Mar. 28	4:00pm	J & J McAllister
Mar. 29	8:30am	D Cress; S Stewart
	11:00am	G Hein; R Stancil



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



**Easter Flowers:** There are envelopes for Easter Flower offerings at the doors of the church. This is a beautiful way to remember our deceased loved ones during this Holy Season. Please return the completed envelope by placing in the collection basket before or on Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026.

#### Holy Week/Easter Schedule

**Wednesday, April 1,** 7:00 pm Tenebrae

**Holy Thursday, April 2,** 7:00 pm Mass

**Good Friday, April 3,** 9-10am Confessions,

12pm Stations of the Cross, 3pm Passion of the Lord

**Holy Saturday, April 4,** 8pm Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 5,** 8:30am & 11am Mass

**Volunteers needed to have their feet washed on Holy Thursday, 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper.**

This is a moving custom in which the priest washes the feet of 12 people representing the 12 Apostles. Men and women may participate. At this most sacred time of the liturgical year, this ritual accentuates that with an abundance of love, Jesus "came to serve and not be served". If you would like to volunteer, please contact the parish office.

#### **LENTEN SEAFOOD DINNERS AT IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CHURCH, Lexington Park.**

Join us for our Lenten Seafood Dinners on the Fridays of Lent through March 27, from 4 pm to 7 pm. Both dine-in and to-go meals will be available. The menu includes fried or baked rockfish, fried oysters, baked crabcakes, fried or steamed shrimp, a seafood platter, and a variety of sides. Kid's Meals will also be offered. Online ordering will be available at [seafood.ihmccc.org](http://seafood.ihmccc.org) with payment options including credit cards, Google Pay, Venmo, PayPal, or ACH. In-person ordering will accept cash or check.

#### **You are invited to a voice/piano recital as part of our annual Kalnasy Concert Series at St. Aloysius:**

Kalnasy Concert Series: Voice/Piano Recital, Sunday, April 19, 3:00 PM at St. Aloysius Church. Featuring Fr. David Beaubien, tenor/piano, Janis Nowlan, piano, with visiting Riverside Brass Quartet. Selections include sacred and spiritual songs, Debussy, Brahms, 250<sup>th</sup> USA Anniversary brass medley. Any voluntary offerings benefit our Food Pantry.

**The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary is having a fundraiser event at Texas Roadhouse located in California MD!** Please join us on Tuesday, March 24 from 4pm – 10pm. Texas Roadhouse will be donating 15% of all food purchases that evening.

#### **ALL YOU CAN EAT BREAKFAST SPONSORED BY THE LADIES AUXILIARY OF THE HOLLYWOOD VOL. FIRE DEPT.** All proceeds will benefit the Ladies Auxiliary of the Hollywood Fire Department.

- Sunday, April 19, 2026 from 8 AM till 11 AM
- HVFD Social Hall, 24801 Three Notch Rd, Hollywood
- Cost: Ages 18+: \$18/ Ages 4-12: \$8/ Ages 3 & under: free
- Cash or Check - ATM on site
- Menu: Omelets, bacon, sausage, scrapple, scrambled breakfast, potatoes, waffles, escalloped apples, sausage gravy, biscuits, and assorted beverages.

**On March 25, Feast of the Annunciation, Holy Mass will be celebrated at 11:30 a.m. at Historic Saint Ignatius church in Saint Inigoes, Maryland.** 47750 Villa Rd, St. Inigoes. On March 25, 1634 the Maryland colonists arrived. They celebrated Mass on St. Clements Island. See <http://www.historicstignatius.com>.

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## SUNDAY March 22, 2026 & ITS VIGIL

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### **Mass Intentions**

Sat Mar 21	4:00pm	Jack Candela
Sun Mar 22	8:30am	Peter Van Ryswick
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners
Tue Mar 24	8:00am	Peter Van Ryswick
Wed Mar 25	8:00am	Peter Van Ryswick
Thu Mar 26	8:00am	Peter Van Ryswick
Fri Mar 27	8:00am	Peter Van Ryswick
Sat Mar 28	4:00pm	Jody Van Ryswick
Sun Mar 29	8:30am	Peter Van Ryswick
	11:00am	Our Lady's Parishioners

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

Alexxis Stanalonis, 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 information on how you can help and what types of food they prefer, please visit, <https://saintaloyuschurch.org/food-pantry>. With your support they are able to sponsor a **Food Give Away Day** on the third Saturday of the month.

### **Lent Opportunities at Our Lady's Church**

→ **Tuesday Guided Reflections at 6:30pm.** Theme- The Art of Loving God. Looking to schedule prayer time during Lent? Enjoy a moment of prayer with a 15 minute guided meditation and reflection provided by Fr. Joe.

→ **Tuesday Adoration 6:30pm to 7:30pm.** Never visited Our Lady's outside of Sunday Mass? Come and enjoy the prayerful silence of our parish. In the presence of God experience what Psalm 46:10 proclaims: "Be still and know that I am God."

→ **Tuesday Confession 7:00pm until the line ends.**

"There will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous people who have no need of repentance." (Luke 15:7)

→ **Stations of the Cross – Friday, March 27 at 7:00pm.**

**St. George's Catholic Church Lenten Fish Fry or Shrimp Dinner:** Fresh caught catfish or steamed shrimp, \$20 per dinner, children under 10 free. Dinners include: Pancit, French Fries, Vegetable Fritter or Soup. Every Friday until March 27<sup>th</sup> from 4pm-6:30pm (or until sold out). 19199 St. George's Church Rd, Valley Lee.

### **HOLY ANGELS CHURCH DRIVE-THRU SPRING**

**DINNER:** **THIS Sunday, March 22, 2026** from 11:00 a.m. until sold out Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD, will be having a Drive-Thru Dinner. Dinners are \$30 and include: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Beets and Dinner Roll. There will be a homemade Bake Table. More info, please call the rectory at 301-769-3332 or email [holy01angels@aol.com](mailto:holy01angels@aol.com).

**Our Lady of the Wayside (37575 Chaptico Road, Chaptico, MD 20621) will hold a Lenten Fish Fry on Friday, March 27, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m.** The dine-in menu includes fried fish, fish nuggets, fried popcorn shrimp, French fries, coleslaw, green beans, rolls, iced tea, and desserts. Adults are \$20, children 6-12 are \$10, and children 5 and under are free. Drive-thru carry outs are \$20 with the same menu, except whole fish only. Cash or check only. For more information, please email [office@olwrc.org](mailto:office@olwrc.org) or call 301-884-2502.

**Christmas in April St. Mary's County:** *Beginning this year, Christmas in April St. Mary's County will be completing repair projects throughout the year rather than on a single annual workday.* This change allows us to respond more quickly to community members who need help. Volunteers will still play a huge role in making these projects possible. The exciting part is that with projects happening throughout the year, there will be more opportunities to volunteer on different dates. **Join a group of volunteers from Our Lady's Church to help out with Christmas in April 2026.** A sign-up sheet is located by the St. Joseph statue. Please sign up by Sunday, April 12th. Both skilled and unskilled volunteer workers are welcome to participate. Youth must be at least 14 years of age. Upcoming work is being scheduled for late April or May. Volunteers to be updated of work date(s) by email. **If you would like to donate or help in another way, please visit [www.christmasinaprilmc.org](http://www.christmasinaprilmc.org) for more information or on Facebook: Christmas in April St. Mary's County, Inc.**

**Join us for the St. Mary's Chapel of Perpetual Adoration Fundraising Gala on Friday, May 8, 2026, from 6:00–10:00pm at the Hollywood Volunteer Fire Department.** Enjoy an elegant evening featuring dinner, open bar, string quartet, auction, and live entertainment by the priest band, *Upon This Rock* — all in support of building our new Perpetual Adoration Chapel to serve Southern Maryland. This will be the first free-standing Perpetual Adoration Chapel ever built in the Archdiocese of Washington! Consider an opportunity to dedicate a stained glass window in your family's or loved one's name. More information, [www.StMarysChapel.net](http://www.StMarysChapel.net)



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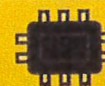


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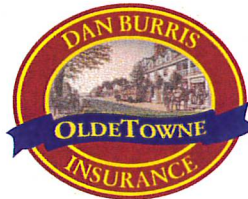
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