



FEBRUARY 16TH, 2025

Our Lady Star of the Sea

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Office

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Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Wednesday & Friday | 10am-3pm

Closed for Lunch 12:30-1:00pm



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Welcome Home!

Mass Times

Sunday, Parish Church
8am, 11am and 4pm

Monday & Tuesday
9am, Historic Church

Wednesday
9am, Parish Church
5:30pm, Historic Church

*Adoration and Confession following
the 5:30pm Mass.*

Thursday & Friday
9am, Historic Church
*First Friday Mass with Adoration and
Confession is in the Parish Church*

Saturday
7am, Historic Church
4pm, Parish Church

Confession Times

Historic Church

Wednesday, 6-7:30pm

Parish Church

Saturday, 2-3:30

When both priests are available,
Confessions will begin 15 minutes
prior to Sunday Mass and be heard
until Holy Communion.

Fr. Bob's Walk-In Hours & Adoration

Historic Church

Wednesday, 1-4pm

Friday, 4-6pm

ABOUT OUR PARISH

Our Staff

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CELEBRATING THE SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Parents seeking Baptism for their child are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation class held the first Saturday of each month at 10am. See our website to register for class.

Parish Religious Education

Our Lady Star of the Sea's Parish Youth Catechesis Program provides religious education to children in grades PK through 12th, as well as sacramental preparation and programs for children and teens who need Baptism or are behind in the sacraments.

Become Catholic: RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is for those who have never been baptized, those baptized in another Christian faith tradition, those interested in joining the Catholic Church, and Catholics who were baptized but have not celebrated all of their Sacraments.

Matrimony

Couples seeking to be married in the Church are required to contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the desired wedding date to allow time for preparation. At least one of the engaged should be a registered and practicing member of the parish.

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacraments of the Sick is for spiritual comfort, strength and healing of the ill. If there is a need for the sacrament in your family or household, please contact the parish office as soon as possible.
For sacramental emergencies, please call 240-408-0648.

Join the Flock

Flocknote is the best way to stay up-to date on parish news. Subscribe today at ourladystarofthesea5.flocknote.com or text "OLSSParish" to 84576.

Mass Intention Request?

Contact our Parish Office at

410-326-3535

Suggested donation of \$10 per Mass.

Have something to share?

Bulletin submissions should be sent to

olstar-sea.md@adw.org

no later than 10 days prior to the desired date of publication.
Thank you!

Poor Box Donations

December's Poor Box Offertory benefitted the SafeNights program. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to donate \$1,904 to assist in their mission of providing a warm place to sleep during the coldest months of the year. If you'd like to learn more about the program, please visit: **safenightsofcalverts.com**

This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, February 16th

2/15 | 2-3:30pm Confession, Parish Church
4:00pm Mass, Parish Church, *Jean Rubenstahl (†)*

2/16 | 7:45am Confession, Parish Church
8:00am Mass, Parish Church, *Corey Zelonis (†)*
9:15 OCIA: 6th & 9th Commandment

10:45am Confession, Parish Church
11:00am Mass, Parish Church, *David Barnhart (†)*

3:45pm Confession, Parish Church
4:00pm Mass, Parish Church, *John Murphy (†)*

Stop by the Providence Room for Breakfast after Mass!
Hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

Monday, February 17th

The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Presidents' Day: Office Closed

9:00am Mass, Historic Church, *Chip Alexander Klosek (†)*

Tuesday, February 18th

9:00am Mass, Historic Church, *Jean Rubenstahl (†)*
1:00pm Spirit and Life Prayer Group: Contact Cindy Richard for location at 410-326-4933
6:00pm St. Monica's Prayer Group of OLSS, Historic Church

Wednesday, February 19th

9:00am Mass, Parish Church, *Nicholas & Anthony Pacini (L)*
1-4pm Walk In Hours & Adoration
5:30pm Mass, Historic Church, *Mary K. Gardner (L)*

Thursday, February 20th

Parish Office Closed

9:00am Mass, Historic Church, *George Dubenko (†)*

Friday, February 21st

St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

9:00am Mass, Historic Church, *Souls in Purgatory*
4-6pm Walk In Hours and Adoration

Saturday, February 22nd

The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle

7:00am Mass, Historic Church, *The Holy Souls*
Men's Group in the Parish Library following Mass

2-3:30pm Confession, Parish Church
4pm Mass, Parish Church, *Nancy Whartnaby (†)*
(†) Offerings for the Deceased (L) Intentions for the Living

Coming Up at OLSS

Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy

"God is Merciful, In Him I Trust"

February 14th, 6pm, Historic Church

Donuts with Sisters

February 15th, Providence Room

Father Alexander Gala

February 22nd

Hollywood Firehouse Banquet Hall

Polar Plunge

February 22nd

1st Saturday Rosary Walk

March 1st, 8:55am, Parish Church

Ash Wednesday

March 5th

Women Of Worship

March 15th, 9am

Contributions to OLSS Poor Box for Belize Mission

This month, all contributions will benefit our mission in Belize. Deacon Andy and other members of our Belize Mission Team will be taking part in the 6th mission to Punta Gorda, Belize on February 4th. Please keep them in your prayers as they serve the communities spiritual and material needs.

To learn about their work there, please visit:

Olss.org/belize-mission-team

Upcoming OCIA Topics

February 16	6th & 9th Commandments
February 23	7th, 8th & 10th Commandments
March 2	Church History

THE HOLY FATHER'S

Prayer Intention



Month of February

*For Vocations to the Priesthood
and Religious Life*

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Pray for the Sick

Ed Gunkel · Barbara Humphreys & all those suffering long term effects of Covid · Deacon Chad Martin · Father Larry Swink · Paul Richard · Father Mike King · Charlie Fisher · Jack Rubenstahl · Becky Ford · Jim Dolan · Kitty Bombsrd · Carol Pattarini · Kelsey Kelly · Mary Raybold · Violet McCarthy · Sara Boston · Nina Jean · Skip Tortello · Tim Lukehart · M. Luckowsky · Susie Perry · Michael Vecchione · William Gregory · Mark Farley · Jack Gunderson · Vanessa · Trudy Priddy · Rick Totaro · Charles Brown · Fred (Bubba) Hoffman · Colleen Kahl · Daniel McKey, Sr. · Daniel Bayles · Kathleen Torres · Lynn · Chris Reynolds · Paul Musciano · Eileen Reilly · Linda R. Taylor · Kory Pringle · Heather Taylor · Gio Olvera · Frank Jennings · Dale Ude · Terrie Johnston · Art Ferguson · Francis Jennings · Erik Larsen · Baby Harycki · Dax Jones · L. Echols Family

In Loving Memory

Richard Joe Yates · Jack Gunderson · Jack Lloyd Daly Jr. · Alyssa Michele Holiday · Tim Lukehart · C. Hough · Mary Therese Fisher · Mary Zemyan · Tracey Jean



Spirit of Hope
appeal.adw.org #adwappeal



Next weekend, parishioners will be asked prayerfully to make their commitment to the Appeal.


Please take a brochure after Mass this weekend, or visit

appeal.adw.org

to learn more about how the Appeal benefits our parish and serves people in need throughout the archdiocese, as well as to guide your own level giving.

It is our goal that every parish family will participate this year, no matter the amount. All gifts will be credited towards our parish goal. Thank you in advance for your generous response to *Spirit of Hope: The 2025 Annual Catholic Services Appeal*.

Ways to Give

Cash/Check/ Money Order	Make checks payable to "Archdiocese of Washington" Mail to: Office of the Annual Catholic Services Appeal PO Box 29260 Washington, DC 20017-0260
Credit or Debit Card	Scan QR code or visit give.adw.org Text "Appeal" to (301) 231-1816  give.adw.org
By Phone	Call (301) 853-5344

DEALING WITH MYTHS.

MYTH: If you express intense feelings, you're losing control.

The TRUTH is that expressing your feelings is not a loss of control but is very normal and healthy. You may not want to burden family and friends with your feelings. You may sense that they become uncomfortable and don't know what to say to you when you talk about it.

A Stephen Minister can help. They are trained to listen to you without judging you. They maintain everything that is discussed and even your identity is confidential. They will help you sort through your thoughts and feelings and not tell you what to do as they accompany along on your journey through grief.

To be connected with a Stephen Minister from Our Lady Star of the Sea, free of charge, call (240) 317-9803.



To have your sick or recently loved one added, call the office or visit: <https://olss.or/prayer-intentions>

Parish and Ministry News



SEMINARIAN Breakfast

Hosted by Knights of Columbus
Council 9258

Sunday from 8am - 12:30pm
Providence Room

Cost is by donation and the proceeds will be sent to a seminarian in the Archdiocese of Washington to assist him with his studying and living expenses.

Please come and enjoy breakfast and support a seminarian!

Join the OLSS Travel Club on a one day trip to Sight and Sound Theatre in Pennsylvania!



The bus will depart from/return to OLSS, and the price of \$257 includes luxury motor coach, preferred theatre seating of NOAH, lunch and driver's tip.

Full payment is due no later than February 28th.

Contact Mary Beth Brown at
marybeth@bytheseatravel.com or
443-623-6368

Father Alexander Gala

Online Raffle is Now Open!

We are excited to announce that the Gala Raffle is online this year!



1 ticket for \$10; 10 tickets for \$40

Enter for a chance to win one of 10 items:

Online ticket sales will close on 2/20/25 and the winner will draw the night of the Gala.

All proceeds benefit the rebuilding of the Preschool Building.

For tickets to the event and raffle tickets, visit:

olss.org/gala

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WoW (Women of Worship)
Annual Women's Morning of Reflection

Divine Providence

There are no coincidences!

Saturday, March 15th
Providence Room
Doors open at 8:30 am

No cost to participate –
Free will offerings gratefully accepted

Continental breakfast will be served
Pastries and baked goods appreciated!

REGISTRATION OPEN!

SCAN QR or call
Parish Office
410.326.3535

SEATING IS LIMITED!
REGISTRATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED
NO LATER THAN MARCH 1

It is human nature to reflect on our lives and the events that got us to where we are today. Many people speak of "coincidence" or "luck" or things happening by "chance." But as faith-filled women we believe that God has a plan for us and His Divine Providence should and usually does get credit.

God has placed us where we are; He has directed the specific people and events in our lives. Our response in every situation in our life needs to be to trust the providence of God. We need to believe that He has a plan in every circumstance. He created us for a purpose and we must trust His guiding hand and loving heart.

We invite you to take time out of your busy schedule and join us for a morning of presentations, reflection and discussion. Through the support of one another we can strengthen our belief that God's love for us is sure and steadfast and that He is working all things together for our good.

*For from Him and through Him and for Him are all things.
To Him be glory forever.*
(Romans 11:36)

Knights of Columbus Scholarship Program

K of C Scholarship Program The Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a four-year, \$5,000 scholarship for this year's high school seniors to be distributed in \$1,250.00 increments per year, based on academic success in the form of maintaining a GPA of 3.0 or greater. To be eligible to apply for the scholarship, the senior's parent (s) or guardian(s) must be registered parishioners of OLSS or the father/guardian must be a member of OLSS Knights of Columbus. Applications may be obtained by requesting a copy by email from PGK Terry Singer. All completed application packages MUST be mailed to the council and postmarked no later than **April 15, 2025.**

For applications and questions contact PGK Terry Singer at **terringsinger@comcast.net or 410-610-0693.**

The Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time | February 16th, 2025



Polar Plunge

TO BENEFIT OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA SCHOOL




FEBRUARY 22ND
11AM ~ 12PM

SCHOOL GOAL
\$6,500

Father Bob has graciously agreed to plunge to help us raise money for renovations to our Pre-K Building! You can help by donating to his page using the QR Code above or going to

MYFUNRUN.COM/POLAR_PLUNGE2025




Join us at the event! The Plunge will take place at Drum Point Club 465 Overlook Dr. Lusby, MD 20657

Vacation Bible School is looking for volunteers!
June 16th - 20th from 9am - Noon



If you are interested in helping with VBS this year, please contact the Parish or School Office.

All volunteers 18 or older need to be Virtus trained.

Contact Beth Oster with any questions at grade5@olsss.org



Eucharistic Adoration & Worship Night

God Is Love



Sunday, February 16, 2025
St. Aloysius Church
Leonardtown, Maryland
6pm to 7:30pm
(Doors Open at 5:30pm)



Don't miss this opportunity to join us and Invite Jesus to be King of Your Heart, King of your Life!

*Adoration
Reflection
Prayer & Quiet Time*

Music provided by: *Fiat*




Encounter Jesus truly present in the most Blessed Sacrament of the altar, and who is truly present to you.



This event is offered to you through the Bread of Life Center for Peace, serving our Catholic community.
Contact us at: (301) 475-7139
www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org

Let it be done...

You, your family and friends are invited to

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Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
22375 Three Notch Road
Lexington Park, MD 20653
Monday, February 24, 2025

"As (Jesus) entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, begging him, and saying, 'Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress.' And (Jesus) said to him, 'I will come and heal him.'" -Matthew 8:5-7

6:30PM Confessions
7PM Mass
followed by
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Healing service
Benediction

Mark your calendar:
March, April 28, June 2

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