St. Francis Xavier Church (Newtowne)

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

AUGUST 5, 2018

Newtowne Mission from 1640 ♦ First Chapel Built 1662
Current Church Built 1731

OLDEST CATHOLIC CHURCH IN ORIGINAL THIRTEEN COLONIES

Reverend Robert G. Maro, Pastor
sfxparishmd@gmail.com

William J. Nickerson, Deacon
21370 Newtowne Neck Road
Leonardtown MD 20650
Telephone: 301-475-9885
Fax: 301-475-5662

Web: stfrancisxavierchurch.org
Email: gertiethomas@outlook.com

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!
Registration forms are in the church vestibule and on our parish website

SUNDAY MASSES
Saturday 4pm (Anticipated), Sunday 8am and 11am

DAILY MASSES
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8am

HOLY DAY MASSES
As announced in the bulletin

CONFESSIONS
Saturdays 3:15-3:45pm and by appointment

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
Following the 8am Mass until 5pm

BAPTISMS: By appointment with Father

MARRIAGES: Make arrangements with your Pastor at least six months in advance; call the Rectory

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES
Email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com

BULLETIN ITEMS
Deadline is Friday, one week before Sunday date
Send items to sfx1640bulletin@gmail.com
August 19: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Collection for the Maintenance Fund

September 16: 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
*Pastoral Installation of Fr. Rob Bishop Fisher to preside, 11am Mass

*Religious Ed classes for children begin,
9:15-10:30am at St. Aloysius:
This year our children will be joining those at St. Aloysius parish 
the 1st & 3rd Sunday 
of each month for classes. 
To register your child, or for more information, please email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com.

“See, my children, 
a person who is in a state of sin is always sad. 
Whatever he does, he is weary and disgusted with every thing; 
while he who is at peace with God is always happy, always joyous.”

— St. John Marie Vianney
**Never baptized?**

**Baptized in another Christian tradition, and interested in becoming Catholic?**

**Baptized Catholic but never received the sacraments of Eucharist and/or Confirmation?**

We invite you to join us for RCIA — The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults — an exploration of Catholic teachings, traditions, and practices. It is a process whereby adults become fully participating members of the Catholic Church. Participants attend weekly sessions beginning in the fall each year.

**Is there someone you can invite to explore the Catholic faith?**

Please contact Fr. Rob at sfxparishmd@gmail.com for more information.

---

**Solemnity of the Assumption**

The meaning of the Assumption, as Pope Pius XII in 1950 declared for all the Church, is “that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.”

For us, the end of life here is the shattering of this unity and the decay of the grave. But not for Mary. God would not allow her, the Mother of His Son, to see the corruption of the tomb, since she gave life to Life Himself.

*Read more at aleteia.org; search Assumption.*

---

**Our Fall Spiritual Book Club Begins Thu, September 6!**

**New this fall:**

two sessions!

Mornings at 9am, and evenings at 7pm.

Both sessions will be held in the Parish Hall.

Our featured book: “Between Heaven and Mirth” by Fr. James Martin, SJ.

For more information, email Paula McLeod, paula.mcleod@gmail.com.
Check out the new ‘Preservation Maryland’ Site & Interpretive Panels

The Holy Father’s Intention for the Month of August
The Treasure of Families
That any far-reaching decisions of economists and politicians may protect the family as one of the treasures of humanity.

Into the Deep
A young adult retreat on prayer and discernment in daily life

Fishing Derby and Picnic
Saturday, August 18, 2018
St. Clements Shores Community Beach
Registration: 10-11am
Fishing Derby: 11am-Noon
Picnic: 12-1pm
Trophy Presentation after lunch
Hamburgers, Hot dogs, chips, and sodas provided
Please bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus
St. Francis Xavier the Missionary Council

Q: What are the words that the priest uses to impart God’s forgiveness of sins?
A: The priest says these words of absolution: “I absolve you of your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

Newtowne Manor House Restoration
Donations to:
St. Francis Xavier Church
21370 Newtowne Neck Road
Leonardtown MD 20650
Memo line: Manor House Restoration
For more information:
Lynn Delahay, 204-925-6485
George Matisick, 301-475-9698
NEWTOWNEMANORHOUSE@GMAIL.COM
Dear Parish Family,

This week we are blessed with a variety of feast days pertaining to Our Lord and the saints. Here’s a brief overview of each:

**St. John Marie Vianney - Aug 4**, the Curé of Ars, was ordained in 1815 and served in the remote French village of Ars. He was known as a holy confessor and spent up to 16 hours each day hearing confessions. Despite being greatly persecuted by the devil, he maintained a heroic patience and childlike simplicity. Because of his exemplary, faith-filled life, the Church has named him as Patron of Priests.

**The Transfiguration of the Lord – Aug 6**, is the revelation of Christ’s divine glory on Mount Tabor in Galilee. After telling His disciples He would be put to death in Jerusalem, Christ, along with Peter, James, and John, went up the mountain. Once there, according to St. Matthew, “He was transfigured before them. And His face did shine as the sun and His garments became white as snow.”

**St. Dominic - Aug 8**, was a Castilian priest and founder of the Dominican Order, also known as the Order of Preachers. The spread of the Rosary is attributed to the preaching of St. Dominic.

**St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross - Aug 9**, also known as Edith Stein, was a German Jewish philosopher who converted to Roman Catholicism and became a Discalced Carmelite nun. She died in the Auschwitz concentration camp in 1942 and was canonized as a martyr.

May these holy saints pray for us! May we respond to God’s grace and become saints too!

Peace and blessings,
Fr. Rob
TAX PREPARATION • NOTARY • BOOKKEEPING SERVICES
We Make Taxes Less Taxing

We are available all year. | We resolve Federal and State tax problems. (ALL states)

Honest, reliable, trustworthy, dependable and available all year.

Peg Maguire, EA | Peg@allstatetax.com
Leonardtown • 22720 Washington Street • 301-997-1810

Providing Trusted Service To The Community For Over 100 Years
Pre-Arranged Funeral Counseling Without Cost or Obligations
Guaranteed Pre-Funded Burial Trust
Traditional Funerals • Cremation Services • Church Services
Direct Burial • Memorials Unlimited Affordable Options
41590 Fenwick St. • P.O. Box 270 • Leonardtown
(301) 475-8500 • www.mgfh.com

The Law Office
Of Troy C. Hansen
Wills, Trusts, & Estates • Family Law
www.troyhansenlaw.com • 301-475-5000
22833 WASHINGTON STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

Southern Maryland’s
Heating, Air Conditioning
& Geothermal Contractor
Serving Calvert, Charles
& St. Mary’s Counties for
Over 30 Years

Sacred Ground
and the Catholic Way of Burial
St. Mary’s Queen of
Peace Cemetery

Efficient, effective and professional legal representation
to his clients

www.troyhansenlaw.com • 301-475-5000
22833 WASHINGTON STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650

Brinsfield
Life Celebrations-Funeral Home & Crematory
Traditional Funerals, Cremation Services, Memorial Packages
& Pre-need Services Provided

Brinsfield Funeral Home, P.A.
22955 Hollywood Rd., Leonardtown, MD
301-475-5588
BFH@brinsfieldfuneral.com

38888 Dr. Johnson Rd.
Mechanicsville, MD
Julia A. Tobson
Cemetery Manager
(301) 475-5005

PATRICK HALEY & ASSOCIATES
(301) 475-2866
(301) 863-8100
www.patrickhaleyinsurance.com

Dry Cleaning • Shirts Laundry • Household
Draperies • Suede & Leather • Wedding Gowns
Alterations & Repairs • Shoe Repair

For All Your Dry Clean
& Launder Needs
41590 Fenwick Street
Leonardtown
301-475-2322
HOURS: MON-FRI 8AM-4PM • SAT 9AM-1PM
MON THRU FRI SAME DAY SERVICE IN BY 1PM OUT BY 2PM

Call Today! 800-890-5123
Visit Us: www.tricountyaire.com
“Proudly Supporting & Serving St. Francis Xavier Parish”

Serving Farm, Home & Commercial
Since 1997
www.hughcgardinerinc.com
Locations in Charles and St. Mary’s County

St. Mary’s
Nursing & Rehabilitation Center
21585 Peabody Street
Leonardtown, MD 20650
301-475-8000 • www.smnci.org

Available
For a Limited Time
ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS HERE
Contact Chad Breidinger to place an ad today!
cbreidinger@4LPi.com or (800) 477-4574 x6631

PERSONALIZED THERAPY, LLC
Orthopedic Rehabilitation & Behavioral Health Center
1005 Prince Frederick Blvd, Ste. 102 • Prince Frederick, MD 20678
22593 Three Notch Rd. • California, MD 20619
Phone (301) 862-2505 • Fax (301) 862-2548
www.personalizedtherapyllc.com • personalizedtherapy@md.metrocast.net

Proudly Supporting & Serving St. Francis Xavier Parish

Dry Cleaning • Shirts Laundry • Household
Draperies • Suede & Leather • Wedding Gowns
Alterations & Repairs • Shoe Repair

For All Your Dry Clean
& Launder Needs
41590 Fenwick Street
Leonardtown
301-475-2322
HOURS: MON-FRI 8AM-4PM • SAT 9AM-1PM
MON THRU FRI SAME DAY SERVICE IN BY 1PM OUT BY 2PM

Just Ask Rental
SHOPS AT BRETON BAY
40845 Merchants Lane • Leonardtown
301-475-5800

The Law Office
Of Troy C. Hansen
Wills, Trusts, & Estates • Family Law
www.troyhansenlaw.com • 301-475-5000
22833 WASHINGTON STREET, LEONARDTOWN, MD 20650