

A Word from Deacon Bill

God's Seal by His Body and Blood

How can I repay the LORD for all the great good done for me? I will raise the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD. I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people. Psalm 116: 12-14

Our readings this weekend discuss the love of God for us, His people. God consecrates this love with covenants. A covenant is a promise. God seals these promises in blood. In our First Reading from the Book of Exodus we read about the Covenant on Mt Sinai. Moses seals this Covenant with sacrificial blood of oxen. In our Gospel, God gives us His own blood, sealed in the Covenant of the Eucharist.

We celebrate the Solemnity of "Corpus Christi," the Body of Christ. It is a great opportunity for all of us to pause and reflect on God's love. We celebrated the Easter season, culminating with Pentecost. Last week we celebrated the Holy Trinity. Each celebration provides us an opportunity to celebrate and learn more about our faith. We explore God's redeeming love for us in Easter, His commitment to stay with us in Pentecost, and the essence of God's Love in the Holy Trinity.

This weekend we focus on God's total commitment to us, His children. We have a Father in Heaven totally dedicated to our success. He made us for happiness. The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is the celebration of God's total and complete love for His church.

We cannot repay this love. We can barely comprehend it. Let us reflect on how we live our Covenant with God. I ask you not to focus on the immensity of God's love but rather on your part in His plan of redemption. Prayer is our immediate connection to the Divine. Prayer provides that instant connection to God's Covenant. What is your prayer life like?

Take time this week to pray. Focus on simply communicating with God. Reflect on the effectiveness of your prayer life. Are you constantly "talking" or are you taking time to listen?



Do you ask God only for what you want, or to reveal His plan for your life? I have a task for you this week; time yourself this week when you pray. Time the number of minutes spent in prayer asking for your "wants," and the minutes spent in prayer asking God to reveal **what He wants for you.**

How can we repay God for all He has done for us? How about if we start by asking Him? God's commitment for us is complete. He proves this commitment in the Covenant of the Eucharist celebrated in the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. The more we communicate with God, the better chance we have to understand His grace. We continue to seek Him in prayer, the Sacraments and each other.

Persevere in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. Colossians 4:2

Deacon Bill Scott

"Do not be afraid; just have faith" Mark 5:36b

Prayer Requests *

We are asked to pray for: Wilbur Etbauer, Antonio Makin, Georgiana Norgren, Scott Anderson, Harold Frye, Anna Tyser, Patricia Fisher, Marjorie O'Donnel, Sarah Parker, Leslie, Miriam Chagolla, Lauren Lohman, Fr. Alain, Grace Emmanuella, Dennis Forgash, Robert Brooks, Angel Morgan, William Graham, Fred Kowaleski, Kaylie Fowler, Ernest Mack, Derrick Webster, Brandon Mack, Johnné Webster, Dionne Gausee, Dorian Webster, Alfred Brown, Doris Chesley, James Thompson, and all our military and civilians serving in harm's way.



**Names will remain on our list for 3 months. Please call the parish office to re-request a name after 3 months or to remove a name when the person has regained health.*

Mass Intentions this Week

Saturday, June 2, 9:00 AM: Bernal Lawrence, Sr. (+)

Saturday, June 2, 5:00 PM: Tom Hurt (+)

Sunday, June 3, 8:30 AM: Frieda Shlagel (+)

Sunday, June 3, 10:00 AM: Marcella Shirley Krevey (+)

Sunday, June 3, 11:30 AM: Verna Burke

Sunday, June 3, 7:00 PM: OLHOC Parishioners

Monday, June 4, 9:00 AM: Charles Gallagher (+)

Tuesday, June 5, 9:00 AM: Milton Gaines

Wednesday, June 6, 9:00 AM: Christian Andrew Axtell (+)

Thursday, June 7, 9:00 AM: Axtell Family

Friday, June 8, 9:00 AM: Silverio Genoviagon (+)

Corpus Christi Procession

after 11:30 Sunday Mass this weekend!



The Solemnity of Corpus Christi

Religious Education Schedule

See you at VBS! July 23 - 27 Watch for registration info.

Contact Therese Thiedeman at 301-645-7112 or dre@olhoc.org
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Check the website for summer events!

FIAT: Elementary school Faith in Action Team

Edge: Middle school youth ministry

Life Teen: High school youth ministry

** Youth Summer Retreat **

Rising 9th graders-seniors, join us for **Camp Veritas** August 12th-18th at Camp Lakota in Wurtsboro, NY. It will be an amazing week of outdoor fun, prayer, time with friends, and growing in your faith.

For more information and youth opportunities, please visit www.olhoc.org/ym or contact Marlen Coles at marlen@olhoc.org.

Graduate Blessing

OLHOC Youth Ministry will sponsor a Graduate Blessing on Sunday, June 10th at the 11:30 Mass for those in our Parish Community who are graduating from high school, college or other professional program this semester. Graduates are asked to wear their caps and gowns. Please fill out the form at www.olhoc.org/ym. Small reception will follow in the Narthex.



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Loyola on the Potomac
A Jesuit Retreat House
Faulkner, MD
www.loyolaonthepotomac.com

St. Inigoes 2018 Youth Camp
Summer Day Camp for youth ages 8-14
June 18-22 & July 16-20, 9:00 to 3:00
Fee: \$125
Call 301-392-0819 for more information



OUR LADY'S LITTLE CHRISTIANS

<http://www.olhoc.org/preschool.html>

2018 Summer Program for ages 3-5 (**must be potty-trained**) The cost is \$75 per week. Discount for multiple siblings or multiple weeks.

- June 18-22, 12:30-3:30 p.m.
Animals & Stories
- June 25-28, 12:00-3:30 p.m.
Building/Engineering/Construction
- July 9-13, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
Numbers & Puzzles
- July 30-August 3, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
Science/Nature

Registration is first come/first served, and will continue until one week before each session starts or until classes are full.

For more information OR for Fall Preschool registration, send an email to preschool@olhoc.org or call the office and ask for Nieda, Preschool Director.



Community Outreach

The next Shepherd's Table Dinner will be held on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at Good Shepherd Church.



Our next Outreach Committee Meeting before summer break is **June 6** at 7:00 PM in the Social Hall.

All are welcome!

Sharing Sunday – Non-perishable food donations are always welcome and can be left in the Social Hall. All donations will go to the local food bank, managed by Catholic Charities, on Irongate Drive in Waldorf.



Formation of New Hispanic Knights of Columbus Council in Southern Maryland

Due to the large population of Hispanic Catholics in our Region, the Knights of Columbus are in the process of forming a new Council of the Knights of Columbus for Hispanic Catholic men, in Southern Maryland. The new Hispanic Council will be headquartered out of Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church in Waldorf, MD and our Chaplain will be Father Santiago Martin. A new Council must have a minimum of 20 members to become active, so we are actively recruiting Hispanic men, across Charles County and Southern, MD, to join the new Council. Our target date for standing up the new Council is June 28, 2018, so we must be aggressive in our recruiting efforts. To join, or for any additional information on the Knights of Columbus, please contact Sir Knight Michael R. Gonzales, the Faithful Navigator of the Saint Thomas Manor Assembly of the 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus, at (301) 645-7518 (Home), (703) 599-5888 (Mobile) or at his e-mail at michael.r.gonzales@3-towers-consulting.com Please call and I will be happy to speak with you in English or Spanish.

Debido a la gran población de católicos hispanos en nuestra Región, los Caballeros de Colón están en proceso de formar un nuevo Consejo de los Caballeros de Colón para hombres hispanos católicos, en el sur de Maryland. El nuevo Consejo Hispano tendrá su sede en la Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora Ayuda de los Cristianos en Waldorf, MD y nuestro Capellán será el Padre Santiago Martin. Un nuevo Consejo debe tener un mínimo de 20 miembros para activarse, por lo que estamos reclutando activamente a hombres hispanos, en todo el Condado de Charles y en el sur de Maryland, para que se unan al nuevo Consejo. Nuestra fecha objetivo para defender el nuevo Consejo es el 28 de junio de 2018, entonces debemos ser agresivos en nuestros esfuerzos de reclutamiento. Para unirse, o para obtener información adicional sobre los Caballeros de Colón, comuníquese con Sir Knight Michael R. Gonzales, el Fiel Navegante de la Asamblea del Santo Tomás Manor del 4 ° Grado de los Caballeros de Colón, al (301) 645-7518 (Home), (703) 599-5888 (Móvil) o en su correo electrónico en michael.r.gonzales@3-towers-consulting.com Por favor llame y me complacerá hablar con usted en inglés o español.



There are certain races in which voters may cast a vote in the primary even if they are not registered as a Democrat or Republican.

As stated on the Maryland Board of Elections, "Generally, you must be registered with either the Democratic or Republican Party to vote in the primary election. If there are non-partisan offices that are elected in a primary election (i.e., school board), any voter can vote for these offices. Contact your [local board of elections](#)."

The Conference will soon release survey responses from candidates running for Congress, Governor or the General Assembly – voters must be registered with one of the two parties in order to vote for candidates for these offices in the Primary Election.

Your Church; the Lord's House

Continue to please respect your church, the Lord's house, and refrain from taking any food or beverage in the Church. If children need food or beverages, please use the cry room or Social Hall.



We have incurred some recent pew damage. Please care for your building investment by not walking on kneelers or using them as a foot rest.

Mass Readings for June 10, 2018

10th Sunday Ordinary Time

***First Reading**

Genesis 3:9-15

***Second Reading**

2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

***Gospel**

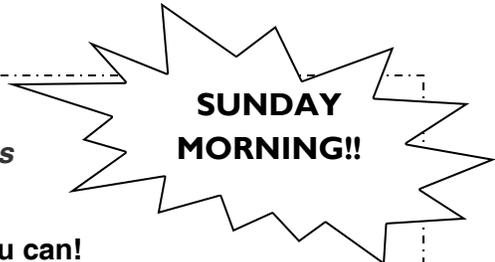
Mark 3:20-35



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Adult Faith Formation Class:
Evangelization and the Acts of the Apostles
SUNDAYS at 9:30 AM
Four more sessions - Come when you can!



**SUNDAY
MORNING!!**

OLHOC “Year of the Holy Spirit” (Pentecost 2018-Pentecost 2019), there is no better place to look for guidance in the New Evangelization than the Acts of the Apostles. This chronicle of the Church in action gives us the blueprint for the life and mission of the Church today. In *Evangelization and the Acts of the Apostles*, Dr. Mary Healy combines Bible study with Church teaching and practical wisdom to show us how modern Catholics can effectively lead people to Jesus Christ.

Join us for this exciting study facilitated by Mike and Diane Spurgeon!

Saint John Paul II National Shrine



JOHN PAUL II
CULTURAL CENTRE

**3900 Harewood Road, NE
Washington, DC 20017**

The Art of Prayer is a continuing series about interior prayer which includes a talk, time for silent meditation, and praying Vespers together. Join us at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday evenings for *The Art of Prayer* and stay for Mass at 7:00 p.m.

Divine Mercy at OLHOC

The Divine Mercy Ministry invites us all to come and pray the chaplet each **1st Saturday at 3:00 PM.**



Healing Mass

St. Mary Church, Newport's monthly Healing Masses are held the **first Thursday of each month, 6:30 PM** in honor of St. John Vianney. The next Healing Mass will be on Thursday, June 7. Fr. Michael Briese will offer prayers of healing for the body and soul. Confessions begin at 6:00 p.m.; Location: St. Mary Church, Newport, 11555 St. Mary's Church Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622. For additional information, please call the rectory office at [301-934-8825](tel:301-934-8825)."