NEW PARISHIONERS...St. Aloysius extends a warm welcome to all who are joining us for prayer, worship, or instruction. If you are new to the area or returning home to the Church, we invite you to register and make St. Aloysius your parish. Registration forms can be obtained at the church, on our website, or by calling the rectory.

FIND A SMALL GROUP... Find Small Group Faith Formation opportunities in our area for both adults and high school teens by visiting www.ConnectStMarys.com.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)...RCIA is the process of welcoming new members to the Catholic Church. It is intended for adults who have never been baptized or for adults who have been baptized Christian and now wish to practice the faith in the Catholic tradition. It is an ongoing process of formation, catechesis and liturgical rites. Anyone interested is asked to call the rectory to discuss the process.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM...Parents are asked to call the parish office to register for the Baptismal Preparation Meeting and for the baptism of their child. Parents are expected to be participating members of the parish.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE...Couples seeking to be married in the Church are to make arrangements with the pastor six months to one year in advance of their intended wedding date, in order to allow time for marriage preparation. At least one of the engaged should be a registered and practicing member of the parish.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK...The Sacrament of the Sick is for the spiritual comfort, strength and healing of the ill. If there is a need for the sacrament in your family or household, please contact the rectory as soon as possible.

FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL... Pre-K-8th Grade. If interested, please contact Mrs. Helen Bowles in the school office Monday through Friday 8:00am - 3:00pm, 301-475-9795 for space availability.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION...Pre-K-8th Grade, 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:15 AM to 10:30 AM, during the school year. To register please contact Leonard Wathen at the Rectory or visit the parish website.

March 24, 2019
Third Sunday of Lent

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

MASS SCHEDULE:
Saturday:  5:00 pm
Sunday:   8:00 am and 11:00 am
Daily:    12:15 pm Tuesday & Thursday
         8:30 am Wednesday & Friday
         7:30 am Saturday

HOLY DAY MASSES:
As Announced inside the Bulletin.

FIRST FRIDAYS: (September through June) Masses at 9:00 am and 7:00 pm. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 10:00 am till 6:45 pm followed by Benediction. Confessions from 6:00 - 6:30 pm.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
Thursday:  11:30 am to 12 Noon
Saturday:  3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

STAFF
Pastor..........................Rev. David W. Beaubien, ext. 14
Deacon..........................Deacon Joe Vavrus
Parish Secretary/Bookkeeper........Denise Becher, ext.10
Receptionist/Bulletin Editor ...............Lauren Carney, ext.11
Religious Education/Youth Ministry.....Leonard Wathen, ext.16
Coordinator of Music..................Beth Domingue
Maintenance.............................Wally Bowles
Principal, Father Andrew White School .........Heather Francisco
Secretary, FAW School.....................Helen Bowles

RECTORY HOURS:  Monday-Thursday  8 am-4 pm
                   Friday 9 am-3 pm

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**Scripture Corner**

**GOD AND REPENTANCE**

(The following is a commentary on the usual readings for Year C. At the 11:00 Mass today, we’ll be using the Year A readings, as is prescribed when candidates for Initiation into the Church are being recognized.)

In the first reading today (Exodus 3: 1 – 8a, 13 – 15) God reveals his name to Moses. The fire flaming out of a bush attracted the notice of the patriarch. He is told by God to come no closer. He asks of God, “But when I go to the Israelites and say to them, ‘The God of our fathers has sent me to you.’ What am I to tell them?” God’s answer was, “‘I am who am.’ Then he added, ‘This is what you shall tell the Israelites: I AM sent me to you.”’ (vss. 13 – 14)

The Hebrew root of the name YHWH means “to be.” As God said to Moses, I AM! Since the original Hebrew word has no vowels, it can mean “I AM,” referring to God’s eternal existence. Or with different vowels it could mean “I CAUSE TO BE,” referring to God as the creator.

Out of great reverence for the divine name the Jewish people never spoke it. When it occurred in the biblical text, they would say adonai, meaning my Lord. Outside a prayerful context, a fellow Jewish student of mine would say “the name.” His point was that adonai was to be reserved for prayer. Jehovah results from putting the consonants of YHWH with vowels of adonai. It is not a Hebrew word.

In the Gospel of John Jesus applies this divine title to himself. For instance, “For if you do not believe that I AM, you will die in your sins.” (John 8: 24)

In today’s Gospel (Luke 13: 1 – 9) Jesus offers an important point for the proper observance of Lent, namely repentance. When discussing the persons who had perished in connection with the Temple, he twice insists, “But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did.” (vss. 3, 5) The Greek word for repentance means a change of mind, a change of heart. For the Christian it means the effort to become as Christ-like as possible.

The words of our Lord suggest that there is always the chance to change our ways. He came into the world and died on the cross for all of us. During this season of Lent Christ wants us to practice change of mind by love of God as well as love of neighbor, a love that includes both justice and charity. Repentance is a basic theme of Lent. Every Christian should prepare for the great events of Holy Week by a sincere effort to repent for the past and to seek greater holiness in the future.

~Msgr. Ralph J. Kuehner

**PRAYER & WORSHIP**

**MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK**

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**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER** the Sick and Homebound in our Community: John Barnett, Jeanne Bean, Walter M. Bowman, Edna Burch, Timothy Butler, Teresa Cusic, Brenda Davis, Charles Davis Sr., Frances Duke, Tommy Farrell, Carl Guy, George Guy, Warren Guy, Jr., Howard Hensley, John Holly, Deb Johnson, Mary Catherine Kane, Paula Kidwell, Mary Catherine Kohut, Brian Landry, Juliann Leginze, Max Long, Florence “Flo” Michalski, George Nelson, Margaret Nelson, Jermaine Perry, Claudia Queen, Kim Simmons, Mary Agnes Stewart, Steven Tomaszeski, Richard & Sally Tomkinson, Nena Underwood, Michael Utzig, Stephanie Vallandingham.

**FASTING & ABSTINENCE for LENT**

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat for those age 18—59. Seafood is permitted. In addition, Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence for those age 14 and up. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal.

(If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully in and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.)

**RESPECT LIFE**

**WORD OF LIFE:** “Ira Byock, a hospice medical director, illustrates in his book *The 4 Most Important Things* how saying ‘I love you,’ ‘I forgive you,’ and ‘Thank you’ can promote much-needed healing during the dying process. You can help ensure a peaceful transition for your loved one by facilitating opportunities for reconciliation with others and for mutual expressions of love and gratitude.”
**EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE**

**Attention Vocalists and Musicians**
If you are a singer or musician and would like to join the music ministry to celebrate the coming of our Lord for Holy week and this Easter season, please contact Beth Domingue for more information. We welcome all singers, ringers and musicians to serve at any Lenten mass and our Easter Triduum masses: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Saturday evening Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday. Rehearsals are Wednesday nights in the church at 7:00pm. For more information, Beth can be reached at 571-723-8781 or Bethdomingue@hotmail.com.

**LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY**

**2019 ANNUAL JUBILARIAN MASS**
The annual Jubilarian Mass honoring couples married 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50 and 51+ years will be held Sunday, June 23, 2019 at 2:00pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception. Please call the parish office or use the sign-up forms in the back of the church to register. Names of jubilarians need to be turned in to the parish office by Friday, April 26.

**VOCACTIONS CROSS**
*Let us invoke the intercession of St. Junipero Serra for priestly and religious vocations and pray this week with Matt Mattingly, who has the Vocations Cross!*

**BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE**

**DEDICATION & BLESSING OF ADORATION CHAPEL & NEW HALL**
Please join us this Sunday, March 24, after the 11:00am Mass for the dedication and blessing by Bishop Campbell of our Adoration Chapel and new hall.

**BRICK FUNDRAISER**
Personalized brick pavers are on sale! Be a part of St. Aloysius history!
Details: $250 per brick, 3 lines of personalization, up to 15 letters/space per line. Order forms can be found in the vestibule or at our website www.saintaloysiuschurch.org. For questions, call the rectory at 301-475-8064.

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**THE KALNASY CONCERT SERIES presents**

**Father David Beaubien in Concert**

*with the St. Aloysius Handbell Ensemble*

*Georgia M. Harvey, accompanist*

**Date:** Sunday, March 31, 2019  
**Place:** St. Aloysius Church  
22800 Washington Street  
Leonardtown, MD  
**Time:** 3:00 PM

*Beautiful sacred music – with vocal arrangements by Father David Beaubien*

For more information, contact keyofgmh@gmail.com

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**RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY**

**FAMILY OF FAITH** Our theme for April is Matrimony & Holy Orders. Because of Easter, our Community Gathering will be on the second Sunday of the month, April 14, instead of the third.

**Easter Egg Hunt** - Mark your calendars for our annual Easter Egg Hunt, scheduled for Sunday, April 28 after the 11:00 Mass!

**High School Graduates Dinner** - Fr. David would like to personally invite all graduating high school seniors to a dinner in their honor at the parish rectory on Saturday, April 27, immediately following the 5:00 PM Mass. Please RSVP to Leonard Wathen (lwathen@saintaloysiuschurch.org).

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**STEWARDSHIP**

**SHARING OUR TREASURE**
Weekly Offertory Contributions  
March 16/17, 2019

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**2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND** will be for the Debt Reduction.

**PATRON OF THE WEEK: Printing Press.** If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.
FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL

Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections

FAW Competition Results: Recently our parish school has had many students participate in various events. Their First Lego League Team Troopers participated in the Maryland State FLL Robotics Competition after winning the Champions Award. Team Comets was selected as the Global Innovation Semi-Finalist and went on to compete at the state level for The Global Innovation Award. This award is designed to showcase the real-world, innovative solutions that teams create as a result of their Project. The Comets came up with a new aspect to Virtual Reality that helped astronauts deal with isolation and loneliness while on a mission in space. The basketball and cheerleading athletes displayed their hard work and skills in the Showcase while the advanced band received an "excellent" rating for their performance. The five Destination Imagination teams that competed all did well. The middle school team, Operation DI and the fourth grade team, Crabinators earned 1st and 2nd place respectively! They will go on to compete in the State Competition in Baltimore on March 30th.

Now Enrolling: Our award winning parish school, Father Andrew White, is now enrolling students for the 2019-2020 school year. They currently have openings in grades PK - 5. For more information, check out their website at www.fatherandrewwhite.org or call 301-475-9795 to set up a time to receive a personalized tour with the principal. Come meet the dedicated and caring staff and find out how the students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living Our Faith."

COMMUNITY

SPRING SEAFOOD DINNER - Holy Angels Church

Sunday, March 24, from 11:30am - 4:00 pm, 21340 Colton Point Rd., Avenue. The menu includes crab balls, steamed spiced shrimp, fried oysters, fried chicken, parsley potatoes, homemade cole slaw, old fashioned green beans, pickled beets, dinner rolls, fruited jello, and beverages. Adults $28, Carry outs $26, Children 6-12 $8, Children 5 & under - Free.

MSS WITH HEALING PRAYERS: There will be a Southern Maryland Mass with Healing Prayers at Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Lexington Park on Monday, March 25, at 7pm. Confessions will begin at 6:30pm, healing prayers will be immediately following the mass. All are welcome to attend.

Bible Study on the Gospel of John at the Leonardtown Library, Monday, March 25, from 5:00 to 7:00pm. All are invited. We will read and comment on John starting at the beginning and reading a chapter or two each session. This is a very straightforward yet also complicated and spiritual gospel. The primary purpose is to increase one's understanding of the gospel. The secondary purpose is to increase one's understanding of others' points of view. Contact Mike Thompson @ 301-373-8545.

Maryland Day & Mass

Celebrate the founding of Maryland at the state’s birthplace at St. Clement’s Island Museum with a ceremony (2PM - 3PM) featuring guest speakers, dignitaries from around the state, free museum admission and water taxi rides (10AM – 5PM, and program on Monday, March 25. Rev. G. Ronald Murphy, S.J., a professor at Georgetown University will be the keynote speaker and will bring the original iron cross that the first Jesuits brought to St. Clement’s Island and had on hand during the first Mass in the English New Work, back to St. Mary’s County for the day. Call 301-475-4200 for more information.

UNPLANNED, the powerful pro-life story of Abby Johnson

Two private showings of the movie Unplanned are scheduled at the RC Theaters in California, MD on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:30pm (Pre-Release Viewing), and Friday, March 29th at 7:00pm (Opening Night)

Tickets can be reserved and donations made using this link: https://fs2.formsite.com/stjohns/Unplanned/index.html.

All are welcome, especially young people!

"In Christ We Are a New Creation" St. Mary's in Bryantown will hold a mission from Monday through Wednesday, April 1-April 3. The evening sessions will be from 7 to 8:30 PM. Sessions will also be held in the morning from 11 until 12 noon. The presenter will be Dr. Mark Nimo. Mark Nimo comes from Ghana in West Africa. He is married to Mercy and has three daughters He currently serves as Director of Faith Formation at St. Columbanus Church in Chicago. Mark is a gifted speaker and has ministered in over forty countries worldwide.

It's time for Spring Training! Care Net SoMD will be holding Spring Training for new volunteers beginning April 2nd. If you've ever thought about volunteering at Care Net, if you want to be a part of your community and see lives changed - this is the training for you. Care Net SoMD is looking for both men and women who want to put their faith into action and be a part of the good work we are doing. Morning and evening sessions are available, to sign up call 301-737-4604 or 410-326-6866.

3rd Annual “Walk in the Park”- 5K Fun Run/Walk

Join us at St. Francis Xavier Church on Saturday, April 6th for this fun event to benefit our parish’s Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund. This run/walk is open to all ages and abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and run/walk starts at 9 a.m. The registration fee of $20 which includes a t-shirt will help preserve this religious and historical landmark. Kids 12 and under are free. Information on registration is available on our website: www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org. If you need additional information, please contact Sarah Matisick at 301-247-7416.