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.

August 4, 2019
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
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 - 12 Noon
Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30 pm

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Secretary, FAW School..............................Helen Bowles

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

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SEEK WHAT IS ABOVE

As Jesus continues on his journey to Jerusalem, he encounters a case of greed. In today’s second reading St. Paul had dealt with that issue (Colossians 3: 1-5; 9-11). He reminded his readers of the great baptismal gift that they had received from God. Having been raised with Christ by their baptism, they should “seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.” (vs. 1) All Christians should avoid the many vices which Paul lists, including “greed that is idolatry.” (vs. 5)

In today’s Gospel (Luke 12:13-21) Luke has an excellent commentary on the statement of Paul that greed is idolatry. Jesus is asked to be the arbiter concerning the inheritance between two brothers. Our Lord refuses to get involved. He realizes that greed is motivating the brother. Jesus provides this teaching for the crowd: “Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one’s life does not consist of possessions.” (vs. 15)

Christ offers the Parable of the Rich Fool (vss. 16-21) to show the danger of greed. The rich man stores “all my grain and other goods.” (vs. 18) He plans a long, self-centered life. He will “eat, drink and be merry.” (vs. 19) God’s response is, “You fool, this night your life will be demanded of you.” (vs. 20) Our Lord calls on all people to think of other persons. It is alright to plan for the future, but part of that planning should include sharing one’s goods with the poor and vulnerable.

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has made a strong statement about this issue: “We calmly accept its (money’s) dominion over ourselves and our societies...[F]inancial crisis can make us overlook the fact that it originated in a profound human crisis: The denial of the primacy of the human person. We have created new idols. The worship of the ancient golden calf (cf. Exodus 3: 1-35) has returned in a new and ruthless guise in the idolatry of money and the dictatorship of an impersonal economy lacking a truly human purpose. The worldwide crisis affecting finance and the economy laws have their imbalances and, above all, their lack of real concern for human beings; man is reduced to one of his needs alone: consumption. (Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel, n. 55)

~Msgr. Ralph J. Kuehner
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE

MONDAY NIGHT APOLOGETICS is returning to St. Aloysius Church. Classes will start on Monday, September 9th at 7:00 pm and will be held in the parish hall. The first topic will be: “Transgenderism and the Catholic Church,” led by Ken Scheiber, faculty member at St. Mary’s Ryken.

RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY

Middle School & High School Teens
On Monday evenings from July 22 to August 26, middle school and high school teens are invited to join us for a six-part video & discussion series on living as a disciple of Jesus, using the series YDisciple - Follow Me from FORMED.org. Gather in the Youth lounge of the new hall. Each evening will include games, food, video, discussion, and prayer. Sign up online at https://saintaloysiuschurch.org/ydisciple

Solomons Dragon Boat Festival
Our high school Youth Ministry is participating in the Solomons Dragon Boat Festival once again this year on Saturday, August 17! We look forward to another great competition. We thank all who contributed toward the $2000 which we needed to raise in order to participate, and we were successful! Southern Maryland Community Resources, a local special needs advocacy organization, will benefit from your help.

Registration for Family of Faith 2019-20, our family-centered children's faith formation program, is open online! Family of Faith will meet from 9:15 to 10:30 AM at Father Andrew White School on the first and third Sunday of each month during the school year, beginning on September 15, 2019. Families are asked to commit to missing no more than three of our sessions. Those who are unable to make this commitment are asked to register for My Catholic Faith Delivered, a grade-specific, comprehensive online faith formation program, instead of Family of Faith. To register, visit www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/children.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE

ITEMS NEEDED FOR CHAPEL & PARISH HALL
We invite you to consider contributing to the cost of the following items that still need to be purchased:
- Ice maker, Prep table for the kitchen, Warmer, and Convection Oven - $9,550
- Alarm system with camera surveillance - $6000
Please contact the rectory if you can help. Thank you!

The Sacred Heart Chapel is currently being prepared for Eucharistic adoration. The following items are in the process of being installed: the tabernacle, wall crucifix, kneelers, a lockable cabinet, and coded door lock at the chapel entrance door.

In addition, as an enhancement to our main sanctuary, I am having our liturgical arts consultant begin preparations to refurbish and reinstall the historic ornate bronze altar rail gates that were removed some decades ago and have been in storage ever since. Before being opened for Mass to begin, the gates should make for a splendid appearance to the sanctuary. –Fr. David

BRICK FUNDRAISER
We are getting ready to send in our second order of bricks for engraving. If you’re interested in purchasing a brick, please contact the rectory as soon as possible.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

SHARING OUR TREASURE
Weekly Offertory Contributions
July 27/28, 2019

1st Collection: $4,192.00
2nd Collection: $874.00
Total: $5,543.00

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK will be for the School Support.

PATRON OF THE WEEK: Erie Olde Town Insurance - Dan Burris. If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.

WORD OF LIFE: From “Male and Female He made them”: Towards a Path of Dialogue on the Question of Gender Theory in Education, Vatican Congregation for Catholic Education, Feb 2, 2019: “It is becoming increasingly clear that we are now faced with what might accurately be called an educational crisis, especially in the field of affectivity and sexuality. In many places, curricula are being planned and implemented which ‘allegedly convey a neutral conception of the person and of life, yet in fact reflect an anthropology opposed to faith and to right reason.’” (Opening sentence, see the full text online.)
**ST. VINCENT de PAUL**

**Annual Walk for the Poor**

**September 28, 2019**

St. Vincent de Paul Society’s 12th Annual Friends of the Poor Walk will be held on Saturday, September 28th at 9 A.M. at Father Andrew White S.J. School in Leonardtown. The St. Vincent de Paul Society offers assistance to those in need in our community. All funds stay in St. Mary’s County to help the poor. The walk will begin at Father Andrew White School and the course will take walkers through the streets of Historic Leonardtown. The goal of the walk is to call attention and awareness to the needs of the poor.

So many times we may think about wanting to take some action, or make a donation, but not know what to do, or contribute, that would be most meaningful to someone in need. Here is an opportunity to support people in our community, within St. Mary’s County, that have needs that vary from help paying an electric or water bill, to needing a bed or other household items. This Walk is a major fundraiser for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. The Walk also allows you to take action in meeting with others in our Church Community and the wider local Community.

There will be a post walk brunch, live music, face painting, theme baskets for the silent auction, balloons for children and door prizes. Please consider bringing a non-perishable food item for the Helping Hands food bank on the day of the walk. Health Connections from Med Star St. Mary’s Hospital will be at the walk offering free blood pressure screenings.

For registration, go to www.fopwalk.org. Same-day registration begins at 7:30 A.M. There is no registration fee, but walkers are encouraged to collect pledges or to make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Walk with us on September 28th, you can make a difference!

For more information, contact Patty Belanger at 301-904-7990 or Joan Marano at 240-256-5792.

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**COMMITTEE**

The Leonardtown Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary (LVRSA) will be holding the following fundraising events.

**Fried Chicken Dinner** Date: Aug 7th, Time: 11am-9 pm
Place: Kevin’s Corner Kafe, Leonardtown

**Everything Sale** Date: Aug 17th, Time: doors open 7am.
Place: LVRS building.

**Mass celebrating persons with Developmental Differences and signing for the Deaf Community** – on Sunday, August 18th, at 10:45 am, at Our Lady Star of the Sea, Solomons. This is the same weekend as the Solomons Dragon Boat Festival. White is often worn (but not required) at this Mass as a reminder of our baptismal call to be one in Christ and with one another. For more information, contact OLSS Parish office at 410-326-9231 or www.olss.org. All are welcome!

**St. George Catholic Church Annual August Dinner**

**Sunday, August 18th**, from 12:00–5:00pm. Crab Cake, Fried Chicken and Ham Dinner, served family style. Adult dinners - $28, children 6-12 years - $10, children under 6 years – free, Carry-outs - $26.

**Healing Prayers**

Healing Prayers, preaching the Word of God and Holy Mass to be celebrated at Our Lady Star of the Sea Church, Solomons, on Tuesday, August 27th, at 7:00 pm and at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on Wednesday, August 28th, at 7:00 pm. All are welcome!

**Encounter Grace Women’s Conference**

Ladies! Join the Encounter Grace Team on Saturday, October 26th, as they host a full-day women’s conference on the campus of St. Mary’s Ryken High School in Leonardtown Maryland. The Begin Again Catholic Women’s Conference is a day designed with YOU in mind. Featuring keynote speaker Laura K. Fanucci (author of Everyday Sacraments, To Bless our Calling) and musical guest Corrie Marie, attendees will enjoy a day filled with inspirational, educational and engaging workshops and presentations that will help you get back to the basics of the faith, so you can begin again renewed and refocused on your life in the faith. Session topics include: Growing in your prayer life, Living the Sacraments, Renewing our relationship with Our Blessed Mother, A Return to relationship with our Heavenly Father, Spiritual accompaniment, and the Relationship between physical and spiritual wellness. Confession and Adoration will be available throughout the day and there will be opportunities for connecting and networking with other women in attendance. We will also have vendors with cash and carry Catholic items. Cost includes breakfast and lunch, keynote, praise and worship sessions, 2 break-out sessions and so much more.

Tickets on sale at www.encountergrace.co Early bird registration is highly encouraged as tickets are limited. Contact Penny Bailey or Laura Roland at encountergraceco@gmail.com with questions.

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**FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL**

**Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections**

**Now Enrolling:** Our award-winning parish school, Father Andrew White, is now enrolling students for the 2019-20 school year. We currently have openings in grades PK - 5. For more information, check out our 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."