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.

November 3, 2019
Thirty-first 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 - 12 Noon
Saturday: 3:30-4:30 pm

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Friday 9 am-3 pm

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MASS INTENTIONS this WEEK
Tues., Wed., Thurs., Nov. 5
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, 8:00 am, Morning Prayer, 8:45 (NO MASS)

Friday, Nov. 8: 8:30 am Scott Mattingly
Saturday, Nov. 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
7:30 am Bob Combs
Frank Klear
5:00 pm Faithful Departed in the previous 12 Months at St. Aloysius

Sunday, November 10: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 am Pro populo
11:00 am Dorothy R. Cavanaugh

PLEASE NOTE - There will be no daily Mass on Tuesday, November 5th - Thursday, November 7th, as the priests of the Archdiocese will be away at a conference.


RESPECT LIFE
How to Build a Culture of Life
Read the full version at respectlifeprogram.org/culture-of-life.

Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. How do we respond? Changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with Him, we become more aware of our own immeasurable worth and that of others. His unchanging love is the source of our God-given dignity, which, therefore, cannot be taken away. When someone is facing great trials, we need to walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ’s love however He directs. We simply need to follow where He leads.

Scripture Corner
Zacchaeus and Catholic Social Teaching

Luke reminds us in today’s Gospel that Jesus is continuing his journey to Jerusalem for the events of Holy Week, his crucifixion and resurrection. He now arrives at Jericho, some 15 miles northeast of Jerusalem. Here he encounters Zacchaeus, “a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man.” Despite his money and position he was willing to climb a sycamore tree to see our Lord. This was necessary since he was “short in stature.” Jesus invites Zacchaeus to come down from the tree, “for today I must stay at your house.” Zacchaeus was happy to welcome Christ into his home. This leads to grumblings as often happens when Jesus associates with persons judged to be sinners. The opponents of our Lord often speak of tax collectors and other sinners. They are taking for granted that a chief tax collector, a publican, is a sinner.

Zacchaeus responds to those opposing him, pointing out that he is making good use of his wealth. He gives half of his financial resources to the poor. Should he unintentionally extort funds, he repays four-fold.

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Jesus says to Zacchaeus, “Today I must stay at your house.” This necessity, expressed by “must,” is used by Luke to indicate that the action is part of God’s plan for salvation history. Christ also tells his host that he has brought salvation to his house because Zacchaeus too is “a descendant of Abraham.” Jesus ends this encounter with an important statement concerning his work as savior: “For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost.”

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**EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE**

**FELLOWSHIP IN FAITH**

Our small group ministry will be meeting this evening **Sunday, November 3rd** for the fourth of a six-week video and discussion series called The 99. We will be meeting in our new hall on from 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Many Catholics feel drawn to share their Faith, but are held back by a fear that "they don't know how." The 99 Masterclass is a video & discussion study that equips leaders with the tools they need to step into a life of evangelization. EVERYONE IS WELCOME...even if you haven’t been to the earlier classes. Come join your parish family as we grow together in Faith.

**TWO CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY OPPORTUNITIES**

**Box of Joy**

In 2018, Catholics united through the Box of Joy ministry to send Christmas gifts to children in developing countries. For many poor children, a Box of Joy - filled with toys, clothing, school supplies, a rosary and the Story of Jesus - was the first Christmas gift they ever received. A Knights of Columbus representative will be handing out boxes in the breezeway between the church and the hall after all Masses on October 26th & 27th and November 2nd & 3rd. Boxes need to be turned in during the week of November 3-9. For questions, please contact David Dotson at 301-247-0258. For more information, visit [www.CrossCatholic.org/BoxOfJoy](http://www.CrossCatholic.org/BoxOfJoy).

**The Servants of the Lord Food Drive**

Let’s join together in supporting our Religious Missionary Sisters, The Servants of the Lord (SSVM), as we help them stock up for the winter months. We have been blessed with four of our very own SSVM Sisters from St. Mary’s County parishes who are now serving in the missions, monasteries and completing their formation studies locally and around the world. Your generous donations go directly towards helping the Formation Convents in the Maryland/DC area. Grocery bags will be handed out after the Masses this weekend, November 2nd & 3rd. Bags can be returned prior to all masses on November 9th and 10th or left in the vestibule leading up to the weekend. We will deliver the donations to each Convent on Sunday, November 10th. Please consider helping to deliver the donations as it is a great joy to visit each Convent and the Sisters. Please contact the Madden family at 207-837-5845 if you would like more info. Thank you for the tremendous generosity you have shown throughout the years for the SSVM Sisters. Be assured of their prayers for you and our St. Aloysius community.

**MONDAY NIGHT APOLOGETICS**

The next topic will be: “What does Separation of Church and State Mean?”, 7:00 pm in the St. Aloysius parish hall on November 4th, led by Ken Scheiber, faculty member at St. Mary’s Ryken.

**#IGIVECATHOLIC GIVING TUESDAY - DECEMBER 3**

Why should you give through #iGiveCatholic? As the first-ever online giving day created to celebrate our Catholic faith, the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day inspires faithful stewards to “Give Catholic” on #GivingTuesday, a global day of giving. The goal of the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day is to rally our Catholic communities throughout the country in support of the organizations that shape our souls: Our parishes, schools, and nonprofit ministries. By giving to St. Aloysius parish through the #iGiveCatholic Giving Day, you will be helping our Youth Ministry to raise funds to attend the Lifeteen’s Camp Covecrest Retreat in Tiger, Georgia. More information to come.

**40 HOURS OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION**

In honor of the Feast of Christ the King, join us for approximately 40 hours of Eucharistic Adoration in the Sacred Heart Chapel at St. Aloysius Church from **Friday, November 22 at 8:00 PM to Sunday, November 24 at 10:30 AM**. The Gospel is the proclamation of the kingdom of God (Mark 1:15), the message that Jesus is Lord (Romans 10:9). As we commemorate the Feast of Christ the King, join us to pray that the message of the Gospel would more fully transform our own hearts and our community. Sign up at [https://saintalosiuschurch.org/40hours](https://saintalosiuschurch.org/40hours)

**SHARING OUR TREASURE**

**Weekly Offertory Contributions**

**October 26/27**

| 1st Collection: Offertory Basket | $ 5,501.00 | 2nd Collection: Archdiocesan Assessment Offertory Basket | $ 949.00 |
| Direct Debit | $ 1,356.00 | Direct Debit | $ 499.50 |
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**2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK** will be for our School Support.

**PATRON OF THE WEEK: Asbury Solomons Continuing Care Retirement Community.** If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.

**RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Family of Faith:** Our November Family of Faith theme is Conscience, and our November gatherings will be on **November 3 & 17** at 9:15 AM in Father Andrew White School.

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**YDisciple: Friday nights** from 7:00-8:30pm middle school and high school teens are invited to join us in the Youth Lounge in the parish hall for a video & discussion series that unpacks the mystery of God, from examining the nuts and bolts of how we can know he is real, to understanding the ways he has revealed himself throughout history, using the series **YDisciple - Who is God?** from FORMED.org.

**NET Ministries Retreat:** All 7th to 12th Grade teens are invited to a NET Ministries retreat in our parish Hall on **Friday, November 15**, from 4 to 9 PM. For details and sign up, visit [https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/net](https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/net).

**Mount 2000:** High School teens are invited to Mount 2000, a weekend Eucharistic retreat at Mount St. Mary's University, from **February 7 to 9, 2020.** For details and to sign up, visit [https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/mount-2000](https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/mount-2000).

**Camp Covecrest:** Our parish has secured 18 spots to attend Lifeteen's Camp Covecrest from **August 3 to August 8, 2020** in Tiger, Georgia! Because a non-refundable $100 deposit is due by October 30 for each of our spots, we need commitments from teens as soon as possible. For details and sign up, visit [https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/camp-covecrest-2020](https://www.saintaloysiuschurch.org/camp-covecrest-2020).

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**FATHER ANDREW WHITE SCHOOL**

**Father Andrew White School Crusader Connections**


Please note: orders should be placed no later than **November 15th.** Contact Sue Hensley Robusto at suehensley@hotmail.com or 703-582-8679 with any questions.

**Coat Drive:** The Diocesan “Coats of Many Colors” Drive is once again underway! Every school and parish in the diocese has been asked to collect coats that will be distributed to those in need throughout all counties. Coats for men, women, and children of all ages will be very much appreciated. There is a need for men’s XXL+ coats with hoods and women’s XL+ coats with hoods, but will appreciate any and all donations, including scarves, hats, and gloves! A prayer card or written note placed in a coat pocket has been requested. There are boxes in the school lobby for the collection. The coats must be clean and in good condition. Please check your closets for coats of all sizes! Thank you for your kindness! **FAW school will accept coats until Tuesday, November 12th.**

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**COMMUNITY**

**Christmas Bazaar** – Saturday, November 9th, 9:00am – 3:00pm at St. George Community Center, 19197 St. George’s Church Rd, Vally Lee. Join us for a fun-filled day of culinary delights, great bazaar shopping, Santa and more!

**Christmas Bazaar Sip ’n Shop** -- St. John's School Christmas Bazaar Sip 'n Shop is **Tuesday, November 15** from 5 to 8 p.m. Shopping, gift raffles, hot dogs, refreshments, baked goods, wine, and children's crafts will be available.

**Heavenly Morning Prayer Breakfast** -- will be held at 8:30 am on **Saturday, November 16** at St. Aloysius Parish Hall (Mass at 7:30 am). The morning will begin with music followed by recitation of the Rosary, breakfast, testimony and closing prayer. We are so blessed to have Rose Folsom who will be sharing with us "How to Harvest the Garden of your Soul!" Visit her websites at: [rosegfolsom.com](http://rosegfolsom.com) and [virtueconnection.com](http://virtueconnection.com).

The cost including breakfast is only $15 if you register by Tuesday, November 12, after that date the cost will be $17. To register, call the Bread of Life Center for Peace at: (301) 475-7139 or stop by Heavenly Presents during store hours Tuesday through Saturday. You can also sign up online at: [www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org](http://www.breadoflifecenterforpeace.org). For further information, please contact Frannie Taborek at (240) 538-2981, [Fr.an.Taborek@stracongroup.com](mailto:Fr.an.Taborek@stracongroup.com) or Becky Kendall (301) 904-7025, [Becky.Kendall@hotmail.com](mailto:Becky.Kendall@hotmail.com). All are welcome to join us! In addition, to help provide Thanksgiving Dinner for those in need, we will be collecting non-perishable food items or donations for our local St. Vincent de Paul/Helping Hands. Thank you for your support!

**English Liturgical Workshops Sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington**

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – **Saturday, November 23**, 9:00am – 12:00pm – Holy Face Catholic Church, Great Mills Lectors – **Saturday, November 23**, 1:00pm – 4:00pm – Holy Face Catholic Church, Great Mills Cost: $5 pay at the door. To register email or call liturgy@adw.org or Maria Hamm 301-853-4594.

**Olde Fashioned Christmas Bazaar** - **Saturday, November 23**, 10am to 3pm. Thirty-Second Year of the Finest Arts, Crafts and Food at the Historic St. Francis Xavier Church. Cafe style Luncheon and Carry Out. Stuffed Ham and Homemade Chicken Salad Sandwiches, Beef Vegetable Soup, Fried Oysters, Chips, Coffee, Tea, water and Sodas Come join in the fun, do some early Christmas shopping and enjoy a Southern Maryland lunch!
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