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.

January 19, 2020
Second 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

STAFF

Pastor..............................................Rev. David W. Beaubien, ext. 14
Deacon..................................................Deacon Joseph Vavrus
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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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BEHOLD, THE LAMB OF GOD!

The title “Lamb of God,” used by John the Baptist, has a prominent place in the liturgy of the Mass. Three times before the reception of Holy Communion, the people say, “Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us/grant us peace.” Then the priest elevates the Sacred Host and says, “Behold, the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.”

Biblical scholars see three possible references in Scripture which led John to call Jesus “Lamb of God.” First of all, the Book of Revelation and Jewish tradition speak of a triumphant Lamb who will destroy evil at the end of time. “They will fight with the Lamb, but the Lamb will conquer them, for he is the Lord of lords and king of kings, and those with him are called, chosen, and faithful.” (Revelation 17:14)

The paschal lamb of the Old Testament is certainly a second possibility for the “Lamb of God” title. “But for you the blood [of the Lamb] will mark the houses where you are. Seeing the blood, I will pass over you.” (Exodus 12:13) The early Church identified Jesus as the Paschal Lamb of the New Covenant. “For our paschal lamb, Christ, has been sacrificed.” (1 Corinthians 5:7) As the blood of the paschal lamb saved the Israelites from destruction, the blood of Christ, “our paschal lamb,” has saved us from our sins.

The final hymn of the Suffering Servant in Isaiah (Isaiah 52:13–53:12) also uses the image of a sacrificial lamb. “Like a lamb led to the slaughter or a sheep silent before shearsers, he did not open his mouth.” (53:7) This fourth Song of the Suffering Servant has the most quotations in the New Testament of any Old Testament text. Christ himself used the theme of the Suffering Servant: “For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many [all].” (Mark 10:45) Jesus wants his followers to also be servants, reaching out sacrificially especially to the poor and needy.

Today’s first reading is taken from the second of the hymns of the Suffering Servant. “God promises that the Servant will be “a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.” (Isaiah 49:6) We must pattern our life on the sacrificial service of the Lamb.

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

EVANGELIZATION & PARISH LIFE

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED
Our parish offices will be closed on Monday, January 20 in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday and on Friday, January 24 so our staff can attend the March for Life.

Rediscover the Simplicity of the Gospel
Sundays, January 19 & 26, 6:00 to 8:00 PM
Join us for The 99 Experience, a springboard for discovering or rediscovering Jesus, growing in identity, purpose, and community. At these powerful evening series, we will come together to learn:
* The answer to the brokenness we experience in our lives
* How to acknowledge and desire God’s love
* How to live a life in community lead by the Holy Spirit

MONDAY NIGHT APOLOGETICS
There will be no Apologetics class this Monday due to the Martin Luther King Holiday. Class will resume on Monday, January 27th with the topic: “Defending the Right to Life.”

PRAISE & WORSHIP THIS WEDNESDAY EVENING
Wednesday, January 22 - We will begin Praise and Worship with an optional Rosary in the Parish Hall starting at 6:30 pm. Praise and Worship will follow from 7 to 8:30 pm. Please come and join us as we give thanks to the Lord!

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT SERIES
Tuesdays: 7:00-9:00 pm, at St. Aloysius hall
January 28 – EQUIL
February 4 – COMMUNICATION
February 11 – SEXUALITY AND INTIMACY
February 18 – THRIVING VS. SURVIVING
Take the time to invest in your marriage by attending a series of enrichment sessions together, hosted by the Office for Family Life. Presented by Rebecca Mullan, M.S, LPC. Register at: mestaloysius.eventbrite.com. For more information: 301.853.4546 or visiblesign@adw.org.

INTERNATIONAL MISSION/ Hurricane Dorian Relief
Join us for our church’s first International Mission, in early February. Roofer, carpenters, and helpers are urgently needed for a humanitarian mission to Green Turtle Cay, Bahamas. 8 days in Paradise to fix houses, make friends, and have your deeds reflect the blessings of our Lord. Transportation and housing provided. Please join us, bring your talents, and help return families to their homes. Contact Dan Guenther for more info: 301-672-1478.

UNBOUND PRAYERS
The Gospel promises us peace, but we so often find ourselves bound by feelings of anxiety, fear, guilt hopelessness, and shame. Unbound Ministry is a safe, confidential, and effective prayer ministry to help us to respond more fully to the Gospel using five simple keys. To learn more or to sign up for an appointment with a trained Unbound team on Saturday, February 1, visit www.saintalloysiuschurch.org/unbound.

MARCH FOR LIFE 2020
January 24, 2020 | Washington, D.C.

The March for Life 2020 in Washington, DC (https://marchforlife.org/national-march-for-life/) will be held this Friday, January 24th. The 2020 theme is: "Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro-Woman." Knights of Columbus St. Mary's Council 1470 is sponsoring a 55 passenger coach bus leaving from and returning to the St. Aloysius Church parking lot. Riders are asked to make a donation within their means for CareNet Pregnancy Centers of Southern Maryland. Please sign up by contacting Ed Donohoe at Ed.Donohoe@gmail.com or phone: 402-850-8664.

RESPECT LIFE

Mardi Gras King Cakes for Life Sale
American Heritage Girls MD2540 is raising money for a local pro-life Pregnancy Center by selling Mardi Gras King Cakes. A King cake is a cross between a coffee cake and a French pastry that is decorated in the colors of green, purple, and gold with a plastic baby hidden inside. It is served on Mardi Gras (Day before Ash Wednesday). Cakes will be ready for pickup at St. Aloysius the weekend of February 22nd & 23rd, before Lent starts. The cakes are fresh and handmade and 100% of the proceeds goes to a local pro-life pregnancy center. There is a limit on the cakes available so get your order in quickly and help AHG girls reach their goal of helping Moms say yes to LIFE! To order contact Debbie Cress at 540-220-1830.

Healing within Marriage from an Abortion
Read the full version at respectlife.org/program/healing-in-marriage.

When Susan’s husband, Juan, told her about the abortion he was involved in during college, she finally understood why he was so depressed and had trouble bonding with their children. The devastation of abortion brings with it many challenges. Often, the people who have participated in an abortion are unaware of the countless ways it is affecting their lives. It is scary to tell a spouse or fiancé(e) about a past abortion. It requires great trust in that person’s love and trust in God. But with the help of an abortion healing ministry, couples can successfully work through abortion-related challenges. God’s grace can bring true healing to the relationships of those who trust in His infinite mercy.

*Name changed for privacy.
**RELIGIOUS ED & YOUTH MINISTRY**

**Family of Faith:** Our theme for January is the first four Commandments. Our gathering will be this **Sunday, January 19**, from 9:15 to 10:30 AM.

**IMPROV Your Faith:** High School and Middle School teens are invited to “Improv Your Faith,” an evening of faith-filled fun with Fr. Rob Maro, **Friday, January 24**, from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at Father Andrew White School. Before entering the seminary, Fr. Rob, pastor of St. Francis Xavier, taught “Improv,” improvisational acting. Join us to learn a few lessons in improve and grow in faith! Supper will be provided.

**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**. 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** 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 to 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:**

**Celebrate Catholic Schools:** We are kicking off Catholic Schools Week the weekend of **January 25th/26th**! Father Andrew White School students are serving as lectors and altar servers and bringing up the gifts. They have many special events that week to celebrate the uniqueness of their Catholic school. The children are participating in service projects, attending International Night, and celebrating all that Catholic schools have to offer as they highlight how Father Andrew White is a community where they learn, serve, lead, and succeed.

**Father Andrew White School Open House:** Did you know that Father Andrew White was named a 2012 Blue Ribbon School and was recently voted as the #1 Private School by "The Enterprise" newspaper readers? It's time to find out why! You are cordially invited to visit our award winning parish school! Father Andrew White Catholic School is having an Open House on **Friday, January 31st** from 10-11:30am. Come see school in session and meet the dedicated and caring staff and discover how our students are "Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow, Living our Faith."

**Shoe Drive:** FAW is still collecting shoes to be distributed to those in need. Please consider donating your shoes today by putting them in the shoe collection box in the school lobby or in the St. Aloysius Church Parish Hall lobby! The collection runs through **February 1st**.

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**STEWARDSHIP**

**SHARING OUR TREASURE**

Weekly Offertory Contributions  
January 11/12, 2020

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**2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK** will be for our Archdiocesan Assessment.

**PATRON OF THE WEEK: St. Mary’s Nursing & Rehabilitation Center.** If in need please remember to patronize our bulletin sponsors.

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**COMMUNITY**

**Youth event:** Latin Mass with potluck dinner & ice cream social! All SoMD families with youth grades 6th-12th grades are invited! Join us on **Sunday, 26 January** @ St. Peter Claver as we celebrate Mass in Latin at 4:00. Families are invited (but not required) to bring a dish to share and youth are asked to bring their favorite ice-cream topping! For more information, please contact: Theresa Friess @ mcaartogiving@gmail.com or Jody Cacko @ fawsmusic@fatherandrewwhite.org

**Men's Retreat February 7-9**

“**Life in Christ: The Gift of the Sacraments**” The Office for Family Life is hosting a Men’s Retreat. Join men from around the Archdiocese of Washington for a weekend retreat directed by Fr. Dave Wells and Msgr. Robert Panke. This retreat will help you to reflect on the importance of our sacraments and to reconnect with the most important relationship in your life - your relationship with Christ. The retreat will be held at Priestfield Pastoral Center in Kearneysville, WV. To register go to the following link: [https://2020adwmensretreat.eventbrite.com](https://2020adwmensretreat.eventbrite.com) or for more information call the Office for Family Life at 301-853-4499.

**SURVIVING DIVORCE: AT THE WELL** is a ministry that brings hope and healing to those who have experienced the pain and loneliness of a broken marriage. It is for the separated and divorced and those who still struggle with issues many years later. At the Well aims to restore hope, and begin authentic healing.

We use a 12-week program called **Surviving Divorce**, guided by videos, small group discussion and workbooks, to work through the emotional upheaval of separation and divorce, find personal healing and hope, and discover a deeper understanding of God's love for you.

The next session begins **Sunday, February 9** at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church. Sessions are held on Sunday evenings from 6 to 7:30 pm. To register or for more information, contact Judith at atthewell@ihmrcc.org or 240-298-4044. Suggested donation of $25 to cover the cost of materials. Free Childcare is available if needed. Join us on this powerful journey to hope and healing!