



***Welcome to
Our Lady of the Chesapeake
A Christian Community in the
Roman Catholic Tradition***

8325 Ventnor Road, Pasadena, MD 21122

Phone: 410-255-3677

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday—Friday, 9:00am

Weekend Masses:

Saturday 5:00pm,

Sunday 8:30am, & 10:30am

Rosary: Sundays 8:00am

***New Parishioners may register online or at our
Pastoral Office any Weekday from 8:00AM - 3:00PM***

Welcome

Rev. Brian "Raff" Rafferty, STL

Pastor

Rick Clemens	Deacon
Tim Janiszewski	Pastoral Associate/Youth Minister
Judy Glinka	Adm. Assistant/Business Manager
Stacey Beres	Dir. of Religious Ed./Admin. Assist.
Sr. Sally Russell	Dir. of Adult Faith Formation
Donna Moran	Hall Manager/Development
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Charles Alexander	Assist. Director of Worship Music

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John Donnelly	Knights of Columbus
Susan Israel	Prayer Line
Paula Gentile	Respect Life
Angie Stull	Associate Accompanist
Joyce Heid	Wellness Ministry, Bulletin Web Editor

Sacraments

Baptisms: Baptisms are usually held every month on selected Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Please call to schedule.

Reconciliation: Saturday after the 5:00PM Mass; anytime by appointment.

Sacraments: Please contact the Pastoral Office for information, 410-255-3677.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults: All those interested in living the faith in our Roman Catholic tradition are welcome. The program begins in September and culminates in May.

FREE nursery program for OLC children age 5 and under

10:30 am Mass in the Lauer wing of the Gathering Place.
If interested please visit the OLC Website for Tips for Parents
and a Registration Form or contact Suzanne Keys at
suzannembryant@yahoo.com

October 1, 2017

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday:

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/
Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
Mt 21:28-32

Monday:

Zec 8:1-8/Ps 102:16-23, 29/
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Tuesday:

Zec 8:20-23/Ps 87:1b-7/
Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday:

Neh 2:1-8/Ps 137:1-6/
Lk 9:57-62

Thursday:

Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/
Ps 19:8-11/Lk 10:1-12

Friday:

Bar 1:15-22/Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9/
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday:

Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Ps 69:33-37/
Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday:

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20/
Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Pastor's Page

What's that new and interesting object at the end of the parking lot? It's a Prayer Labyrinth designed and built as part of Nathaniel Pyne Mercier's Eagle Scout Project. Shared Nate, *"Many people helped support this project both through guidance, hands on work, and funding. I wish to thank my Scout Leaders, Joe Hebda and Jamie Colomb, for their leadership, motivation and mentoring. To Troop 414 scouts and parents that took time to help me with this project. A special thanks to Tim Janiszewski for giving me the idea of the labyrinth. A big thank you to my parents for all your support throughout the years and especially with this project. Finally, Father Rafferty, to whom I have dedicated this Prayer Labyrinth - thank you for allowing me to locate the labyrinth at OLC. THINK THINK THINK"*

What is a labyrinth? A labyrinth is an ancient symbol that relates to wholeness. It represents a journey to our own center, where we encounter God, and back again out into the world. They have long been used as meditation and prayer tools. In a labyrinth there is a clear path in and out (there are no dead ends, as in a maze). The Catholic Church adapted the labyrinth for its own purposes within its cathedrals. Within Catholicism, the labyrinth could symbolize several things: the hard and winding road to God; a mystical ascension to salvation and enlightenment; or even a pilgrimage to Jerusalem for those who could not make the actual journey. While prayer labyrinths have been used in Catholic cathedrals for centuries, the past decade has seen resurgence in their popularity.

Labyrinth Walking is a Spiritual Practice Spirituality - living in tune with God – requires attention and practice. Walking a labyrinth is such a practice. It is a form of personal meditation, prayer, and devotion. (Even if a person is unable to walk, he/she can follow the path with his/her eyes.) The labyrinth, with its single path, offers a way that is certain. That doesn't mean, however, that it is easy. In a labyrinth there are no short cuts; we must walk the entire length of the path. But if we persevere, the outcome is assured...we reach the center where we find God, and gifts such as truth, wholeness, clarity, and spiritual healing. With those gifts, we return back to our lives.

The Labyrinth is a Physical Practice It is a form of body prayer. Being physical, it is anchored in time and space, just as we are. We are also beings of spirit; the bodily experience of the labyrinth allows our mind and spirit to focus and reach a deeper connection with God. At the same time, one of the most noticeable effects of walking the labyrinth is stress reduction. We can feel the difference in our physical bodies, and experience a restoration of balance between body, mind, and soul.

The Labyrinth Is a Form of Pilgrimage Pilgrimage is an outer journey with an inner purpose. It takes us away from the routine of daily life to sacred places where the veil seems thinner and God more approachable. The labyrinth does this. It organizes our experience and engages us in spiritual travel. While the labyrinth symbolizes the route, no one can take it for someone else; we must each find our own way. The labyrinth is the same, in that it imposes nothing, but allows each person to find that which is meaningful to them. God may have something new for you each time you walk the labyrinth.

A Time to Listen Walking the labyrinth is time out from our daily schedule. We aren't checking items off our list of things to do, or planning the menu for dinner, but discovering what God has to say to us! During the walk, while we relax our mind, we still must remain alert to follow the path. This state of relaxed alertness is the ideal form of meditation. With our sense of awareness, we are able to listen better to God and are open to any messages or inspiration or creativity that He offers.

Sound too good to be true? Try it for yourself!

How to walk a labyrinth

- Stand in front of the entrance to the labyrinth...
- Center yourself by taking a couple of deep breaths...
- Acknowledge your coming meditative or spiritual journey within the labyrinth. Is there something you wish to discuss with God? Or are you entering with the sole purpose of discovering what God has to say to you?...
- Begin your walk. You can pray, think, or clear your mind: it's all up to you...
- Continue to walk. Go at your own pace. Whether slow or fast, this is your journey and you decide how you get there...
- Pause on reaching the center; stay a while with God. It's the perfect place to pray, meditate, and relax.
- Walk out at your own pace, continuing to experience God's love for you.

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Pastoral Council

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To contact the council please call
the church office or email
olcparishcouncil@yahoo.com

From the Desk of Sister Sally:

**Contemplative Prayer: Join us for Contemplative Prayer!
Still your thoughts and emotions and focus on God.
Tuesday, October 10th at 9:45am and 7:00pm. Attend one.**

Anyone interested in Spiritual Direction contact Sister Sally: srussell@olchesapeake.org or 410-255-3677 EXT. 104

***“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, what are you doing for others?”
Martin Luther King, Jr.***

Today’s readings all seem to be centered on actions...about the choices we make...about which path we decide to follow. I love the opening line of the first reading: “The Lord’s way is not fair.” Often in my much younger days, one of my six siblings and I would lament about how much easier our lives would be if our parents had not raised us to be “fair”. And not only about acting fairly, but needing to do something when confronted with situations that were unfairly hurting others.

“Why couldn’t we be like so many others, skating away from unfair circumstances or not being able to see the unfairness in the first place?” we would whine to each other. Our lives would be so much more comfortable and much easier if only we could not see. But then I would return to a saying that I always loved that goes along the lines that “Christ came to comfort the afflicted and afflict the comfortable.” Was it Christ who afflicted the older brother in the gospel today so that, in the end, he went out and did what his father requested?

The other concept that tugged at me about today’s reading was glory. I have a friend who has a difficult personality. However, my friend spends her time quietly doing things for others that help them cope or get past a bad patch in their lives. She consistently manifests the glory of God inside her. Her family members, friends and community are significantly better off because of her kind, thoughtful actions.

Each of us is called to a different path so that God’s glory can be revealed here on earth. I think that if each us let the unique glory of God that is within us shine forth, we could create the kingdom of God here on earth. So, don’t be shy. Too many people today need to see some of God’s glory and feel God’s goodness so they can have the hope and strength they need to carry on. So, I am going to stop whining, roll up my sleeves and get to work. And while I am not always grateful for this perspective...thanks anyway, Mom, thanks anyway, Dad.

Julie Kalkowski, Creighton University

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

RCIA meets Wednesdays at 7:00pm in the Maryland Suite in the Church.

Each one is a missionary disciple by inviting persons who are not Catholic, or who have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation to consider the RCIA process of becoming Catholic or completing the sacraments of initiation. Many persons observe your kindness and faithfulness. You have the grace to invite others to join us in our journey of faith. If you know of anyone who might consider the RCIA, please have a conversation with them about our faith.

Contact Sister Sally: srussell@olchesapeake.org; 410-255-3677Ext. 104

Free Public Lecture at St. Mary’s in Baltimore:

On Wednesday, October 25, 7:30 pm Dr. Pat Fosarelli will give a free public lecture titled “Bouncing Back or Staying Down? Stress, Resiliency & Spirituality.” Her talk will explore the practical science behind stress and the ways that emotional health and spirituality can increase the likelihood of resilience.

Workshop for those in Ministry

Ministry leaders are invited to attend a workshop led by Dr. Fosarelli on Thursday, October 26, 9:00 am – 12 noon. The workshop, “On Fire or Burned Out?” will be an interactive discussion examining the ways both lay and ordained ministry leaders can gain greater resiliency, even in the midst of personal, staff, or congregational stress. Participants can receive .25 CEUs. Cost for workshop registration is \$20.

For more information or to register for either the lecture or the workshop, visit stmarys.edu/ei



**Do your kids
LOVE to
sing???**

The OLC Youth Choir will begin rehearsals for 2017-18 on Sunday, October 1st in The Gathering Place from 9:30-10:15am, following Religious Ed classes. The group is for members age 6-10. Middle school- and high school-aged singers are encouraged to join our Adult Choir on Thursday evenings. Prior experience isn't necessary, and it's ok if children join the group after the first rehearsal. JOIN US!!!

Altar Servers Needed

Any children 4th grade or older interested in joining the altar server ministry to contact Daria Breslin at email address daria.breslin@verizon.net

Training is conducted at weekly Masses and each altar server is typically scheduled for two Masses monthly. We especially need servers who attend 5:00 Mass or 10:30 Mass.

SVDP Update:

We am now working with the Dept. of Social Service Holiday Sharing Program preparing for the holidays. We are always in need of food for the pantry, especially with the holidays approaching. Thank You for your support.

God Bless, Mary Laber

Winter Relief Dinner/Auction

**Tickets for the November 4, 2017
dinner/auction are now on sale.**

Tickets are \$40 a piece and include a buffet dinner, catered by Two Rivers Restaurant, beer, wine and sodas. Tickets are available after all Masses in the office.

If you have not returned your gift basket, please do so as soon as possible!

**" Miracle on 34th street - A musical" is playing
at Toby's dinner theatre in Columbia.**

Our Lady of the Chesapeake and the Knights of Columbus are planning a trip to Tobys' dinner theatre on Sunday December 17th (buffet starts at 5 P.M.) We want to sell 20 tickets to get the great price of \$55. each. If there is enough interest in a car pool, we will try to arrange one. For more information or tickets, please call Paul Reinke at 410-255-6579 or 410-977-3971 by October 22.

RESPECT LIFE.....Building a Culture of Life *Respecting the Dignity of All God's people*

October is Respect Life Month / October 1st is Respect Life Sunday. Remember and pray for the unborn, those in poverty, in prison, the elderly, the sick, the suffering, the dying, and just anyone who needs our love, compassion, and acceptance.

Healing the Wounds of Abortion: Rachel's Vineyard Baltimore reaches out to all women and men hurting emotionally and spiritually after involvement with abortion. This ministry helps heal your wounded relationships with yourself, your child, and God. Extending God's compassion, unconditional love and forgiveness, Rachel's Vineyard Baltimore offers hope and peace. The next retreat is October 13-15. For Further information go to online at www.rvbaltimore.org or email: rvbaltimore@archbalt.org or call 410-625-8491.



The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Chesapeake will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Lauer building. All Knights are invited. For more information contact John Donnelly at 410-437-0116, or sandysue@cablespeed.net.

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Prayer Line - Available 24/7 by emailing info@olchesapeake.org

We pray for: Tina A. and Family, Stephen, Cory H., Janeen N., Shannon, Alex R., Gloria L, and Carmelina D., Malcolm, Jane, Nicole, Shawn, Samantha and Pat H.. Maryanne J., Danny J., Caitlyn K., Phyllis H., Bill P. and family, Williams family, Richard S., Ty P., David S. and family, Pat D., Sam, Oliver Family, Jake C., Barb, Bonnie, Jim C., Cheryl A., Dorothy P., Jim, Jeffrey S., Sharon P., Marcy P., Scott H., James C., Tom K., Carol H., Dorothy W., Frank C., JoAnn C., Bob K., Katie S., Ed & Ruth S., Beth V., Joe C., Elizabeth H., Zachary H., Mary Ann R., Michael E., Joseph D., Stan, Shelley, Diane B., Beth V., John H., Joan H., Kay J., Jennifer, Ryan, Michael E., Ken S., Peter W., Janice H., Phyllis C., Mary Anna A., Iris A., Michael, Mark A., Barbara L., Nick B., Steve and Phyllis L., Sharon R., Ashley H., Marsha S., Helen D., Betty Y., Brian G., Lilly, the Cicero Family, Deter Family and the Matassa Families, Dave, Michael P, Ollie, Tanner C., Dave, Denise, Jim C., Carlson Family, Kevin & Janie N., Lynn C., Anita R., Kathy H., Katrina S., Jessica K., Ron C., Ian W., Jeff A., Vernie E., Michele T., John M., Vernie E., Joanna, Betsy, Lou, Jodi, Paul R., Barb K., Ella J., Kelani W., Caleb W., Mikky, Sherry, Bonnie M., Carlos T. and family, Walter G., Kate R., Sharon W., Julio, Sebastian S., Michael, Nick, Leonard S. and family, Marie, Lisa W.

Usually only first names are listed to ensure privacy—don't worry, when you pray God knows who you are talking about! To become a Prayer Partner contact Susan Israel at suisrael9@comcast.net or Stacey or Judy at info@olchesapeake.org

Good news (beyond the normal Good News of the Gospel) – both our MSYM and HSYM faith formation meetings have begun. We are looking forward to a great year together!

Special Note to all MSYM AND HSYM Parents: When picking up your children Monday afternoon and/or Sunday evening, PLEASE pull into the parking lot and park...PLEASE DO NOT wait in the entrance lane for your child to come out (no curbside pick-up). A line of waiting cars forming onto Ventnor Road is hazardous. And watch for students returning to their parents' cars please. Thanks!

Confirmation

This year's **Confirmation Intake Sessions have ended**. The students and parents who attended did a great job! If you missed one of our numerous Intake Sessions, and would still like to be part of our Confirmation process this year, please contact Tim Janiszewski (410-255-3677 or tjaniszewski@olchesapeake.org) as soon as possible. If you have already been Confirmed or do not feel ready for that yet, you are welcome and encouraged to join us Sunday evenings.

Middle School Youth Ministry

Last Monday, Sept. 25th, we began our new season with a fun "Get-to-Know-You" class. It looks like we're going to have another great year, so thanks to all the students who came and participated.

This Monday, Oct. 2nd, we begin our first four-week session of the year entitled "The Trinity and the Church." We will be getting to know our God better (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), and discovering what that has to do with the Church...with us (hint: everything!). AND, while doing that we will continue to have a great time! Come join us from 4:30-6:00pm.

We have **homework** every week (just a few minutes worth). The students will not only bring a copy home with them, but we will also **e-mail** the homework to parents this year, and it is usually on our website (www.olchesapeake.org). If you are not receiving an e-mailed copy of the homework, then we probably don't have your e-mail address; please e-mail Tim (timjolc@verizon.net) and let him know your e-mail address. Thanks!

On Friday, Oct. 6th we are going on a **Regional Bowling Trip**. Our 6th-8th graders will join MS students from around Anne Arundel County at Greenway Bowling in Odenton for fun and bowling. Flyers and permission forms were e-mailed out this past week. You can also find them in the box on the Business Office door in the church lobby. Permission forms are due Monday, Oct. 2nd....SPACE IS LIMITED! We need STAND trained parents to chaperone and drive too please!

On Friday, Oct. 27th our 6th-8th graders will be going on our **annual Halloween Trip**. We'll be going lazer-tagging in Columbia, and then back to OLC for a fun Halloween movie with movie snacks and treats. Flyers and permission forms will be available soon. Deadline for submittal will be Monday, Oct. 23rd! We need Shield the Vulnerable trained parents to chaperone and drive too please!

High School Youth Ministry

Our **Sunday Evening Faith Formation Meetings** have begun! The theme for our first five weeks is "Relationships"...it's all about YOU! It is through our relationships with others that we learn what it means to be a human being. Relationships form the foundation of who we are and how we relate to the world around us, and they take work to be healthy, strong, and successful. Healthy relationships have both giving and receiving, and are **centered on love and respect**. Therefore, learning about relationships is really learning how to love!

This Sunday (Sept. 29th) we will look at our **Relationship with God**. All 9th – 12th graders are welcomed and encouraged to join us from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim Janiszewski (timjolc@verizon.net or 410-255-3677). **If you're uncertain whether or not you are on our e-mail list, please let Tim know so he can add you to it.**

Wednesday Night Group

Our Wednesday Night Group is a **voluntary faith formation group** for high school students. If you are in 9th-12th grade and you're interested in pursuing your faith beyond what we do Sunday evening, AND in a relaxed setting, come join us please! (Note: Our Sunday evening meetings are wonderful with great content; the WNG is more relaxed, and yet deeper discussions.) While we have evenings of deep discussion on matters of faith, current events, and prayer, we also include evenings of community building, such as games, fun field trips, and service. And we've got some GREAT EATS! The schedule for the entire Fall (Sept. - Dec.) has been e-mailed to parents, and we will post here in the bulletin the upcoming month's schedule. So...if you are in 9th-12th grade, come join us please Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. Here's our schedule for the next couple weeks...

Date Activity

Oct. 4 Raff - Questions & Perspectives w/Grilled Cheese and Tomato Soup: Fr. Raff is always promoting us to THINK, THINK, THINK. Come tonight with your questions for him. He's got no answers for us, but really great perspectives that make you Think! Think! Think! We'll enjoy grilled cheese sandwiches and tomato soup tonight too

Oct. 11 Team Building Activities w/ Heritage Food: Tonight we'll take part in some fun and challenging team building activities to help hone our skills, and we'll savor food from YOUR family heritage...students volunteer to bring in food from their family's culture (ex. Mr. Tim will bring in Polish food).

Oct. 18 Debate Night w/ Pumpkin Pudding and Pumpkin Bread: This is a WNG Classic activity. We'll present a topic, split into teams, develop a defense, and then debate our positions. We'll relish some classic Fall delicacies...Pumpkin Pudding and Pumpkin Bread.

If you have any questions about Youth Ministry, please contact Tim Janiszewski (410-255-3677 or timjolc@verizon.net).