



***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. Stephen Hook 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
Macey Glinka	Facilities Manager
Rodney Armero	Director of Worship Music
Charles Alexander	Assist. Director of Worship Music

Parish Support

Suzanne Keys	Pastoral Council Chair
Judy Glinka	Altar Society
Janet Cogliano	Lectors
Joseph Borchetti	Eucharistic Ministers
Daria Breslin, daria.breslin@verizon.net	Altar Server Ministry
Luke Hogue	Ushers
Mary Laber	Social Justice Ministry
Mary Mulcahy	Bereavement Ministry
Mary Helen Gurney	Evangelization Ministry
Kathy Clifford, Sr. Sally Russell	R.C.I.A.
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.

January 14, 2018

Mass Intentions:

8:30—All Parishioners
10:30—Sal Cicero

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday:

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10 [8a, 9a]/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

Monday:

1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23 [23b]/Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday:

1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28 [21a]/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday:

1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1]/Mk 3:1-6

Thursday:

1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13 [5b]/Mk 3:7-12

Friday:

1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11 [2a]/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday:

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday:

Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

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

Dear Friends at Our Lady of the Chesapeake,

First I would like to thank everyone for the very warm welcome I received last weekend. Although the weather outside was bitter cold (and even the church was that way on Saturday due to a lack of propane), the warmth of this community came through to me in many ways. I look forward to serving you as your pastor for many years to come.

This weekend we return to Ordinary Time for a few weeks before the start of the Lenten Season on Ash Wednesday (2/14). Our Gospel readings for the next few weeks will be focusing on the early days of Jesus' public ministry, a time when he was calling his disciples together. This weekend's Gospel has Jesus inviting us to Come and see where he is going and where he is staying. May we respond to Jesus' open invitation to come and see him, wherever we may encounter him.

This Monday kicks off our participation in the Winter Relief Shelter program. I would like to thank everyone who has been working behind the scenes to prepare OLC to host this much needed service to our community. There may still be some volunteer ministry needs for the week so if you are able to volunteer, please go to our website and click on the Winter Relief Volunteer Sign Up link. Thank you for serving Christ by serving those in need.

I am still learning my way around the parish and the Dena for it is all new territory for me, but I look forward to continuing to get settled and getting to know the good people that make up the Body of Christ here at OLC. I ask you to keep me in your prayers as I will continue to pray for all of you.

God Bless,
Father Steve

Meet & Greet

You are invited!

Please join us after masses on January 28th
for some light refreshments and fellowship to
get to know our new Pastor, Fr. Steve.

Please join us at Our Lady of the Chesapeake on February 6, 2018 at 7pm for “ A Life Worth Taking a Risk For: The Story of One Syrian Family”.

Elias Bakhash, from Aleppo, Syria, is the second oldest of four children. Born in 1987, he studied mechanical engineering and graduated in 2011 from Aleppo University, just as the war in Syria was erupting. After living and working in Jordan for about 18 months, he moved to Turkey and worked with Jesuit Refugee Services (JRS) providing safe water access for Syrian refugees. JRS is a CRS partner in the water projects Elias worked on through our Syria emergency response, which also includes sanitation infrastructure and hygiene promotion.

Elias' family is now scattered all over the world. His mother and one of his sisters took a tremendous risk migrating by boat to seek safety in Austria. His father and another sister are still in Syria after several attempts to get out. And his brother is in Turkey designing water access for the Syrian refugees.

In the fall of 2016, Elias moved to the United States to continue his education toward a master's degree in sustainable engineering at Villanova University.

From the Desk of Sister Sally:**Join us for Contemplative Prayer!****Still your thoughts & emotions and focus on God's presence. Next session: Tues., Jan. 23rd at 9:45am & 7:00pm.****Anyone interested in Spiritual Direction or walking the Labyrinth, please contact Sister Sally: srussell@olchesapeake.org or 410-255-3677 EXT. 104***Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" ([Second Reading](#))*

Part of the challenge of Christmas is to recognize where Christ is being born in our world today, where two thousand years after the birth of Jesus we can again visit the stable in Bethlehem, see the new-born child, and have our hearts moved by the power of divine innocence and powerlessness.

The face of God at Christmas is seen more in the helplessness of children than in all the earthly and charismatic power in our world.

For 2018, I suggest we honor refugee children as the "Christ-Child of the Year." They bring us as close to the original crib in Bethlehem as we can get within our world today because for them, as for Jesus two thousand years ago, there is no room at the inn.

Jesus' birth, like his death, comes wrapped in paradox: He came as God's answer to our deepest desire, badly wanted, and yet, both in birth and in death, the outsider. Notice that Jesus is born outside the city and he dies outside the city. That's no accident. He wasn't born a "wanted" child and he wasn't an accepted child. Granted, his mother, Mary, and those with genuine religious hearts wanted him, but the world didn't, at least not on the terms on which he came, as a powerless child. Had he come as a superstar, powerful, a figure so dominant that knees would automatically bend in his presence, a messiah tailored to our imagination, every inn door would have opened to him, not just at birth but throughout his whole life.

But Christ wasn't the messiah of our expectations. He came as an infant, powerless, hidden in anonymity, without status, invited, unwanted. And so Thomas Merton describes his birth this way: Into this world, this demented inn, in which there is absolutely no room for him at all, Christ has come uninvited. But because he cannot be at home in it, because he is out of place in it, and yet he must be in it, his place is with those others for whom there is no room.

The real Christ generally shocks our imagination, is a disappointment to our expectations, comes uninvited, is perennially here, but is forever on the outside, on the periphery, excluded by our imaginations and sent packing from our doors. The real Christ is forever seeking a home in a world within which there's no room for him.

So who best fits that description best today? I suggest the following: Millions of refugee children. The Christ-Child can be seen most clearly today in the countless refugee children who, with their families, are being driven from their homes by violence, war, starvation, ethnic cleansing, poverty, tribalism, racism, and religious persecution. They, and their families, best fit the picture of Joseph and Mary, searching for a room, outsiders, powerless, uninvited, no home, no one to take them in, on the periphery, strangers, labeled as "aliens." But they are the present-day Holy Family and their children are the Christ-Child for us and our world.

Ron Rolheiser

That is why we tell everyone: "Come and see"! In every human situation, marked by frailty, sin and death, the Good News is no mere matter of words, but a testimony to unconditional and faithful love: it is about leaving ourselves behind and encountering others, being close to those crushed by life's troubles, sharing with the needy, standing at the side of the sick, elderly and the outcast. ... "Come and see." Love is more powerful, love gives life, love makes hope blossom in the wilderness.

*Pope Francis***Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) meets Wednesdays 7pm 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

Stewardship

Dec. 24, 2017 Offertory

Envelopes	\$16,548
Loose	2,912
Total Offertory	19,460
Deferred Maintenance Fund	1,218
Poor Box	140
Total Weekly Collection	<u>\$20,818</u>

Christmas Envelopes	\$19,307
Total Collection	<u>\$40,125</u>

Mass Attendance 2,337

YTD Offertory (26 Week)

Envelopes	\$279,422
Loose	51,485
Total Offertory	330,907
Deferred Maintenance Fund	30,634
Poor Box	6,914
Total YTD	<u>\$368,455</u>

Average Weekly Offertory	13,905
Average Weekly Budget	14,000
Avg. Weekly Surplus (Deficit)	(\$95)



The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Chesapeake will meet at 5:30 P.M. on Monday January 15th during the Homeless dinner. For more information contact John Donnelly at 410-437-0116 or sandysue@cablespeed.com

**RESPECT LIFE.....Building A Culture of Life
Respecting the Dignity of All God's People**

"We must acknowledge the dignity of the poor, respect them, esteem them, love them, serve them... We owe a debt of gratitude to the poor.... They teach us by their faith, their resignation, their patience in suffering. They allow us to help them. And in doing so, we are serving Jesus.

*--Saint Teresa of Calcutta from the book
Lessons of Love and Sanctity by Susan Conroy*

Volunteers Needed at Mary's Center: Mary's Center, a Catholic pregnancy center located in Glen Burnie, is seeking volunteers. If you are able to give a few hours each week to help women and teens in need or in a crisis pregnancy, please call 410-761-8082. Volunteer training begins at the end of January. There is also an urgent need for Spanish speaking volunteers.

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

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, 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., 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., Ron C., 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., Julio, Sebastian S., Michael, Nick, Leonard S. and family, Marie, Lisa W., Judy L. Pam D., August L., Rose B., Jason N., Dick C. Jenni, Matt, Jason R., Jeannie, Bob L., Bill H.

*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 suis-rael9@comcast.net or Stacey or Judy at info@olchesapeake.org*

Looking for volunteers to help assist Bodkin Student making lunches for our Shelter guests in The Gathering Place on Tuesday, January 16th and Thursday, January 18th 9:30am—12:30pm.

All employees and volunteers working with or around children must have completed the online youth protection training. You may do this by signing onto www.virtus.com. If you have questions feel free to call me at 410-255-3677 ext 105 or email me at Dmoran@olchesapeake.org.



**OLC
Winter Relief Ministry
Fundraiser**

Please gather family & friends and join us at Brian Boru Irish Restaurant and Pub in Severna Park at a fundraiser to benefit the OLC Winter Relief Ministry on

Tuesday, January 23rd, 5:00 PM – 10:00 PM

Enjoy a three course dinner for only \$25!
\$10 from each dinner will be donated to the OLC winter relief for the homeless!

Reservations are strongly encouraged; please call 410-975-2678.

The menu is available for dine in or carry out.
Hope to see you there!

Youth Ministry

Middle School Youth Ministry

We did not have class last Monday, Jan. 8th, due to inclement weather. **We are on break next Monday, Jan. 15th, since the students do not have school.** Our Monday afternoon religious education/faith formation meetings **begin again on Monday, Jan. 22nd, 2018**, when we will begin our third session of the year on **Sexuality**. All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students are welcome and encouraged to join us!

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!

High School Youth Ministry

This past Sunday, Jan. 7th, we began **Session 3 entitled "Pressures."** We had a general overview of pressure and stress, and the students shared the sources of their stress: parents, peers, and self. We took a look at the story of Jesus calming the storm (Mark 4: 35-41), and discovered that even Jesus puts pressure on us to strengthen our faith in him, and conform ourselves to the image of God in which we are made. When we feel pressure, when we feel like we're in the raging storm with no one around to help us, we need to turn to God and trust him. Jesus can help lead us out of our storm.

This Sunday, Jan. 14th, we will continue our session as we focus on School Pressures. All high school students AND THEIR PARENTS are welcome and encouraged to join us from 6:30-8:30pm!

On Friday, January 19th, we are going to Washington, D.C. to take part in the **Rally and March for Life**. At the Rally before the March, we join close to 20,000 other catholic high school students at the Verizon Center for a Rally with great music, talks, and a Mass. We then march to the Mall and up to the Supreme Court building in support of Life. Flyers and permission forms have been e-mailed to parents, and are available in the box on the Business Office door in the church lobby.

Friday evening, January 19th, the high school students will host their annual **Game Night for the Winter Relief** – come and play cards, board games, watch television, and spend some quality time with our guests. In order for the students to attend, one of their own parents must attend with them. It's a great evening; please consider joining us. A Sign-up sheet is available Sunday evening during our faith formation meeting; RSVP is required in advance (we are limited in the number of students that can participate), so please contact Tim if you haven't signed up but want to attend.

Also on Friday evening, January 19th, the HSYM is making and serving **Dessert for the Winter Relief** guests. In order for the students to attend this year, one of their own parents must attend with them. But students don't need to attend if they just want to make a dessert (individually wrapped). A Sign-up sheet is available Sunday evening during our faith formation meeting; RSVP is required in advance (so we know dessert is coming), so please contact Tim if you haven't signed up but want to participate.

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 Winter (Jan. - April) 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 month...

Date Activity

Jan. 17 **Movie Night (in house) w/ Popcorn and Candy** It's been tough at school with the end of the first half of the year for many students, so we're keeping it light tonight...come de-stress at WNG with a fun movie and enjoy popcorn and candy.

Jan. 24 **Theology Night w/ Grilled Cheese and Soup** We'll have an in-depth discussion tonight on theological topics, and enjoy Tim's famous grilled cheese and soup (tomato and chicken)! Come stuff your stomachs, heads, and hearts.

Jan. 31 **Old Testament Patriarchs and Matriarchs (Part 1 of 4)** The legendary Mary Pat Tighlman, campus minister and theology teacher at Maryvale Prep, will be enlightening us about the Old Testament Patriarchs and Matriarchs and what they have to do with Jesus. Students will be given recipes the week before and we will dine on amazing Old Testament food!

Feb. 7 **Free Form Night w/ Salad Bar** Tonight is an old school WNG night - students come in and share what they want to talk about. While we relax and enjoy one another's company and conversation, we'll enjoy our own Salad Bar!

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