



*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 8:30AM - 4:00PM*

Welcome

Rev. Brian "Raff" Rafferty, STL	Pastor
Rick Clemens	Deacon
Tim Janiszewski	Youth Minister/Pastoral Associate
Judy Glinka	Adm. Assistant/Business Manager
Stacey Beres	Secretary
Donna White	Hall Manager/Development
Macey Glinka	Facilities Manager
Rodney Armero	Director of Worship Music
Charles Alexander	Assist. Director of Worship Music

Parish Support

Jerry Mulcahy	Pastoral Council Chair
Judy Glinka	Altar Society
Janet Cogliano	Lectors
Joseph Borchetti	Eucharistic Ministers
Darla Breslin, Joanna Puglisi and Cate Puglisi	Altar Server Ministry
Luke Hogue	Ushers
Mary Laber	Social Justice Ministry
Mary Mulcahy	Bereavement Ministry
Mary Helen Gurney	Evangelization Ministry
Renee Medri	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 and Web Editor

Sacraments

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults All those interested in living the faith in our Roman Catholic tradition are welcome. Program begins in September and culminates at the Easter Vigil.

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.



The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meet the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 7:30pm in The Gathering Place.

March 1, 2015

2nd Sunday of Lent

Sunday:

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/
Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

Monday:

Dn 9:4b-10/
Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday:

Is 1:10, 16-20/
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday:

Jer 18:18-20/
Mt 20:17-28

Thursday:

Jer 17:5-10/
Lk 16:19-31

Friday:

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday:

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday:

Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/
1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

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

Pastor's Page

TREAT YOURSELVES TO LENT

Hi Gang! Guess what! It's Saturday morning (Feb. 21) and here I sit at my computer ready to compose the General Intercessions for this weekend's Masses. Trouble is: the weather forecast portends that no one will be here for this weekend's Masses! Non-specific as such forecast can be, there seems to be general agreement that we are going to get socked-in this Saturday and Sunday. What a way to begin Lent!?! But Hope Spring eternal! Spring is right around the corner.

In three weeks Daylight Saving Time resumes and then it's almost Spring. "Lent" comes from an Old English word meaning "Spring". That alone should encourage hope! And here's a special offer from your pastor: I will give a wooden nickel to each and every OLC parishioner who DOES NOT GIVE UP ANYTHING FOR LENT.

I am really hoping that none of us will give up
BUT GROW UP THIS LENT.

GROWING UP means appreciating ourselves as we are. And who are we? **BE REAL.** We are the persons God has chosen to be Moms and Dads, every one of us His children, formed by God at conception and joined to the Body of Christ by Baptism, energized by the Spirit at our Confirmation and nourished in and by the Body of Christ at each Eucharist. Now how about dem apples! Not too shabby, huh!

Don't grovel over your peccadilloes telling God how sorry you and you don't like yourself. Cheer up that God so carefully fashioned you after Himself. You're able to spend your day bringing a little bit of a smile and happiness to the face of anyone who returns your glance. We OLCers are the greatest right now because we are God own chillun, Don't wait for a "spiritual life" to magically dawn upon you. Every breath we take is imbued with the presence and power of God.

When you leave church after Mass don't blast out the door. Read the side on the inside wall with this quote from Anna Frank: "How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before beginning to improve the world".

MAKE LENT 2015 A TRULY ENRICHING TREAT

Holy Week Schedule

March 31st 7:30 pm - Penance Service
Holy Thursday April 2nd 7:30 pm – Mass of the Lords Supper

Good Friday April 3rd
2:30 pm – Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm – Service of the Lord's Passion
7:30 pm – Service of the Lord's Passion

Saturday April 4th
12:00 pm – Blessing of the Food
8:00 pm – Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 5th Masses
8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 12:30 pm (Extra Easter Mass)

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Pastoral Council

Officers:

Jerry Mulcahy – Chair Person
Carol Hall – Vice Chair Person
Tina Zahorcak – Secretary

Ex-officio (Non- voting) Members:

Rodney Armero
Judy Glinka
Joyce Heid
Stacey Beres
Tim Janiszewski
Mary Laber
Rev. Brian Rafferty
Donna White

Voting Members:

Dominic Aiello
Adam Beres (Youth Representative)
John Donnelly (KOC)
Rick Fahlteich
Bill Forman
Al Giunta
Mary Helen Gurney
Bob Hines
Tom Jeffers
George Johnson
Suzanne Keys
Bruce Mundie
Terry Puglisi
Jack Streb
Joyce Wiesner
Diane Williams

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

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on February 25th at 7pm. ALL members of OLC are welcome to attend the monthly meetings. We welcome & need your ideas & input.

Stewardship

February 8, 2015	
Offertory	
Envelopes	\$9,218
Loose	\$1,693
Total Offertory	10,911
Deferred Maintenance Fund	1,687
Poor Box	160
Total Weekly	\$12,758
Mass Attendance	753
YTD Offertory (32 Week)	
Envelopes	\$361,114
Loose	57,384
Total Offertory	418,498
Deferred Maintenance Fund	53,945
Poor Box	5,797
Total YTD	\$478,240
Average Weekly Offertory	\$14,764
Average Weekly Budget	14,000
Avg. Weekly Surplus (Deficit)	\$764

TUITION ASSISTANCE for Parish Families

Tuition Assistance Applications for parish families whose children attend Catholic Schools are now available on the Business Office door. Please return them no later than April 20th with a copy of your 2014 Federal Tax Return.

SVDP Update

We are still in need of can goods for our pantry. **We are also collecting candy and gift cards (McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King) for Easter Baskets for local families in need.**

Once again I thank you for your support.
God Bless, Mary



The Father Walter J. Paulits Memorial Scholarship

Our Lady of the Chesapeake has established a scholarship fund in memory of Father Walter Paulits to benefit graduating high school seniors attending college. Two scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each will be awarded. The beneficiaries of the scholarships must be a member of the parish of Our Lady of the Chesapeake, be active in the church community, and complete an application and essay. The scholarship funds can be applied to tuition, books, and/or fees and will be paid in the name of the student directly to the college by Our Lady of the Chesapeake.

An online application, full details for applying for the scholarship, and requirements may be referenced at www.olchesapeake.org. Applications and the essay are due by April 1, 2015 and will be awarded in June 2015 by the Scholarship Committee. Questions may be addressed via E-Mail to olcscholarshipapp@gmail.com.

STEM Scholarships

Our Lady of the Chesapeake will be awarding five scholarships to students pursuing degrees in a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics) related field of study.

The recipients will receive a one-time \$500 scholarship award and must be enrolled with a declared major in a STEM field of study at any junior college or university. The beneficiaries of the scholarships must be a member of the parish of Our Lady of the Chesapeake, be active in the church community, be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled in college, have at least a 3.0 GPA and complete an application and essay. The scholarship funds can be applied to tuition, books, and/or fees and will be paid in the name of the student directly to the college by Our Lady of the Chesapeake.

An online application, full details for applying for the scholarship, and requirements may be referenced at www.olchesapeake.org. Applications and the essay are due by April 1, 2015 and will be awarded in June 2015 by the Scholarship Committee. Questions may be addressed via E-Mail to olcscholarshipapp@gmail.com.

2015 Cabaret Saturday, March 21, 2015 6 PM

Join us for an evening of fellowship, entertainment, good food and great fun will be held at Our Lady of the Chesapeake in The Gathering Place. Proceeds will help to raise \$15,000 for an all-terrain track chair for an American war hero. Tickets must be acquired in advance. A donation of \$35 per person includes heavy hors d'oeuvres, desserts, cash bar, raffles, games of chance, and music by the "house band." The cabaret show directed by Otis Stroup follows immediately. Dress for this adult-only evening is semi-formal. For ticket information, email bobcianelli@verizon.net or call Donna, 410-255-3677, Kay, 410-360-9110, or Debbie, 443-540-8052.

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Prayer Line

Available 24/7 by emailing info@olchesapeake.org

We pray for: Tina A. and Family, Marie C., Matthew G., Stephen, Rylan, Rose, Emmett, Larry, Eileen, Jim, Randy B., Maria, Dean K., Marilyn, Chris, Bob B., Pete and Family, Chris, Adam, Lou & Family, Brian, George, Marianne, Janice T., Cassidy Sue, Marie Z., Alma A., Kathy D., Dija H., Albert T., Ellen R., Jen, Reggie, Luke, Cory, Scott,

Local Tax Help for Seniors

The Pasadena Senior Center will once again participate in the VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program.) Volunteers can help only with simple 2014 income tax returns, which will be filed electronically. Volunteers cannot prepare tax returns involving partnerships or corporation, self-employed persons or rental properties. The tax appointments will begin in February and will go through the beginning of April. Appointments are taken on a first come; first serve basis. Please call 410-222-0030 to make your appointment.

AARP Low- and Middle-Income Residents Free tax help. (AARP membership is not required.)

Trained volunteers are available to answer tax questions and assist with tax preparation. For certain taxpayers with income under \$90,000, with special attention to those age 60 and older. You are not eligible if you earn more than \$90,000 per year, own rental property, have business expenses or have a ROTH IRA worth over \$10,000. Unless noted otherwise, the drop-in service requires no registration and is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Self-service electronic filing is available using the library computers.

Locations:

Glen Burnie, Fridays, February 6 through April 10, 9 am to noon By appointment only. Call Audrey Creamer at 410.255.6964 between 9 am and 5 pm to schedule an appointment.

Severna Park, Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays, February 3 through April 15, 9 am to 1 pm Please call Frank Winner at 410.647.3335 to ask questions or schedule an appointment.

The Clare and Robert Moore Scholarship

Fund awards a yearly \$1,000 scholarship to an incoming first-year student or to a current Notre Dame of Maryland University student who is interested in or currently majoring in English. The scholarship can be applied to tuition, room and board, books, or educational fees.

An online application and full details may be found on the scholarship website: <http://crmoorescholarship.org>. Applications are due by April 15, 2015. Send questions to the Scholarship Committee via email at appinfo@crmoorescholarship.org.

Just a reminder that in the event Anne Arundel County Schools are closed for inclement weather, Religious Education Events and Classes will also be cancelled. If schools are delayed or closed, there will be no morning mass.

If inclement weather occurs on the weekend, visit our Facebook Page or our website www.olchesapeake.org for updates. If possible, we will also update the phone message of the church office, 410-255-3677.

A PASSOVER SEDER MEAL, THURSDAY, MARCH 26

The Passover Seder (meal) is celebrated by Jewish people each year. It was at the Passover Seder that Jesus chose to institute the new "meal" of salvation and redemption.

A Seder observance is being planned for Thursday, March 26, 2015 in the Gathering Place. Please plan to arrive by 6:30. This event may last 1½ to 2 hours. There is no charge but families will be contacted to bring a dish from a suggested menu that will serve 8 – 10 people

There will be opportunities to sign-up for this event after each Mass on **February 28 & March 1 and March 7 & 8**. Parishioners will be available at this time to answer any questions concerning this celebration or call Mary Helen at 410-255-4546 or Darlene at 410-255-8913.

RESPECT LIFE.....Building a Culture of Life

Respecting the Dignity of all God's People

Maryland March for Life -Monday, March 9th:

Calling all Marylanders!!! You have yet another opportunity to take a stand for life by attending the Maryland March for Life in Annapolis. This event will begin at 5:15 pm with a Catholic Mass at St. Mary's, 111 Duke of Gloucester St., Annapolis, 21404, with gathering at 6:15 pm at St. Mary's parking lot, with the March to follow at 6:30 pm, continuing to Lawyer's Mall. (A shuttle bus will be available for those unable to walk). The Rally will begin at 7 pm, followed by a return to St. Mary's for Chick-fil-A and fellowship. The General Assembly will be in session this evening, and many pro-life legislators will be introduced during the Rally. Come and stand in solidarity with fellow Marylanders' to abolish abortion in this state, a state with one of the highest rates of abortion in the country. For further information, go to www.marylandmarchforlife.org



Save the Date And Save Some Lives!

Next OLC Red Cross Blood Drive

Wednesday, March 18th

2:30pm to 8pm

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to schedule your life saving appointment!

Confirmation

We have rescheduled our **Confirmation Rite of Enrollment**, but we're going to do things differently. We are combining both the First Eucharist and Confirmation Rite of Enrollments to take place **during all the Masses on the weekend of March 14th and 15th** (5pm Saturday, and 8:30am and 10:30am Sunday). You decide as a family which Mass works best for your schedule that week-end. The Sponsors should still attend with their Candidate, and we ask families to sit up front in all four sections (seats will NOT be reserved so PLEASE arrive 15 minutes early). Near the end of Fr. Raff's homily, he will conduct the Rite of Enrollment for both the First Eucharist AND Confirmation students; follow his lead.

Middle School Youth Ministry

Last Monday, Feb. 23rd, we began our third Session of the year entitled, "**Celebrating the Eucharist**." The students had an opportunity to express what the Eucharist means to them right now, and how the Eucharistic celebration could be more meaningful/enjoyable for them. They also learned that the Eucharist is REAL; not in a physical sense, because we don't actually SEE the bread and wine transform into the body and blood of Jesus...but it is REAL nonetheless; it is mysterious. The bread and the wine are transformed into the body and blood of Jesus - it still looks like bread and wine, but it is really Jesus. When we eat and drink the Eucharist, just like the bread and wine we too are transformed - we still look like ourselves, but we become like Jesus, so that we can go out and BE Jesus to others (he is able to work through us better). The gifts God offers us are none other than His very self...God would offer us nothing less!

This Monday, Mar. 2nd, the students will have the opportunity to try and understand what the Eucharist is about by taking a look at its **historical origins** (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday, and Easter Sunday). It has everything to do with you, so come and find out! All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are welcome and encouraged to join us from 4:30pm to 6:00pm.

The Middle School students are also collecting candy each week to help make **Easter Baskets** for the children through our own St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you can afford it, please bring a **bag of candy to donate** each week.

Due to terrible weather, we had to cancel our Saturday, Feb. 21st, trip for **Snow Tubing at Liberty** Resort as part of a regional Anne Arundel County Youth Ministry trip. We thank the students and parents who were scheduled to attend...we'll go again next year!

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 (tjaniszewski@olchesapeake.org) and let him know your e-mail address. Thanks!

High School Youth Ministry

Our Sunday evening faith formation meetings for **Session 3** have begun. Our theme for the four weeks will be "**WWJWY2D?: What Would Jesus Want You To Do?**" The purpose of that question (WWJWY2D?) is to help you discover your destiny! God made us in His image so that we could be like Him. Being like God allows us to have peace, joy, wholeness, and love. That is our destiny! Since Jesus came to show us by his life what image of God looks like, asking ourselves WWJWY2D? helps us to be deliberate about the choices we make everyday. It helps you decide what the right thing for you to do in a given situation by thinking about what Jesus himself would do. It's not just about moral questions either, but also: Should I pray right now? Should I worship with my community? How and when should I serve others? Should I be educating myself about my own faith more? Do I need to reconcile myself with family, friends, enemies, God? The REAL focus of this session is to help you deepen your REAL relationship with Jesus. We can learn all about him, but you've got to spend time with him to deepen that relationship.

Last Sunday, Feb. 22nd, we had to cancel our meeting due to weather AGAIN! Next Sunday, Mar. 1st from 6:30pm to 8:30pm, we will investigate the **life of Jesus** so that the students can get a better understanding of what Jesus did while he was on earth...it will be fun so you don't want to miss it! All high school students are welcome and encouraged to join us!

SPECIAL NOTE: As a result of the cancelled classes, we have a make-up meeting scheduled for Sunday, March 8th so that we can finish Session 3. Please mark your calendars.

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.) We meet, you guessed it, Wednesday evenings, from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The topic is different every evening, but always has to do with faith (prayer, current events, morality, debates, etc.), and always has to do with you! We would love to have you join us!

If you have any questions about Youth Ministry, please contact Tim Janiszewski (410-255-3677 or tjaniszewski@olchesapeake.org).