

# 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

Macey Glinka Facilities Manager

Rodney Armero Director of Worship Music

Charles Alexander Assist. Director of Worship Music

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Susan Israel Prayer Line
Paula Gentile Respect Life

Angie Stull Associate Accompanist

Joyce Heid Wellness Ministry, Bulletin

Web Editor

#### **Sacraments**

<u>Baptisms:</u> 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.

<u>Sacraments:</u> 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 Mav.

### March 26, 2017

#### 4th Sunday of Lent

#### Sunday:

1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

#### Monday:

Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12a, 13b/Jn 4:43-54

#### Tuesday:

Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/ Jn 5:1-16

#### Wednesday:

Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-15, 17-18/Jn 5:17-30

#### Thursday:

Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/ Jn 5:31-47

#### Friday:

Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-21, 23/ Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

#### Saturday:

Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12/ Jn 7:40-53

#### **Next Sunday:**

Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-8/ Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

## 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



Pope Francis Accuses Benedict XVI Of Wiretapping His Confessional | EOTT LLC www.eyeofthetiber.com

The Vatican has refused to say whether an apology was in the works after eavesdropping allegations were made by Francis last week against his predecessor.

Pope Francis' claim that his confessional was wiretapped by Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI has yet to be supported by evidence, but the Pontiff isn't ready to apologize for the accusation just yet.

"Let's not get ahead of ourselves," Director of the Holy See Press Office Greg Burke told reporters on Friday when asked if Francis would apologize to Pope Benedict if his allegations were debunked. "I think it's important to see where this goes, and I don't want to prejudge the investigation at this time."

Pope Francis has alleged in a number of tweets last Saturday that Benedict had let Vatican officials conduct surveillance on his Buenos Aires confessional before becoming pope.

"Terrible! Just found out that Benedict had my 'wires tapped' in San Roberto Bellarmino Church In Buenos Aires just before my papal victory. Nothing found!"

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

We pray for: Tina A. and Family, Andrea H., Sam R. and family, Russ C., Jim, Skip, John S., David K., Marie B., June, Sylvia, Chuck, Stephen, Rose, Kenny, Cory H., June R., Linda D., Janice T., Sylvia, Judy, Don W., Janeen N., Jeanne F., Andrew, Holly G. and Family, Paul R., Jeremiah D., Betty P., Mark H., William H., Georgia R., Kayla M., Bryan S., Kelly S., George M., Katherine, Janet, Bruce R., John O, Melanie K., Jamie P., Brian C., Stephanie, Kathy M., Crystal, Lisa, G Family, Marilyn, Barbara, Kathy, Judy, Don, Rich, Bob P. and family, Shannon, Maureen and Family, Addie H. and Family, Alex R., Gloria L, and Carmelina D., Malcolm, Jane, Nicole, Shawn, Larry B., Kim Z., 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., Rose D., Sam, Oliver Family, Jake C., Barb, Bonnie, Jim C., Cheryl A., Dorothy P., Jim, Jessica K., 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., Gwen H., Sharon R., Ashley H., Marsha S., Helen D., Betty Y., Brian G.

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 <a href="mailto:suis-rael9@comcast.net">suis-rael9@comcast.net</a> or Stacey or Judy at info@olchesapeake.org

### Our Lady of the Chesapeake Pastoral Council

#### Officers:

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



Save the Date!
OLC Vacation
Bible School
July 17th—21st,
2017

### From the Desk of Sister Sally:

Lent – the season of joyful transformation

#### **Looking Into The Heart**

The prophet Samuel comes to Bethlehem to choose a new king from the family of Jesse. He rejects Jesse's oldest son because "Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." With this single statement, the Word of God unmasks much of the world's blindness.

We look at poor people and see nothing other than rundown houses and littered streets. We look at the homeless and see nothing other than dirty faces and ragged clothes. We look at people who are different from us and we see nothing other than the color of their skin or the way they manipulate their bodily limbs.

In today's Gospel, Jesus, the light of the world, takes away the man's blindness. This wonderful story challenges us to "live as children of light." Our Lenten prayer and sacrifice should serve to take away our blindness so that we can look into the hearts of others and love them as brothers and sisters. It "should turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, death to eternal life." It should enable us to say with the blind man: "I can see and I believe in God."

#### **RCIA RITUAL**

Today is the second of three rituals which are steps in the preparation for our RCIA members who are becoming Catholic. During these last few months, those preparing for baptism and confirmation, which will be celebrated at the Easter Vigil have been studying the Scriptures and the tradition of the Catholic Faith. We, the parishioners of our parish, pray for their spiritual protection, deliverance from evil, and the God-given freedom to move towards baptism and confirmation.

During the 8:30 o'clock Liturgy this weekend, the RCIA Members will celebrate the Second Ritual.Adult Faith Formation: Tuesday, March 28th: The Gathering Place, 7:00p.m. - 8:30p.m. The Joy of the Gospel by Pope Francis

## Join us for our annual Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday, April 15th At 1:00pm at the church

Sponsored by the OLC High School Youth Ministry!

For tiny tots through 6th grade (different areas for different age groups)

We'll have prizes for the hunt, as well as face painting. Lunch and snacks for a small fee provided by the KOC.



Stewardship March 19, 2017 Offertory	
Envelopes	\$11,504
Loose	\$1,733
Total Offertory	13,237
Deferred Maintenance Fund	1,172
Poor Box	287
Total Weekly	\$14,696
Mass Attendance	694
YTD Offertory (38 Week) Envelopes Loose Total Offertory Deferred Maintenance Fund Poor Box Total YTD	\$410,610 69,110 479,720 48,780 9,400 \$537,900
Average Weekly Offertory	\$14,155
Average Weekly Budget	14,000
Avg. Weekly Surplus (Deficit)	\$155

### From the Wellness Ministry....

If you have followed any of the local news, you are aware of the heroin epidemic gripping our county and state. Every day there are numerous overdoses in our community and families are devastated. In an effort to combat the crisis and get people help to overcome addiction, there is a program being offered at Hope House Treatment Center to train people how to use narcan to help someone experiencing an overdose. Addiction hits all demographics, religions, ethnicities, income levels, education levels, etc.

## FREE NARCAN TRAINING at HOPE HOUSE TREATMENT CENTER

26 MARBURY DRIVE

CROWNSVILLE, MD. 21032

410-923-6700 (Damika) 443-871-7813 (Tammy) or IM

April 4th, 11 am--12pm

April 11th, 6.30--7.30 pm

April 25th 6.30--7.30 pm

NARCAN nasal spray is the only FDA approved nasal form of naloxone for the emergency treatment of a known or suspected opioid overdose.

NARCAN Nasal Spray counteracts the life--threatening effects of opioid overdose. Most accidental overdoses occur in home setting, so it's important for family and friends of those in active addiction to be trained to help save a life.

You will leave with a prescription for NARCAN, or, if possible, NARCAN. You can fill this prescription at a local pharmacy. We will have a list of the least expensive pharmacy. You will be able to safely administer NARCAN.

Please utilize this service.

You could save a life,

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



Come to the Waters of Healing
A day retreat for women suffering from
Post Abortion Stress

Saturday, April 8, 2017 For more information or to register, please contact projectrachel@archbalt.org or call 410-625-8491

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

The Tuition Assistance applications for school year 2017 - 2018 to Catholic schools (including High School) are now available on the Business Office door. All applications are due by no later than April 20th.

#### Little Sisters of the Poor

Join us as we host our inaugural "IT'S IN THE BAG" handbag auction on Sunday, April 23, 2017 at Rolling Road Golf Club, 814 Hilltop Road, Catonsville 21228. The event is from 11:30 am – 1:30 pm and includes a brunch buffet and silent auction featuring new, designer handbags.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 23, 2017 and invite your mom, daughters, sisters, girlfriends and relatives to "IT'S IN THE BAG." Learn more about the Mission of the Little Sisters of the Poor, visit and dine with the Sisters and Residents and bid on beautiful handbags! Reserved tickets are \$50.

Reserve your tickets soon (seating is limited) by sending your check to: Little Sisters of the Poor, Handbag Auction. Donations or purse sponsorships are also appreciated! Contact Carol Small, 410.744.9367 ext. 126 with questions.

#### Maryland Day The Charles Carroll House

The Charles Carroll House will host a weekend of fun activities for all ages.

Saturday, March 25 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Sunday, March 26 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Come and explore the Carroll house that celebrates a history of over 300 years and learn about the Carroll Family and oldest living signer of the Declaration of Independence.

St. Mary's School 4th graders will have an art display depicting the made in Maryland theme. A fun scavenger hunt will help you discover how the Carroll family made their fortune in MD. No charge, donations welcomed.

The Charles Carroll House is located in historic downtown Annapolis behind St.Mary's Catholic Church on Duke of Gloucester Street



#### SVDP OLC Pantry—Collecting for Easter Baskets

We are now collecting Easter candy and treats. In addition, we need gift cards for local fast food such as McDonald;s, Wendy's, Burger King, and Subway.

Our pantry is also in need of non-perishable items such as canned soups, pasta, sauces, condiments, cereal – everything except vegetables.

Items can be left in the red wagon in the church vestibule.

Donations are used to feed families in need in our local area.

Thank you!!!!!!!!!!!

#### 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, be a high school senior graduating in 2017 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.

Our Lady of the Chesapeake will also be awarding six 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 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.

Online applications, and full details for applying for the scholarships, and requirements may be referenced at www.olchesapeake.org. Applications and the essays are due by May 1, 2017 and will be awarded in June 2017 by the Scholarship Committee. Questions may be addressed via E-Mail to olcscholarshipapp@gmail.com.



**The OLC Knights of Columbus** will meet the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 7:30 P.M.. We meet in the Lauer building next to the Church. All KOC are invited to attend.

## **Middle School Youth Ministry**

We have begun our fourth and final session of the year on **Catholic Social Teaching**. In *The Joy of the Gospel*, Pope Francis reminds us that "Our redemption has a social dimension because "God, in Christ, redeems not only the individual person, but also . . . social relations." To believe that the Holy Spirit is at work in everyone means realizing that he seeks to penetrate every human situation and all social bonds. . . . Accepting the first proclamation, which invites us to receive God's love and to love him in return with the very love which is his gift, brings forth in our lives and actions a primary and fundamental response: to desire, seek and protect the good of others", starting with the poor and most vulnerable.

Last Monday, Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>, we took a deeper look into **The Life and Dignity of the Human Person**, **The Option for the Poor and Vulnerable. and the Care for God's Creation**. At first this might seem like a strange combination, but Pope Francis reminds us...

A sense of deep communion with the rest of nature cannot be real if our hearts lack tenderness, compassion and concern for our fellow human beings. It is clearly inconsistent to combat trafficking in endangered species while remaining completely indifferent to human trafficking, unconcerned about the poor, or undertaking to destroy another human being deemed unwanted. This compromises the very meaning of our struggle for the sake of the environment...Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society...Everything is related, and we human beings are united as brothers and sisters on a wonderful pilgrimage, woven together by the love God has for each of his creatures and which also unites us in fond affection with brother sun, sister moon, brother river and mother earth. (Pope Francis, Laudato Si – On Care for Our Common Home, nos. 91 and 92)

Students also collaborated on what they can do locally, and even globally, to make a difference.

This Monday, Mar. 27<sup>th</sup>, we will take a deeper look into **Rights and Responsibilities**, and the **Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers...** and how they impact our everyday lives. And while doing that we will continue to have a great time! All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome and encouraged to join us from 4:30-6:00pm.

The Junior High students will help to serve as **Liturgical Ministers during the 10:30am Easter Sunday** Mass on April 16<sup>th</sup>. We'll be serving for the Mass in the Hall again this year. Parents, please encourage your child to sign up and serve.

The 6th, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders 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.

#### **High School Youth Ministry**

Session 4 of our Sunday evening faith formation meetings has begun, and out theme is "Easter is About...". Every week we will investigate the Gospel reading for the next weekend's Mass, and discover not only what Easter is about, but also what it has to do with our everyday lives. Why is Easter so important? Prior to Easter, the greatest event in the history of the universe was the creation of the universe. But our sin brought great disharmony to the universe and our relationship with God and one another. Easter celebrates Jesus' ultimate victory over sin and death; Easter celebrates God's mad love for us; Easter celebrates our being forgiven and offered the opportunity to be reunited with God forever. Easter is now the greatest event in the history of the universe...it is the REcreation of the universe! And it has EVERYTHING to do with your everyday life!

Last Sunday, Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>, we took a look at John 9: 1-41...The Man Born Blind, and discovered that **Easter is About TRUSTING in God**. God made us in his image because he loves us and wants us to enjoy being like him. Our being in right relationship with God allows us to do just that. Sin blinds us to who God is and how much he loves us. Jesus came to take away our sins and take away sin's power to blind us from seeing and experiencing God's love. Jesus starts that healing process by meeting us right where we are, but he loves us too much to leave us right where we are, so he begins to change us, to transform us, back into the image of God that he intended us to be. We need to recognize Jesus for who he really is in order to reach our full potential. Recognizing Jesus can be a process that takes time; he won't force us to change, but we have to trust him. Trust starts when we begin to develop a relationship with Jesus. We can learn all we can ABOUT Jesus, but we won't be able to trust him until we get to KNOW him...that happens in relationship. The man born blind trusted Jesus even though his life had been hard; some people refuse to trust when they are going through tough times like the blind man. But the blind man allowed his physical weakness to become his spiritual strength, and he TRUSTED. However, it can be just as hard to trust God during the good things in life; sometimes the good things can even blind us from seeing God. Trusting God is always the key to right relationship and maximizing our peace, joy, and wholeness...when times are tough, and when times are good.

This Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, we continue our investigation into Easter as we look at the **Raising of Lazarus from the Dead**. All high school students <u>AND THEIR PARENTS</u> are welcome and encouraged to join us from 6:30-8:30pm. (Note: Parents are ENCOURAGED to join us Sunday evenings during our youth meetings for Session 4. When the students break out into their small groups, parents will form their own small group and have an adult level discussion on the same topic as the students. PLEASE join us!)

#### **Wednesday Night Group**

Our Wednesday Night Group is a **voluntary faith formation group** for high school students. If you are in 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 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/Spring (Jan. - April) has been e-mailed to parents.

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