



*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

Parish Support

Jerry Mulcahy	Pastoral Council Chair
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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.

All are welcome to join us for masses!

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April 23, 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday:

Acts 2:42-47/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Pt 1:3-9/Jn 20:19-31

Monday:

Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-9/
Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday:

1 Pt 5:5b-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/
Mk 16:15-20

Wednesday:

Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-9/
Jn 3:16-21

Thursday:

Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/
Jn 3:31-36

Friday:

Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/
Jn 6:1-15

Saturday:

Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/
Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday:

Acts 2:14, 22-33/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11/1
Pt 1:17-21/Lk 24:13-35

**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

Well, Gang,

I've gone and done it! I bought a house in the neighborhood where I can set up shop for my future as a "lend-lease" parish priest. I have been charged by every Neighborhood Improvement Association south of the Mason-Dixon Line not to reveal the exact location of my home to-be, lest property values plummet in the entire Mid-Atlantic States area.

Many priests are quick to say they retired because of the drag of administrative responsibilities. Not me! I proudly thank my Staff here at OLC for so spoiling me by perfectly handling all the major administrative chores such as paying bills, scheduling, business details, you name it! They have given me the freedom to address the "Priestly" stuff and I am eternally grateful. I have every confidence that my successor, although surely not perhaps as handsome and well-built as I, will take command of a smoothly humming machine for our Christians to witness here on the Peninsula.

If my successor has been chosen I am not yet aware, but rest assured I will keep you informed as soon as I can. In the meantime, it is crucial that we go full throttle unfolding the full explosive force of the Easter Mystery and display how it energizes us to this day. First and foremost, Easter convinces us that Jesus' promise of life with him is not a pipe dream. That alone should enable us to handle anything that might arise as an Excedrin headache.

Take a look at the insert in bulletin this week about something that drives us all nuts; not just us Catholics. Not by a long shot. The article is written by David Brooks, one of my favorite writers. He explains that technology increases our ability to be constructive and productive in this world. This should be a source of great optimism, the fact is the tide does not raise all boat; some folks are quite successful and others left by the wayside. Rich and poor at a standoff! It is our world today.

This imbalance, for better or worse, creates for society with a sense of guilt; somehow we just can't or won't reverse the imbalance. Instead we withdraw into opposite corners as the "Haves" and "Have-nots" sparring at one another and blaming each other. The result is a nation of self-conceived winners and losers, victim and victors, oppressors and oppressed.

Such a sad and malignant state of affairs too closely reflects our own nation at the present moment. This should not come as new to any American; we all sense the stress, the downright fear, discomfort with politics and politicians. Religion, encourages Mr. Brooks, at least offers people a path from navel gazing to acknowledgement that together we can improve the status quo. This is where we Christians come in; we the Resurrection, we for whom the Risen Christ is our Meaning-maker!

Raff

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Pastoral Council

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*Jerry Mulcahy – Chair Person
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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:

The Gospel reading from John recounts the story of Thomas the Apostle coming to believe by putting his fingers and hands in the wounds of the Risen Jesus. This “doubting Thomas” recount is a resurrection story that is probably quite familiar to many of us.

Touching the wounds of Jesus connects his inner wounds to those very visible ones of Jesus. The wounds of Jesus’ heart can be placed in the larger and deeper wounds of Jesus, hands and side. In this way, Thomas is healed and can move from doubt to his confession of faith.” What a powerful way for us to navigate our own sufferings that we carry each day.

I also have been inspired by Pope Francis’ homily several years ago on this Gospel passage when he spoke about we encounter the living God through Jesus’ wounds. Pope Francis says that we meet the living God as we tenderly kiss the wounds of Jesus in our hungry, poor, sick, imprisoned brothers and sisters. Like St. Thomas, our life will only be changed when we touch the Risen Christ’s wounds present in the poor, sick and needy. The wounds of poverty, geographic isolation, lack of economic opportunities, tragic deaths, domestic violence, substance abuse and transition are very real for many. By walking with them, learning with them and learning to love more deeply than we ever thought that we could, enables us to know Jesus more intimately. And, from there, we can see the beauty of the resurrection in the hopes and dreams of the them.

I pray that we are able to learn from Thomas in whatever way we need to, to become closer to Christ during this Easter season.

Blessings,

Sally

ARCHDIOCESAN PRAYER MINISTRY ON FACEBOOK

Visit the Archdiocesan Prayer Ministry’s new Facebook page at www.facebook.com/prayersarchbalt. This page provides encouragement, comfort, and resources to help you in your time of need. Check us out and “Like” us on Facebook. You can still request prayer or sign up to be part of the prayer team at <http://www.archbalt.org/ministries/prayer-ministry/index.cfm>.

From the Wellness Ministry...

Did you know the Anne Arundel County Department of Health has two free e-mail alert programs.

The **Community Health E-mail Alerts** provide subscribers with timely notices about new Department of Health services, community health issues and emergencies.

The **Recreational Water Quality E-mail Alerts** provide subscribers with information on County recreational waterway closures and advisories. Subscribers will also be notified when closures and advisories are lifted. To sign up for one or both of the alerts, visit <https://aahealth.org/alerts>.

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., 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., Sharon R., Ashley H., Marsha S., Helen D., Betty Y., Brian G., Lilly, and the Cicero Family, Deter Family and the Matassa Families

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

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

Mary's Center, a Catholic pregnancy center in Glen Burnie, provides free pregnancy support services. Call 410-761-8082 for assistance or to donate baby, toddler and maternity items.

"You knitted me together in my mother's womb."
--Psalms 139:13

Talk with your loved ones on end-of-life issues

Illness and death – whether our own or that of a loved one – are issues many of us avoid thinking and talking about until they are immediately confronting us. Too often we are unprepared for the questions that arise, and find ourselves making difficult decisions in the midst of a crisis, without the benefit of time and reflection. Maryland's bishops have released a pastoral letter, *Comfort and Consolation*, on care for the sick and dying to encourage Catholics to take that time now, before facing a crisis, so that when illness and death inevitably come, we can face them with the comfort and peace of understanding our faith, and knowing our Lord is there to embrace us in our hour of need. Visit the Maryland Catholic Conference at www.mdathcon.org/comfort for downloading copies or to order.

Do you know how to make a sandwich?

Would you like to help those who need a hand up? Winter Relief is on break until next fall. However, during the spring and summer months, OLC volunteers make sandwiches for the homeless of the House of Hope. Many hands make light work, and it only takes an hour or two to put together a much appreciated meal for many. Contact Joyce Weisner at 410-255-4437 if you would like more information or to help.

Theology on Tap

Young adults, join us for the May Theology on Tap. Archbishop Lori will be the speaker. We will meet upstairs at the Iron Rooster (downtown Annapolis) on Tuesday, May 2. Dinner and socializing begin at 7 p.m., talk begins at 7:30 p.m., and time for Q&A will follow. For more information, contact Mary Lipscombe (mlipscombe@stmarysannapolis.org, 410-990-4041) or join the Anne Arundel Catholic Young Adults and Frassati Fellowship Anne Arundel County Facebook groups.

The Resource Exchange Program of SVDP

The Resource Exchange is a program of the Social Action Committee at St. Vincent de Paul Church. We place homeless persons in apartments in cooperation with Health Care for the Homeless. We are always looking for gently used small furniture pieces and household items. The complete list is on our website at stvchurch.org. For more information contact Pat Frascati at 410-663-5542 or 410-917-2214 or frascati00@comcast.net.

SVDP OLC Pantry

Our pantry is 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 been on break the past few weeks. Our next and final class of the year will be THIS Monday, April 24th when we celebrate the year with our **Closing Fun Day**. All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are welcome and encouraged to join us from 4:30-6:00pm.

The Middle School students helped to serve as **Liturgical Ministers during the 10:30am Easter Sunday Mass** on Apr. 16th in the hall; they were ushers, lectors, altar servers, gift presenters, and Eucharistic Ministers. They did an AMAZING job, and we are so proud of and grateful to them!

We will be participating in a regional **Summer Madness** program this summer from July 31st – Aug. 4th. It is an opportunity for Middle School students (current 6th-8th graders in the 2016/2017 school year) to take part in service activities, meet students from other parishes (make new friends), and have fun. Each day (Monday - Thursday) the students will go to a different service site in the morning and help serve. They will return for lunch together, and then we'll all go have fun in the afternoon (bowling, laser-tag, mini-golf, etc.). On Friday, Aug. 4th, we'll all go to Hershey Park for the day (the Hershey Park trip is ONLY open to students who are participating in Summer Madness). Summer Madness cannot happen without parents helping (Child Protection trained and cleared parents). Flyers with more details and permission forms have been e-mailed to parents, and are also available in the box on the Business Office door in the church lobby. The deadline has passed. If we still have room, and you are interested in joining us, please let Tim know.

High School Youth Ministry

Our **Sunday evening faith formation meetings will be on break** until the Fall, but our Wed. Night Group meets year-round for faith formation, so consider joining us! See the description and schedule below.

We had our **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** on April 15th sponsored by the HSYM students. It included all children from babies up through and including 6th graders! The high school students **filled over 1,700 eggs** on Friday, April 14th at the church, and then ran the hunt and face painting. Thank you to all the students who helped. Also, a big thank you to the Knights of Columbus who generously made food for all the families. And thank you to Melissa Casterline and Marie Janiszewski for seeing that everything ran so smoothly!

We are on our **Spring Retreat** as you read this (April 21st – 23rd), at Camp Letts in Edgewater, MD. Our theme is entitled "Why Am I Catholic and What Does It Matter?" Thank you to everyone who is keeping us in your prayers.

Finally, again this summer we are sending teams out for our **Work Camp trips**. One team will be heading into Baltimore City (June 18-24), and one team will be going to Terra Alta, West Virginia (June 25-July 1); teams from OLC consist of at least 5 students and 2 adults. Our teams will be joining many other students from parishes around the Archdiocese of Baltimore to perform "Habitat for Humanity" type work for the week. Flyers have been e-mailed to parents and are available in the box on the Business Office door in the church lobby. **The expenses for the Baltimore and Appalachia trips are \$350 per person. For both work camp trips, we're asking the students to pay for part of their expenses (\$175), and we're hoping parishioners will consider sponsoring students for the remainder of their expenses (\$175 per student, although partial sponsorship is also welcome). We have asked this of you in years past, and you have supported us amazingly; we are grateful!** We know things are tight in this economy, but this is a worthwhile investment! Please contact Father Raff or Tim Janiszewski if you are interested in sponsoring one of our students (410-255-3677 or tjaniszewski@olchesapeake.org).

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/Spring (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

Apr. 26 **Putt Putt w/ Menchie's Frozen Yogurt** FIELD TRIP – As a "Thank You" to all the peers who worked hard on our Spring Retreat, we're going Putt Putting and then to get Frozen Yogurt at Menchie's. (You do not have to be a peer, or have attended retreat, to join us).

May 3 **Plan the Summer Schedule w/ Pizza** It's time to develop the WNG schedule for the Summer (May - August). We'll make mini-homemade pizza together as we plan out the WNG for the next months. Come with FIELD TRIP ideas!

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