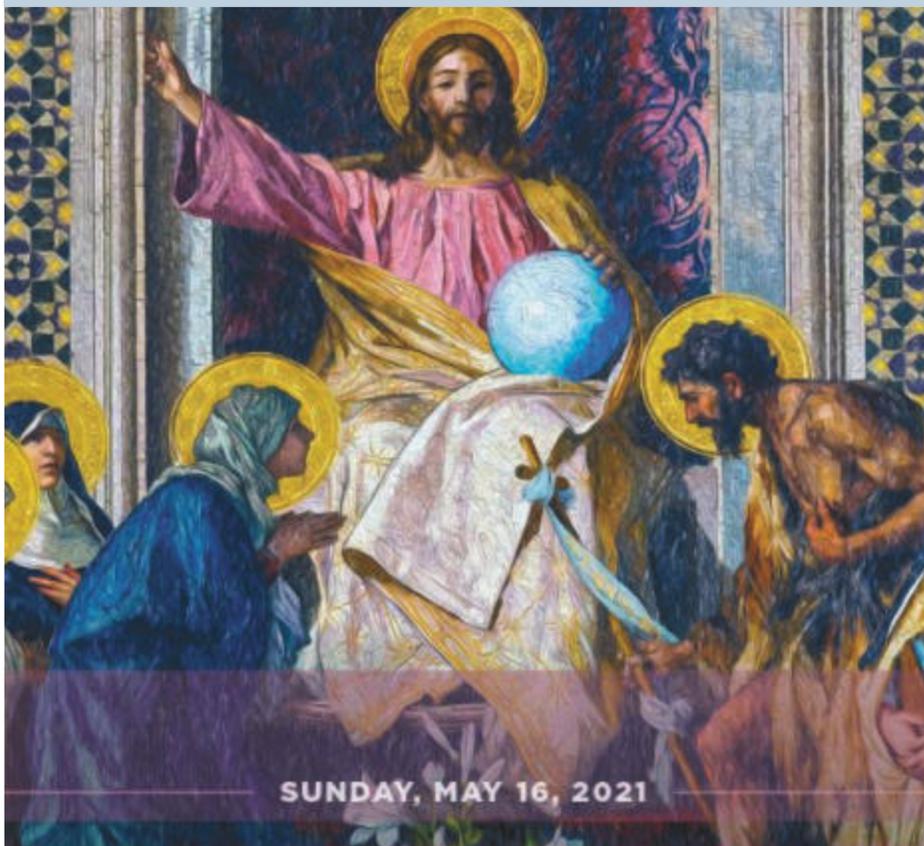


Saint Mary, Newport CATHOLIC CHURCH & Shrine of St. John Vianney



SUNDAY, MAY 16, 2021
SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



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7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth." - Jn 17:15-17

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THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS:

Saturday Vigil5:00 p.m.
Sunday9:00 A.M.

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday8:00 a.m.
Tuesday8:00 a.m.
Wednesday(No Mass)
Thursday 8:00 a.m.
Friday 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday4:00—4:45 p.m.
& by appointment

ALL ARE WELCOME

We welcome our newcomers. Some have just moved into our parish; others have been here a few months and still, others have discovered St. Mary Church, Newport and appreciate the warm welcome. We strongly urge parishioners to accept Christ's invitation and call to us to participate in the spiritual life and ministries of St. Mary Church, Newport.

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ADORATION/BENEDICTION:
(Announcements will be made
once we are able to resume
Adoration)

SACRAMENTS

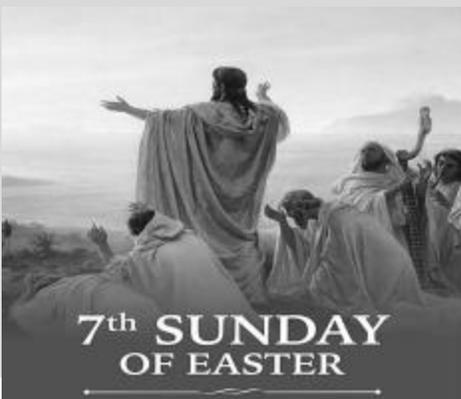
MATRIMONY:
Contact the Pastor six months
before the anticipated day.

BAPTISM:
Arrangements are made at the
Rectory. At least one of the
sponsors must be a practicing
Catholic.

CEMETERY:
Those who wish to purchase plots
should call Catholic Cemeteries
at 301-932-1766.

COLLECTIONS

May 9, 2021: \$2,157.00
Easter Collection: \$4,918.00
Faith Direct 04/01—04/15:
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**SOLEMNITY OF
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God remains where love remains. When a believer realizes without doubt that God is love, it is a powerful moment. Being able to place our resurrection trust in this fundamental truth allows us to experience God's presence in all of our experiences: the good and the bad, positive and negative, life enriching and destructive events we encounter. It is no wonder that St. Paul so accurately tells us that it is love that endures all things and lasts. How can God not endure or ever fade away? Because he is God, Jesus also guarded and protected his disciples as the endearing shepherd who always had their best interest at heart.

If we become too immersed in the world, we lose touch with these deeper realities. We can become so preoccupied with preserving what we have created or think that we need, forgetting that it is not building our city that really matters, but God's. Jesus clearly did not belong to the world and, by virtue of his resurrection, he tries to get us to understand that we do not either. The truth brings us to other worldly, more divine places and takes our eyes off of the concerns that often captivate our fears and storm our senses.

Life can easily erode our faith. Think of your life over the last couple of weeks. What challenged your faith and distracted your divine glance? Even being overly stimulated with technology and social media can erode our sense of confidence and cause us to forget who we really are. We need to distance ourselves from the world in order to experience the joy that Christ offers. The world will never like the word of God. It is too challenging and too perplexing. The world mistakenly believes that it can survive on its own. It is a mistaken judgment that may cost people a lot in the end. It is all so very simple: God remains when we love one another. If in all the business of our lives and all that each day brings, the good and the bad, we follow the call and path of love, we will walk with God. There is nothing to fear and anxiety finds no home.

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REMEMBERING THE SICK

We are asked to pray for: Ralph Andeer, Andeer Family, Carmen Asperas, Noellie Asperas, Brad Ballentine, Debbie Bennett, Frances Bean, Janice Blackstone, Doris Bradburn, Burkey and Margaret Boggs, Sally Davis, George Desmarais, Rosanna DiDomenico, Aidan Asperas Dulay, Sandra Ferguson, Debbie Friedrich, Martha Gray, Ellie Guy, Cathy Floyd, Cindy Kilmon, Fr. Fred MacIntyre, Jesse and Benedict McIntyre, Nicole McIntyre, Dennis Houser, Devon Pascal, Jimmy & Tammy Payne, Fr. Pittman, Deacon Rourke, Paula Stansburg, David Steger, Donald Stevens, Leslie Summers, Phil Wade, Frank & Mildred Wheatley, Kathy Windsor, Leigh Windsor, Laura Yarus, Bobby, Jake. Please also pray for an increase in vocations, especially in our parish; pray for our parish Priests. To add/remove a name on the prayer list, please email or call the parish office.

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ST. MARY CHURCH, NEWPORT GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY

— Open the 3rd Saturday of each month from 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. For more information, you may contact Evelyn Lawrence at 301-643-6597, or call the parish office at 301- 934-8825. Check out our Good Shepherd Facebook Page. “Like and Share” our Facebook to help spread the good word about our Food Pantry. <https://www.facebook.com/StMaryChurchNewport>.



SUNDAY'S READINGS

First Reading:

Then they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles. (Acts 1:26)

Psalm:

The Lord has set his throne in heaven. (Ps 103)
Or Alleluia.

Second Reading:

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. (1 Jn 4:11)

Gospel:

“Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one.” (Jn 17:11b)



TEXAS ROADHOUSE FUNDRAISER

Would you like to order a to-go/carryout meal to enjoy? Would you like a break from cooking and cleaning dishes? Then head on over to Texas Roadhouse in La Plata on Sunday, May 16 and enjoy some appetizers, lunch, or dinner, while supporting St. Mary Church, Newport at the same time. When you choose **Texas Roadhouse in La Plata on the 3rd SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH** 10% of your food sales will be donated to our parish. Remember to mention to your server you are with St. Mary Newport Church. Enjoy your meal and thank you for supporting of our parish.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to the winners of the recent online raffle held April 30:

\$300 Lotto Bundle: Robertha Hill; Michael Kors Jet Set Large Travel Leather Wallet: Danielle Welch, Michael Kors Drawstring Tote Jet Set Travel Bag: Chris Moore; Yeti Tundra 35 Hard Cooler Dawn Elliott.

Thank you for your participation in our fundraiser and thank you for your continuing support of the Good Shepherd Food Pantry.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - Question: What is the meaning of the letters that professed religious have after their names? Answer: The Catholic Church includes hundreds of religious communities. The priests, religious brothers, religious sisters, and nuns of these communities (which are often referred to as “religious orders”) are committed to particular spiritual traditions and often to a particular charism (such as teaching, healthcare, social work, or pastoral care). To help identify a person as a member of a particular religious community, the custom developed of including post-nominal letters that provide a sort of shorthand for the name of the community that the priest, brother, sister or nun is part of. So, for example OSB after a person’s name would indicate that they are a member of the Order of St. Benedict (the Benedictines), just as SJ would indicate that a priest or brother is a member of the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) or RSM would show that a woman is a Sister of Mercy. Other common examples include: DC = Daughters of Charity; FSC = The Brothers of the Christian Schools/Christian Brothers; OCist = The Order of Cistercians; OCD = Order of Discalced Carmelites; OFM = The Order of Friars Minor (the Franciscans); OFM Cap = The Capuchin Franciscans; OP = The Order of Preachers (Dominicans); OSF=Franciscan Sisters; SC = Sisters of Charity; SDS = Society of the Divine Savior (Salvatorian Priests and Brothers and Salvatorian Sisters); SSND = School Sisters of Notre Dame; SVD = Society of the Divine Word (Divine Word Missionaries).

ANNUAL “PARTY FOR 25” CRAB FEAST RAFFLE

Our annual St. Mary’s Church Seafood Fundraiser will soon draw to a close. If you received your tickets in the mail, please return them at your earliest convenience. If you did not receive tickets or need any more information, please contact Katherine Nutter at 301-643-2443, or call the parish office at 301-934-8825. Anything you can do to help make this parish fundraiser a success would be greatly appreciated. The 1st winner of the raffle will receive: 2 bushels of crabs, 10 lbs. of steamed shrimp, hamburgers, hot dogs, corn on the cob, drinks and more! Our 2nd and 3rd prize winners will also receive spectacular “mystery prizes”! Chances for the raffle are \$5.00 for 1 ticket, or 6 tickets for \$25.00. **NEW THIS YEAR:** If you would like to purchase additional tickets, they may be purchased online by visiting our parish website or our parish Facebook page. Ticket purchases are available through Friday, May 28th. The winning tickets will be drawn Sunday, May 30th, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. **Winners: please call the parish office to make arrangements to pick up your prize at the parish office.**





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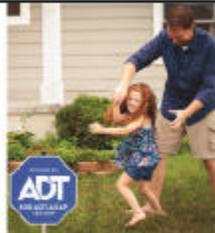
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