

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



SUNDAY, JULY 4, 2021  
14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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## THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS:

Saturday Vigil .....5:00 p.m.  
Sunday .....9:00 A.M.

## WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday .....8:00 a.m.  
Tuesday .....8:00 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:

Saturday .....4:00—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**

June 27  
(WILL APPEAR IN JULY 11  
BULLETIN)



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It's all so ordinary that we can easily miss it. The seagulls hunting and diving for mollusks at the beach offer a display of determination and precision as they gather their food for the day. It's simply what these creatures do. Yet, there's a magical artfulness and skill to their work that speaks volumes about the One who breathed life into their being. This is pretty much the way it is with God's presence. God comes in common ways through common things and ordinary people. Sadly, we are so engulfed in our little worlds of order and ideas to notice the beauty and wonder of it all. Many have numbed themselves to the Divine spark at the essence of all life because that's just the way it is. What's so special about it? A sunset is a sunset and a seagull is a seagull. That's precisely what they thought about Jesus too. After all, isn't he just the carpenter's son? What merit can his words possibly have?

If we're looking for God to come in an event that is so dramatic and intense that it knocks our socks off, then think again. When pondering God's relationship with His people and God's action in our lives, we have to go back to the stable and the recurring, creative, unending power of God's presence. It was a quiet, run of the mill kind of night. There was nothing spectacular or extraordinary. To the naked eye, a woman gave birth to a child and there wasn't anything extraordinary to see. We have a hard time understanding God's ordinary-ness. Jesus grew up in an ordinary town, had neighbors and did normal human things. Perhaps that's why we don't always like the Gospel. It doesn't dazzle us with extraordinary things but simply challenges us to take a different look at our ordinary stuff. That makes us uncomfortable. We prefer things as they are. Our lack of faith can even cause us to take offense at what Jesus says and does, dismissing it as folly.

God's life-giving presence continues to sustain that seagull in flight and keep all things in being regardless of whether we have the faith to see and understand this. Our personal agendas, preconceived ideas, misconceptions, and expectations can often cause us to be hardened and blinded to what God is doing or desiring to do. While God continues to do what he has done for all eternity, faith is needed for God's presence to bear fruit. The blinders we wear and the expectations we bring to life can often prevent us from seeing graced moments that radiate with God's graceful presence. They also prevent God's transforming, healing, and hope filled vision for our world from being realized. Without faith, God won't be able to do much for us either. ©LPI

**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, Tess Cuddy, 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, Scott Raye, Deacon Rourke, Bob & Gail Seith, 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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### SUNDAY'S READINGS

**First Reading:**

But you shall say to them: Thus says the Lord GOD! And whether they heed or resist — for they are a rebellious house —

they shall know that a prophet has been among them. (Ez 2:4-5)

**Psalm:**

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy. (Ps 123)

**Second Reading:**

I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me. (2 Cor 12:9)

**Gospel:**

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house." (Mk 6:4)

### FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Fellowship Hour is finally coming back! All are welcome. Save the date for our next Fellowship Hour on Sunday, July 11, following the 9:00 a.m. Mass. This will also be a perfect opportunity for you to meet and greet our new resident Pastor, Father Matt. Your potluck dish is welcome and may be dropped off at the Hall Sunday, July 11, prior to the 9:00 a.m. Mass. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the back of the church to let us know which dish you plan to share.



**WHY DO WE DO THAT?** - Question: Our Catholic grade school is doing a penance service this Lent. Do young children really need to go to Confession? How much sin can they really have? Answer: Ask any mom about her children and see how many would say she has a brood of perfect angels! Parents know that kids do things that are wrong ... and they often know they're doing it! Even toddlers have a sense of right and wrong. The Church recognizes that their minds and consciences are not yet fully developed, however, and typically waits until age seven to offer the sacrament of Confession. Around that age and beyond, most young people, when asked, can easily explain why something is wrong. Confession for children is an excellent way to help them reflect on their actions and accept responsibility for their behavior. It helps them to grow in their understanding of sin and how it affects others. This helps them to form their consciences and make better choices in the future. Most importantly, they learn the value of forgiveness, both given and received. Rather than singling out what's wrong, Confession offers hope and a new start! Children can grow in understanding God's unconditional love and develop a sense of inner dignity that transcends their failings. Not bad for five minutes and an "Our Father" or two!

### DAILY MASS UPDATE:

There will be no daily Mass at St. Mary Newport on July 5, 6, 7. Daily Mass will resume Thursday, July 8. Weekend Masses remain the same, no changes.



### JULY 4 CAKEPOPS

Celebrate Independence Day with some delicious treats. 20% of profits will be donated to the Good Shepherd Food Pantry. Cake pops are \$20/dozen and cakesicles are 6 for \$14. Choose from delicious options: Vanilla, cookies n cream, chocolate, lemon, birthday cake or strawberry shortcake. Contact Kristen at (301) 751-4451 or [kristenscreationsmd@gmail.com](mailto:kristenscreationsmd@gmail.com)

### HALL RENTAL



Did you know? Our St. Francis Hall is available to rent for many special occasions, such as wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, anniversary parties, birthday parties, holiday parties, retirement parties, banquets, repasts, and much more. The Hall accommodates up to 300 guests. Considering renting our Hall on a Sunday? A discounted rate is available for all Sunday Hall Rentals. Hall rental brochures may be downloaded from our Parish website. Or call the parish office at 301-934-8825 for additional information, pricing, and to book your special event. Book ahead, save the date!



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