

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



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 2021  
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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He put his finger into the man's ears and, spitting, touched his tongue; then he looked up to heaven and groaned, and said to him, "*Ephphatha!*"—that is, "Be opened!" - Mk 7:33b-34

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### THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Saturday Vigil .....5:00 p.m.  
Sunday .....9:00 a.m.

### DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday .....7:00 a.m.  
Tuesday .....7:00 a.m.  
Wednesday .....7:00 a.m.  
Thursday .....7:00 a.m.  
Friday .....7:00 a.m.  
Saturday .....8:00 a.m.

### HOLY DAYS

AS ANNOUNCED

### 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:**  
6:00 a.m.—7:00 a.m. Mon—Fri  
7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. Sat  
7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Thurs

**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**  
August 29: \$2,664.00



**23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

From the time we are born into this world until we die, our human radar picks up signals about how to respond to life. What we picked up on when we were very young carries an even greater power. The messages we receive and process tell us what we are “supposed” to do with our feelings, how to understand and cope with disappointment, anxiety, failure, death, illness, and what to expect out of life. As life unfolds for us, these radar messages kick in and resonate in us at very deep levels. Sometimes what we have learned is helpful and sometimes it is not. The stories we have been told, especially when we are young, about how life is best lived and how to negotiate its pain carry a heavy weight.

Life can be challenging and frightening. Sometimes, it really hurts to be a human being. It also can be quite unpredictable and, at times, unfair. We face our vulnerability and brokenness of all kinds: physical, emotional, and spiritual. It doesn’t take much for life to quickly fall apart. What we knew to be familiar and true is gone and something we relied upon, physically, emotionally, or spiritually, can be taken away. It is hard to confront our limitations and sit with our incompleteness. Often, life hurts us so much that we find ourselves sitting in a pool of sadness, not sure what we are supposed to do. It is particularly hard when the signals we have inherited tell us that we need to be successful in what we do, and we have to avoid life’s unfairness. We can feel like a failure, wondering what precisely we did to deserve this fate, or ruminate about what we did not do correctly. But it’s really not about us. We are part of a bigger picture and a much more fascinating story!

If we cease doing battle with life’s incompleteness and see ourselves, as God does, on a journey toward wholeness and completeness we can better accept our disappointments and stand firm. The prophets told us, and Jesus reassured us: Be strong! Fear not! Sometimes we have to update our stories and replace them with newer, more accurate ones. When we make God’s story our own and tune our radar into His voice, what we hear is all about restoration, healing, and rejuvenation! This is true even when we think we have hit rock bottom and can go no further. There is always hope. Remember the words of Julian of Norwich: God made us, God loves us, and God keeps us. Now, listen to God when He says, “be opened!” Be healed and allow your stories to change.

**REMEMBERING THE SICK**

**We are asked to pray for:** Ralph Andeer, Andeer Family, Carmen Asperas, Noellie Asperas, Brad Ballentine, Debbie Bennett, Connie Bennett-Muckey, Frances Bean, Janice Blackstone, Doris Bradburn, Burkey and Margaret Boggs, Tess Cuddy, George Desmarais, Rosanna DiDomenico, Aidan Asperas Dulay, Sandra Ferguson, Martha Gray, Ellie Guy, Cathy Floyd, Cindy Kilmon, Fr. Fred MacIntyre, George May, 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, Emmogene and Herman Yates, Bobby, Jake. Please also pray for an increase in vocations, especially in our parish; pray for our parish Priests. To add or remove a name on the prayer list, please email or call the parish office.

# 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## ST. MARY CHURCH, NEWPORT GOOD SHEPHERD FOOD PANTRY

Open the 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 will the eyes of the blind be opened, the ears of the deaf be cleared; then will the lame leap like a stag, then the tongue of the mute will sing. (Is 35:5-6)

### Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul! (Ps 146)  
Or Alleluia.

### Second Reading:

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him? (Jas 2:5)

### Gospel:

“He has done all things well. He makes the deaf hear and the mute speak.” (Mk 7:37)



## THURSDAY EVENING MASS

Join us for Thursday evening Mass, each Thursday, 6:30 p.m. **We also will have Adoration and Benediction from 7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.** Thursday is the day we remember the institution of both the priesthood and the Eucharist, the two sacraments which Christ began on that Thursday of the Last Supper. The Mass for Thursday, September 9, will be offered for Church of the Annunciation. Through the intercession of St. John Vianney, let us pray for the priests there, and that God would raise up vocations to the priesthood from that parish!

## ~~ MASS CHANGE ~~

~ Daily Mass will continue to be held at 7:00 a.m. Monday through Friday.

~ Beginning Tuesday, September 7 we will have Adoration from 6:00 a.m.—7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday.

~ Beginning September 4, the Saturday daily Mass time will change from 7:00 a.m. to **8:00 a.m.** Adoration will be held prior to Mass, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

**Maeve Loretta Newcomb**



**We Welcome You into  
St. Mary Church, Newport Parish Family**



## Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week in memory of

**Milt Hein, Jr.**

If you would like to remember your beloved deceased by lighting the Sanctuary Candle in their memory, or for a special intention, please call the parish office at 301-934-8825. A \$10 good will offering is suggested.



### Saturday, September 4

5:00 p.m. For living and deceased members of St. Mary Newport Parish

*Please remember to pray for the Souls in Purgatory. To request a Mass intention, please call the parish office at 301-934-8825.*

## 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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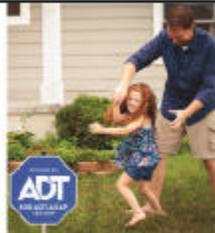
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