

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



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2022
27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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"When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" - Lk 17:10b

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. |
10:30 a.m.

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday(No Mass)
Tuesday 7:00 a.m.
Wednesday7:00 a.m.
Thursday 7:00 a.m.
Friday7:00 a.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS

9:00 a.m. | 6:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday4:30—4:50 p.m.

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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

September 25 Collection \$ 1851.00



Dear Church,
Happy October! For many Marylanders, this is their favorite month: the humidity is gone, the days are still (somewhat!) warm, the nights are cool, and the leaves are beginning to change.

October is also dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary! The rosary is the most familiar and favored of Catholic devotions. Its structure is simple: just pray the Our Father on the single big beads and the Hail Mary on the ten little beads (together: one decade), and one Glory Be at the end of each decade. And yet its depths remain inexhaustible: for each decade, mediate on the mysteries of the life of Jesus and of Mary (20 mysteries in all). One rosary is five mysteries. If you like, before you begin meditating on the mysteries, you can begin your rosary by praying the Apostles Creed, offering up your rosary for someone or something, then praying the Our Father for the Pope, then three Hail Marys asking Our Lady to strengthen you in faith, hope, and charity, and then one Glory Be to begin in adoration of the Holy Trinity (which is the whole point!). The traditional custom has been to pray the Glorious Mysteries on Sunday and Wednesday, the Joyful Mysteries on Monday and Saturday, the Sorrowful Mysteries on Tuesday and Friday, and the Luminous Mysteries on Thursday.

Whole books have been written on the rosary. Many popes have written encyclicals on it too. Countless saints have explained its virtues, and recommended its recitation. All I would add is, don't let its structure intimidate you! The vocal praying of the Our Father and the Hail Mary is the background, both keeping out distractions as well as subtly filling the heart with the most powerful words ever said. The meditation on the mysteries should be our focus, but gently: I find it helpful to focus on one thing every time I pray the rosary, to help me stay focused. Sometimes I focus on the time: what was happening before, during, or after the mystery, or even how that mystery is happening today. Other times I focus on the circumstances: who, what, when, where, why, or how. Many times I pick a theme and reflect on it throughout, meditating on how it may be present in each mystery: faith, hope, charity, humility, prayer, trust, courage, perseverance, waiting, choosing, Providence, etc.

Several years ago Pope Benedict said about the rosary:
"In the current world, so dispersive, this prayer helps to put Christ at the center, as the Virgin did, who meditated within all that was said about her Son, and also what he did and said. When reciting the Rosary, the important and meaningful moments of salvation history are relived. The various steps of Christ's mission are traced. With Mary the heart is oriented toward the mystery of Jesus. Christ is put at the center of our life, of our time, of our city, through the contemplation and meditation of his holy mysteries of joy, light, sorrow and glory.... The Rosary, when it is prayed in an authentic way, not mechanical and superficial but profoundly, brings peace and reconciliation. It contains within itself the healing power of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, invoked with faith and love at the center of each Hail Mary."

Of course, the important thing is to pray the rosary, not just read about it! And to pray it frequently, if not daily. If you have gotten out of the habit of praying the rosary, I encourage you to take it up this month! I pray my rosary in the car, or outside when I am going for a walk, just as often as I pray it in the church. Usually I am able to get all five decades in, but sometimes I may do more, and sometimes I only have time for one decade, and pray the rest later. Again, the point is to pray it: whatever helps you to do so, and to do it well, do and use that. If you have time, you may want to look up the traditional fifteen promises of Our Lady to those who faithfully pray the rosary, revealed in a vision to the Dominican priest Alanus de Rupe in the fifteenth century. But in a way they can all be summarized by this, repeated by Our Lady in so many ways in the many appearances of her over the centuries: those who pray the rosary faithfully will never be confounded, but will be rewarded greatly.

God bless you,
Fr Matt

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REMEMBERING THE SICK

We are asked to pray for: Ayesha Alie, Ralph Andeer, Andeer Family, Carmen Asperas, Noellie Asperas, Brad Ballentine, Cyndi Basulto, Debbie Bennett, Connie Bennett-Muckey, Janice Blackstone, Doris Bradburn, Burkey and Margaret Boggs, Debbie Chaney, Tess Cuddy, George Desmarais, Rosanna DiDomenico, Aidan Asperas Dulay, Deanna Deloicer, Cathy Floyd, Nicole Garrow, Martha Gray, Ellie Guy, Mary Hein, Cindy Kilmon, Skip Krahling, Fr. Fred MacIntyre, George May, Jesse & Benedict McIntyre, Nicole McIntyre, Devon Pascal, Jimmy & Tammy Payne, Scott Raye, Richard Rios, Deacon Rourke, Bob & Gail Seith, David Spadaro, Paula Stansburg, David Steger, Donald Stevens, Leslie Summers, Faye Russel Haggerty, Katharine Wesselink, Frank & Mildred Wheatley, Michael Windsor, Leigh Windsor, Laura Yarus, Barbara, Bobby, Jake, Ken Taylor, Angel Battle, Emmogene Yates. 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.*

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

As adults, unless we are dealing with children, "obedience" is not a word we typically like to hear. It often brings connotations of military protocols, deference to superiors at work, or conforming to laws and practices. In a culture that has learned to challenge authority, being obedient is understood more as something I "have" to do, not "want" to do. Do you ever see merit in wanting to be obedient? Encouraged to develop independent, self-sufficient egos and personas, we learn to focus on our own wills and merits as we strive for success and achieve a sense of well-being. Giving ourselves over to the will of another, especially when done blindly, can sometimes carry more risk than we are willing to take. Also, blindly following orders without any deference to ethics or morality can lead to atrocious crimes and violence against humanity. St. Ignatius of Loyola states, "There are three sorts of obedience; the first, obedience when a strict obligation is imposed upon us, and this is good; the second when the simple word of the superior, without any strict command, suffices for us, and this is better; the third, when a thing is done without waiting for an express command, from a knowledge that it will be pleasing to the superior, and this is the best of all." St. Ignatius sees obedience as an act of love. When the person we are obeying genuinely has our best interest in mind, acting themselves with love and integrity, then what St. Ignatius says makes excellent sense. When mutual trust and a bond of love and respect are present, obedience can lead to freedom and truth.

We ask God to increase our faith. In other words, increase our trust that God knows best how to live and act in this world. We desire the same confidence, determination, and patience Jesus had that the fulfillment of God's vision would one day come. Nurturing a deep love of God and trusting in his providence, we obediently do what we know is pleasing to God: love, repent of sin, show mercy, be compassionate and fight injustice. As we willingly give witness to our faith, we do only what we are obliged to do, expecting nothing in return. Spared from the task of having to figure it all out for ourselves, we discover freedom.

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Will you STAND and PRAY?

Please join us for the annual Life Chain in
La Plata.

**Sunday, October 2, 2022
1:45 to 3:30 pm.**



SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

8:00 a.m. **Chelsea Ransom** Living

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12

7:00 a.m. **Carolyn Simpson** Memorial

Please remember to pray for the Souls in Purgatory. To request a Mass intention, please call the parish office at 301-934-8825. A \$10.00 stipend is suggested.

Our Lady of the Wayside
37575 Chaptico Road, Chaptico



**15th Annual
Apple Festival
Drive Thru Dinner**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9th, 2022
NOON to 5:00pm
(or until all meals are sold)

Drive Thru Dinner - \$30
Crab Cake, Fried Chicken, Shrimp Macaroni Salad, Green Beans, Coleslaw, Chunky Applesauce, and Roll

Delicious Apples & Apple Pies
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Bake Sale Table
Homemade Baked Goods for Sale

Apple Harvest Basket Raffle and Money Raffle
Tickets for both raffles sold during event and before & after Masses

Cash, Credit Cards & Checks Accepted!



IHM Parish Cookbook Sales. Our 75th Anniversary parish cookbook "*Favorite Recipes to Feed the Heart*" is available for sale at the Immaculate Heart of Mary parish office (phone: 301.863.8144 ext.3). Each three ring binder hardcover cookbook contains 200 recipes from our parishioners and costs \$20. Payment accepted in cash, check, or credit/ACH through cookbook.ihmrc.org. Thank you for supporting our celebration with a souvenir of the occasion.

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. We offer our Thursday Mass each week for a different one of our 139 Archdiocesan parishes, for their priests and for vocations to the priesthood from that parish.



Thursday, October 6th
Rev. Robert W. Golas
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