



*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
Judy Glinka	Altar Society
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Daria Breslin, daria.breslin@verizon.net	Altar Server Ministry
Luke Hogue	Ushers
Mary Laber	Social Justice Ministry
Mary Mulcahy	Bereavement Ministry
Mary Helen Gurney	Evangelization Ministry
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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.

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

August 27, 2017

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday:

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8/
Rom 11:33-36/
Mt 16:13-20

Monday:

1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/
Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b/Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday:

1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-6/
Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday:

1 Thes 2:9-13/
Ps 139:7-12ab/
Mt 23:27-32

Thursday:

1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a,
12-14, 17/Mt 24:42-51

Friday:

1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6,
10-12/Mt 25:1-13

Saturday:

1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-9/
Mt 25:14-30

Next Sunday:

Jer 20:7-9/Ps 63:2-6, 8-9/
Rom 12:1-2/Mt 16:21-27

Pastor's Page



What a marvelous gift! Coming to Our Lady of the Chesapeake on **THIS TUESDAY August 29th at 7pm**, we are honored to present Thomas Awiapo, who tells a truly inspiring story of survival and success, hope and gratitude. Growing up in a small African village in Ghana, Thomas was orphaned before the age of ten and left on his own to struggle for survival.

He was the second of four brothers; his youngest two brothers died of malnutrition and lack of care. His search for food led him to an elementary school, where he was fed a small meal every day. He survived, studied, and eventually won scholarships to attend college. He later earned a master's degree from California State University.

Today, Thomas works with Catholic Relief Services as a consultant and integral part in bringing global solidarity. He lives in Ghana with his wife and four children. His story of initiative and his joyful presence has brought inspiration to thousands of people in the U.S.

Come hear his story in person and discover how **YOU can make a difference** as part of the social mission of the Church. **All are welcome!**

*****Please note, BABYSITTING WILL BE PROVIDED on site.**

Pope Francis would like your input if you are between the ages of 16 and 29

VATICAN QUESTIONNAIRE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

To involve young people in preparations for the Synod of Bishops on youth in 2018, the Vatican has released an online, anonymous questionnaire to better understand the lives, attitudes and concerns of 16- to 29-year-olds around the world.

The survey asks young people among other things whether it is of particular urgency today for the Catholic Church to focus on the environment. The online survey also asks young people about their lives, their social media use, how they view themselves, and who influences them. It inquires into whether they trust the Church and other institutions, how much they appreciate certain aspects of the Church, and how they view God and Jesus.

Young people from all backgrounds are encouraged to take part. The questionnaire can be found on the synod's official site and is *open to any young person, regardless of faith or religious belief*:

<https://survey-synod2018.glauco.it/limesurvey/index.php/147718> (it begins in Italian, but you can select English after you enter)

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Pastoral Council

Officers:

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To contact the council please call the church office or email olcparishcouncil@yahoo.com

From the Desk of Sister Sally:

Being Present to God and Life

Shortly after his conversion, St. Augustine penned these immortal words: "Late have I loved you, O Beauty ever ancient, ever new, late have I loved you! You were within me, but I was outside, and it was there that I searched for you. In my unloveliness I plunged into the lovely things that you created. You were with me, but I was not with you."

Augustine, sincere, but pathologically restless, had been searching for love and God. Eventually he found them in the most unexpected of all places, inside of himself. God and love had been inside of him all along, but he had hadn't been inside of himself.

There's a lesson here: We don't pray to make God present to us. God is already present, always present everywhere. We pray to make ourselves present to God. God, as Sheila Cassidy colorfully puts it, is no more present in church than in a drinking bar, but we generally are more present to God in church than we are in a drinking bar. The problem of presence is not with God, but with us.

The secret to prayer is not to try to make God present, but to make ourselves present to God.

Sadly, this is also true for our presence to the richness of our own lives. Too often we are not present to the beauty, love, and grace that brims within the ordinary moments of our lives. Bounty is there, but we aren't. Because of restlessness, tiredness, distraction, anger, obsession, wound, haste, whatever, too often we are not enough inside of our ourselves to appreciate what the moments of our own lives hold. We think of our lives as impoverished, dull, small-time, not worth putting our full hearts into, but, as with prayer, the fault of non-presence is on our side. Our lives come laden with richness, but we aren't sufficiently present to what is there. A curious statement; unfortunately true.

Augustine was lucky, the clock never ran out on him. He realized this before it was too late: "Late have I loved you!" Sometimes we aren't as lucky, our health and our lives must be radically threatened or taken from us before we realize how rich these in fact already are, if only we made ourselves more present to them. If everything were taken away from us and then given back, our perspective would change drastically. Victor Frankl, the author of *Man's Search for Meaning*, like Augustine, also was lucky. He had been clinically dead for a few minutes and then revived by doctors. When he returned to his ordinary life after this, everything suddenly became very rich: "One very important aspect of post-mortem life is that everything gets precious, gets piercingly important. You get stabbed by things, by flowers and by babies and by beautiful things-just the very act of living, of walking and breathing and eating and having friends and chatting. Everything seems to look more beautiful rather than less, and one gets the much-intensified sense of miracles."

The secret to prayer is not to try to make God present, but to make ourselves present to God. The secret to finding beauty and love in life is basically the same. Like God, they are already present. The trick is to make ourselves present to them. Rarely are we enough inside of our own skins, present enough to the moment, and sensitive enough to the richness that is already present in our lives. Our experience comes brimming with riches, but too often we are not enough inside of it. Like the young Augustine, we are away from ourselves, strangers to our own experience, seeking outside of ourselves something that is already inside of us. The trick is to come home. God and the moment don't have to be searched out and found.

They're already here. We need to be here. Karl Rahner was once asked whether he believed in miracles. His answer: "I don't believe in them, I rely on them to get through each day!" Indeed, miracles are always present within our lives. Are we?

Ron Rolheiser

Contemplative Prayer:

Come join us for a Contemplative Prayer Session!

Still your thoughts and emotions and focus on God Himself.

Tuesday, September 5th at 9:45 am and 7:00 pm (need only attend one). We'll meet in the Daily Chapel.

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)*

Each one is a missionary disciple by inviting persons who are not Catholic, or who have not received the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation to consider the RCIA process of becoming Catholic or completing the sacraments of initiation. Many persons observe your kindness and faithfulness. You have the grace to invite others to join us in our journey of faith. If you know of anyone who might consider the RCIA, please have a conversation with them about our faith.

Contact Sister Sally: srussell@olchesapeake.org; 410-255-3677 Ext. 104

Help Wanted
—Smiling faces who want to share the Gospel with little ones!

We are in need of some volunteer helpers to help with Religious Education on Sunday mornings starting in September. No experience necessary. Young and young at heart welcome. High school students can earn volunteer hours for Confirmation or graduation.

****We also need a few additional adults to be elementary teachers.** Please contact Stacey Beres at 410-255-3677, ext 102 or email sberes@olchesapeake.org if you are interested in volunteering.

Urgent Need for Readers

The 10:30 am mass on Sunday is in critical need of lectors. An orientation program is provided. Please contact Janet Cogliano at 410-437-3344.



Winter Relief Dinner/Auction Planning

Help Us Get A Jump Start on Preparations!

Please help by donating a bottle of wine or liquor for the Winter Relief Dinner/Auction. Bottles of wine and liquor may be placed in the basket located in the foyer.

Thank you for your support and generosity!

The Knights of Columbus will raffle a 2018 FORD Mustang or \$18,000 cash option.



You can buy tickets after Masses on Saturday and Sunday September 9th & 10th and September 16th & 17th on tables outside of the Church if it is not raining.

Chances are 1.00 each.

All profit is going to OLC Religious Education Program!



The Knights of Columbus of Our Lady of the Chesapeake will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month at 7:30 P.M. in the Lauer building.

All Knights are invited. For more information contact John Donnelly at 410-437-0116, or sandsue@cablespeed

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

St. Jeanne Jugan

Jeanne Jugan was born in France during the French Revolution. At the age of 15, Jeanne became a kitchen maid for a family that not only cared for its own members, but also served the poor and elderly. Ten years later Jeanne became a nurse at a hospital. Soon, thereafter she joined a third order group. She prayed, visited the poor and taught catechism to children. Mother Marie of the Cross as Jeanne became know, founded houses for the elderly which were all staffed by members of her association---the Little Sisters of the Poor. By 1879 there were 2,400 Little Sisters of the Poor. Jeanne died later that same year on August 30. She was canonized in 2009.

"With the eye of faith, we must see Jesus in our old people--- for they are God's mouthpiece"

St. Jeanne Jugan, Little Sisters of the Poor, Feast Day August 30

"No elderly person should be like an exile in our families.

The elderly are a treasure for our society,"

Pope Francis @Pontifex

Our Lady of the Chesapeake Prayer Line - Available 24/7 by emailing info@olchesapeake.org

We pray for: Tina A. and Family, Stephen, Cory H., Janeen N., Shannon, Alex R., Gloria L, and Carmelina D., Malcolm, Jane, Nicole, Shawn, 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, 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, the Cicero Family, Deter Family and the Matassa Families, Dave, Michael P, Ollie, Tanner C., Dave, Denise, Jim C., Carlson Family, Kevin & Janie N., Lynn C., Anita R., Kathy H., Katrina S., Jessica K., Ron C., Ian W., Jeff A., Vernie E., Michele T., John M., Vernie E., Joanna, Betsy, Lou, Jodi, Paul R., Barb K., Ella J., Kelani W., Caleb W.

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

Middle School Youth Ministry **Time to Register Please**

Our Monday afternoon meetings for 6th, 7th, and 8th graders **will be underway before you know it!** Our Parent/Student Orientation meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 18th at 7pm in the church (We encourage all parents and students to attend, even if you came last year. We will review this year's program, calendar, and events, so bring your questions). Our first class for the students will be Monday, Sept. 25th from 4:30-6:00pm. The tentative calendar for the year can be found on the parish website.

If you are not registered for the year yet, you can do so online at www.olchesapeake.org (look for registration under "Religious Education"). **PLEASE DO SO SOON!** Remember, we have never turned a student away for financial reasons, so if the registration fee is an issue, let us know, but we need you to register regardless please.

Our MSYM learned about **Catholic Social Teaching** this past year. On August 29th at 7pm, Thomas Awiapo from Catholic Relief Services is coming to OLC to share his truly inspiring story of survival and success (see more details elsewhere in the bulletin). Our students are encouraged to join us with their parents to learn about global solidarity and how you can make a difference. We look forward to seeing you soon - we're going to have a great year! Contact Tim Janiszewski if you have any questions or concerns (timjolc@verizon.net or 410-255-3677). **If you're uncertain whether or not you are on our e-mail list, please let Tim know so he can add you to it.**

High School Youth Ministry and Confirmation **Time to Register Please**

Our **2017-2018 High School Youth Ministry (HSYM) Program** will be starting before you know it; our first Sunday night class will be on September 24th from 6:30pm - 8:30pm (The tentative calendar for the year can be found on the parish website.) The beginning of our HSYM program is synonymous with the beginning of our Confirmation process. **Active participation in our HSYM program for two (2) consecutive years is part of our process before candidates are confirmed.**

First year AND Second year students need to register (even if you were registered last year). If you are not registered for the Confirmation process yet, you can do so online at www.olchesapeake.org (look for registration under "Religious Education"). **PLEASE DO SO SOON!** Remember, we have never turned a student away for financial reasons, so if the registration fee is an issue, let us know, but we need you to register regardless please.

Our Confirmation process begins with a series of Intake Sessions for the First and Second year students. **Each year, one of these sessions MUST be attended by the 'Family Team'** which includes: the interested young person (candidate) and at least one parent; second year students must also bring year, but they DO need to attend the meeting with a parent. The available Intake Sessions will be held **IN THE CHURCH** (please note the times) on:

Tuesday, Sept. 12th from 7-9pm Saturday, Sept. 16th from 9-11am
Sunday, Sept. 17th from 5-7pm Tuesday, Sept. 19th from 7-9pm

Please register online BEFORE coming to the intake session. You are not considered part of the Confirmation Process unless you attend one of the Intake Sessions (**and are registered**).

Our HSYM is going **Tubing and Hiking at Harpers Ferry** THIS Sunday, August 27th. We'll begin with a rigorous hike up to Maryland Heights, and end with a relaxing tubing trip down the Shenandoah River. We'll let you know next week how it went.

Our HSYM learned about **Catholic Social Teaching** this past year. On August 29th at 7pm, Thomas Awiapo from Catholic Relief Services is coming to OLC to share his truly inspiring story of survival and success (see more details elsewhere in the bulletin). Our students are encouraged to join us with their parents to learn about global solidarity and how you can make a difference.

We look forward to seeing you soon for another great year! If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Tim Janiszewski (timjolc@verizon.net or 410-255-3677). **If you're uncertain whether or not you are on our e-mail list, please let Tim know so he can add you to it.**

While our Sunday evening meetings are on break, our **Wednesday Night meetings run all through the summer** (see below), and we encourage all our high school students to come and join us!

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 Summer (May - August) 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

Aug. 30 Free Form Night w/ Grilled Hot Dogs and Smores Tonight is an old school WNG night (Kevin Hebda style) - students come in and share what they want to talk about. We'll do this outdoors around the fire pit and grill hot dogs and toast s'mores. **Bring your own comfy lawn chair.**

Sept. 6 Coping w/ Cobbler School just started! Come discuss coping strategies for school while enjoying Grandma Chris' homemade Peach Cobbler with Vanilla Ice Cream.

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