



## Monsignor Oliver Aloysius McGready

May 3, 1939 - May 22, 2024

It is with great sorrow that the Archdiocese of Washington announces the death of Reverend Monsignor Oliver Aloysius McGready on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, at Morningside House of St. Charles, Waldorf, Maryland. He was 85 years old.

Monsignor McGready was born on May 3, 1939, in Moneymore, Ireland. He was ordained a priest for the Archdiocese of Washington at the Cathedral of the Assumption, Carlow, Ireland, on June 9, 1962.

His first assignment in the Archdiocese of Washington was in 1962 as Parochial Vicar to Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Clinton, Maryland, and in 1962, to Saint Peter Parish, Waldorf, Maryland. In 1966, he was assigned as Parochial Vicar to Saint Michael the Archangel Parish, Silver Spring, Maryland, and in 1971, to Saint Philip Parish, Camp Springs, Maryland. He was appointed Co-Pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, La Plata, Maryland in 1976, and in 1977, as Pastor. In 1985, he was assigned as Pastor of Saint Mary of the Mills Parish, Laurel, Maryland, and then in 1991 as Pastor of Saint Martin of Tours Parish, Gaithersburg, Maryland. In 1992, he was appointed Pastor of Holy Family Parish, Hillcrest Heights, Maryland, then in 1995, as Pastor of the Shrine of Saint Jude Parish, Rockville, Maryland, and in 2006, as Pastor of Saint Mary Parish, Newport, Maryland. Monsignor retired in 2010, with residence at Saint Mary Parish, Bryantown, Maryland, and then in 2011 at

Saint Peter Parish, Waldorf, Maryland.

Monsignor McGready served as Dean of Charles and Calvert Counties, and was a member of the Priest Retirement Board.

A viewing will be held on Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at Saint Peter Catholic Church, Waldorf, Maryland, from 3:30-6:30pm, with the Vigil Mass at 7:00pm.

Mass of Christian Burial will be offered on Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. at Saint Peter Catholic Church, Waldorf.

Interment will follow at Saint Peter Parish Cemetery, Waldorf, Maryland.

Memorial contributions in memory of Monsignor McGready may be made to the "Retired Priests Collection", Office of Development, Archdiocese of Washington, P. O. Box 29260, Washington, DC 20017-0260.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Peter's Catholic Church Cemetery

3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601

# Previous Events

## Viewing

MAY 28. 3:30 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church  
3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601

## Vigil Mass

MAY 28. 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church Cemetery  
3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAY 29. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter's Catholic Church  
3320 St. Peter's Drive  
Waldorf, MD 20601



# Tribute Wall

JN

“ *In the quiet corners of our hearts, your memory will forever reside. We knew you for so long yet not long enough. You were not just a priest: you were a beacon of kindness, a guide, & a friend. Your words touched our souls & your faith was your center post. As this journey has ended, we bid you farewell, we celebrate the legacy of love & faith you've left behind.*  
*The Norris'*

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**Judith T Norris** - June 02, 2024 at 03:33 PM

RP

“ *we are happy to have Msgr Macgready as our priest we asked him to bless our brand new car and he graciously oblige reminding us that the blessing goes to the driver and not the car. He has such a happy disposition-always ready to do as he was asked. May God bless him with eternal light & peace. Lynn & ramon pineda*

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**Rosalinda Pineda** - May 29, 2024 at 11:09 AM

PK

*What a great blessing for our family and our parish to have Father McGready as Pastor at Sacred Heart Church, La Plata, MD! It is so true that he had such a generous and gracious personality as the previous writers noted. What an extraordinary Shepherd he was to all of his flock there and I am sure everywhere he served! All the angels and saints in heaven are still likely dancing lively jigs to welcome Msgr. Oliver McGready to his eternal reward! Paddy and Joey Kernisky*

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**paddy kernisky** - May 31, 2024 at 11:23 PM

JB

“ Anyone who ever knew Monsignor McGready knows what a beautiful human being he was. He had such a kind and caring heart. His wit and humor were infectious to all who knew him. I’m so grateful to have had a friendship with him for many years. What a pure blessing he was to everyone who ever crossed his path. He will be missed, but his memories will live on in our hearts forever. I’m really gonna miss our chats, and his chuckles and sense of humor, and just the decent human being that he was. Just as Fr. Woods said in the Vigil Mass last night, thank you so much to his family for sharing him with us. We all are forever grateful.

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

*Jenny and Tony Batts*

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**Jennifer Batts** - May 29, 2024 at 10:09 AM

LW

“ Oliver was a wonderful person to share time with. A happy and joyous golfer with a quick wit and a steady game. I always looked forward to spending time with him in Hilton Head. I asked him to perform the funeral service for my Dad in Valley Lee Maryland which was one of the most comforting and moving services I have ever attended. Oliver touched many souls and the world and the Catholic Church has lost a great individual.

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**louis wince** - May 27, 2024 at 07:55 PM