

# THE AVALON/BROOKEWOOD PILGRIMAGE

## SATURDAY, MAY 17

*“True joy is found in recognizing that the Lord is still with us, our faithful companion along the way.”*  
*Pope Benedict XVI*

As announced at the Spring Gala, the Avalon and Brookewood communities will make a pilgrimage from The Avalon School in Bethesda to the future site of our new school in Clarksburg on Saturday, May 17, in thanksgiving for the gifts we have been given and in petition for our future needs. The statue of “Our Lady Most Pure” which resides in The Avalon School chapel will be carried in procession and placed in a grotto on the Clarksburg campus. The pilgrimage, a walk of approximately 23 miles, will take place in easy stages, and refreshments will be provided along the way. Five decades of the Rosary will be recited at each stop.

8:30am	Holy Mass at Avalon
9:15am	Begin pilgrimage from 7000 Radnor Rd., Bethesda
1 <sup>st</sup> Stop	Our Lady of Lourdes – 7500 Pearl St., Bethesda Recital of the Joyful Mysteries (ETA 10 am)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Stop	St. Jane de Chantal – 9701 Old Georgetown Rd., Bethesda Recital of the Luminous Mysteries (ETA 11 am)
3 <sup>rd</sup> Stop	St. Mary’s – 520 Veirs Mill Rd., Rockville Recital of the Sorrowful Mysteries (ETA 2 pm)
4 <sup>th</sup> Stop	St. Martin of Tours – 115 S. Frederick Ave., Gaithersburg Recital of Glorious Mysteries (ETA 4 pm)
Final Stop	22901 Frederick Rd (Avalon) – Clarksburg Litany of Our Lady and Non Nobis (ETA 7 pm) Music by the Communion & Liberation choir

The evening will continue on the school’s property with a cookout, bonfire, songs, poetry and other festivities. Parents, students, teachers and friends are all invited.

Join us for the whole pilgrimage route or only part of it. We do ask you to offer your prayers for both The Avalon School and the Brookewood School and their families.

Please go to [www.avalonschools.org](http://www.avalonschools.org) or contact Mr. Richard McPherson at (301) 442-5463 for more information.



**Our Lady Most Pure**  
*Sculpted by H. Reed Armstrong*

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## SPIRITUAL BOUQUET

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We are asking all of our families and friends to participate in a spiritual bouquet for The Avalon School and the Brookewood School in thanksgiving for the gifts we have already been given and in petition for our future needs. We ask that this offering be done for 23 days (preferably consecutively) to mark the 23 miles of the pilgrimage. Ask all of your friends and relatives to participate. Some suggested spiritual offerings:



Daily Mass



Visit to the Blessed Sacrament



Daily Rosary



5 minutes of prayer



Our Father, Hail Mary, and a Glory Be



Our Father



Memorare



Hail Mary



Angelus



Glory Be



Hail Holy Queen



Other



Regina Coeli

Please call Rich McPherson at (301) 442-5463 or email at [rmcpherson@avalonschools.org](mailto:rmcpherson@avalonschools.org) or Charmie Vince at (301) 949-7997 or email at [brookewoodschool@verizon.net](mailto:brookewoodschool@verizon.net) with your spiritual pledge or any pledges you have received from others. Each person's name and pledge will be entered on a card. The cards will be bound together and given as a bouquet to our Blessed Mother.

## THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

# PREPARATION FOR THE AVALON/BROOKEWOOD PILGRIMAGE

## SATURDAY, MAY 17



### ***GET READY...***

Bring rosary beads.  
Dress in Layers.  
Wear comfortable walking shoes and bring an extra pair of cotton socks.  
Don't forget a hat, sunglasses, and extra sunscreen.



### ***BRING A BAG LUNCH...***

Eat a hearty breakfast.  
Go to bed early on Friday night.



### ***ENJOY THE DAY!***

We will provide snacks, water and first aid along the way.  
Avalon and Brookewood vans will be available all along the route to shuttle people back to their cars.



### ***THE PILGRIMAGE ROUTE***

#### **First Leg (1.8 miles) ETA 10:00 am**

Start at 7000 Radnor Rd., Bethesda, MD  
Go on to Brite Drive  
Right on Bradley Blvd.  
Left on Audubon Rd.  
Left On Glenbrook Rd.  
Right On Edgemoor Lane  
Right on Old Georgetown Rd.  
Cross Wisconsin Ave to East-West Highway to **Our Lady of Lourdes Church**

#### **Second Leg (2.7 miles) ETA 11:00 am**

Right on East-West Highway to Old Georgetown Rd.  
Old Georgetown Rd to **St. Jane de Chantal Church**

#### **Third Leg (5.6 miles) ETA 2:00 pm**

Old Georgetown Rd. to Rockville Pike (Rte 355)  
Left on Rockville Pike (Rte 355) to **St. Mary's Church**

#### **Fourth Leg (5.1 miles) ETA 4:00 pm**

Right on Rockville Pike (Rte 355) to **St. Martin of Tours Church**

#### **Final Leg (8.1 miles) ETA 7:00 pm\***

Right on Rte 355 to 22901 Frederick Rd., Clarksburg, MD

**\*If you will be at the festivities at the end in Clarksburg, we ask you to RSVP to Rich McPherson, (301) 442-5463, the Avalon front office, (301)-320-0668, or the Brookewood front office, (301) 949-7997.**