

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Masses: Tuesday & Friday 7:00 a.m., Sunday 6:30 and 8:00 a.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: After the Tuesday 7 a.m. Mass

Confessions: Saturday, 2:45 – 3:15 p.m.

Baptisms: By appointment.

Weddings: Six months advance notice.

CCD Classes: Sunday, 9:05 a.m., Holy Angels Sacred Heart School.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Feb.	8	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Feb.	9	7:00 a.m.	William Clements
Wed.	Feb.	10	11:00 a.m.	Mary Agnes Plunkett
Wed.	Feb.	10	4:30 p.m.	Florence Buckler
Thurs.	Feb.	11	NO MASS	
Fri.	Feb.	12	7:00 a.m.	Barbara Lacey
Sun.	Feb.	14	6:30 a.m.	Joseph Walter Hill, Sr.
			8:00 a.m.	Sony & Zita Kerwin

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

A great “Thank You!” to all who helped out with the WARM program this past week. So many of you took part in fixing food, serving meals, monitoring throughout the night, playing games with the guests, arranging activities for them to do, organizing the many volunteers and financially helping to defray the many expenses involved. The guests were most appreciative and I can say were truly touched by the outpouring of care and concern for them. I am very proud of both Sacred Heart and Holy Angels parish communities and for the many groups who provided the dinners each night for being the face of Christ to these brothers and sisters in need. Thank you for your tremendous generosity!

This week, we also begin the great season of Lent. **Ash Wednesday Masses** will be held at **11:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.** on February 10th at Sacred Heart and at **7:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.** at Holy Angels. During Lent, additional Masses during the week will be added at each parish – Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart and Saturday mornings at 9:00 a.m. at Holy Angels. Stations of the Cross will also be offered at each parish on Fridays at 7:00 p.m. This year, Deacon Lloyd and I will begin each Stations service with a brief reflection on one of the Last Seven Words Jesus uttered on the Cross. A Stations of the Cross for CCD/Faith Formation children will be held on Sunday, February 21st at 9:15 a.m. at Holy Angels Church, but this is open to all children of both parishes and their parents. Additional times for Confession will be offered as well: Wednesday evenings from 5:00-6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart and Tuesday nights from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Holy Angels. A complete Lenten calendar with all the dates and times will be distributed after Mass on Ash Wednesday and next Sunday.

The 40 days of Lent are an opportunity to listen more deeply to our Lord Jesus who with a heart full of mercy calls us into closer friendship with him. As a parish family, we are called to use this time of increased prayer, fasting and almsgiving to rediscover Jesus and his healing mercy. To help facilitate this encounter with our Lord, the parish, with the generous help of a donor, will make available to each family 1 copy of the book, *Rediscover Jesus*. Copies will be distributed after the Ash Wednesday Masses and Masses next Sunday. This prayerful and engaging work is divided into 40 chapters of a couple pages each, the perfect instrument to sacrificially give the Lord time for prayer and reflection each day in Lent. Consider doing this instead of giving up chocolate! You can also sign up online for the resource, *Best Lent Ever* which will email you a short video taking you on a 40-day spiritual journey to encounter Jesus in a deeply personal

way, and begin (or nourish) a habit of daily prayer. You do not need to have the book to sign up and take advantage of this resource. Sign up at www.BestLentEver.com. If you know a family member or neighbor who could use this book, feel free to take a copy for them as well, and tell them about the *Best Lent Ever* opportunity.

As we together journey during Lent towards Calvary and the Resurrection, be assured of my prayers that this season may be one of great grace and mercy for you and your family. Please keep me in prayer, too!

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence, when we fast by eating only 1 full meal (two smaller meals may also be taken, but together do not to equal a full meal, and there is no eating of solid foods between meals) and abstain from eating meat. All Catholics from age 18-59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All Catholics from age 14 onwards are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and every Friday in Lent. Those not in good health are dispensed.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 7th, at 1:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Please plan to attend.

SACRED HEART CEMETERY: Please remove all Christmas decorations from the cemetery by February 29th. Any Christmas decorations remaining after February 29th will be discarded. Thank you for your cooperation.

PANCAKE SUPPER: The Seventh District VFD Auxiliary will be having a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 9th from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Firehouse. Menu will include; pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fires, baked apple dessert, coffee, tea and milk. Cost is adults \$11.00, senior citizens \$10.00, children 4 – 12 \$3.00 and children 3 and under free.

SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER: Our Lady of the Wayside will hold its annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 9th from 5 to 7 p.m. Prices are \$10 for adults, \$6 for children 6-12 and children 5 and under are free. The menu will include; pancakes, scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, fried potatoes, coffee and juice.

STEAK AND SHRIMP DINNER: American Legion Post #221 in Avenue will be having a Steak and Shrimp Dinner on Friday, February 19th, from 5-8 p.m. The menu includes New York strip steak, steamed shrimp and burgers, eat in or carry out. Platters and sandwiches are both available.

COME AND QUENCH YOUR THIRST: Join us in the Fellowship Hall at Immaculate Heart of Mary (22375 Three Notch Rd), Sundays at 5:00 pm from Feb. 21-Apr. 17 for Discovering Christ — an eight-week series including a life changing retreat on Saturday, Apr. 2. Enjoy a delicious dinner and listen to an enlightening teaching. After, join fellow participants in exploring the meaning of life and the identity of Jesus Christ. For more information, visit www.ihmrcc.org/smallgroups/#ChristLife or call 301-863-8144. To register, visit ihmrcc.org/smallgroups (under ChristLife) or e-mail christlife@ihmrcc.org. Pre-registration required (we don't want to run out of food!).

OPTIMIST ANNUAL FEBRUARY DINNER: The 7th District Optimist Club will be sponsoring their Annual February Dinner on Sunday, February 28th, starting at 11:30 a.m. at the Mechanicsville Moose Lodge located at 27636 Mechanicsville road, Mechanicsville, MD 20659. The menu includes fried oysters, spiced shrimp, stuffed ham, fried chicken and vegetables. Cost is Adults \$27, Kids 6-12 \$8, Kids under 5 eat free, and drive-thru carry-outs are \$25.

MOTHER CATHERINE ACADEMY NEWS: Enrollment for the 2016-2017 school year has begun. Feel free to stop by and pick up a school packet, take a school tour, or have your child participate in a shadow day. Call the school office for more information at 301-884-3165. A part-time computer teacher is needed for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays. Must have classroom management skills and the ability to teach Microsoft Office. If interested, please email a resume to Linda Miedzinski, Principal at mcalmprincipal@gmail.com.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick: Owen Deal, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Trudy Quade, Carroll Farrell, Miles Mattingly, Kyle Tyer, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Madeline Hutchins, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, Jr. Farrell, Nancy Rueckert & Myrtle Thompson.

FEBRUARY VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Don & Charlotte Morgan in memory of Barbara E. Lacey

Sacred Heart Altar - Given by Charles & Margie Boyers for the intentions of Stephanie Campbell.