

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.	Mar.	28	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Mar.	29	NO MASS	
Wed.	Mar.	30	NO MASS	
Thurs.	Mar.	31	NO MASS	
Fri.	Apr.	1	7:00 a.m.	Ben Hewitt
Fri.	Apr.	1	11:00 a.m.	Doris Guy
Sun.	Apr.	3	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Joseph Ernest Armstrong

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! The Triduum celebrations last week of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday were wonderful! Thank you to the choir, the altar servers, and all those who decorated the church in such a beautiful way. You all made it possible for us to enter into this deeply spiritual time. Thank you!

I have always enjoyed the lyrics from the Hallelujah Chorus of Handel's Messiah, which is taken from different places in the book of Revelation: "*For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ; King of Kings, and Lord of Lords; and He shall reign forever and ever.*" Our Savior who died has now been raised, and He will live forever and ever. And He has given the gift of eternal life to Rodney at the Easter Vigil as he was baptized, and received Confirmation and Holy Communion. What a joyful occasion to witness firsthand God's mercy for this young man from our parish and newest member of the Church!

Speaking of God's mercy, next weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday. This feast was established by Pope Saint John Paul II help the entire Church reflect on God's merciful love, a love that offers forgiveness and not condemnation for those who trust in Him. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed after the 8:00am Mass – Jesus promised that those who pray this chaplet in the presence of the dying will help save their souls. So I invite you to join us and learn this prayer and to conclude the Novena of Divine Mercy. Since Pope Francis has also identified this year as the Holy Year of Mercy, the parish is making available another book by Matthew Kelly, the author of *Rediscover Jesus*. Called *Beautiful Mercy*, it has various reflections on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. These reflections really help us rediscover what mercy looks like when it is put into practice. Hopefully you will find it helpful! One copy is available in the back of church for each family.

Finally, I will be taking a couple of days off this week and while there will be no Mass at Sacred Heart on Tuesday, our First Friday Mass schedule will be unchanged. Have a blessed Easter Week!!

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

CONGRATULATIONS to Tyler Copenhaver, Cheyanne Rae Friess, Allie Hall, Eva Parsons and Tony Williams who received their First Holy Communion on Holy Thursday. Mary our Lord always keep you close to His Sacred Heart.

CONGRATULATIONS to Rodney Hill who was Baptized at the Easter Vigil.

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection next weekend is our monthly School Support collection

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday is the First Friday of April. Masses will be at 7 a.m. and 11 a.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Confessions will be held during Exposition and Sacred Heart Devotions will be held after Mass.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA began on Good Friday, March 25th and concludes on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 3rd. Brochures with Novena Prayers are available on the tables at the entrance of the church.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The Parish office will be closed on Monday, in observance of Easter. The office will reopen on Tuesday at 9 a.m.

PARISH POTLUCK: Save the date! Our Annual Parish Potluck will be held on Sunday, April 24th. Details to follow. Please plan to attend!

PARISH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER: Save the date! Our 260th Anniversary Gala Dinner will be held on Saturday evening, June 4th at the parish. Details to follow. Please plan to attend!

PARISH ANNIVERSARY MASS: Save the date! Our 260th Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday, June 5th, with Cardinal Wuerl as our principal celebrant. The time for this special Mass will be at 10 a.m. Please plan to attend!

JUBILARIAN MASS: On Sunday, June 19th, at 2 p.m., Donald Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception honoring married couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 or more years of marriage. Personalized scrolls signed by Cardinal Wuerl will be distributed to couples following the ceremony, or mailed should they be unable to attend. To register, please call the parish office during office hours.

MASS WITH HEALING PRAYERS: The next Southern Maryland Mass with Healing Prayers will be Tuesday, April 12th at Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Confessions will begin at 6:30 p.m., Mass at 7 p.m. followed by adoration and healing prayers. All are welcome!

SPRING DINNER AND SWING DANCE: All Saints Parish will be holding a dinner and swing dance on Saturday, April 2nd starting at 6 p.m. with appetizers and dinner at 7 p.m. in their parish hall on Oakley Road. The cost is \$50 per person and proceeds go to the preservation of All Saints Church. Come and enjoy great music by the Swing Away Band. For ticket information call 301-769-2019.

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

MARCH VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Charles & Margie Boyers for the intentions of Sully Shields.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Matthew & Ann Quade for the intentions of Matthew & Ann Quade & family.

EASTER BLESSINGS!