

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.	Apr.	25	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Apr.	26	7:00 a.m.	Joseph Walter Hill, Sr.
Wed.	Apr.	27	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Apr.	28	NO MASS	
Fri.	Apr.	29	7:00 a.m.	Florence Buckler
Sun.	May	1	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Michael Johnson

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

As mentioned last week during Mass, Pope Francis, and all the shepherds of the Church with him, view marriage and the family as the great mission territory of our time. Marriage and family life is in need of evangelization, and the first place we start is with prayer. As Jesus told us in the Gospel, “*Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.*” (Matthew 7:7-8) In prayer, we ask the Lord to help marriage and family life by first praying for marriages. Below is a prayer developed by the Archdiocese of Boston; I pray it before each meeting I have with couples who are preparing for marriage. Please join me in praying this prayer, if not every day, at least once a week. And then trust that the Lord will hear us!

*Heavenly Father,
through the intercession of the Holy Family,
Help us treasure the gift of marriage that
reflects the love of Christ for the Church,
where the self-giving love
of husband and wife
unites them more perfectly and
cooperates in your plan for
new life created in your image.*

*Help us support men and women
in their vocation of marriage,
especially in difficult times when
they join their sufferings to the Cross.*

*Help us uphold the institution of marriage
in our society as the place where
love is nurtured and family life begins.*

Help us acknowledge that our future depends on this love and on your providential care for us. Amen

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the Main Altar, Blessed Mother Altar and St. Joseph Altar were given by Kevin & Sherry Quade in memory of Joseph and Eleanor Quade.

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection next weekend will be by our monthly School Support collection.

SACRED HEART CEMETERY: Grass cutting season is underway. All artificial flowers and arrangements are to be removed from the cemetery immediately. Thank you.

PARISH POTLUCK: This weekend, Sunday, April 24th at 1 p.m. Sacred Heart will be having its traditional annual potluck dinner in the parish hall to help bring the parish together as a family. We will have Bingo and games for the children. Come out and enjoy a day of fellowship and good food.

CONFIRMATION: This year, 18 of our 8th grade students from Sacred Heart and Holy Angels parishes will be receiving the sacrament of Confirmation. Please join them for a special Holy Hour on Monday, May 2nd from 7:00-8:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church as they prepare to receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Then join us the next evening, Tuesday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. at Holy Angels Church as they receive this sacrament from Bishop Dorsonville. All are welcome!

PARISH ANNIVERSARY GALA DINNER: Save the date! Our 260th Anniversary Gala Dinner will be held on Saturday evening, June 4th, at 6 p.m. in the parish hall. Cash bar and silent auction will be available. Invitations have been mailed to registered parishioners.

THE ART OF STORYTELLING: Mother Catherine Academy will be hosting The Art of Storytelling on Sunday, April 24th from 1-5pm at the school. This event is free and open to the public. Nationally acclaimed storyteller Dr. Gail N. Herman will tell interactive stories that will inspire reading and intrigue both children and parents. There will also be additional activities so bring the kids for a fun and educational day!

PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY: Save the date! Our parish clean-up day will be on Saturday, May 21st. Lots of help will be needed.

THEOLOGY OVER DINNER: Please join Fr. Martin Flum at Kevin's Corner Café in Leonardtown on Thursday, April 28th at 6:00 p.m. Fr. Flum's talk is titled "The Crusades: facts, fiction and Islamic Imperialism".

25th ANNUAL FESTIVAL & DINNER: Immaculate Conception Church in Mechanicsville will be holding their 25th Annual Festival & Dinner on Sunday, May 1st from 12 noon until 5 p.m. in their Parish Center. The menu includes: Ham, Crab Balls, Southern Maryland Fried Chicken, Green Beans, Beets, Applesauce, Coleslaw, Parsley Potatoes, Garden Salad, Rolls and beverages. The cost is \$25 for adults, eat-in and carry-out, \$8 for children ages 6 – 12, and children under 6 eat free. For information/tickets call the parish office at 301-884-3123, Linda Morris at 240-538-6728, or George Briscoe at 301-448-5237

OUTSIDE YARD AND PLANT SALE: The 7th District Vol. Fire Dept. Auxiliary will be having a yard and plant sale on Saturday, May 7th, (rain date May 14th), from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the firehouse. Table rental is \$10 each, additional table are \$7. For more information or to rent tables please call 301-769-2016 or 301-769-4042.

MOTHER'S DAY BAKE SALE: The 7th District Vol. Rescue Squad Auxiliary will be have a Mother's Day Bake sale on Saturday, May 7th, at Murphy's Town & Country Store in Avenue, from 9 a.m. till noon.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick: Donna Farrell, Matthew Quade, Roger Raley, 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.

APRIL VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Agnes Tyer in memory of Mary C. Dorsey.

St. Joseph Altar - Given by Agnes Tyer in memory of John A. Dorsey.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Agnes Tyer in memory of Wanda Randalson.