

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday - 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.

Emergency Phone: 301-904-7750

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Aug.	14	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Mon.	Aug.	14	7:00 p.m.	Myrtle Thompson
Tues.	Aug.	15	7:00 a.m.	William Andrew Lacey
Wed.	Aug.	16	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Aug.	17	NO MASS	
Fri.	Aug.	18	7:00 a.m.	Linda Mae Pilkerton
Sun.	Aug.	20	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Donald Morgan, Jr.

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

On August 15th, we celebrate Mary's Assumption, body and soul, into heaven. This is a Holy Day of Obligation for us Catholics, which means we are bound to attend Mass that day, just like it was a Sunday. Therefore, 4 different Masses will be offered, two at Holy Angels and two at Sacred Heart, just like it was a Sunday. See below for times.

But why does the Church say that we **must** attend Mass on the Assumption, or on other days during the year besides Sundays? Well, think about Christmas. This is a Holy Day of Obligation, and many of us make sure to attend Mass even when Christmas occurs during the week. Why? Because we know this is celebrating something special, and we adjust our schedule accordingly. It helps that society in general also views Christmas as something special, so it makes it easier to attend Mass and celebrate. But in many countries, the Assumption is treated almost like Christmas – the government is closed as are many stores and businesses. So the culture helps them treat the Assumption (and other Holy Days of Obligation) as a special day, including going to Mass.

Here in the United States, this is not the case for August 15th. However, as Catholic Christians, this does not mean we ignore how special this date is. There are few days during the year when the Church asks us to turn our whole focus on Mary by attending Mass – January 1st (Mary, Mother of God), December 8th (Mary's Immaculate Conception) and the Assumption. She is our Mother, and her yes to God, including her sufferings, cooperated with Jesus her Son in our very redemption. On August 15th, we celebrate how God brought her at the end of her life body and soul into heaven. How happy we should be for her! How much we should thank God for this great grace! How much we should ask the Lord to help us follow her, body and soul into heaven! These are reasons to celebrate! Don't allow our culture in America to dictate how we celebrate our faith! See you at Mass either at the Vigil on August 14th or any of the 3 Masses on the 15th.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION: Tuesday August 15th is The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses here at Sacred Heart will be offered on Monday evening August 14th, at 7:00 p.m., and Tuesday morning August 15th, at 7:00 a.m. Masses at Holy Angels will be offered on Tuesday, August 15th at 12:00 (Noon) and Tuesday evening at 7:00 p.m.

ATAR FLOWERS: The flowers on Main Altar were given in memory of Frankie Bowles by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles. The flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar were given in memory of Shana Ridgell by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles. The flowers on the St. Joseph Altar were given in memory of Cody Lacey by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles. The flowers on the Sacred Heart Altar were given in memory of Antonietta Hammett by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles.

PRAYER GROUP: The Prayer Group will not meet this Tuesday, Aug. 15th. They will meet again on Tuesday, Aug. 22nd.

FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION: Faith Formation Registration is now underway. Please find registration forms on the tables at the entrance of the church. Forms and payments can either be placed in an envelope labeled Faith Formation and put in the collection basket or brought to Holy Angels Rectory. Faith Formation will begin on Sunday, September 17th. All upcoming 7th Graders need to begin participating in Faith Formation to be Confirmed in 8th Grade, as Confirmation preparation is now a mandatory 2 year program. If you have questions regarding Faith Formation feel free to contact Holy Angels rectory during normal business hours.

CHILDREN'S DAY AT ST. CLEMENT'S MUSEUM: St. Clement's Island Museum will be holding their annual Children's Day on Saturday, August 19th, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the Museum grounds. There will be games, crafts, entertainment and more! The 7th District Optimist will be serving burgers and hot dogs. There will also be water taxi rides to St. Clement's Island where you can explore St. Clement's Island State Park and Blackistone Lighthouse. For more information please call the St. Clement's Island Museum at 301-769-2222.

BOAT SCAVENGER HUNT: The 7th District Volunteer Rescue Squad Auxiliary will be sponsoring a Boat Scavenger Hunt on Sat. August 19th, at Quade's Store. Registration Fee's per boat Aug. 2nd – 18th. \$50.00, August 19th - \$60.00. You must be checked in no later than 2:30. There will be a 3:00 p.m. blast off and return check in by 6:00 p.m. Registration Forms can be picked up at Quade's Store. For additional information contact Terra 240-925-6950 or Trisha 301-769-3214.

ST. GEORGE'S ANNUAL DINNER: St. George's Catholic Church will be holding their Annual Dinner on Sunday, August 20th, from noon until 5:00 p.m. The menu will include Crab cake, Fried Chicken, and Ham with all the trimmings. Adult dinners are \$26.00, children 6-12 are \$10.00, and children six and under are free. All carry-outs are \$26.00. ***New this Year: Drive-Thru Carry-out!

MARIAN CONSECRATION: Imagine dozens of small groups gathering throughout St. Mary's County for six weeks to grow in holiness and to learn about the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary in our spiritual lives. The parishes of St. Mary's county are organizing a small group study entitled 33 Days to Morning Glory at locations throughout the County beginning September 10th, leading up to a county-wide Marian consecration on October 13, the 100th anniversary of the final apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. If you're interested in leading or hosting a small group or for more information, contact the Rectory.

BUSHWOODSTOCK 2017: The 7th District Optimist Club & BECA are sponsoring Bushwoodstock 2017 on Saturday, August 26th from 12 – 7 p.m. at the Optimist Park. Bands featured will be; The DRZ Band (12 p.m.), Six Gun South (2:15 p.m.) and Bob Schaller & Friends (5 p.m.). Tickets are \$20 and food and drinks will be available for purchase. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets, no coolers allowed.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Deceased: Clara Anne Wathen. **Sick:** Wendy Gibson, Matthew Quade, Leo Osborn, Larry Hill, Rholand & Mary Ann Hayden, Terry Johnson, Ken Cheseldine, Janet Farrell, David Hill, Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Miles Mattingly, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

AUGUST VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Shana Ridgell.
St. Joseph Altar – Given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Frankie Bowles.
Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Cody Lacey.