

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.	21	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Aug.	22	7:00 a.m.	Walter Lacey Family
Wed.	Aug.	23	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Aug.	24	NO MASS	
Fri.	Aug.	25	7:00 a.m.	Joseph Franklin Quade
Sun.	Aug.	27	6:30 a.m.	Loretta Riehl
			8:00 a.m.	Sylvia Mast

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Last weekend, we witnessed awful acts of violence and hatred very close to us in Charlottesville, Virginia. Our own archbishop, Cardinal Wuerl, wrote: *“Joining with the statement of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, ‘We offer our prayers for the family and loved ones of the person who was killed and for all those who have been injured. We join our voices to all those calling for calm.’ Our prayer also is that our society and culture find ways to rise above the forces of fear and antagonism and work instead for a society of true unity, peace and justice...At this time, as Christians, as disciples of Jesus, we must redouble our efforts to bear a witness for peace and the common good. As people of good will and faith in God, in solidarity with the victims of hate and violence, let us stand together in prayer and work for healing and unity in our country.”*

The statement from Cardinal DiNardo, the President of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops that Cardinal Wuerl referenced, states: *“On behalf of the bishops of the United States, I join leaders from around the nation in condemning the violence and hatred that have now led to one death and multiple injuries in Charlottesville, Virginia. We offer our prayers for the family and loved ones of the person who was killed and for all those who have been injured. We join our voices to all those calling for calm. The abhorrent acts of hatred on display in Charlottesville are an attack on the unity of our nation and therefore summon us all to fervent prayer and peaceful action. The bishops stand with all who are oppressed by evil ideology and entrust all who suffer to the prayers of St. Peter Claver as we approach his feast day. We also stand ready to work with all people of goodwill for an end to racial violence and for the building of peace in our communities.”*

For those who don't know, St. Peter Claver was a Spanish Jesuit priest who in 1610 went to the port city of Cartagena, in what is now Colombia, the principle slave market of the New World, where a thousand slaves were landed every month. As a biography of St. Peter Claver tells us, he “dedicated himself by special vow to the service of the African slaves, a work that was to last for thirty-three years. He labored unceasingly for the salvation of the slaves and the abolition of the slave trade. He loved the slaves as Christ did. He would board the slave ships as they entered the harbor, and would hurry to the revolting inferno of the hold, and offer whatever poor refreshments he could afford; he would care for the sick and dying, and instruct the slaves through catechists before administering the Sacraments. Through his efforts three hundred thousand souls entered the Church. Furthermore, he did not lose sight of his converts when they left the ships, but followed them to the plantations to which they were sent, encouraged them to live as Christians, and prevailed on their masters to treat them humanely. He died in 1654.” His feast day is September 9.

As St. Peter Claver witnessed with his life, the belief that one race is superior to another is against everything God teaches us, and racism has no place in a heart that belongs in Baptism to Jesus Christ, who died for every human being. As we pray for the victims and those who committed acts of violence last weekend, we ask St. Peter Claver's intercession that we ourselves be purified of any thoughts or actions that treat others as anything less than our full brothers and sisters because of the color of their skin.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the Main Altar were given by Kevin and Sherry Quade in memory of William Pilkerton.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: There will be a parish council meeting on Monday, August 21st, at 6 p.m. in the Rectory.

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 2 year program. If you have questions regarding Faith Formation feel free to contact Holy Angels rectory during normal business hours.

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.

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH SEAFOOD DINNER: On Sunday, September 10th from 11:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD, will be serving a delicious Seafood Dinner. The menu includes: Fried Oysters, Steamed Spiced Shrimp, Crab Balls, Fried Chicken, Parsley Potatoes, Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Pickled Beets, and all the trimmings! Served buffet style -- all you can eat! Adults - \$27.00; Children (12 to 6) - \$8.00; and Children (5 & under) - Free. Carry-outs are available at \$25.00 each. There will be delicious homemade desserts and a craft table! The Raffle Prize is for a total of \$1,500 in cash! The First prize is \$1,000 and the second prize is \$500. You do not need to be present to win. For more information to purchase advanced tickets, please call the rectory on or before Sept. 1st. at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: 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.

JULY COLLECTION RESULTS

Offertory	\$13,659.75	School Support	\$1,117.00
E-Giving Offertory	2,572.50		
Other Income	+ 1,520.63		
Total Income	\$17,752.88		
July Expenses	- 11,695.52		
	\$ +6,057.36		

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!