

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.	Apr.	16	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Apr.	17	7:00 a.m.	Sue Gibson
Wed.	Apr.	18	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Apr.	19	NO MASS	
Fri.	Apr.	20	7:00 a.m.	George Schuhart
Sun.	Apr.	22	6:30 a.m.	Terri Johnson
			8:00 a.m.	Joseph F. Long

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

These past few years, the Holy Spirit (working through the Catholic Church led by Pope Francis) has brought a renewed awareness to the world of the importance of marriage and family life. There have been 2 separate meetings in Rome of bishops from all around the world to look at marriage and family life as it is actually lived. They also listened to the Holy Spirit and produced a reflection called *The Joy of Love*. This gave a direction to how the Church and all of us are to support and strengthen marriage and family life.

Recently, Cardinal Wuerl has given us direction on how we are called to support and strengthen marriages and families in our own area. This direction is contained in a booklet called "*Sharing in the Joy of Love In Marriage and Family*". There are enough copies for everyone to take one home. At the end of the booklet, there is a wonderful section that gives practical guidance to pastors, parish leaders and staff, youth, young adults, engaged couples, newly married couples, young families, older couples and adults, and families in special circumstances (immigrant families, military families, families with special needs, inter-faith marriages, single parent families, families of divorce, and families with loved ones who experience same-sex attraction).

I will be working with our parish staff and parish council to begin implementing this practical guidance in our parish. I encourage you to read this booklet and also begin reflecting on what our Shepherd is asking us to do. If you have any questions or want to help our parish-wide implementation, please don't hesitate to contact me or a member of the parish council.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

PLEASE WELCOME to our parish family Jayde Elizabeth Lacey daughter of John & Wendi Lacey. She was Baptized on Sunday, April 8th.

FAITH FULFILLED: Did you know that the Jews celebrated a feast day called Pentecost? Or that Jesus exactly fulfilled the Jewish feast of Passover? God gave us a blueprint of the Catholic Faith in the Old Testament and He fulfilled it in Jesus Christ and in our worship of Him. This 5 week bible study will reflect on the ancient Jewish Feasts and how what we celebrate as Catholics fulfills all of them. Join us for this 5 week course beginning on Wednesday, April 18th at 6:30pm at the Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Bring a friend!

MCA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Come and get 'Shipwrecked' at this year's MCA Vacation Bible School! Venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive. Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. Registration is now open for this year's event. VBS will be June 25-29 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 p.m. and is open for children ages Pre 3/4 (must be fully potty-trained) through 6th grade. Please use the following link to register your child today! <https://vbspro.events/p/events/c9d426>.

HEALING PRAYER VIGIL: Our Lady of the Wayside will be holding a Healing Prayer Vigil on Tuesday, April 17th at 7 p.m. for Taylor Tennyson. There will also be a fundraiser for Taylor on April 21st, from 5 p.m. – Midnight at The Hammer. 24588 Hollywood Road, in Hollywood. They will have a silent auction, games, karaoke, 50/50, food for sale, byob adults only. You can find out more at "fundraiser for taylor tennyson's medical bills" on facebook.

GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE WORKSHOP: *Grieving with Great HOPE* is a five-week grief support workshop series that offers a prayerful, practical and personal approach for anyone who is mourning the loss of a loved one. The workshop will be offered beginning Wednesday, April 18th, and continuing Wednesdays, April 25th, May 2nd, May 9th, and May 16th, 2018 in the IC Parish Center. Visit www.goodmourningministry.net for more information, and for registration contact the rectory (301-884-3123), Deacon Bill (240-230-3167) or Tina Slaughter (301-884-9545, 301-342-6330, or 301-481-1961 or visit our website. Seating is limited. Advanced registration is kindly requested and the registration forms are located on the tables at the entrance of the church.

BLACKISTONE LIGHTHOUSE VOLUNTEERS: On May 3, 2018 from 6pm-8pm, the St. Clement's Hundred will be holding a Volunteer Appreciation gathering at The Olde Breton Inn. The St. Clement's Hundred, a group dedicated to the preservation and education of the Blackistone Lighthouse, are looking for volunteers for the upcoming season. A water taxi will take you from the shore of Colton's Point to the North Pier on the island. Spend the day greeting visitors from all over. The lighthouse is a self-guided tour, so prior knowledge of it's history is not a requirement. Bring your lunch and enjoy the breeze from the Potomac while you rock on the front porch and enjoy nature at its finest. The lighthouse is open on Saturdays, and the First Sunday of every month from June thru October. Join us for a piece of history, beautiful views at the original location where Maryland began. Please email blackistonevolunteer@gmail.com for more information.

MCA GREEN THUMB 5K: Join us for our 3rd annual MCA Green Thumb 5K on Saturday, May 5th at 9:00am. The start/finish for the 5K will be at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall parking lot. Medals will be awarded to the top three male/female in each ten-year age group. All proceeds will benefit the MCA Garden Club. To register, please visit <https://www.active.com/mechanicsville-md/running/distance-running-races/3rd-annual-mca-green-thumb-5k-2018>. For more information, contact Manny Gaffud at ynnamduff@gmail.com or visit <https://sites.google.com/site/mcaspringrunningfestival/home>.

PARISH DINNER/FESTIVAL: Immaculate Conception Church will be having their Parish Dinner/Festival on Sunday, May 6th from 12 Noon till ?, at the Parish Center, located at 28297 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville, directly behind the church. The menu includes: Southern Maryland Fried Chicken, Ham, Crab Balls, Spiced Shrimp, Green Beans, Parsley Potatoes, Pickled Beets, Applesauce, Coleslaw, Garden Salad, Rolls, Beverages and dessert (for eat-in only). The cost is: \$25.00 for adults, Eat-In, Carry Out, and Drive-Thru, and \$8.00 for children ages 6 to 12, and children under 6 eat free. Come out and enjoy a fantastic meal and participate in the festivities: Raffles, White Elephant Table, Bake Table, Plant Table, Bingo, Children's Game room, and more. Lots of fun for the whole family. For information/tickets call 301-884-3123, 240-538-6728, or 301-448-5237.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick: C.C. Gravetts, Joann Beavers, Johnny Williams, Roger Munday, Wendy Gibson, Matthew Quade, Leo Osborn, Larry Hill, Rholand & Mary Ann Hayden, Ken Cheseldine, David Hill, Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Ginny Guy, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie & Anne Marie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

APRIL VOTIVE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Steve & Donna Gibson in memory of Francis & Eloise Gibson.