

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

Rev. Charles A. Cortinovis, Pastor

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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.

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.	Nov.	24	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Nov.	25	7:00 a.m.	Patrick & Cecilia Doherty
Wed.	Nov.	26	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Nov.	27	<u>9:30 a.m.</u>	Ben Hewitt
Fri.	Nov.	28	7:00 a.m.	Stephen “Skeeter” Lacey
Sun.	Nov.	30	6:30 a.m.	Bernie Hall
			8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart and Holy Angels Parishes

Dear Sacred Heart parishioners,

As we head into the Thanksgiving holiday, it is a most appropriate time to thank our good God for the many blessings he gives to each of us, both small and large. In Eucharistic Prayer III, we pray everything “through Christ our Lord, through whom [Our Heavenly Father] bestow[s] on the world all that is good.” So anything that is good in our lives is a blessing from God, and I have so many for which I am thankful.

First, I am very grateful because the renovation of the upstairs of the rectory is essentially complete. There are a few cosmetic alterations that have to be made, but the floors have been sanded and polished, and furniture has been moved in. So many of you have had a role in the project’s successful completion, for which I am most grateful. We will have a “housewarming” of some kind in the new year so that everyone in the community can come and see the final product. I will keep you posted on when that will occur.

Secondly, and most importantly, I thank Jesus for each and every one of you. You enrich my life in so many ways. A parish priest’s parishioners are often like his family, and you have made me feel that way during my time with you. Many of you have welcomed me into your homes and your families, to such an extent that my own family feels very welcome down here and wishes that they could stay longer each time they come to visit! So many of you have shared your joys and sorrows, your victories and struggles with me, and I appreciate your openness and candor. I thank you for your patience with me as I learn how to be a pastor, and try my best to help you to know and love Christ Jesus.

I thank those of you who are involved in the parish life in some way, from our choir to those who clean the church, our ushers, money counters, those who work on the June and October dinners, the Parish Council, Finance Council, and Facilities Committee that help me to steward our resources wisely. Many of you help in other ways, giving of your time and talent to our parish in ways that are unknown to most people. I am also very grateful to Charlotte Morgan, who does a lot of work that is unseen to many to ensure that our parish runs smoothly. Together, we work to build up the Church, which is Christ’s mystical body, through contributing to the life of our parish. I often tell people who do anything for the Church that Jesus will reward anyone who helps with the Church because it is his Church, and he is generous by nature.

Our Thanksgiving Day collection this year will go to help those in need. Please be generous to the Thanksgiving collection, even if you cannot attend the Mass on Thanksgiving Day. Jesus is very direct with us in the Gospel that anytime we help someone who is needy in any way, we are not only helping them, we are helping him. Even if we cannot always see Christ in someone else, he is always present. It is important that as part of living out our faith, we share the blessings God has given to us with other people.

On behalf of our parish staff, I would like to wish you and your loved ones a Happy Thanksgiving, filled with many blessings from the Lord. May you rejoice in his love for you. Make sure to thank Jesus in some concrete way this Thanksgiving, for he is the source of all of our blessings.

Your servant in the Lord,
Father Charles Cortinovis

THANKSGIVING DAY MASS: Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at **9:30 a.m.** This is a special family Mass with music. The Thanksgiving Collection will be used to help our local needy families during the holidays. There is no better way to begin Thanksgiving Day than to gather together as a parish family to thank God for our many blessings.

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the main altar were given by Kitty Swann in memory of Francis and Allan Swann.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, Monday, December 8th, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass schedule is as follows, 7:30 a.m. at Holy Angels, 11:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart, 4:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart and 7:00 p.m. at Holy Angels.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed from Wednesday, November 26th through Friday, November 28th, in observance of Thanksgiving.

ADVENT CELEBRATION: Sacred Heart will host an Advent Celebration on Sunday, November 30th from 12 noon until 3:00 pm at Sacred Heart Hall. Bring your children to make Advent wreaths and Christmas cookies, and to listen to Christmas stories. There will be other fun activities too! The event is open to parishioners of both Sacred Heart and Holy Angels and is primarily for families with children. Families with high school aged students are also welcome. All materials will be provided, and a donation of \$10 is suggested to help defray costs. Please contact Sacred Heart rectory at 301-769-3100 for more information. Help will be needed to procure the greens for the Advent wreaths. Please contact Isabel Williams at [\(301\) 904-7557](tel:3019047557) if you are able to help with gathering the greens for the event.

WARM MEETINGS: This is a reminder to all parishioners there will be a meeting on Tuesday, December 9th, at 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart Parish Hall. For additional information on how you can help please contact the following coordinators. Holy Angels Church Coordinators, Cindy & Howie Guy (301-904-8167), Sacred Heart Church Coordinators, Pinky & Butch Morgan (301-481-3023), Monitoring, Tammy Pilkerton (301-475-5105), Meals, Kim Oliver (301-769-2834), Kitchen, coordinator needed, Cleaning Linens, Margie Boyers (301-848-0585) & Carol Ann Hall (301-247-3283), Set up & Breakdown of Hall, coordinator needed, and Activities, coordinator needed.

PRAYER GROUP: Sacred Heart Prayer Group will not meet next Tuesday November 25th. They will meet again on Tuesday, December 2nd at 2 p.m. All are welcome.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Deceased: Joseph Hill **Sick:** Bert Dean, Elizabeth Graves, Bernie Quade, Agnes Pilkerton, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, Lisa Quade, Billy Pilkerton, Madeline Hutchins, Jr. Farrell, Barbara Raley & Nancy Rueckert.

NOVEMBER VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Satch & Carol Ann Hall in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Hall.

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Satch & Carol Ann Hall in memory of Bernie Doepkens.

Saint Joseph Altar – Given by Satch & Carol Ann Hall in memory of Joe Farr.

If you would like to dedicate a candle, please call the rectory during office hours.

OCTOBER COLLECTION RESULTS

Loose \$1,184.25	Envelopes \$11,550.00	Total \$12,734.25
	October Expenses	<u>-14,161.02</u>
		- 1,426.77

School Support - \$888.00

World Missions - \$495.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GENEROSITY!