

# 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.	Sept.	21	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Sept.	22	7:00 a.m.	James Everett Farrell
Wed.	Sept.	23	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Sept.	24	NO MASS	
Fri.	Sept.	25	7:00 a.m.	Thomas J. Hall
Sun.	Sept.	27	6:30 a.m.	Eleanor Quade
			8:00 a.m.	Michael Johnson

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

This week the pope finally arrives in Washington. Thank you to all of you who participated in the *Walk with Francis*, pledging to pray, serve or act. The parish will host a holy hour on Tuesday to pray in a special way for his safety and the success of his visit. See below for details.

As the pope arrives, I want to finish the overview of the first section of his encyclical, *Laudato Si*. In this first section, the pope has outlined various concerns he has about the current state of our natural environment. But he also identifies problems in our social environment, including the decline of the quality of human life and the breakdown in human society. This social dimension, the pope writes, includes “*the effects of technological innovations on employment, social exclusion, an inequitable distribution and consumption of energy and other services, social breakdown, increased violence and a rise in new forms of social aggression, drug trafficking, growing drug use by young people, and the loss of identity. These are signs that the growth of the past two centuries has not always led to an integral development and an improvement in the quality of life. Some of these signs are also symptomatic of real social decline, the silent rupture of the bonds of integration and social cohesion.*” The pope is concerned about this social dimension because, he says, “*The human environment and the natural environment deteriorate together; we cannot adequately combat environmental degradation unless we attend to causes related to human and social degradation.*”

According to the pope, at the heart of both the natural and social problems is the idea that there is a right to unlimited personal consumption, coupled with a “throwaway culture” that reduces every resource, natural and human, to a thing to be used and then discarded when it is no longer needed. Such ideas underline all too often, says the pope, the functioning of the economy. The pope writes that “*economic powers continue to justify the current global system where priority tends to be given to speculation and the pursuit of financial gain, which fail to take the context into account, let alone the effects on human dignity and the natural environment.*”

After outlining what he sees the problems are, the pope in the next section describes how our faith sheds light on this current situation.

May God bless you,  
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

**HOLY HOUR FOR POPE FRANCIS:** Come join us in praying for the Pope the day he arrives in Washington. A rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, at Sacred Heart from 7:30 – 8:30 a.m. and at Holy Angels from 7-8 p.m. Help us welcome the pope with prayer!

**SPECIAL MISSION COLLECTION SEPTEMBER 26-27:** The Archdiocese of Washington's Mission Cooperative Plan allows parishes to learn about the worldwide evangelistic mission of the Church and how they can support the missions. Every 3 years, each parish hosts a missionary who speaks at every Mass about his or her efforts to evangelize, form holy vocations, congregations and propagate the faith in various countries around the world. Next Sunday, Sacred Heart and Holy Angels are hosting Fr. Stephen Thapwa, of the Diocese of Pathein, Burma, who will speak to us about the needs of the missions in his country. Please be open to responding to his appeal.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR:** Next weekend is Food for the Poor weekend. Please leave your bag of non-perishable food at the Sacred Heart Altar. Thank you.

**FALL DINNER RAFFLE:** Donnie Williams is in charge of our Fall Dinner Raffle. Raffle tickets will be distributed at the Masses next weekend. **Our Fall Dinner is Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>, please mark your calendars.**

**FAITH FORMATION:** CCD for Sacred Heart and Holy Angels children will begin on Sunday, September 20th at the Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Classes will run from 9:05 – 10:20 a.m. each Sunday. If you missed our registration, please contact Holy Angels office at 301-769-3332.

**WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC, BE BAPTIZED, OR RECEIVE A SACRAMENT?** If you or someone you know is interested in becoming Catholic, or would like to be baptized, or if you or they are already Catholic but have never received 1st Communion or Confirmation, Holy Angels and Sacred Heart parishes are holding a series of classes every Tuesday from 6:00-7:15 p.m. at Holy Angels Sacred Heart School to prepare you and them to come into the Church or receive the sacraments. No need to pre-register, just come and see. Contact the office for more details.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Bible Study is now meeting every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. We are focusing on the Old Testament, with selections from Genesis, the Prophets and more. No preparation is required for any of the meetings. Come join us and bring a friend!

**MOTHER CATHERINE ACADEMY:** MCA is looking for substitute teachers. This requires a criminal background check. They are also in need of volunteers for their cafeteria serving lunch from 11 a.m. – 1 p.m. Please contact the school office if you are interested in becoming a substitute teacher or lunch volunteer at 301-884-3165. MCA is collecting band instruments. If you have an instrument which you would like to donate, please drop it off in the school office and they will provide you with a tax form.

**48<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE FLEET:** This year's Blessing of the Fleet events will begin on Saturday, October 3rd and run from Noon – 10 p.m. Special events include a Craft Show featuring Southern Maryland Crafters, Music, Entertainment, Children's Activities, Food and Drinks and Fireworks from 7:00 p.m. – 10 p.m. On Sunday October 4th the events go from 11:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. The special events that day include a parade beginning at Noon, a **Mass celebrated by Fr. Lickteig on St. Clement's Island at 1:30 p.m. immediately followed by the blessing of all boats present.** To purchase tickets in advance visit [blessingofthefleet.com](http://blessingofthefleet.com). If you plan to attend the Mass and utilize the water taxis to get to the island, you must pay the normal entry fee, which goes in part to defray the cost of the Mass and the water taxis.

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:** High school youth group will begin regular meetings beginning this September. We will meet on the second Sunday and fourth Friday of every month at Mother Catherine Academy from 6:00-8:00pm. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions please contact Corey or Eli Hayden at [somdyouthgroup@gmail.com](mailto:somdyouthgroup@gmail.com) or check us out on Facebook and Instagram @somdyouthgroup.

**REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick:** Carol Dean, Trudy Quade, Bernadette Zimmerman, Carroll Farrell, Miles Mattingly, Carol Ann Hall, Ken Cheseldine, Kyle Tyer, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Madeline Hutchins, Joseph Freddie Morgan, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, Jr. Farrell, Barbara Raley, Nancy Rueckert & Myrtle Thompson.

### SEPTEMBER VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

**Blessed Mother Altar** – Given by Mary Belle Combs in memory of Barbara Lacey.

**St. Joseph Altar** – Given by Dr. & Mrs. Garner Morgan for the intentions of their family.