

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.	Nov.	7	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Nov.	8	7:00 a.m.	Allan Swann
Wed.	Nov.	9	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Nov.	10	NO MASS	
Fri.	Nov.	11	7:00 a.m.	Eleanor Simpson
Sat.	Nov.	12	6:30 p.m.	Recently Deceased
Sun.	Nov.	13	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	George & Alice McWilliams

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Thank you again to all those who worked so hard last month for our parish fundraisers. The Harvest Home Tour was a smashing success, our Yard Sale was a great a great achievement and our Fall Dinner was huge. This giant undertaking would simply not happen without the tremendous support of you, the parishioners. Many of you have been assisting with our dinners for decades, and have made them such a consistent success. Thank you again for the countless hours you spent to support our beloved parish!

As mentioned last week, during the month of November we focus as Christians on the end of time and the end of our life here on earth. This month gives us the opportunity to reflect on our actions from the perspective of eternity. There are some actions that bring us closer to God and there are other actions that separate us from Him. Some actions have a big impact on our relationship with Him and some have a small impact, just like in any relationship. So if I tell a lie to my spouse, this has a different impact than if I commit adultery. The latter action can kill our relationship because doing so harms a great good – faithfulness in marriage.

In the same way, there are certain actions in our lives that can kill our relationship with God, that are just as serious as adultery is in a marital relationship. These actions are so serious because they harm some great good in our relationship. They are called by the Church mortal sins because they kill the gift of divine life in our souls, and if we die in a state of mortal sin, we are separated from God forever. But in order to commit a mortal sin, we have to know the action is wrong and to freely commit it anyway. But we cannot claim ignorance if we should have known and did not educate ourselves.

One mortal sin is to freely miss Mass on Sunday. Sunday Mass is a great good because through it we are united to Jesus in loving God the Father and are strengthened in our journey to heaven. It is one of the greatest goods we have. If we miss Sunday Mass because of a lack of freedom – we were sick, we are too infirm, we are children and our parents won't take us to church, or some other legitimate situation where we would have gone to Mass if we had the ability – this is not a mortal sin. If mandatory work is the reason, please come talk to me and we can discuss. But if we could have gone but chose not to attend, this is a mortal sin. If we find ourselves in this situation, we must go to Confession to express our sorrow, to firmly intend to avoid this sin in the future and to receive God's mercy and forgiveness. We need to receive this forgiveness in Confession before receiving Communion again. To receive the Eucharist in the state of mortal sin is a sacrilege, equivalent to desecrating the Blessed Sacrament.

The Good News is that God always awaits us – the only desire in His heart is to forgive and bring healing. He just awaits our response.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

ALTAR FLOWERS: The flowers on the Main Altar were given by Kitty Swann in memory of Francis & Allan Swann.

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection next weekend is our monthly School Support Collection.

PLEASE WELCOME TO OUR PARISH FAMILY James Aley Lacey, son of James & Kimberly Lacey. He was Baptized on October 30th.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed on Friday, November 11th in observance of Veteran's Day.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Saturday, November 12th at 6:30 p.m., there will be a mass celebrated at Sacred Heart Church for the souls of all those members of Sacred Heart and Holy Angels parishes who have died since November 2015, including those laid to rest at Sacred Heart cemetery since then. The Mass satisfies your Sunday obligation and is open to all. A light reception will follow in Sacred Heart hall.

ADVENT TREE: Sacred Heart will be having our Advent Gift Tree in the rear of the church. If you know of a family who needs help in providing their child or children with presents for Christmas, please submit their names and phone number to the parish office with clothing types and sizes or toy information no later than November 14th.

SENIOR TREE: Sacred Heart will have a tree for seniors in need. If you know someone you would like to put on our tree please contact the parish office with their information.

ADVENT CELEBRATION: Sacred Heart will host an Advent Celebration on Sunday, Nov. 27th, from 12 noon until 3 p.m. 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 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 Isabel Williams 301-904-7557 if you can volunteer much help is needed.

TURKEY DINNERS: Catholic Charities is providing each church with turkey dinners to be given to those in need this Thanksgiving. If you or someone you know is in need this Thanksgiving, please call the parish office to reserve a turkey dinner. The turkey dinners will arrive for pick-up at Sacred Heart on Friday, Nov. 18th between 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL FALL DINNER: St. Joseph's Church will hold their Annual Fall Dinner on Sunday, Nov. 13th, from 12 noon to 5 p.m. at Mother Catherine Academy. The menu includes; country ham, fried oysters, roast turkey w/ all the trimmings. Adults \$25, drive-thru carry-outs \$25, children 6 to 12 \$8 and children under 6 are free.

MCA GROCERY AUCTION: MCA Grocery Auction will be held on Thurs., Nov. 17th, from 6- 9:30 p.m. Groceries arrive in a refrigerated trailer from distribution centers and major grocery stores throughout the area. Some items are over-stocked; some have "sell by dates" too close to put on grocery shelves; some are name-brand products and some are not. Items such as candies, snacks, sodas, frozen meats, frozen vegetables, frozen pizza, can goods, dry goods, cleaning supplies, dairy products, or just about anything else in between will be available. Items will be offered and available in small lots and/or large lots. Be sure to bring your cooler! Payments can be cash, check, or credit cards. School cafeteria will be serving concessions. For more information, please contact: MCA – 301-884-3165 or Ronnie Farrell – 301-904-3402

LEGACY SCHOLARSHIPS: The Mother Catherine Spalding Legacy Scholarship is now accepting applications for next year. Please use the TADS system to apply for this Scholarship. Funds can be used for a child of any parishioner of Sacred Heart Church to attend any elementary Catholic School

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER Sick: Janice Blackistone, Ken Cheseldine, Janet Farrell, Margaret Deal, Rholand Hayden, Matthew Quade, Roger Raley, Mike Bailey, Owen Deal, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Trudy Quade, Miles Mattingly, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Madeline Hutchins, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, Jr. Farrell, & Nancy Rueckert.

VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Bernadette & Bennie Combs in memory of Shirley & John Lacey, Sr.
Sacred Heart Altar – Given by her caregivers in memory of Myrtle Thompson.