

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	May	29	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	May	30	7:00 a.m.	Laurie Ann Chiamardas
Wed.	May	31	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	June	1	NO MASS	
Fri.	June	2	7:00 a.m.	Joshua Guy
Sun.	June	4	6:30 a.m.	Teresa Cook
			8:00 a.m.	Cody Lacey

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

This past week, our community was greatly blessed by the Confirmation of 20 of our 8th grade young men and women. This outpouring of the Holy Spirit completed their full initiation into the Church and gave them all the gifts they need to witness to Jesus Christ in the particular mission the Father has given to them. What a blessing these young men and women will be to our Church!

Before Pentecost next week, we celebrate today the Ascension of the Lord. Why do we celebrate this day? The Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles record this as a major event in Jesus' life. I am sure the Apostles and all Jesus' disciples, who had perhaps been around him constantly for 3 years, would have remembered well the day when they said goodbye to Jesus. This was a different goodbye than the one they had to say on Good Friday. Both are marked by sadness, as is any goodbye. But while Good Friday's goodbye did not have any hope (except for the hope in the heart of Mary), today's goodbye in the Ascension is full of hope. Yes, Jesus is departing, but he is going where we hope to follow. And it is full of the hope that Jesus has departed but only so he can bestow a great gift on his disciples – the Holy Spirit.

Today begins the great expectation of the sending of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. In the sending of the Holy Spirit, all the promises of the Old Testament are brought to final fulfillment. The necessary sadness of Jesus' departure only paves the way for the joy of Pentecost, when bystanders mocked the disciples for acting like they had too much new wine. The Holy Spirit makes Jesus present – without this Third Person of the Trinity, Jesus would be separated from us forever. But through the Ascension, and through the sending of the Holy Spirit, Jesus can be present to us – in our hearts, in the Scriptures, and in the Sacraments – as much as He was present to the Apostles. As we say goodbye today to Jesus, our hearts anticipate His presence in an even deeper way with us in the sending of the Holy Spirit. Come Holy Spirit!!

May God bless you this Easter Season,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY CONFIRMED!: From Sacred Heart and Holy Angels: Cecil Bell, Dylan Blair, Sara Burroughs, Dominic Farrell, Tyler Farrell, Toby Friess, Erin Hall, Jill Hayden, Tyreke Johnson, Riley Long, Madison Major, Brandon Pulliam, Jude Radez, Jared Hutson, Toby Reed Ritchey, Anissa Thomas-Tyer, Natalie Thompson, Devyn Vukovich, Donovan Wathen, Hayden Wyncoop

FIRST FRIDAY: There will be no 11 a.m. Mass or Adoration on Friday, June 2nd.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish offices will be closed on Monday, May 29th in observance of Memorial Day.

JUNE DINNER RAFFLE: Our June Dinner Raffle is underway. The Lyon family will start distributing tickets this weekend at the Masses. Please help support our dinner by selling raffle tickets. Our June Dinner is on Sunday, June 25th.

\$100 A MONTH CLUB WINNER: The \$100 A Month Club winner for May is Donald Bean of Hollywood.

ORDINARY SAINTS (NEW DATES!): Join our seminarian Jerry Andrews as he reflects on the lives of some everyday saints. He will present a series of three talks – June 28th, July 5th and July 12th from 6:00-6:45 p.m. at the Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Come hear how ordinary people became transformed by God.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: "The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest."- Mt 9:37-38. Join us in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the "Holy Hour for the intentions of the Ordinandi" on June 6th from 7:30-8:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart. Unite with parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Washington as we anticipate the Ordination of our Priests on June 25th! Every vocation, every path to which Christ calls us, ultimately leads to fulfillment and happiness, because it leads to God, to sharing in God's own life." – Pope John Paul II

QUO VADIS CAMP: The 9th Annual Quo Vadis Camp for high school men will be held at Mount Saint Mary's Seminary July 16-19. The four-day camp includes prayer, talks, sports, an opportunity to talk to priests and seminarians, and much more. Information is available and registration is open at www.dcpriest.org or 202-636-9020.

FIAT DAYS CAMP: Fiat Days Camp for young women in high school who may be considering consecrated life, will be held from June 29 to July 2, at Mount St. Mary's Seminary. Information is available and registration is open at www.bmorevocations.org.

SACRED HEART YARD SALE: Sacred Heart will hold a yard sale on June 3rd, from 7 a.m. – 12 p.m. at the home of Bobby Anderson. Isabel and Margie will be accepting donations at the garage from 8 -12 on Wed., May 31st. We are also in need of strong arms and trucks to help move the items from the garage to Bobby Anderson's yard on Friday evening at 6 p.m. and help is needed on Saturday morning to set up for the yard sale around 6:30 a.m.

CLEANING THE CHURCH: Did you know that our church is kept clean every week because of dedicated teams of volunteers who take turns to clean? However, we currently do not have a team to clean the church for the 4th weekends of the month. If you are interested, please contact the rectory. The times for actual cleaning are flexible. Thank you!

MCA NEWS: Mother Catherine Academy will be holding a Vacation Bible School starting June 26th through June 30th for children in Pre-kindergarten through 5th grade. A tee shirt and daily snacks will be provided. The program will be from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Cost: \$ 15.00 per student. Please contact Mother Catherine Academy or go to: <http://www.myvbs.org/MCA/>

OUR LADY OF FATIMA CELEBRATION PLANNING MEETING: On May 13th, over 400 people from throughout the County gathered at St. Aloysius Church for a candlelight procession in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. Over the next five months, preparations will be underway for an even larger celebration on October 13th in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the final apparition of Our Lady at Fatima. If you would like to be part of the planning of this event, please gather in St. Aloysius Church on June 13th at 7 PM for the recitation of the Rosary and a planning meeting. Contact Leonard Wathen (lwathen@santalloysiuschurch.org) for more information.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Deceased: James Woodland **Sick:** Matthew Quade, Janice Blackistone, Leo Osborn, Sylvia Lacey, Carol Ann Hall, Larry Hill, Mary Ann Hayden, Terry Johnson, Wendy Gibson, Ken Cheseldine, Janet Farrell, Rholand Hayden, David Hill, Roger & Barbara Raley, 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.

MAY VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Jimmy & Myrtle McWilliams in memory of Leonard & Myrtle Mayor

St. Joseph Altar – Given by Ricky & Joan Farr in memory of James Farr.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Ruth Wise in memory of Paul & Ruth Wise.