

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.	Mar.	12	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Mar.	13	7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Sam Bailey, Sr.
Wed.	Mar.	14	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Wed.	Mar.	14	6:30 p.m.	Adele Farrell
Thurs.	Mar.	15	NO MASS	
Fri.	Mar.	16	7:00 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Gwynn Swann
Sun.	Mar.	18	6:30 a.m.	Patrick & Cecilia Doherty
			8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

This week we have been praying the Novena of Grace, asking St. Francis Xavier's special intercession for us and our intentions. However, I would invite us to begin another novena, this one to Saint Joseph, the spouse of Mary and foster-father to Jesus. His great feast day is next Monday, March 19th, and we can begin a special novena to him either on Saturday, March 10th or Sunday, March 11th. A famous saint, Saint Teresa of Avila, once said "*I wish I could persuade everyone to be devoted to this glorious saint, for I have great experience of the blessings which he can obtain from God. I have never known anyone to be truly devoted to him and render him particular services who did not notably advance in virtue, for he gives very real help to souls who commend themselves to him. For some years now, I think, I have made some request of him every year on his feast day and I have always had it granted. If my petition is in any way ill directed, he directs it aright for my greater good. I only beg, for the love of God, that anyone who does not believe me will put what I say to the test, and he will see by experience what great advantages come from his commending himself to this glorious patriarch and having devotion to him.*"

These are great words of encouragement to begin this novena and renew our devotion to the patron saint of the Universal Church, unborn children, fathers, workers, travelers, immigrants, and a happy death. I invite you to join me in this novena below:

Saint Joseph, you are the faithful protector and intercessor of all who love and venerate you. You know that I have confidence in you and that, after Jesus and Mary, I come to you as an example for holiness, for you are especially close with God. Therefore, I humbly commend myself, with all who are dear to me and all that belong to me, to your intercession. I beg of you, by your love for Jesus and Mary, not to abandon me during life and to assist me at the hour of my death.

Glorious Saint Joseph, spouse of the Immaculate Virgin, pray for me to have a pure, humble, charitable mind, and perfect resignation to the divine Will. Be my guide, my father, and my model through life that I may die as you did in the arms of Jesus and Mary.

Loving Saint Joseph, faithful follower of Jesus Christ, I raise my heart to you to implore your powerful intercession in obtaining from the Divine Heart of Jesus all the graces necessary for my spiritual and temporal welfare, particularly the

grace of a happy death, and the special grace I now implore: (Mention your request) Guardian of the Word Incarnate, I feel confident that your prayers on my behalf will be graciously heard before the throne of God. (Glory Be..)

Day 1 – St. Joseph Most Just, Pray for us!

Day 2 – St. Joseph Most Prudent, Pray for us!

Day 3 – St. Joseph Most Loving Husband, Pray for us!

Day 4 – St. Joseph Most Strong, Pray for us!

Day 5 – St. Joseph Most Obedient, Pray for us!

Day 6 – St. Joseph Most Faithful, Pray for us!

Day 7 – St. Joseph Pillar of Families, Pray for us!

Day 8 – St. Joseph Patron of the Dying, Pray for us!

Day 9 – St. Joseph Terror of Demons, Pray for us!

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

CHOIR PRACTICE: Our choir will be practicing for Holy Week and Easter on Mon., March 12th at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

PARISH POTLUCK: Next Sunday, March 18th, at 1 p.m. Sacred Heart will be having its traditional annual potluck dinner in the parish hall to help bring the parish together as a family. Carolyn Norris is coordinating this event and someone will be contacting parishioners about bringing a main dish or dessert. Come out and enjoy a day of fellowship and good food.

EXTRA WEEKDAY MASSES IN LENT: At Sacred Heart, during Lent, Mass will be celebrated every Wednesday at 6:30pm, preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5:30pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Stations of the Cross will be offered every Friday in Lent at 7:00pm, along with an opportunity for Confession. Stations will also be offered at Holy Angels every Friday in Lent at 3:00pm along with an opportunity for Confession.

MCA EVENTS: Living Stations of the Cross will be presented by the 8th grade class at 8:30 a.m. on Thurs., March 29th. There will be a Super Bingo on March 17th from 4:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. and a Purse Bingo on March 25th from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. The Mother Catherine Community will be collecting items for the St. Mary's Nursing Home to help the elderly during Lent. If you would like to be a part of this event please bring items to MCA during school hours. Items to consider donating are tissues, small stuffed animals, shaving gel, razors, socks, cologne, lotions, perfume, jewelry, & purses.

JUBILARIAN MASS: On Sunday, June 17th, at 2 p.m., Donald Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception honoring married couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 or more years of marriage. Personalized scrolls signed by Cardinal Wuerl will be distributed to couples following the ceremony or mailed should they be unable to attend. To register, please call the parish office by Monday, April 16th.

LENTEN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION: Our Lady of the Wayside Church in Chaptico will have an Lenten Evening of Recollection for Men & Women on Tuesday, March 13th, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

DRIVE THRU FISH & CHIP DINNER: The 7th District Optimist Club will be sponsoring a Drive Thru Fish & Chip Dinner every Friday during Lent from 5:00-7:00pm at the 7th District Optimist ballfield. Come enjoy beer batter wild caught cod, steak fries, coleslaw, and roll. The cost is \$11.00 and credit cards are accepted.

2nd Annual "Walk in the Park" 5K Fun Run/Walk: Join us at St. Francis Xavier Church on Saturday, April 28th for this fun event to benefit our parish's Newtowne Manor House Preservation/Restoration Fund which is open to all ages and abilities. Course starts at St. Francis Xavier Church and follows the road into picturesque Newtowne Neck State Park. Registration starts at 8 a.m. and run/walk starts at 9 a.m. The registration fee of \$20. Kids 12 and under are free. Information on registration is available at: www.stfrancisxavierchurch.org.

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

MARCH VOTIVE INTENTIONS

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

St. Joseph Altar – Given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Edward & Agnes Ridgell.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Frankie Bowles.