

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.	Apr.	23	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Apr.	24	7:00 a.m.	Holy Souls
Wed.	Apr.	25	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Apr.	26	NO MASS	
Fri.	Apr.	27	7:00 a.m.	Cody Lacey
Sun.	Apr.	29	6:30 a.m.	Joseph & Eleanor Quade
			8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

During the Easter Season, the Risen Christ showers down great graces upon His Church, especially through the sacraments. Many in our parish will benefit in a special way from these graces. Next month, our 2nd graders will receive the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) for the very first time in preparation for their 1st Holy Communion, which they will celebrate at the 8:00am Mass on Sunday, June 3rd – the Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. These are incredibly important moments for them, and I ask that you keep them in special prayer during this time: that they may be prepared for all the graces that the Risen Christ wants them to receive; and that this becomes a special moment of grace for their families.

In addition, our 8th graders are preparing for their Confirmation next month, on May 22nd. This year Confirmation will be held at Holy Angels Church. This, too, is an incredibly important moment for them in their lives as they become fully initiated into the Life of Christ. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as well.

As you can see, the Risen Christ is in our midst and continues to bestow his graces upon His flock!

May God bless you,

Fr. Anthony Lickteig

PLEASE WELCOME to our parish family Jonathan James Tennyson son of Justin Tennyson and Jessica Reed (Carol Wood, guardian). He was Baptized on Sunday, April 15th.

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

\$100 A MONTH CLUB WINNER: The \$100 A Month Club winner for April is Jon Spence of Chaptico.

FAITH FULFILLED: Did you know that the Jews celebrated a feast day called Pentecost? Or that Jesus exactly fulfilled the Jewish feast of Passover? God gave us a blueprint of the Catholic Faith in the Old Testament and He fulfilled it in Jesus Christ and in our worship of Him. This 5 week bible study will reflect on the ancient Jewish Feasts and how what we celebrate as Catholics fulfills all of them. Each of the 5 reflections are separate, so if you miss one, you can always join us for the next. Our next meeting is April 25th at 6:30pm at the Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Bring a friend!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Holy Angels and Sacred Heart parishes would like to embark on a new adventure this summer – a Vacation Bible School. This will not compete with MCA's VBS as theirs is earlier and is almost full. Please see the insert in the bulletin for a survey to determine interest as well as what weeks in July work best and what times during the day would be most convenient. Please return them soonest to the address listed.

ST. MARY'S QUEEN OF PEACE CEMETERY: All are welcome to attend the installation of a blessed Plaque honoring the sacred memory of the Enslaved Men and Women buried throughout the Archdiocese of Washington. Fr. David Beaubien will preside over the plaque installation ceremony at St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery on Saturday, May 5th at 10:00am. Although there are no burials of enslaved persons at Queen of Peace, the plaque invites cemetery visitors to remember and pray for those who await their resurrection in Christ in unknown graves anywhere within the boundaries of the Archdiocese. When he blessed the plaques at a special Mass in February, Cardinal Wuerl said, "*Our brothers and sisters in the faith who were enslaved, who lived in human bondage, were treated with the same inequity at their burial. Many received no public marker... what we have come here to do today is to see that here and now all are properly remembered... Grant that these stones, placed in memory of those who suffered in terrible bondage, may, by the power of your blessing, mark a place of rest and hope.*"

MCA OPEN HOUSE: Mother Catherine Academy will be having an open house on Sunday, April 29th, from 1 – 3 p.m.

MCA GREEN THUMB 5K: Join us for our 3rd annual MCA Green Thumb 5K on Saturday, May 5th at 9:00am. The start/finish for the 5K will be at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall parking lot. Medals will be awarded to the top three male/female in each ten-year age group. All proceeds will benefit the MCA Garden Club. To register, please visit <https://www.active.com/mechanicsville-md/running/distance-running-races/3rd-annual-mca-green-thumb-5k-2018>. For more information, contact Manny Gaffud at yynamduff@gmail.com or visit <https://sites.google.com/site/mcaspringrunningfestival/home>.

MCA VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: Come and get 'Shipwrecked' at this year's MCA Vacation Bible School! Venture onto an uncharted island where kids survive and thrive. Anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through life's storms. Registration is now open for this year's event. VBS will be June 25-29 from 9:00 a.m. – 12 p.m. and is open for children ages Pre 3/4 (must be fully potty-trained) through 6th grade. Please use the following link to register your child today! <https://vbspro.events/p/events/c9d426>.

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION GIFTS: Heavenly Presents provides many affordable gift ideas to meet your First Communion and Confirmation needs, so be sure to visit us at 22697 Washington Street, (on the Square) in Leonardtown, Maryland. Operated by volunteers are store hours are Tuesday and Thursday, 10 am until 5pm; Wednesday and Friday. 10am until 6pm and Saturday 10am to 3pm. For more information call us at (301) 475-9770.

PARISH DINNER/FESTIVAL: Immaculate Conception Church will be having their Parish Dinner/Festival on Sunday, May 6th from 12 Noon till ?, at the Parish Center, located at 28297 Old Village Road, Mechanicsville, directly behind the church. The menu includes: Southern Maryland Fried Chicken, Ham, Crab Balls, Spiced Shrimp, Green Beans, Parsley Potatoes, Pickled Beets, Applesauce, Coleslaw, Garden Salad, Rolls, Beverages and dessert (for eat-in only). The cost is: \$25.00 for adults, Eat-In, Carry Out, and Drive-Thru, and \$8.00 for children ages 6 to 12, and children under 6 eat free. Come out and enjoy a fantastic meal and participate in the festivities: Raffles, White Elephant Table, Bake Table, Plant Table, Bingo, Children's Game room, and more. Lots of fun for the whole family. For information/tickets call 301-884-3123, 240-538-6728, or 301-448-5237.

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

APRIL VOTIVE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Steve & Donna Gibson in memory of Francis & Eloise Gibson.