

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

**Rev. Anthony Lickteig, Pastor**

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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.	Feb.	12	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Feb.	13	7:00 a.m.	James B. & Veronica Norris
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Feb.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Parishioners of Sacred Heart
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>Feb.</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Helen Hall
Thurs.	Feb.	15	NO MASS	
Fri.	Feb.	16	7:00 a.m.	George H. Schuhart
Sun.	Feb.	18	6:30 a.m.	Bernie Doepkens
			8:00 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

As hard as it is to believe, this Wednesday we will begin Lent. On Ash Wednesday, the entire Catholic Church around the world, over 1.2 billion baptized faithful, enters into this journey of Lent. The purpose of Lent is twofold: to recall the promises we made to God at our Baptism, and to do penance for sin. Pope Francis in his message for Lent says that: *“Lent summons us, and enables us, to come back to the Lord wholeheartedly and in every aspect of our life.”* In this message, the pope reflects upon the saying of Jesus, *“Because of the increase of evil-doing, the love of many will grow cold”* (Matthew 24:12). Pope Francis goes on to write, *“In his description of hell, Dante Alighieri pictures the devil seated on a throne of ice, in frozen and loveless isolation. We might well ask ourselves how it happens that charity can turn cold within us. What are the signs that indicate that our love is beginning to cool?”* The pope then goes on to list some of these signs that love is beginning to grow cold in our lives: *“Selfishness and spiritual sloth, sterile pessimism, the temptation to self-absorption, constant warring among ourselves, and the worldly mentality that makes us concerned only for appearances, and thus lessens our missionary zeal.”*

Fortunately, the Church is our Mother and Teacher, Pope Francis reminds us, and *“along with the often bitter medicine of the truth, she offers us in the Lenten season the soothing remedy of prayer, almsgiving and fasting.”* As we prepare to enter into this season of penance, we are joyful that Our Lord enters with us to renew us and enflame us with the fire of His mercy and love. The bulletin insert provides suggestions for entering into this Lent more fully.

May God bless you,  
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the Main Altar were given by Sarah Pingleton in memory of Johnny & Wayne Pingleton. The flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar were given by Jimmy & Myrtle McWilliams in memory of Myrtle Mayor. The flowers on the St. Joseph Altar were given by Jimmy & Myrtle McWilliams in memory of Leonard Mayor.

**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** The Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>.

**SEMINARIAN TREE:** Please take a card with a seminarian name from the tree at the back of church and pray for them. This is a wonderful way to support vocations!

**LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence, when we fast by eating only 1 full meal (two smaller meals may also be taken, but together do not equal to a full meal, and there is no eating of solid foods between meals) and abstain from eating meat. All Catholics from age 18-59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Those not in good health or pregnant are dispensed from the fast. In addition, all Catholics from age 14 onwards are obliged to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and every Friday in Lent.

**EXTRA WEEKDAY MASSES IN LENT:** At Sacred Heart, during Lent, Mass will be celebrated every Wednesday (except Ash Wednesday) at 6:30pm, preceded by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament beginning at 5:30pm. During Lent, Holy Angels will celebrate Mass every Saturday at 9:00am.

**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.

**OUR LADY OF FATIMA STATUE:** The statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available to be taken to your home for prayer to her. There is a sign-up sheet on the Fatima table at the entrance of the church. You may also call Rose Marie Billard for arrangements to receive her, 301-769-2278. There are also free rosaries and Fatima books on the table.

**BORED AGAIN CATHOLIC: WHY MASS IS ALWAYS THE SAME:** Sunday after Sunday after Sunday, we gather at Mass to celebrate in the same way over and over again. No wonder we can get bored! If you want to understand why we as Catholics worship the way we do, join Fr. Lickteig for a lecture series on the Mass, and transform your boredom! Learn that our Catholic worship is rooted God's plan for us! Because of a funeral, we could not meet last Wednesday so the last meeting will be Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm at Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Bring a friend!

**SACRED HEART CEMETERY:** Please remove all Christmas decorations from the cemetery by February 17<sup>th</sup>. Any Christmas decorations remaining after February 17<sup>th</sup> will be discarded. Thank you for your cooperation.

**PANCAKE SUPPER:** The Seventh District VFD Auxiliary will be having a Pancake Supper on Tuesday, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. at the Firehouse. Menu will include; pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fires, baked apple dessert, coffee, tea and milk. Cost is adults \$10, senior citizens \$9, children 4–12 \$3 and children 3 and under free.

**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER:** Our Lady of the Wayside will hold its annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 13<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 7 pm. Prices are \$10 for adults-\$6 for children 6-12 and children 5 and under are free. The menu will include pancakes, scrambled eggs, French toast, bacon, sausage, fried potatoes, coffee and juice.

**DRIVE THRU FISH & CHIP DINNER:** The 7<sup>th</sup> District Optimist Club will be sponsoring a Drive Thru Fish & Chip Dinner every Friday during Lent from 5:00-7:00pm at the 7<sup>th</sup> 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.

**OPTIMIST ANNUAL FEBRUARY DINNER:** The 7<sup>th</sup> District Optimist Club will be sponsoring their Annual February Dinner on Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, starting at 11:30 a.m. at the Mechanicsville Moose Lodge located at 27636 Mechanicsville Road. The menu includes fried oysters, spiced shrimp, stuffed ham, fried chicken and vegetables. Cost is Adults \$27, Kids 6-12 \$8, Kids under 5 eat free, and drive-thru carry-outs are \$25.

**REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Deceased:** Miles Mattingly. **Sick:** 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, Miles Mattingly, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie & Anne Marie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

#### **FEBRUARY VOTIVE INTENTIONS**

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Sarah Pingleton in memory of Wayne Pingleton.

St. Joseph Altar – Given by Sarah Pingleton in memory of Johnny Pingleton.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Sarah Pingleton in memory of Mary Agnes Plunkett.