

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

Peter preaches to the Gentiles for the first time in the house of Cornelius. Peter realized that God would accept any person who acted uprightly, regardless of his or her heritage. Then the Holy Spirit descended on the Gentiles and Peter allowed them to be baptized in the name of Jesus.



Second Reading: I John 4:7-10

John advises all believers to love one another, for love is a gift from God. The person without love does not know God, whose love for us is so great he sent his only son so that we might have life through him.

Gospel: John 15:9-17

Jesus asks his disciples to live on in his love and to “Love one another as I have loved you.” He explains that he chose them to follow him, and promises if they keep his commandments they will have anything that they ask for in his name.

For the Week of May 10th through May 16th

Sunday

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17

Monday

Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26—16:4a

Tuesday

Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11

Wednesday

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1; Jn 16:12-15

Thursday

Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13; Mk 16:15-20

Friday

Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23

Saturday

Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28



The US Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) provides a full listing of the Sunday and Daily Readings, in print and audio format, on its website, <http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings>.



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, May 9th

4:00 p.m.

Mass for All Mothers

Sunday, May 10th

8:00 a.m.

Mass for All Mothers

10:00 a.m.

Mass for All Mothers

Monday May 11th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Tuesday, May 12th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Wednesday May 13th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Thursday, May 14th

8:30 a.m.

Maureen Bryne

Friday, May 15th

8:30 a.m.

Harrison Greenberg

Saturday, May 16th

8:30 a.m.

Mass for the People

4:00 p.m.

Rosetta Lins

Sunday, May 17th

8:00 a.m.

Marian Tagart

10:00 a.m.

Sue Kolsun

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:

Julia Ridgely, Barron Scott, Thomas Parson, Barbara Darrah, John Troffo, Valerie Lindyberg, Patricia Dana, and Jim

Kestell, and all those whose names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF INTENTIONS located in the front foyer of Sacred Heart and St. John's.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

"God saw all that He had made, and it was very good!" Genesis 1:31

PREP SCHEDULE FOR MAY:

Sunday May 10th – RE Classes (Last Class for Students) –
MAY CROWNING CEREMONY at 10:00 a.m. Mass
Sunday, May 17th – **CLOSING MASS AND**
CELEBRATION at 10:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST: Congratulations to the children in our parish community who received 1st Eucharist last weekend:

Jamie Baldwin	AJ Besse	Kate Cannon
Laurel Clarke	John Connolly	Robert Fink
Garrett Hemingway	Sarah Lapointe	Ellie Macielag
Emma Melvin	Lawrence Peach	Mia Tucker
	Maverick Woodward	

PREP CLOSING MASS PARENT NOTE: Sunday May 17th - It would be a blessing if all PREP students would be prepared to attend the Closing Mass for PREP so that we could have 100% participation to close out our year. This will be a Children's Mass with the liturgical roles filled by the children. Let's finish strong with good attendance for end of year classes. Students will be sitting together with their PREP Catechists and fellow students in the front and center pews of the church. *This Mass will be followed by an outdoor celebration!*

END OF THE YEAR FOR PREP: As we come to the end of our time together as a PREP community, I would ask that you pray...

- For the children... that they take what they have learned of their faith forward with them into the summer and out into the world.
- For the parents... that they would consistently and effectively share their faith with their children and find ways to keep religious education a priority in their lives.
- For the catechists... that they reflect on this year of sharing and teaching the faith with a sense of satisfaction and personal growth.

We were so very blessed to have such a dedicated group of Catechists for our Religious Education Program this year. A sincere, heartfelt "THANK YOU" to each of them for their commitment to our children and their faith.

TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS OF THE CATHOLIC FAITH:

This Adult Formation activity meets **each Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. Mass** in the front foyer of Sacred Heart Church. *Coordinator: Barbara Kelly*

Sunday, May 10th

Scripture and Revelation – Part 1

Facilitators: Dave Shearer and Dick Swanson

If someone were to ask you: —How does God speak to human beings? How do you know God exists? What would you tell them? How do you know God is real in your own life?

Next Week: Sunday May 17th

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Facilitator: Deacon John Davis



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

The Father Bradford Council of the Knights of Columbus will award a \$750.00 scholarship to a college bound senior who is a member of the Sacred Heart/St. John's parish family. The scholarship is for the academic year 2015-2016. To apply, please complete an application (found at the back of each church) and either hand it, or mail it, to Steve Sappey at 104 Cedar Street, Chestertown, MD 21620 by May 31st. The postmark must be May 30th if mailing. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Sappey at 410-778-5979 or Bill Taylor at 410-778-0845. Thank you.

LOOKING AHEAD TO SUMMER: Sacred Heart Parish will be joining with The Presbyterian Church of Chestertown to offer a wonderful Vacation Bible School opportunity for our children on **June 22 - 26**. We are beginning the search for volunteers who would be interested in helping. Please contact Ann Ashe, DRE.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Did you know that there are children (in pre-school through 8th grade) from this parish and the surrounding communities that attend Immaculate Conception School? If you are looking for high academic standards in a Christ centered environment, ICS is for you. Visit www.icschoolweb.org for more information. *The Sacred Heart bus transports children to and from ICS.*

PARISH LIFE

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY: You are invited to consider the opportunity to serve as Greeters and/or Ushers each weekend. We need a few more people on our volunteer list in these roles, so if you would like to *commit* to service in this capacity, please contact Ann Ashe, DRE.

ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS: The new schedule for Liturgical Ministers has been published. Please check the schedule and request a sub through the MSP System for any dates you are not able to fulfill your assignment. Sincere thanks to each of you for your continued service to our community through your ministry. As always, if you have any questions regarding the schedule, please contact Ann Ashe, DRE.

PARISH MEETING: The monthly Parish Meeting will be this **Thursday, May 14th at 6:30 p.m.** Please come and share ideas with your fellow parishioners.

LET'S DANCE for fun, smiles and exercise!! Zumba Gold[®] is being offered at Sacred Heart - for the active, older adult/beginner. There is no fee to our Sacred Heart & St. John's parishioners. The class is led by a certified Zumba Gold[®] instructor. **Classes are every Thursday morning at 9:30 a.m.** in the Church Hall. Please contact Sharon Burritt at 410-708-8048 with any questions.

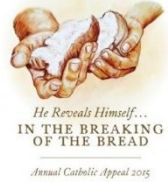
BREAKFAST AT ST. JOHN'S: There will be no May breakfast at St. John's. We will see you in October!



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

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Thank you to everyone who made a pledge to the diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal. If you have not yet participated, please consider doing so today. Your gift makes a real difference in the lives of thousands of individuals and families who reside within our 12-county diocese. Pledge envelopes are available in the pews and at the doors and can be placed in the offertory baskets. Thank you for your generosity and support.



You can learn more about the 2015 Annual Catholic Appeal by visiting the diocesan website at www.cdow.org and clicking "Giving" then "Annual Catholic Appeal."

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

DIOCESAN PRIESTS' RETIREMENT FUND: Next weekend at all Masses, we will hold a special collection for the Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund. Your donation will be used to support the many fine priests who have dedicated their lives to service of the faithful of Delaware and Maryland's Eastern Shore. . Please be as generous as possible. Thank you.

ELECTRONIC GIVING: It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Deacon John Davis with any questions at 443-875-6898, or deaconjohn@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

OFFERTORY 5-3-15:

SACRED HEART	\$	3,681
ST JOHN'S	\$	1,670
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$	1,933

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

SACRED HEART	\$	1,374
ST JOHN'S	\$	268