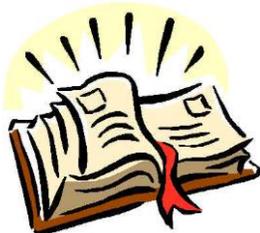


## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

#### First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Moses asks the people if they have ever seen anything as great as the actions of God. He reminds them that there is only one God and all people must keep his commandments. If the laws of God are kept, his people will prosper all their lives.



#### Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Paul explains that through the Holy Spirit, we become children of God. As heirs of God we must be willing to suffer as Christ was if we are to share in his glory.

#### Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus asks his disciples to go to other nations and teach others all that they have learned. He asks that these new followers be baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

### For the Week of May 31<sup>st</sup> through June 6<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

#### Monday

Tb 1:3, 2:1b-8; Mk 12:1-12

#### Tuesday

Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17

#### Wednesday

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27

#### Thursday

Tb 6:10-11, 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a; Mk 12:28-34

#### First Friday

Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37

#### First Saturday

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44



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 30<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m. Frank Blahosky

5:30 p.m. Archie Hardy

### Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

8:00 a.m. Ray Brilz II

10:00 a.m. Frank Blahosky

### Monday June 1<sup>st</sup>

8:30 a.m. Jack DePoulter

### Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Maureen Bryne

### Wednesday June 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

### Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Saturday, June 6<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

4:00 p.m. Eugene H. Callahan

5:30 p.m. Ray Brilz, II

### Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. Maureen Bryne

10:00 a.m. Frank Blahosky

## 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

**THANK YOU CATECHISTS:** 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. They have been "good and faithful" servants for God's purpose! We sincerely look forward to seeing everyone for the program next year which will begin in September.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** Registration is now open! Mark your calendars for June 22 - 26! You won't want to miss the fun at *G-Force - God's Word in Action!* this summer! This VBS program welcomes all children entering grades K through 6th grade. It is held onsite at the Presbyterian Church of Chestertown. You can register online at [www.sacredparish.org](http://www.sacredparish.org) or pick up a registration form from the bulletin boards at the church doors. Contact Ann Ashe if you have any questions regarding this program.



### 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 31<sup>st</sup> The Creed

What exactly are we affirming when we pray the Creed? What are we saying "yes" to in this prayer? What is the challenge of the Nicene Creed in our everyday lives? How could the Nicene Creed possibly challenge us to be a better disciple?

*Next Week: Scripture and Revelation Part 2*  
*Facilitators: Dave Shearer and Dick Swanson*

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our parish is so blessed to have dedicated catechists who will continue to offer the Children's Liturgy of the Word Program year round! The children hear and learn about God's Word in an age appropriate way. We believe that God's Word speaks to all of us - even the little children.



The Children's Liturgy of the Word is an adapted liturgical experience that shares God's Word in ways that children can understand.

This special Religious Education Program is designed for children Grades Pre-K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Older siblings are most welcome to join with younger brothers and sisters.

*The celebration of the Mass is at the heart of the Catholic faith and the Liturgy of the Word (Readings, Psalm, Gospel, Homily and Prayers of the Faithful) is the living God speaking to us through Sacred Scripture. During the Children's Liturgy of the Word, the children process out from the main assembly to the chapel where Catechists present God's word on their level so that they can have a genuine liturgical experience and participate fully in the Mass.*

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#### 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 31<sup>st</sup>. The postmark must be May 30<sup>th</sup> if mailing. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Sappey.

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**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:** Did you know that there are children (in pre-school through 8<sup>th</sup> 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](http://www.icschoolweb.org) for more information. *The Sacred Heart bus transports children to and from ICS.*

## PARISH LIFE

**MORNING MASSES:** Due to a scheduling conflict for the week of June 1<sup>st</sup> through June 6<sup>th</sup>, Father Grasing will be celebrating Morning Mass on June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, and there will be a Communion Service on the mornings of June 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>.

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**HELP WANTED:** We're looking for a few more people to join our newly formed **Altar Care Committee**. It only involves an hour or so each month and requires no special skills. The responsibilities include such things as keeping the wax from building up on candlesticks and associated accessories and changing altar linens when needed (no laundering involved!). Maybe this is something a retired husband and wife team would like to volunteer for! Or maybe you'd rather leave the "better half" at home and get out for an hour yourself! If you have an hour or less a month to give to your Parish in order to help maintain the beautiful worship space that we have, please contact Becky Davis in the Parish Office.

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**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES:** Sacred Heart Church is currently seeking volunteers for the following ministries...**Greeters, Ushers** (Saturday and Sunday) and **Children's Liturgy of the Word Catechist** (Sunday 10:00a.m. only). We need a few more people on our volunteer list in these roles, so if you can help our community by serving in this capacity, please contact Ann Ashe, [ann.ashe.md@gmail.com](mailto:ann.ashe.md@gmail.com) or 410-778-4650. Schedules are flexible and are dictated by your availability.

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**HOSPITAL VISITS:** We are not able to access patient records from the Chester River Hospital Center. If you or someone in your family is a patient, and you wish to receive Communion, please contact the Parish Office at 410-778-3160, and provide us with the patient's name and room number and we will do our best to accommodate the request.

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**LET'S DANCE** for fun, smiles and exercise!! Zumba Gold<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> 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.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – HE REVEALS HIMSELF IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD:**



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.

Pledge envelopes are available at the doors and can be placed in the offertory baskets. Thank you for your generosity and support. If you have made a pledge, you can expect to receive your first payment reminder on or about June 1<sup>st</sup>. Additional pledge reminders will continue through December. Please mail all payments to the Diocese in the self-addressed return envelope, along with your pledge reminder. Do not make payments to the parish office or through the Offertory collection.

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer.



**ELECTRONIC GIVING**

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](mailto:deaconjohn@sacredparish.org). Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

## OFFERTORY 5-24-15:

SACRED HEART	\$	3,965
ST JOHN'S	\$	1,913
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$	508

