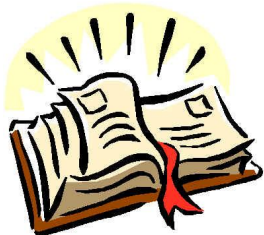


## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### First Reading: Ezekiel 17:22-24

God will restore the kingdom of Judah, as symbolized by the cedar. The deed is emphasized by the words, "As I, the Lord have spoken, so will I do."



#### Second Reading: II Corinthians 5:6-10

Paul acknowledges "that we are, in a sense, away from the Lord while in this life and bound to our bodies." We will be fully united with God in the next life, if we please him in this life.

#### Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

The reign of God is compared to a mustard seed which is the smallest of seeds yet grows to become the largest of shrubs. Similarly, God's community grows gradually until it becomes large and strong.



For the Week of June 14<sup>th</sup> through June 20<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday

Ez 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-10; Mk 4:26-34

#### Monday

2 Cor 6:1-10; Mt 5:38-42

#### Tuesday

2 Cor 8:1-9; Mt 5:43-48

#### Wednesday

2 Cor 9:6-11; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

#### Thursday

2 Cor 11:1-11; Mt 6:7-15

#### Friday

2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Mt 6:19-23

#### Saturday

2 Cor 12:1-10; Mt 6:24-34



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, June 13<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m. Anita Gelderman

5:30 p.m. Ray Brilz, II

### Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. Albert and Helen Hangar

10:00 a.m. Ken Burns

### Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Virginia Reed

### Tuesday, June 16<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Wednesday June 17<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

### Friday, June 19<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. John G. McDougall

### Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for All Fathers

4:00 p.m. Mass for All Fathers

5:30 p.m. Mass for All Fathers

### Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>

8:00 a.m. Mass for All Fathers

10:00 a.m. Mass for All Fathers

## 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



**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.

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**SUMMER ADULT FORMATION – CATHOLIC TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS** meets every Sunday after the 10:00 a.m. mass in the front foyer of the church. This, open to everyone, small group discusses the gospel reading of the day and then reviews the teachings of the Church as they are related to the gospel. There is no weekly commitment - come to as many sessions as you can. *What are you doing to deepen your understanding of your 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 June 14<sup>th</sup>  
The Church**

**Facilitator: Barbara Kelly**

**God is present to us through one very important sign: the Church. When the Church is gathered, Christ is present. What does it mean to you when we say that Christ is present in the Church?**

**Next Week: Prayer  
Facilitator: Dan Ashe**



**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.***

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**SAINTS PETER AND PAUL:** Are you looking for a school for your children to attend that offers a Higher Education, and an Excellent Sports and Activities Program with a Family Atmosphere? ***Busing is now available from Chestertown to Saints Peter and Paul School in Easton.*** Please contact Rosie Lobley at [phillyfordchick@hotmail.com](mailto:phillyfordchick@hotmail.com) with questions.

### OFFICE FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER:** Today's readings talk about God's children being plants that grow, flourish and bear fruit. Do we reflect this in our own lives and in our marriage relationship? The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is scheduled for **November 6-8** in Rehoboth Beach, DE. For information, visit our website at [www.wwme-delmar.org](http://www.wwme-delmar.org) or to register for the weekend, please call Tony and Linda Massino at 302-220-9833.

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**RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND:** Are you experiencing stress or trouble in your marriage? The Retrouvaille Marriage Weekend Program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship. Thousands of couples headed for cold, unloving relationships or divorce have successfully overcome their marriage problems by attending the program. The 2015 Retrouvaille weekend program will be held on **August 7-9<sup>th</sup>** at Malvern Retreat House in Malvern, PA. For information please visit the website [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or to register for the weekend, call 1-800-470-2230. All calls are confidential.

# PARISH LIFE

**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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**LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE:** It is time once again for all Liturgical Ministers (Greeters, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Sacristans, Altar Servers) to log on to MSP online and indicate your service preferences and the days you are not able to serve this summer. **The deadline for submission of updates is Friday, June 19th.**

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**REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART:** Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that priest and deacon know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in...Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.

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**ALTAR SERVER TRAINING:** Altar Servers assist in the celebration of the Mass so the liturgy can be conducted with grace and reverence. This ministry helps to develop a sense of participation in parish life and offers an opportunity to understand the rewards of service. Servers must be in 3rd -12th grade and have received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist. Being an altar server is a



commitment made by both the server and his/her parents. Families must be ready and willing to attend the trainings and be faithful to the service schedule. **The next opportunity for training for new altar servers is June 17 - 23.** If you are interested, please contact Kathy Clark at 410-778-2548 or [gdclark2@verizon.net](mailto:gdclark2@verizon.net).

**FLOWER DONATIONS:** Parishioners are invited to donate flowers in celebration of weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, and other special events. If you would like to donate flowers or place flowers in memory of a loved one, please inform Becky Davis for Sacred Heart, at 410-778-3160; or Mary Johnson for St. John's at 410-778-2230. Thank you.

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**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR AT ST. JOHN'S THIS WEEKEND ARE DONATED BY MILDRED STRONG FOR ROBERT H. STRONG, SR.**

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

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

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Special Collection** – This weekend there is a special collection to support our Vacation Bible School ministry. There is no charge for the children who attend this week long program that teaches Christian principles in an active and engaging environment. In order to continue to offer this program at no charge, we ask you to consider contributing to the second collection next Sunday to show your support of the young children in our community.

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**DIOCESE OF PATHANAMTHITTA** – Next weekend's second collection will be to support missions in the Diocese of Pathanamthitta, India. Please give generously.

### OFFERTORY 6-7-15:

SACRED HEART	\$	4,644
ST JOHN'S	\$	1,831
ELECTRONIC GIVING	\$	2,263