

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & 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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Feb.	1	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Feb.	2	7:00 a.m.	Mary Rosalie Hayden
Wed.	Feb.	3	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Feb.	4	NO MASS	
Fri.	Feb.	5	7:00 a.m.	Ben Hewitt
Fri.	Feb.	5	11:00 a.m.	Joseph Franklin Quade
Sun.	Feb.	7	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Cody Lacey

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

As you recall, Pope Francis inaugurated a Holy Year of Mercy on December 8, 2015 as a time to celebrate and experience God the Father's Mercy towards us. As the pope wrote, Mercy "*expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe.*" In this way, God' mercy transforms our hearts and allows us to be merciful in turn. This past week, the pope released his Message for Lent and in it, he calls "*each of us to love our neighbor and to devote ourselves to what the Church's tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbors in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting and instructing them. On such things will we be judged.*" One of the corporal works of mercy is sheltering the homeless. What a great gift we have been given to be able to participate in doing just that this week when Sacred Heart and Holy Angels parishes will host homeless men and women at Holy Angels Hall during seven consecutive nights. Help is still needed.

As the pope also tells us, "*In the corporal works of mercy we touch the flesh of Christ in our brothers and sisters who need to be fed, clothed, sheltered, visited...*" Yes, we can offer these homeless men and women something they need – food and shelter. But these same homeless men and women also offer us something we need – the realization that we too are poor sinners and in need of God's mercy. By touching the flesh of Christ in the poor, we discover anew that we too are only poor beggars in need of God and his healing touch. Rejoice that God will visit us in the homeless this week, giving us an opportunity to thank Him for all His gifts by loving those He loves most, the poor and needy.

This week we also celebrate our Catholic Schools. This is an opportunity to thank God for the gift of Catholic education in our communities, where our Catholic values and prayer are a core part of the education of our children. This year we also thank God in a special way for the opening of Mother Catherine Academy, which preserves another option of Catholic elementary education in our area. Finally we thank God for the sacrifices so many make for their children to receive a quality, religious-based education, where the soul as well as the mind are fed. We pray that Catholic Schools may always remain a part of our community.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

2016 CARDINAL'S APPEAL: The theme of this year's Cardinal's Appeal campaign is: "Seek first the kingdom of God." (Matthew 6:33) The Cardinal's Appeal campaign is much different than a one-time special collection. It is a pledge campaign where you can make a gift, payable over ten months. A significant gift to the Cardinal's Appeal will touch the lives of many others in a very positive way. As you review the work enabled by your contribution, please reflect on God's gifts to you. He has given you all that you have. Your gifts to our parish, to the archdiocese and to the work of the Church throughout the world should be given in gratitude for the continuing gifts that God gives you. Sometimes it is difficult to envision how one pledge can help an organization the size of our archdiocese, how it can make a real difference. But each pledge does make a difference because all parishes participate in the campaign and the gifts of many enable our archdiocese to deliver needed ministries and services. Our combined gifts not only signify our gratitude to God, they glorify Him by enabling the work of our archdiocese and give Him thanks for all He has given us. If you received your pledge form in the mail earlier this month, please complete it and mail it back or bring it to Mass next weekend. For those of you that did not receive a mailing or have not had time to respond to it, we will conduct our in-pew pledge process at all Masses this weekend and next weekend. Thank you for your prayerful consideration and generous response.

FIRST FRIDAY: Friday is the First Friday of February. Masses will be at 7 a.m. and 11 a.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10 a.m. until 10:45 a.m. Confessions will be held during Exposition and Sacred Heart Devotions will be held after Mass.

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection next weekend is our monthly School Support Collection.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING: Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, February 7th, at 1:30 p.m. in the parish hall. Please plan to attend.

\$100 A MONTH CLUB REMINDER: Please turn in your \$100 A Month Club tickets to CD & Patty Raley as soon as possible. Thank you.

WARM PROGRAM: The Holy Angels/Sacred Heart WARM hosting week is upon us. Guests will arrive Sunday evening, January 31st and will be with us each evening until Sunday, February 7th. This week is a wonderful opportunity to serve the Lord! We have had such an outpouring of support and could still use additional Monitors for any time slots you are able to offer. If you would like to come socialize, play cards, play a game or just stop by to check everything out, contact Cindy Guy. Your prayers for our hosting week, the guests and the volunteers would be greatly appreciated! Please consider giving a monetary donation to help cover the heating, electric, and some food costs associated with the WARM hosting week. Just insert your donation in an envelope marked "WARM". Since the program is being hosted in Holy Angels Hall, checks are to be made out to Holy Angels Church with "WARM" in the memo section.

Sunday, January 31st @ 9:30 a.m. Hall Setup for about 2 hrs. Volunteers are welcome.
 Sunday, February 7th @ 7:15 a.m. Breakdown Hall for about 2 hrs. Volunteers are welcome.
 For additional information on how you can help please contact the following coordinators.
 WARM Site Coordinators - Cindy & Howie Guy @ 301-904-8167
 Monitoring Coordinator - Tammy Pilkerton @ 301-475-5105
 Meals Coordinator- Kim Oliver @ 301-769-2834
 Cleaning Linens Coordinator - Carol Ann Hall @ 301-247-3283
 Setup & Breakdown of Hall Coordinators- Karen & Stephen Dent @ 443-677-8976

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick: Owen Deal, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Trudy Quade, Carroll Farrell, Miles Mattingly, Kyle Tyer, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Madeline Hutchins, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, Jr. Farrell, Nancy Rueckert & Myrtle Thompson.

JANUARY VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Diane Quade in memory of Alice & George Quade, Sr. and George Quade, Jr.

DECEMBER COLLECTION RESULTS

Loose \$1,101.10	Env. \$10,499.00	Total \$11,600.10
		Immaculate Conception 1,204.00
School Support - \$883.00		Other Income + 6,940.71
Retired Religious - \$1,230.00		Total Income \$19,744.81
Christmas Collection - \$11,062.00		Total Expenses -17,591.48
		\$+2,153.33

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!