

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

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**Rectory Office Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, 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.	Apr.	24	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Apr.	25	7:00 a.m.	Linda Mae Pilkerton
Wed.	Apr.	26	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Apr.	26	NO MASS	
Fri.	Apr.	28	7:00 a.m.	Carroll Cusic Family
Sun.	Apr.	30	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Cadence Kozloski

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Today we celebrate the 8<sup>th</sup> day of the Octave of Easter. For the past seven days, the Church has celebrated Easter Sunday over and over. The graces of that day are so great, that the Church provides multiple days for us to receive them.

This Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. Saint John Paul II instituted this feast day for the entire Church in the year 2000, and he was influenced by the writings of a Polish nun, Saint Faustina, who encountered the Risen Lord and wrote about it. Her diary contains beautiful passages about the deep mercy of Jesus' heart. In one passage, Our Lord tells St. Faustina that on the Second Sunday of Easter, the feast of Divine Mercy, "...all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity."

The Church attaches special graces to those who pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Divine Mercy Sunday, receive the Eucharist that day, who entrust themselves to God's incredible mercy, and who also receive the Sacrament of Penance/Confession soon after. After the Masses this weekend, we will pray this chaplet.

St. Faustina's diary includes passages describing the praying of the Divine Mercy Chaplet, which is recommended every Friday at 3pm, the hour of Jesus' mercy and his death on the Cross. Whenever I meet with someone who is dying, I always pray this chaplet if this has not yet been done. Because Our Lord told St. Faustina, "Say unceasingly this chaplet that I have taught you. Anyone who says it will receive great Mercy at the hour of death. Priests will recommend it to sinners as the last hope. Even the most hardened sinner, if he recites this Chaplet even once, will receive grace from My Infinite Mercy. I want the whole world to know My Infinite Mercy. I want to give unimaginable graces to those who trust in My Mercy....When they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person not as the just judge but as the Merciful Savior".

Pamphlets describing how to recite this prayer are available in the back of the church. I encourage you to pray this often and also to recommend it to others.

May this feast day of Divine Mercy draw us closer to the incredible love of God the Father and enable all of us to imitate His love by being just as merciful to each other.

May God Bless you,  
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the Main Altar, Blessed Mother Altar and St. Joseph Altar were given by Kevin & Sherry Quade in memory of Joseph & Eleanor Quade.

**FOOD FOR THE POOR WEEKEND:** Next weekend is Food for the Poor weekend. Please leave your non-perishable food items at the Sacred Heart Altar. Thank you.

**PARISH POTLUCK:** Please plan to attend our Parish Potluck on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, starting at 1 p.m. in the parish hall. There will be a silent auction, games for the kids and bingo. Come and join in on the fun!

**PARISH YARD SALE:** Sacred Heart will be holding a yard sale in June. If you have items you would like to donate, please contact Margie at 301-769-2665 or Isabel at 301-904-7557.

**THEOLOGY OVER DINNER:** Please join us on Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> to hear Ken Scheiber, teacher at St. Mary's Ryken. His talk is entitled "Is Faith Reasonable", at Kevin's Corner Café, 24509 Point Lookout Rd, in Leonardtown. Arrive between 6 – 6:15 p.m. to order your food and relax. Talk begins at 7 p.m.

**MOTHER CATHERINE ACADEMY:** On Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, MCA is hosting a Movie on the Lawn featuring *The Secret Life of Pets*. Gates open at 7 p.m. and the movie starts at 7:55 p.m. Bring blankets and lawn chairs to enjoy a fun night out with the family. This event is free and open to everyone. Rain date is May 5<sup>th</sup>.

**BLACKISTONE LIGHTHOUSE:** The St. Clement's Hundred, a group dedicated to the preservation and education of the Blackistone Lighthouse, are looking for volunteers for the upcoming season. A water taxi will take you from the shore of Colton's Point to the North Pier on the island. Spend the day greet visitors. The lighthouse is a self-guided tour, so prior knowledge of its history is not a requirement. Bring your lunch and enjoy the breeze from the Potomac River. The lighthouse is open on Saturdays, and the first Sunday of every month from June thru October. There will be a volunteer information night on Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8 p.m. at the Olde Breton Inn in Leonardtown. Please RSVP for the meeting by emailing [blackistonevolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:blackistonevolunteer@gmail.com) or by calling 301-769-2054.

**BUS TRIP TO FRANCISCAN MONASTERY:** Our Lady of the Wayside Church will be hosting a bus trip to the Franciscan Monastery on Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup>. The bus will leave the church at 8:20 a.m. and return around 3 p.m. The cost is \$20 and you must bring a bagged lunch. Seating is limited. If you would like to reserve a spot or have any questions, please contact Virginia at 301-884-7421 or email [millerchaptico@aol.com](mailto:millerchaptico@aol.com).

**REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick:** Janice Blackistone, Leo Osborn, Sylvia Lacey, Carol Ann Hall, Larry Hill, Mary Ann Hayden, Terry Johnson, William Guy, John Chesley, Wendy Gibson, Ken Cheseldine, Janet Farrell, Rholand Hayden, David Hill, Matthew Quade, Roger Raley, Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Miles Mattingly, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

#### **APRIL VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS**

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Ricky & Joan Farr in memory of Ruth Farr.

#### **MARCH COLLECTION RESULTS**

Offertory	\$10,779.25	School Support	\$1,202.00
E-Giving Offertory	1,960.00		
Ash Wednesday	1,140.73		
Other Income	+ 1,091.06		
Total Income	\$14,971.04		
March Expenses	- 15,251.22		
	\$ - 280.18		

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**