

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

**Rev. Anthony Lickteig, Pastor**

**Deacon Joseph Lloyd**

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**Rectory Office Hours:** Monday - 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.

**Emergency Phone:** 301-904-7750

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mon.	Jan.	29	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Tues.	Jan.	30	7:00 a.m.	James Latham
Wed.	Jan.	31	Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.	
Thurs.	Feb.	1	NO MASS	
Fri.	Feb.	2	7:00 a.m.	Annie Sandberg
Fri.	Feb.	2	11:00 a.m.	Francis & Walter Gibson
Sun.	Feb.	3	6:30 a.m.	Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels
			8:00 a.m.	Bill Bailey & Ben Hewitt

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

Thank you to all who helped host our guests for the WARM program! So many of you participated by donating food and resources and by sacrificing your time to prepare dinners and breakfasts, to provide activities and entertainment, and to monitor our guests in shifts from 6pm-midnight and from midnight-7am every night. A special thank you to Howie and Cindy Guy for coordinating our joint parish efforts, Tammy Pilkerton for coordinating the monitors who stayed up every night to monitor the guests, Kim Oliver for coordinating the meals, Butch and Pinky Morgan for being in charge of laundering the linens, Michelle Radez for coordinating the evening activities, Bubby and Carolyn Norris for managing the breakfast teams every morning, Karen and Steve Dent for coordinating the set up and break down of the cots, Carol Ann and Satch Hall for helping to collect the donated items, and the seven groups who volunteered their time to cook dinner during the week. Thank you for helping our parish be a place where charity is not just discussed and preached, but also practiced!

On Friday, February 2, we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus. Mary and Joseph take Jesus into the Temple and there they meet Simeon, who famously says, "*Now, Master, you may let your servant go in peace, according to your word, for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in sight of all the peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and glory for your people Israel*" (Luke 2:29-32). Christ is the light of the nations, hence this Feast is also known as Candlemas day, since the blessing and procession of candles used at Mass and in homes occurs at the beginning of this liturgy. This is also a "Christmas feast" since it points back to the Solemnity of Christmas. Many Catholics practice the tradition of keeping out the Nativity scenes or other Christmas decorations until this feast. So if you still haven't managed to take them down, you are in good company! The large Nativity scene and Christmas Tree in St. Peter's Square in Rome are not removed until after this Feast.

Finally, this Feast is also called the *Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary*. This refers to the other aspect of the presentation that consists of the ritual purification of Jewish women after they had given birth. In Mary's case this purification was not necessary, but it indicates the renewal of her total offering of herself to God for the accomplishment of His Divine Plan. For this reason, on this Feast the Church honors all those who have consecrated their lives to God as religious sisters and brothers.

May God bless you,  
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING:** The Parish Council will host the annual parish meeting on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, at 1 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This meeting is an opportunity to discuss upcoming events and any items you would like to discuss.

**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 will be our monthly School Support collection.

**CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS:** The 2017 Contribution Statements have been mailed to all registered parishioners that donated over \$100 last year. If you have any questions regarding your statement, please call the parish office during office hours, 301-769-3100.

**BORED AGAIN CATHOLIC: WHY MASS IS ALWAYS THE SAME:** Sunday after Sunday after Sunday, we gather at Mass to celebrate in the same way over and over again. No wonder we can get bored! If you want to understand why we as Catholics worship the way we do, join Fr. Lickteig for a lecture series on the Mass, and transform your boredom! Learn that our Catholic worship is rooted God's plan for us! We will meet two more Wednesdays. The next meeting is January 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:30-8:00pm at Holy Angels Sacred Heart School. Bring a friend!

**24 HOUR ADORATION AT HOLY ANGELS:** A St. Mary's county group is sponsoring a 24 hour period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Angels from 3:00pm on Friday, February 2nd (1st Friday and the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord) until 3:00pm on Saturday, February 3rd (1st Saturday). This 24 hour period of Adoration will include a recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm on Friday, Rosary and 1st Saturday Devotions at 8:00am on Saturday followed by Mass at 9:00am. Please consider praying for an hour before our Blessed Lord! You can sign up online at [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080D4DABA72BA5F94-holy1](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/5080D4DABA72BA5F94-holy1)

**2018 CARDINAL'S APPEAL:** The Cardinal's Appeal funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish, chief among them is the education and training of our future pastors. As in past years, the theme of the Appeal is, "Seek First the Kingdom of God." (Matthew 6:33) As we seek first the Kingdom of God, we have the capability of helping it to be present in our lives and in the lives of those around us through our works of charity, our works of love, our works of love and compassion. Contributions to the Cardinal's Appeal offers each of us the opportunity to respond to the needs of others by enabling ministries and services that touch thousands of lives.

**2018 ANNUAL CARENET BANQUET:** Holy Angels and Sacred Heart Parishes are sponsoring a table at the Annual CareNet Banquet which is being held on Thursday, March 22 at the Hollywood Volunteer Firehouse Social Hall. This year's guest speaker is Dr. William Lile. Dr. Lile is a Board Certified OB/GYN and former OB/GYN Department Chair at Sacred Heart Hospital. In 1999 he and a partner shut down the largest provider of abortion services in Pensacola, repurposing their tools to provide education on abortion procedures for the pro-life and Christian communities through speaking appearances, as well as articles and videos, hosted online at ProLifeDoc.org. Dr. Lile is a frequent guest of both television and syndicated radio shows and in 2016 was voted Top 10 Most Effective Pro-Life Speakers. Please contact Deacon Joe Lloyd at 301-475-6533 for reservations to this Pro-Life event.

**REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick:** Joann Beavers, Johnny Williams, Roger Munday, Wendy Gibson, Matthew Quade, Leo Osborn, Larry Hill, Rholand & Mary Ann Hayden, Terry Johnson, Ken Cheseldine, David Hill, Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Miles Mattingly, Ginny Guy, Ernest Armstrong, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie & Anne Marie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

### JANUARY VOTIVE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by John & Ann Hall in memory of Donna Russell.

St. Joseph Altar – Given by Bobby & Diane Anderson in memory of Lucy & Robert Anderson – Daniel & Melba Ellis.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by the family in memory of Butch Thompson.

### DECEMBER FINANCIALS

Offertory	\$13,126.85	School Support	\$802.00
E-Giving Offertory	3,200.50	Christmas Flowers	\$1,770.00
Immaculate Conception	1,382.00	Retired Religious	\$1,348.00
Christmas	9,260.00		
Other Income	+ 2,794.33		
Total Income	\$29,763.68		
December Expenses	- 21,725.57		
	\$+8,038.11		

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**