

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14

God became very angry with the Israelites for worshipping a molten calf and making sacrifices to it.

The people had so quickly violated his commandments that he planned to destroy them. But Moses pleaded with God for mercy and God relented.



Second Reading: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Paul considered himself a former blasphemer and persecutor, and expressed his gratitude for the mercy Jesus showed him. Paul felt that he was a perfect example of Jesus' patience toward sinners and his desire to reconcile them with God.

Gospel: Luke 15:1-32

The Pharisees grew angry because of the Jesus' compassion toward sinners. In response, Jesus tells of a son who squandered his inheritance, then returned to his father and asked to be treated as a hired hand. The father rejoiced, angering his older and more obedient son. The father explained that everything he owned belonged to his older son; but he had to rejoice for the son who was lost and had been found.



For the Week of September 11th through
September 17th

Sunday

Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Tm 1:12-17; Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10

Monday

1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Lk 7:1-10

Tuesday

1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday

Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Thursday

1 Cor 15:1-11; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Friday

1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15



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, September 10th

4:00 p.m.

Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

Sunday, September 11th

8:00 a.m.

Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

10:00 a.m.

Darren Rhodes

Monday September 12th

8:30 a.m.

Charlie Moloney

Tuesday, September 13th

8:30 a.m.

Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

Wednesday September 14th

8:30 a.m.

Mass for our parishioners, living and deceased

Thursday, September 15th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Friday, September 16th

8:30 a.m.

Communion Service

Saturday, September 17th

4:00 p.m.

Anita Gelderman

Sunday, September 18th

8:00 a.m.

Mass for our parishioners, living and Deceased

10:00 a.m.

Marie Gillin

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE

PARISH: Remember in
your prayers the sick of

the parish: *Barron*

Scott, John Troffo,

Valerie Lindyberg,

Patricia Dana, Ryan

Elizabeth Quintero,

Elizabeth Montague, Angela Wilmer, Faith King,

Ray Brilz, Jennifer Willis, Agnes Knoedler, Saylor

Willis, and Delores Carmen, and all those whose

names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF

INTENTIONS located in the front foyer.



NEW TO THE PARISH: Please be sure to register with the Parish Office and introduce yourself to Father Grasing after Mass. Registration forms are available at the doors of the Church, the Parish Office, or online. For additional information, please call 410-778-3160, or go to sacredparish.org.

PREP

Parish Religious Education Program



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY 2016: “Prayer: The Faith Prayed”

This year, the Church will celebrate Catechetical Sunday on **September 18, 2016** and

will focus on the theme “Prayer: The Faith Prayed.” Those who the Community has designated to serve as catechists will be called forth to be commissioned for their ministry. Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

REGISTRATION: All students must be registered to attend PREP. Registration has begun and classes will start this **Sunday, September 11th**. Families of children who attended PREP last year have already received their forms via email. Registration forms will also be available at the doors of the church. In order for your child to participate in PREP, the family must be registered in the parish. In addition, a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate must be on file with the Religious Education office.

PARENTS, PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: There will be a Parents’ Orientation Meeting on the first day of classes on **September 11th, following the 10:00 a.m. Mass**. This is a required meeting where parents will complete emergency paperwork, receive PREP materials and learn about the program for this year. If you have questions, contact Barbara Kelly, Director of Religious Education barbara.kelly.dre@gmail.com/ 410-778-4650.

TUTORS / MENTORS NEEDED

Most of you are familiar with the Kent County Learning Center’s Homework Depot program to provide a safe environment, with access to the internet and trained (one-on-one) mentors, for helping area children with after-school homework. Each mentor gets a free background check, child abuse prevention training, and mentor training before starting out. This is our second full year ... and one key essential is having a sufficient pool of mentors. We are in need of tutors for Rock Hall Elementary School Students on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 4 - 5 p.m. and Kent County Middle or High School Students on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed for either or both days or as substitutes. If you want more information, please contact Steve Croker, at (410) 778-1199. To sign up, contact one of the following: Mary Reedy at 410-639-9008; Phil Cicconi at 410-639-2387; or Becky Glenn at 410-639-7184. Thank you.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD - Would you like to know more about Scripture and deepen your relationship with Jesus Christ? Using the readings of the day, we try to understand what God is revealing to us and how it impacts our lives as Catholic Christians.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraph 133 states: *“The Church “forcefully and specifically exhorts all the Christian faithful. . . to learn the surpassing knowledge of Jesus Christ, by frequent reading of the divine Scriptures. Ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ.”*

Join us in the church foyer immediately following the 10:00 Mass at Sacred Heart beginning September 18th

DO YOU EVER ASK YOURSELF...

What am I looking for in life?
What is the meaning of my life?
How can I be a better person?
What can I do about the loneliness I feel?
How can I come to know God’s love?
How can I know the right path God has in store for me?
If you are asking these questions, or questions like them, the Catholic way of life awaits you. For centuries, people have turned to the Church to find the answers to the deepest and hardest questions of everyday life.

Are you interested in finding out more about how to become a Catholic? Call Barbara Kelly at 410-778-4650, or email barbara.kelly.dre@gmail.com



NEW BIBLE STUDY!

First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community

The conflicts of early Christians in Corinth are in many ways similar to our struggles today as Christians. They, too, witnessed division, scandal, immorality, persecution and other trials. In response, St. Paul taught the Corinthians about the Church as the Body of Christ, introducing them to the most powerful gift of all: the Eucharist.

This Bible study will begin on **Monday, September 19th, from 6:30-8:30 p.m.** in the Parish Hall. The study will continue for 11 weeks and conclude on November 28th. If there is sufficient interest, a second class may be offered during the day. A minimum of 10 participants will be necessary for either class to be offered. There is a \$24.00 materials fee. Registration forms are at the doors of the church. For more information please contact Barbara Kelly at barbara.kelly.dre@gmail.com, or call 410-778-4650.

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will offer their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at



Sacred Heart Catholic Church on **October 11th**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **In order to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/community-partners.**

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Offertory - Week Ending 9/3/16 Week 10

Thank you for your offering. It is with your continued support and the sharing of your time and talent that the ministries, programs and activities at Sacred Heart and St. John's are made possible. "Whatever you give to the Lord, He will return to you a hundred fold."

	Received	ACH	Budgeted	Diff.
Offertory 09/3 Wk.10	\$6,931	\$2,060	\$6,346	\$2,645
YTD Wk. 10	\$56,142	\$11,090	\$63,460	\$3,772

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 Senta Burton with any questions at 410-778-3160, or senta.burton@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

PARISH NEWS

SCHEDULE CHANGES:

The Weekday Liturgies at 8:30 a.m. in the Chapel are now being celebrated as follows:

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – Eucharist
Thursday and Friday – Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

Saturday – There will be no Liturgy

Weekend Masses beginning this weekend are as follows:

Sacred Heart: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

St. John's: Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

LET'S DANCE for fun, smiles and exercise!! Zumba Gold® 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® 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.

NEW TO THE PARISH: The following people have registered in our parish recently: Andrea Boothby, Bryan Rice and family. We pray that you will become closer to God through your participation in our Faith Community. We look forward to getting to know you. Welcome!

THANK YOU: Fr. Grasing received the following letter from HH Garnet Elementary School: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your parishioners for their generous donation of school materials and supplies for our students. These items will be distributed to teachers and students for use in the classroom, as well as items to be given to students for home use to complete projects, homework and other assignments. Once again, we appreciate your kindness and look forward to a successful school year."

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.

