

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. LENT: Wednesday 6:30 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration: After the Tuesday 7 a.m. Mass LENT: Wednesday 5:00-6:15 p.m.

Confessions: Saturday, 2:45 – 3:15 p.m. LENT Wednesday, 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Baptisms: By appointment.

Weddings: Six months advance notice.

CCD Classes: Sunday, 9:05 a.m., Holy Angels Sacred Heart School.

MASS INTENTIONS

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| Mon. | Mar. | 14 | Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m. | |
| Tues. | Mar. | 15 | 7:00 a.m. | Holy Souls |
| Wed. | Mar. | 16 | 6:30 p.m. | Elizabeth “Betti” Russell |
| Thurs. | Mar. | 17 | NO MASS | |
| Fri. | Mar. | 18 | 7:00 a.m. | Allan Swann |
| Sat. | Mar. | 19 | Mass at Holy Angels – 9:00 a.m. (Lent Only) | |
| Sun. | Mar. | 20 | 6:30 a.m. | Parishioners of Sacred Heart & Holy Angels |
| | | | 8:00 a.m. | Essie Mae Gibson & Rosaline Thorne |

Dear Sacred Heart Family,

This week we finish the third “Scrutiny” of the elect (the young man from our parish who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil). These rituals and prayers have roots in the early church when the bishop would lay his hands on those preparing for baptism to prepare them for the sacrament. This preparation is needed because while baptism frees us from the slavery of sin and the power of Satan, those who have not yet been baptized need the special prayers of each Scrutiny because they are still vulnerable; they have not yet been clothed with Christ; they have not yet been reborn as new creations. That is why those who have already been released from the devil’s grip (all the baptized in the parish) are able to pray these Scrutinies for the elect.

These Scrutinies have a dual purpose: to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; and to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong and good. Each Scrutiny helps the elect, by listening to special Gospel readings each Sunday, to progress in genuine self-knowledge through a serious examination of their lives and true repentance. But it also helps deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ.

The Scrutinies often bring to the elect a very real freedom from something that has been enslaving them. I read about one man who had this experience after the third Scrutiny: *“But something happened today at the Scrutiny. When I was 5 years old I was in a car accident in which both of my parents were killed. I have always held back from trusting people, or God, fully. Today, that got lifted. I cannot tell you how free I feel, how I can let go into God more fully.”*

The Scrutinies for adults were restored after the Second Vatican Council. They are meant to be celebrated publically because they help the whole parish recall that baptism is a very serious gift of freedom and new life. The elect will experience this at the Easter Vigil. But we, too, are called to examine our lives with them, to see where we may have become enslaved again after our baptism, and to pray for an outpouring of freedom that comes with being a son or daughter of God. Please keep all the elect in prayer as they continue to prepare for their baptism.

May God bless you,
Fr. Anthony Lickteig

RELIGIOUS GOODS STORE: Sacred Heart's religious goods store will be open after the 6:30 and 8 a.m. Masses next weekend, March 20th.

EASTER FLOWER ENVELOPE REMINDER: Please turn in your Easter Flower Envelopes with the names of those you wish remembered at the Easter Vigil by **March 20th**.

260TH GALA DINNER KICKOFF MEETING: There will be a meeting on Monday, March 14th at 5:30 p.m. in the Rectory to discuss the plans for our 260th Gala Dinner. All are welcome to attend.

MEN'S LENTEN EVENING OF RECOLLECTION: A Men's Lenten Evening of Recollection will be held at Our Lady of the Wayside Church on Wednesday, March 16th with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Meditation starting at 6:45 p.m., Confessions and silent prayer at 7:30 p.m. and Benediction at 8:30 p.m. Meditation will be given by Fr. Gallagher.

LENTEN FISH FRY: Our Lady of the Wayside's annual Lenten Fish Fry is on March 18th, from 5 to 7 p.m. Menu includes; fried fish, fish nuggets, popcorn shrimp, French fries, macaroni and cheese, coleslaw, green beans, rolls, tea and desserts. Cost is, adults \$14, children 6 – 12 \$7 and children 5 and under free. Carry outs are available.

JUBILARIAN MASS: On Sunday, June 19th, at 2 p.m., Donald Cardinal Wuerl will celebrate the annual Jubilarian Mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception honoring married couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 and 50 or more years of marriage. Personalized scrolls signed by Cardinal Wuerl will be distributed to couples following the ceremony, or mailed should they be unable to attend. To register, please call the parish office during office hours.

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH SEAFOOD DINNER: Holy Angels Church will be hosting a Seafood Dinner on Sunday, March 20th, from 11:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. at their parish hall. The menu includes: fried oysters, steamed spiced shrimp, crab balls, fried chicken, parsley potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, pickled beets and all the trimmings. Served buffet style all you can eat. Cost for adults is \$27, children 6-12 \$8, and children under 5 free. Carry-outs are available for \$25. For more information or to purchase advanced tickets, please call their rectory at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com.

BREAKFAST WITH THE EASTER BUNNY: The 7th District VFD Auxiliary will be having Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Sunday, March 13th, from 8 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. at the firehouse. Menu will include; pancakes, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, home fries, baked apple dessert, coffee, juice and milk. Carry-outs are available. Cost is adults \$11, senior citizens \$10, children 4-12 \$3 and 3 & under free.

FRIED SHRIMP DINNER: The Seventh District VFD Auxiliary will be having a Fried Shrimp Dinner on Friday, March 25th, from 5 – 8 p.m. at the firehouse. Menu includes; fried shrimp, fries, cole slaw, rolls, dessert, tea and coffee. Cost for adults is \$12, senior citizens \$11, and children 12 and under \$5.

BABY CRIB NEEDED: A family is in need of a baby crib that meets safety requirements. If you have a crib that you would like to donate, please contact the parish office during office hours.

CHURCH HISTORY: If anyone has the bulletins for Sacred Heart Church prior to 1965 or the early 1970's please contact Helen Hewitt at 301-769-3947. Also, if anyone has any pictures of the student body from the early 1940's of Sacred Heart School please let Helen know so she can scan them. Thank you.

VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS: If you would like to dedicate a candle on the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph or Sacred Heart Altar, please call the rectory during office hours. We have candles available for each of these altars.

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

MARCH VOTIVE CANDLE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – Given by Charles & Margie Boyers for the intentions of Sully Shields.

Sacred Heart Altar – Given by Matthew & Ann Quade for the intentions of Matthew & Ann Quade & family.