

SACRED HEART PARISH



Sacred Heart Church

508 High Street
Chestertown, MD 21620

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

Sunday Mass: 10:00 am

*“Baptized in
the name of
the Father,
and of the
Son, and of
the Holy
Spirit”*



St. John Church

Catholic & Main Streets
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Sunday Mass: 8:00 am

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Kent Street entrance to Sacred Heart Church

Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY · MAY 30, 2021

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Current Covid Protocols & Guidelines

- Fully vaccinated persons are not required to wear face masks
- Those not vaccinated must continue to wear face masks
- The dispensation to attend Sunday (and Holy Day) Mass remains in force in the Diocese of Wilmington
- If you are feeling ill, please do not enter any parish facility
- You may use all doors to enter/exit church
- Worship aids may be left in the pew at the end of Mass
- Please limit restroom use
- In each of our churches there is a section set up with 3 foot social distancing for those who feel more comfortable with a bit of space; in Sacred Heart this is the section nearest the side door where the ramp is located and in St. John this is the first several pews on the left side of the church
- Sacred Heart Church is open for personal prayer from 8am – Noon, Monday through Friday (except holidays)

PARISH REGISTRATION

We welcome all of our parish community. At this time we have been asked to suspend having hand-out materials in the bins at the doors of the Church. If you are new member, or if you need to make a change to your current registration, please visit or contact the Church office to obtain a registration form. Please return the forms to the Parish Office. Please note that registration is required for Baptism, Marriage, and participation in PREP.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40

Moses asks the people if they have ever seen anything as great as the actions of God. He reminds them that there is only one God and all people must keep his commandments.

If the laws of God are kept, his people will prosper all their lives.

Second Reading: Romans 8:14-17

Paul explains that through the Holy Spirit, we become children of God. As heirs of God we must be willing to suffer as Christ was if we are to share in his glory.

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus asks his disciples to go to other nations and teach others all that they have learned. He asks that these new followers be baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



For the Week of May 30th through
June 6th

Sunday

Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Rom 8:14-17; Mt 28:16-20

Monday

Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Lk 1:39-56

Tuesday

Tb 2:9-14; Mk 12:13-17

Wednesday

Tb 3:1-11a, 16-17a; Mk 12:18-27

Thursday

Tb 6:10-11, 7:1bcde, 9-17, 8:4-9a;
Mk 12:28-34

First Friday

Tb 11:5-17; Mk 12:35-37

First Saturday

Tb 12:1, 5-15, 20; Mk 12:38-44
-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25;

Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27, 16:12-15

Sunday

Ex 24:3-8; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

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, May 29th

4:00 p.m.

Kathryn Gannon

Sunday, May 30th

8:00 a.m.

For Our Parishioners
Living and Deceased
Leh Siu Lan Koh

10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, June 1st

8:30 a.m.

For Our Parishioners
Living and Deceased

Thursday, June 3rd

8:30 a.m.

Joseph Larson

Saturday, June 5th

4:00 p.m.

Carl Wagner

Sunday, June 6th

8:00 a.m.

For Our Parishioners
Living and Deceased

10:00 a.m.

Leh Siu Lan Koh

**REMEMBERING THE SICK
OF THE PARISH:** Remember
in your prayers the sick of the
parish: *John Troffo, Valerie*

*Lindyberg, Patricia Dana,
Angela Wilmer, Faith King,*

*Eugenia Brooks, Alicia Bourne, Tom Blum, Betty Ann
Strong, Joseph William, Millie Moseman, Benjamin
Ellingsworth, Father Ted Tempel, Adam Voshell, and all
those whose names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF*

INTENTIONS.

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.

PRIVATE PRAYER: Sacred Heart Church is open for private prayer from 9:00 a.m. until noon Monday through Friday. The Chapel will not be available.

Kindly remember that face masks are required when visiting the parish office.



PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

Bringing the Gospel Home

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Matthew 28:16-20

Reflection for Parents

As parents, we are commissioned by the Church to be the first and most significant teachers of the faith for our children. We present our children to the Church for Baptism, we teach them the Commandments, and we share with them the Good News of Jesus Christ. We show them how to live as Christ's disciples in the world today. In this way the Church on Earth grows and is strengthened. Take time this week to think about how you are fulfilling your commission to be the first and foremost teacher of the faith for your child. What more can you do to fulfill your role?

Bringing the Gospel into Your Family

This solemnity celebrates the Holy Trinity—God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. Work together to create a Holy Trinity mobile. Invite family members to use small squares or circles of construction paper to draw symbols for the Persons of the Holy Trinity. For example, you might draw favorite parts of creation to symbolize God the Father, a cross to represent God the Son, and a dove or a flame to symbolize God the Holy Spirit. Write the title "The Holy Trinity" in one square or circle. Use yarn and dowels or coat hangers to create your mobile. Hang the mobile in a place where all family members will see it and will be reminded to celebrate the work of the Holy Trinity.

Discussion Starters

1. God has given me the power to . . .
2. I think that one of God's most important commandments is . . . because . . .
3. When I hear that Jesus is with me always, it makes me feel . . .

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MAY SAINTS

JEANNE D'ARC (JOAN OF ARC)

In May of 1429, a young woman clad in white armor rode her horse onto the battlefield at Orleans. Behind her marched hundreds of French soldiers. Following her battle cry, they defeated the English and won great victories for France during the Hundred Years' War.

Jeanne d'Arc was only 17 years old when she won that battle. She fought to bring peace to her country. For nearly 100 years, the French and the English had been fighting. The French farmers and their families suffered greatly. English soldiers burned their fields and crops, and many people died of hunger.

Jeanne, or Joan as she is best known outside of France, had been born to one of these poor farm families in 1412. At the age of 13, she began hearing the voices of Sts. Michael, Catherine, and Margaret. They encouraged her to help the French farmers.

So at age 16, Joan left the farm and went to the palace of the French prince. She asked to lead his army. After she won the battle of Orleans, Joan led her soldiers to other victories. She was wounded several times.

She was eventually captured by the enemy, and the English then purchased her as a prisoner and put her on trial.

The English found Joan guilty of lying about the voices she heard. On May 30, 1431, they burned Joan to death. She was only 19 years old. But 25 years later, the Church found her innocent of all crime.

In 1920, the Church said that she was a true saint who had fought for what she believed. She is sometimes called the "Maid of Orleans" and is the patron saint of France.



PARISH NEWS

Offertory – Week Ending May 23rd Week 48

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 5/23 Wk. 48	\$2,435	\$814	\$5,769	-\$2,520
YTD Wk. 48	\$185,271	\$97,714	\$276,912	\$6,073

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

While baptisms are generally celebrated at a weekend liturgy at either of our churches, this is not possible due to restrictions related to COVID-19. Baptisms are now celebrated outside of Mass and may be scheduled by calling the parish office. Parents are required to attend a formation session prior to the baptism; Godparents are welcome to attend as well. Please call the parish office for more information and to schedule your child’s baptism.

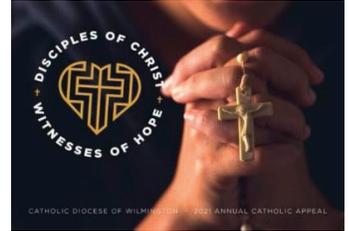


SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Please contact the parish office to make an appointment to celebrate the sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY Anyone seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of matrimony in either of our churches must contact the parish office at least one year in advance of the proposed date. No date may be held until the bride and groom meet with the pastor (or his designate).

COMMUNION TO THE SICK, HOMEBOUND AND HOSPITALIZED At this time in accordance with directives from the Diocese of Wilmington, we are unable to schedule visits in health care or home settings. Only those in danger of death may be visited until further notice. We will return to our regular practice of sending Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the sick as soon as possible.

2021 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL – DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, WITNESSES OF HOPE



During this time each year, parishioners are invited to participate in the Diocese’s Annual Catholic Appeal. Funds from the Appeal help provide pastoral, charitable, and educational programs and services to tens of thousands of people in our 12-county Diocese. As parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish we are proud to be part of the Church of Wilmington. As members, it is important that we reach out and serve others by sharing our resources. Just as we are one in the body of Christ, we must remember that we are one with other parishes and with our Diocese. The Annual Catholic Appeal offers us the opportunity to work together to care for the Church by sharing the gifts God has granted us.

Many thanks to those who have responded to the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal; your generosity is deeply appreciated. If you have not yet participated you can contribute to the Appeal by using the pledge card and return envelope mailed to your home, by accessing the Appeal website at www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal and clicking “How to Donate” or by completing a pledge card located at the doors of the church. It is never too late to help someone in need.

To learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal visit the diocesan website at www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal. Consider viewing a brief video highlighting some of the supported ministries at <https://youtu.be/1789oOHmTkg>.

**CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED
ON MONDAY, MAY 31ST IN
OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY.**

FROM THE DESK OF FATHER GRASING

To reiterate what was emailed to all parishioners last week—

I understand that some will be a bit tentative as we move forward. I ask everyone to be patient with one another and to respect the choices individuals will make as is their prerogative.

In terms of vaccination, we cannot (and would not) ask if someone has been fully vaccinated. The honor system is in place. And for people of faith, the honor system should pose no problem!

Beginning last weekend:

Face masks are not required for those who are *fully vaccinated*; for those who are not vaccinated, face masks remain a requirement (this includes children who have yet to be vaccinated)

Social distancing is no longer mandated by the Maryland or Delaware (see important note below)

Usual communion stations will be restored; it is still a good idea to maintain some distance while in line

Beginning this weekend:

The procession of gifts at preparation will return

The exchange of the sign of peace will resume without physical contact between non-family members; members of the same “pod”—such as the college athletes who have added joyfully to our assembly over the years—may be considered family in this context

My desire, as we implement these new protocols, is that everyone be as comfortable as possible worshipping at Sacred Heart and St. John churches. ***The safety and comfort of all who worship, parishioners and visitors alike, is paramount.*** Therefore, *in each of our churches you will note there are pews that will continue to be set up for social distancing at 3 feet.* At Sacred Heart Church the section of pews on the left side of the church (as you face the altar) and at St. John Church, the first several pews, again on the left side, are set up for 3-foot social distancing.

Beginning June 1st:

Liturgy will be celebrated on Tuesdays and Thursday in Sacred Heart Church (not chapel) at 8:30am

I would like to once again thank all of you for your patience, understanding and support over these last many months. Your cooperation and willingness to walk side by side into the unknown during this trying time has been a blessing to me and the staff and volunteers who served our parish. In releasing the latest guidelines, it was noted that not one case of Covid-19 has been traced to any of the parishes in our diocese. We can all be grateful—and even a little proud—of that.

May God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit continue to bless, encourage, inspire, comfort, and sustain you!

Fr. Grasing

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