

SACRED HEART CHURCH

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SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday - 4:30 p.m. (Vigil)
Sunday - 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon
(Babysitting available during 10:00 a.m. Mass)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday - Friday, 6:30 and 8:00 a.m.
Saturday - 9:30 a.m., Chapel
(Church during the CCD year)

HOLY DAY MASSES

As announced

CIVIL HOLIDAYS

Any change in the weekday schedule will be announced.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday - 3:00-4:00 p.m. or anytime by request.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

First, Second and Third Saturdays - 10:30 a.m.
Contact and coordinate with the Parish Office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office at least 6 months prior to the Wedding.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OR HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

HOLY HOUR

First Friday morning after 8:00 a.m. Mass

R.C.I.A. - INQUIRY INTO THE CATHOLIC FAITH

For Catholic and non-Catholic adults inquiring about the Catholic faith. Contact the Parish Office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Monday, 4:00 p.m.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Ronald A. Potts, Pastor
Deacon Dan D. Abeyta
Deacon Bob Seith

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to our Parish Community.
Office Hours - Monday - Thursday - 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

REGISTRATION

The first Sunday of each month (except May, July and August) in Carroll Hall after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

SCHOOL OF RELIGION (CCD)

Coordinator: Mrs. Mary Hager
Home School Contact: Mrs. Sam Fatzinger
Youth Ministers: Mr. Danny Flynn & Mrs. Kari Flynn
Youth Group email: sacredheartbowieyg@gmail.com
Office Hours - Monday-Friday - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

CCD SCHEDULE - (SEPTEMBER TO MAY)

Sunday:	Youth Group (Grades 7-12)	
	As Announced	
Tuesday:	Grades 5 to 8	7:30-8:45 p.m.
Saturday:	Grades K to 4	9:00-10:15 a.m.

ORGANIST

Mr. Henry Wroblewski

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Mr. Frank Figlozzi, Mrs. Betsy April & Mr. Basil Parlett

LECTOR COORDINATOR

Mr. Steve Bast (301-464-8782)

WEBSITE - www.sacredheartbowie.org

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WHITEMARSH BRANCH



Masses For The Week

MONDAY MARCH 16

6:30 Christopher Whelehan
8:00 Eileen Stewart

TUESDAY MARCH 17

St. Patrick

6:30 David Szostak
8:00 Marguerite Collins

WEDNESDAY MARCH 18

St. Cyril of Jerusalem

6:30 Hilda Diaz
8:00 Leonard Johnson

THURSDAY MARCH 19

St. Joseph

6:30 Ralph Collins
8:00 Sacred Heart
Association✝

FRIDAY MARCH 20

6:30 Geraldine Shane
8:00 Joe Krivak

SATURDAY MARCH 21

9:30 Father Bill Hines

The Rosary is recited after the 8 and 9:30 a.m. daily Masses.

✝ SACRED HEART ASSOCIATION

The Sacred Heart Association was established so that the Mass could be offered once each month for the enrolled *deceased*. The \$25 enrollment fee is added to a special fund for the maintenance of the Chapel. See the flyers at the back of the church for more information or to enroll a loved one.

ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN FOOD DRIVE : Help end hunger through the Lenten Food Drive sponsored by the Archdiocese of Washington. **This weekend bags will be available at all Masses.** Please consider taking a bag and returning it filled with food next weekend **March 21/22. Please double the bags - they rip easily!** This year all food donated will go to Holy Family Parish in Hillcrest Heights and other surrounding parishes in Southern Maryland.



Youth Events

Family Spaghetti Dinner fundraiser on Friday, **March 20** from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in Whitemarsh Hall. To RSVP, sign-up in the back of the Church and pay at the door. Cost will be \$8 per person and \$40 family cap. The dinner includes homemade meatless spaghetti sauce, Caesar salad, and garlic bread. Proceeds benefit the Youth Group Summer Steubenville Conference.

EASTER EGGS NEEDED! The Youth Group is hosting its first family Easter egg hunt for the parish following the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday, April 12. We are in need of donated eggs. Please bring already filled and sealed plastic eggs and place them in the bins in the back of the Church the next two weekends. Thank you so much for your support.



With the increase in cases of the coronavirus, Sacred Heart is taking steps to stop the spread of germs. We are requesting parishioners refrain from hand shaking during the kiss of peace or holding hands during the reciting of the Our Father. We have also removed the Holy water from the all entrances of the church. In addition, we have wiped down the pews with disinfectant. We will continue these health measures until the threat of the coronavirus subsides.

SAVE THE DATE — April 3 — Family Fish Fry

View this bulletin online at www.DiscoverMass.com

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

CH=Carroll Hall (basement of church) --HC=Hogan Center (hill)
WMH=Whitemarsh Hall - HH=Hogan Hall (both in HC)

Sunday 10 a.m. - Babysitting during Mass - CH Nursery
11 a.m. - Donuts, Juice, & Coffee - CH
11 a.m. - Lenten Group - CH
7 p.m. - Mustard Seed Mission Meeting - WMH
7 p.m. - Vespers - Chapel

Monday 7 p.m. - RCIA - WMH
7 p.m. - Lenten Group - HH

Tuesday **8:30 a.m. - 8:30 p.m. - Adoration - Chapel**
8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.-St. Peter the Rock -HC
12 p.m. - Walking With Purpose - WMH
7 p.m. - Pray the Rosary - Seiths (3300 Mayo Pl)
7 p.m. - Walking With Purpose - WMH
7:30-8:45 p.m. - CCD grades 5-8 - HC

Wednesday 10:30 a.m. - Soup & Scripture - HH
7 p.m. - Men's Lenten Study - WMH
7 p.m. - Lenten Group - HC
7-8 p.m. - Confessions - Chapel

Thursday 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m.-St. Peter the Rock -HC
7:30-9 p.m. - HS YG "Guys Night" - HH
7 p.m. - Youth Choir Rehearsal - Church
8 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal - Church

Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. - Adoration - Chapel
5-7 p.m. - Family Spaghetti Dinner - WMH
7 p.m. - Stations of the Cross - Chapel
8:30 p.m. - AA Meeting - CH

Saturday 9-10:15 a.m. - CCD grades K-4 - HC
10:30 a.m. - New Altar Server Training - Church

Weekdays after 8 a.m. Mass - Coffee, Tea, etc. - HH

Second collection this weekend will be for the
Church in the Developing World



LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE will be on Tuesday, **March 24** starting at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. Plan to take advantage of this opportunity to spiritually prepare yourself for the Resurrection of Our Lord.

Your generosity to the weekly POOR BOX has allowed us to make the following distributions in February 2020:

St. Pius Food Pantry	\$200.00
Sisters Servant of the Lord	\$250.00
Mary's Center	\$200.00
Girls & Boys Town of Washington	\$600.00
Mount St. Mary's Seminary	\$375.00

As always, thank you for your kindness.



Sacred Heart Book Club will meet on Monday, **April 13**, at 7:00 p.m. to discuss The Day Is Now Far Spent by Cardinal Robert Sarah. For your information, call Gael Swick at 301-464-8569.

Church Security Presentation on Tuesday, **March 31**, at 7:00 p.m. in Carroll Hall. The presentation should be attended by all ushers and those parishioners interested in knowing more about what they can do in case of an emergency. The presentation will be conducted by Officer Stephen Rice and Al Gauthier, President of DTS.

From the desk of Father Ronald A. Potts:

Our reading from the Book of Exodus recalls the great journey of God's people from the slavery of the Egyptians into the desert on their way to the Promised Land. There is no water and the people are suffering from thirst and they grumble against God and even question His care and concern for them. In desperation, Moses cries out to the Lord and He instructs him to strike the rock with his staff. The water flows from the rock. Moses does not test the Lord but relies on Him wholeheartedly and his faith is rewarded. Our journey is no different through the "desert" of this world to the Promised Land of heaven. We, too, find ourselves tested in the desert but the Lord always takes care of us. Like Moses, we call out to the Lord in faith asking for His help and our hope will not be disappointed.

In Saint Paul's letter to the Romans, he points out that "Christ died for us." We stand in awe that Jesus loved us so much that He would die for us. Jesus opens up the kingdom of heaven for us by His passion, death and resurrection. Our exodus, our journey, begins at baptism and leads from this world to the city where we shall share "the glory of God"—the kingdom of heaven. This hope cannot disappoint us, because faith, making us just, places us in a new relationship with God and, as a consequence, with others. As painful as they may be, the trials of our own exodus take on their real meaning as we share in the cross of Christ. As His disciples, we pick up our cross and follow in His footsteps knowing that Jesus is beside us giving us all we need.

In John's gospel, we find what would seem to be a chance meeting between a thirsty man and a Samaritan woman who has come to get water for her use at home. The encounter took place even though it was against the custom of the time for a Jew to address a Samaritan woman, even in the case of an emergency. Jesus goes on to speak of Himself as giving "living water" although He does not even have a bucket for the deep well. He continues, "... whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst; the water I shall give will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." She could have turned around and gone home but she continues to listen to Him and responds, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may not be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water." Then Jesus invites her to call her husband and He knows she has had five husbands. She recognizes He is a prophet and she believes in the Messiah who is to come and will explain everything. Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you." She leaves her jug at the well and goes running off to the village to share the good news that she has met the Messiah. Like the woman, we all thirst and it is Jesus who satisfies our thirst for holiness. Jesus feeds us as we make our journey through this world to heaven. Like the woman at the well, may we open our hearts to Jesus and His life-giving grace.



Based on the demand for "holiness" in the life of the priest and laity, St. Edward the Confessor Church is excited to welcome best-selling author and Catholic Evangelist, Kevin Wells from Monday, March 23 through Wednesday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. Kevin will talk about his new book, "The Priests We Need To Save The Church." He will be available after all talks to sign copies of his book. St. Edward's is located at 1940 Mitchellville Road, Bowie.

THANK YOU!

Warm Nights 2020 was a wonderful week! We hosted between 31 and 37 guests each night in Carroll Hall – the most ever for our program! Thank you goes out to the Day Coordinators - Brendan Gaeng, Mary LaFave, Michele Thompson, Alice Rutkowski, Mindy Anderson, The Sacred Heart Youth Group and Jan Braswell - for their efforts to make each day special for our guests! A big "Thank you!" goes out to the parishioners and friends of Sacred Heart that donated to make our week so successful! Our parishioners logged in 362 hours of service this week and this was just the time spent in Carroll Hall. Hundreds of hours more were spent at home making lunches, preparing food and planning the week. Please continue to keep our guests in your prayers as they continue their journey.

~ Mary Anne Montague and Jan Braswell

Are you interested in helping visitors to discover the rich history of our Parish? Please contact Marianne Gill at 301-464-0542 or Herrgill@verison.net.



Blessing of a Child in the Womb: Expectant parents are invited to receive a special blessing for their unborn children during all Masses next weekend, March 21/22.

Family Spaghetti Dinner—March 20, at 5:00 p.m. in Whitemarsh Hall. Sign-up in the back of the church if you plan on attending and pay at the door.



PLEASE PRAY for our parishioners who are in the **ARMED SERVICES:** Bill Glynn, Jr., Katelyn Ballagh, Riley Cassidy, Ann Maloney, Jake Rohme, Cody Komala, Joshua Poole, Aidan Reilly, Ethan Copping, Kenton Stacey, Chris Seager, Richie Mulhare, Joe O'Connell, M. K. Harris, Justin Burns, Steven P. Maqui, Andrew Rodriguez, Damian Pedersen, Jim Ballagh, Jr., Michael Sierco, Stephen Prevo, Paul Gannett, James Pritchett. *Please notify the Office of family members that can be included or removed.*

PLEASE PRAY for the **SICK** of the Parish especially Della Wark, Maxine Gorman, Don Hirzel, Wilda Raffensperger, Dana Rodriguez, Robert Shourds, Jr., Karen Larson, Betty Gauthier, Rosamond MacDonald, Ben Wilson, Adeline Grima, Lileen Schwarz, Mark Rose, Ann Brennan, Maria Dutkowsky, Jeanne Danko, Margaret Eva Rheingrover, Leona Kilday, Jennifer McClure, Matthew Leake, George Murphy, Jr., Cheryl Sprouse, Patrick Ledger, Brendan Farr, Patrick Flaherty, Carol Fitzgerald, Anna Jeanne Judge, Joseph Flanagan, Victoria Ose, Peter Kubie, Kristen Vicencio, Jennie Guilbaud, Paul Ford, Kris Corbett, Bill Hardin, Susan Swick, Regina Madigan, Luis Martarano, Roberto Cruz, Eric Seith, Kathleen Sierco-Werking, Margaret Douglas, Jim Braswell, Thomas Lumsden, Bill Parent, Bernadette Braswell, Carolyn Kassabian, Bill Murphy, Raymond & Jean Wehrmeister, Gladys Coby, Hoa My Cai, Teri Mignosa, Renee Smigielski, Jamie April, Lorna Schrom, Margaret LaFerrara, Ruth Hayes, Debra Walter, Betty Dyer, Jeanette Harris, Karly Szostak, Mary Kotarski, John Bente, Lauren Bente Yakaitis, Laurie Smith, Marianne VanOverwalle, Ivan Cobo, Monica Diaz, Charles Coley, Mary Krok, Mary Beth Fitzmaurice, Loretta Foley, Rachel Euber, Rene Roach, Robbie Svoboda, Linda & Pat McKenna, Helen Evonska, John Kylus, Margaret Quarto, Ann Leister, Dawn Chapdelaine and Joni Seith.

Names will remain 3 weeks and can be continued by calling the Office.

Please remember in your prayers the souls of the **FAITHFUL DEPARTED** especially Frederick Policelli.

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