SACRED HEART CHURCH

Bushwood, Maryland – Founded 1755

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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.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon. Sept. 3 Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.
Tues. Sept. 4 7:00 a.m. Elizabeth Mattingly
Wed. Sept. 5 Mass at Holy Angels – 7:30 a.m.

Thurs. Sept. 6 NO MASS

Fri. Sept. 7 7:00 a.m. Int. of Ann Pogue Sun. Sept. 9 6:30 a.m. Linda Mae Pilkerton

8:00 a.m. Dylan Brown

Dear Parishioners,

With September now upon us, it means that R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will be starting up again very soon. This is for people who are interested in becoming Catholic or for those who were baptized Catholic, but never received their First Communion and/or Confirmation.

If you know an adult who is not Catholic and think they would be interested in joining the Church, please have them contact me. Some people's initial response might be, "Why would anyone want to become Catholic right now with all of the scandals going on in the Church?" That is a fair question and I am sure many people who had been seriously thinking about becoming Catholic will change minds, or at least strongly consider changing their minds.

Much to my surprise, I have heard 3 priests say that they have had people come forward in the last 2 weeks expressing interest in becoming Catholic. The priests all commented on how the people were drawn more to Catholicism because they were touched by the deep faith of some Catholics they knew who were not abandoning the Church in these difficult times.

This time in the Church is actually an opportunity for evangelization. When people come up to you and ask why you're still a Catholic, do you have an answer? For me, the first thing that comes to mind is the Eucharist. NO OTHER CHURCH has anything they could spiritually offer that's better than the Eucharist. If you find one, let me know and you can join that church. In fact, I'll join that church with you.

God Bless, Fr. Sam Plummer **ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flowers on the Main Altar were given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Frankie Bowles. The flowers on the Blessed Mother Altar were given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Agnes Ridgell. The flowers on the St. Joseph Altar were given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Edward Ridgell. The flowers on the Sacred Heart Altar were given by Joseph & Mary Jane Bowles in memory of Louis Ridgell.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: The parish office will be closed Monday, Sept. 3rd in observance of Labor Day.

SECOND COLLECTION: The second collection next weekend is the annual Catholic University of America collection.

\$100 A MONTH CLUB WINNER: The \$100 A Month Club winner for August is Caitlin Listorti of Crofton, MD.

MCA NEWS: Mother Catherine Academy is poised to welcome back students for our fourth year as an Independent Catholic School! We have several events that are open to the community. Please consider joining us.

- Every Saturday Bingo at MCA. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and early bird games start at 6:00 p.m. \$5000 jackpot!
- August 24th marks the date for the MCA Social and Auction. This year's theme is "Sweet Home Southern Maryland". The event will be held at MCA and begins at 5:30 p.m. If you would like to attend or have items that you would like to donate for our auction, please contact Mrs. Betsy Farrell @ <u>bfarrell@ftrinc.net</u> for more information. Tickets are \$75 each or \$500 for a table.
- Script Cards- Please consider purchasing Script cards for your everyday needs. We have cards for gas, groceries, clothing, and food. MCA receives a percentage of the value of each card sold. Please contact the school for more information.
- Yankee Candle Fundraiser begins the first week of school. School begins on 8/29!

Thank you for your continued support of Catholic Education at Mother Catherine Academy.

HOLY ANGELS CHURCH SEAFOOD DINNER: On Sunday, September 10th from 11:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m., Holy Angels Church in Avenue, MD, will be serving a delicious Seafood Dinner. 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! Adults - \$28.00; Children (12 to 6) - \$8.00; and Children (5 & under) - Free. Carryouts are available at \$26.00 each. There will be delicious homemade desserts and a craft table! The Raffle Prize is for a total of \$1,500 in cash! The First prize is \$1,000 and the second prize is \$500. You do not need to be present to win. For more information to purchase advanced tickets, please call the rectory at 301-769-3332 or email holy01angels@aol.com

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES OUR LADY OF SORROWS FEAST MASS: The Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese of Washington (CCAW), Southern MD Regional Office, will be hosting its Annual Feast Day of Our Lady of Sorrows Mass on Saturday, September 15, 2018 at the St. Mary's Queen of Peace Cemetery in Helen, MD. The Rosary and Mass is offered for the deceased members of our community and the Church especially encourages people who have recently suffered the loss of a loved one to participate. The Rosary and Mass will begin at 9:00 a.m. with Rev. Robert G. Maro (St. Francis Xavier Church in Compton) as our celebrant. An enclosable tent will be erected for everyone's comfort so the Mass will be held in the cemetery rain or shine. For additional information, please contact CCAW at (301) 475-5005/5006 or (301) 932-1766.

REQUEST FOR INTERCESSORY PRAYER: Sick: C.C. Gravetts, Joann Beavers, Johnny Williams, Matthew Quade, Larry Hill, Rholand & Mary Ann Hayden, Ken Cheseldine, David Hill, Mike Bailey, Elizabeth Graves, Virgie Banagan, Bill Finegan, Ginny Guy, Aloysius Butler, Harrison Robrecht, Bert Dean, Bernie & Anne Marie Quade, Melanie Gibson, Elaine Frederick, and Jr. Farrell.

SEPTEMBER VOTIVE INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Altar – In memory of Charlotte Cooke, given by grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Sacred Heart Altar – In memory of Steve Mattingly given by Helen Hewitt.