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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays: Vigil Mass at 5:00 PM (Rosary at 4:20PM)
Sundays: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM & 12:00 PM
8:00 AM at St. Joseph's Monastery (Carmel)

DAILY MASSES:

Monday thru Friday - 12:00 Noon
7:15 AM at St. Joseph's Monastery (Carmel)
Wednesday - 7:00 PM
Saturday - 8:00 AM (Carmel), 9:00 AM (Sacred Heart)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

- **First Fridays:** 6:30—7:30 PM
- **Wednesdays:** 6:30 - 8:00 PM
- **Saturdays:** 4:00 - 4:45 PM
- **By appointment**

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

7:30-8:30 PM each Wednesday in the Main Church

FIRST FRIDAY: Confessions 6:30-7:30 PM
Mass & Devotions to the Sacred Heart at 7:00 PM

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: For children (children younger than 7), parents should fill out the online Request for Baptism form and then **contact Concetta Schmitz** at 301.934.2261 at least one month in advance to schedule a date and attend a preparation class.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Couples must contact a priest or deacon at least 6 months before the anticipated date. The bride or groom must be a parishioner of Sacred Heart. Marriage preparation program is required.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Please call Mr. William Wannall in the parish office to arrange for the instructions about our faith. Classes are held on Tuesdays (September thru May) from 7:00-8:30 PM

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM: We are an affiliate parish of the St. John Paul II Regional Faith Formation Program. K thru Grade 8, meets Sundays, 10:20 - 11:30 AM at ANS, September thru May.

HOLY COMMUNION FOR THE SICK: To arrange for a home "Communion" call please contact Julie Ferrero at 301-752-2377 or call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK: To arrange for the Sacrament, please contact the parish office.

MARIAN DEVOTIONS: Weekly during May & October. Miraculous Medal Novena/Rosary after 9 AM Sat. Mass. Rosary on Saturday at 4:30 PM before 5:00 PM Vigil Mass.

PARISH COUNCIL: Meets September through May.

YOUTH GROUP: For students in grades 6-12, see website for calendar events.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Welcome new members to our parish family. Please register as soon as possible. The registration form can be found on our website. To be eligible for admission to our Religious Education program, reception of the Sacraments or to receive testimonial letters for sponsorship outside the Parish, an individual must be a registered participating member of the parish, known to the pastor, attend the sacraments and supporting the ministries of the church.

ITEMS FOR UPCOMING BULLETIN DUE TO PARISH OFFICE BY 12 NOON MONDAY

SACRED HEART CHURCH, LA PLATA

Mass Intentions for the Week

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, PENTECOST SUNDAY

7:00AM Intentions of Dr. Ronald Gripshover
 8:00AM Repose of the soul of Eddie R Mas and Felicity Muniz
 9:00AM Intentions of Cameron Reilly
 12:00PM Repose of the soul of Beverly Murphy

MONDAY, JUNE 6, THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

7:15AM Repose of the soul Eunice Wyvill
 12:00PM Intentions of Dr. Ronald Gripshover

TUESDAY, JUNE 7, WEEKDAY

7:15AM Vocations to the Carmel of Port Tobacco
 12:00PM For generational healing of the Murat Family
 Past, present & future

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, WEEKDAY

7:15AM Intentions of Laura Kilner
 12:00PM Repose of the soul of Maria Pals
 7:00PM Intentions of May Hojnowski

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, WEEKDAY

7:15AM Deceased relatives, benefactors and friends of Mt. Carmel
 12:00PM Intentions of Dr. Ronald Gripshover

FRIDAY, JUNE 10, WEEKDAY

7:15AM Intentions of the St. Teresa Association
 12:00PM Intentions of Dr. Ronald Gripshover

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, SAINT BARNABAS, APOSTLE

8:00AM Intentions of Susan Stiles
 9:00AM Repose of the soul of Ray Greene
 5:00PM Repose of the soul of Billie Porter

Please note that the 8AM Saturday and Sunday Masses, and the 7:15AM daily Mass take place at Mt. Carmel Monastery. All other Masses are celebrated at Sacred Heart.

Summer Camp Donations - How You Can Help!

Consider supporting the 2022 Summer Camp by becoming a sponsor! We are looking for parishioners to donate camp supplies and materials that are needed for a successful camp. You will have the chance to select a needed item by visiting the “summer camp donation board” in the main entrance of the church. Select an item and drop off your donation in the Friendship Room by **JUNE 10** (marked bins are located in friendship room). Thank you for your support, and let the Camp Director, at summercamp@sacredheartlaplata.org or the Parish Office know if you have any questions about the donation board and summer camp. As always, for those unable to support our camp financially or materially at this time are invited to join us in prayer for a successfully and spiritually enriching summer camp.



Father's Day Novena

OUR FATHERS' DAY NOVENA OF MASSES begins on **Sunday, June 19**. The Novena is a series of nine Masses offered for all fathers, both living and deceased, whose names are submitted to us. Special cards and envelopes are at the entrances of the church. Those envelopes returned to us by **June 16** will be placed in the sanctuary near the St. Joseph statue in loving gratitude, and those fathers names will be remembered in our Novena of Masses.

“The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send our laborers for his harvest.” Mt 9:37-38



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! Join your fellow parishioners in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament at the Holy Hour for the Intentions of the Ordinandi” and an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life on **Wednesday, June 8, Mass at 7:00PM and Holy Hour following from 7:30 to 8:30 PM.**

Pray for our Ordinandi

*Deacon Gerald Andrews
 Deacon Ryan Braam
 Deacon Mattia Cortigiani
 Deacon Carlos de Rodrigo Gutierrez
 Deacon Peter Mlynarczyk
 Deacon James Morgan
 Deacon Grzegorz Okulewicz
 Deacon Thomas Robertson
 Deacon Kyle Vance
 Deacon Alexander Wyvill*

Couples Reflection on Marriage and the Family

Come close out the Year of the Family with a Deacon-led Morning of Reflection as four local deacons provide talks on marriage and the family. Target audience is married couples of all ages. Holy Hour from 8:00-9:00AM, Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 9:00AM, Talks from 10:00AM-12:00Noon. Please join Deacon Jim Tittinger, Deacon Ron Burns, Deacon Bill Scott and Deacon Matt Laidley on **Saturday, June 11** at Our Lady Help of Christian's in Waldorf, MD. Please RSVP to mlaidley@sacredheartlaplata.org by June 8, 2022.

NEW GROUP FORMING

Caregiver Support Group “Caring for the Caregiver”

A caregiver support group is forming and the first meeting will be **June 26th at 2pm in the Friendship Room** at Sacred Heart Catholic Church. Anyone caring for a parent, spouse, child or friend is welcomed. This group will give anyone a chance to ask questions, seek help in the resources available in the county, share their stories and seek comfort in this most challenging time. Through prayer, sharing and in receiving comfort all will find some respite and strength to carry forward. Anyone interested or needing more information please contact Kathy Greene at kdgknitter@gmail.com or call 240-416-1122.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Priest's Corner

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we enter the month of June which is devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, we ought to give thanks to have our parish named after such a wonderful image of the love of God for us. I feel extremely blessed to have had an assignment here at Sacred Heart, because from my college years I have had a very deep devotion to this apparition. Rather than recount the history of the Lord revealing His Heart to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, I want to focus on the characteristics of the image that I think are worth bringing to prayer.

The first thing to meditate upon is that the Sacred Heart isn't just a singular image, but comes in several forms. Much like our Blessed Mother has shown herself in various ways and in various cultures (e.g., Our Lady of Guadalupe, Lourdes, Fatima), the Sacred Heart comes with slight varieties. Even in our own parish, we have an image at the front with the Heart alone, but in the stained glass above the altar the Heart is situated in the body of Christ. It doesn't mean one is incorrect, just different ways to get to a deeper reality.

But a few characteristics are always true of an image of the Sacred Heart including that is always pierced, always has the crown of thorns, and is always crowned.

The pierced nature of the Heart is the invitation to enter into Heart of God. The historical reality of the pierced side of Christ that allows blood and water to pour out as a "fount of mercy for us" (see the Divine Mercy chaplet). From that side His Love is poured out on us and we can be drawn closer to Him.

The crown of thorns is always present somewhere in an image of the Sacred Heart. To remind us of the mockery that Christ underwent on the Cross so that we also know that there is no shame that cannot be overcome. His great Love suffered through it and all the physical sufferings for our sake.

The final quality is that the Heart is always crowned. This shows His Kingship over Heaven and Earth. It cannot be overstated that it is from His great Love of the World that He has conquered all things (John 16:33).

In this simple image we can meditate on so much. How blessed are we to be immersed in this image in our parish!

God Bless,

Fr. Jack



Please pray for our sick

Ruth Runyan, Deacon Tony Barrasso, Kristina Graham-Wilk, Charlie Tynnysson, Rosa Wacke, Alberta Keys, Joe Lawrence, Marlene Sprouse, Ruth Watson, David and Cathy Osborne, Susan Murphy, Michelle Goldsmith, Harry Fraunfelder, Rachael Weaver, Mary Charlotte Yates, Teresa Shuters, Jim Isaac, Ralph Johnson, Calvin Ware, Wanda Woodland, Paul Wills, Louisette Lamoureux, Eleanor Hamilton, Rebecca Morris, Mary Barrasso, Janice Valdisera, Joan Johnson, Frances Franch, Brian Stack, Noel Edelen, Carol Humphrey, Mary Hammond, David Jones, Paula Miles, Monique Lamoureux, Pat Howell, Jeni Carrier, Jan Bond, Margie Simpson, Brenda Carignan, Kass Harker, Toni Gallagher, John Bawner, Dave Forbes, Elroy Hemsley, Elva Yates, Julia White, George Jackson, Gianna Grace, Jamie Seith, Randy Martin, David & Kathryn Newman, Mary Krug, Marilyn Hoffmann, Carolyn Posey, and Mikey Raymond.

Names will remain on the above prayer list for 60 days from the time they are requested. At the end of that time, you may renew your request.

Grounds Apostolate Seeking Men Volunteers

The Sacred Heart Grounds Apostolate was established six years ago as an opportunity for men of the parish to help maintain the church grounds. Volunteers help with snow removal from the side-walks in the winter and with cutting the grass in the spring and summer.

While this effort saves the parish money from not having to pay someone to do this work, it was mainly instituted to encourage men to take some ownership in the life of the parish.

If you are able to help please contact Deacon Matt via email mlaidley@sacredheartlaplata.org or on his cell at 301 643-1683

CEMETERY NEWS



- Volunteers are needed to do some sprucing up of the Glen Albin entrance, June 11 @ 10am. Please consider helping
- Do not place any decorations in the ground from April 1 - Oct 31. They will be removed and placed in a labeled bin located in the northeast corner of the cemetery. You can retrieve them until January 31, after which they will be discarded
- If you are interested in information on our columbarium, call Catholic Cemeteries 301-932-1766
- Free fill dirt is available if you would like some
- Contact Gene Ambrogio 391-934-1607 or genecyte@yahoo.com





Pentecost Voice

The Holy Spirit, who came on Pentecost, gave voice to the apostles to proclaim the truth of the Gospel. The Spirit, the Soul of the Church, continues to enable the Church to speak, and enables us to speak in our individual capacity. As the late Cardinal Elio Sgreccia, former President of the Vatican's Pontifical Academy for Life once said, "The Church must speak out in today's context on fundamental rights, the right to life. If the Church did not speak, did not proclaim the truth, it would be abandoning its duty; it would be unfaithful to society, to the good of society. Therefore, its precise duty is the very liberty to intervene with word, and also with example—the example of promoting human life, of intervening for the salvation of mankind."

The Holy Spirit, the "Lord and Giver of Life", brings us back to our truest selves as He illumines us regarding the sanctity of life. The Spirit brings many gifts, and one of them is to enable us to see creation in its proper relationship to God, including the crowning of His creation, the gift of human life.

When we do not have this light of the Holy Spirit, the law we have to follow seems like an imposition from the outside that limits our freedom. That's what people in the world sometimes feel about our attitude toward abortion and euthanasia. They think we are "restricting rights". But when the Holy Spirit fills us, He gives us an inner attraction to all that is right and good, so that we do not feel pushed where we would rather not go, but rather pulled by the attractiveness of what is good and right.

The Holy Spirit is also the Advocate who pleads our cause. When He fills us, He makes us advocates for all our brothers and sisters in need, including the most vulnerable, the unborn.

Reminder—The rosary will continue to be said on Sunday mornings during the month of June at 8:30 am prior to the 9:00 am Mass. Please join fellow parishioners on Sunday mornings.

SAVE THE DATE! Sacred Heart feast day weekend celebration—June 24-26. More details coming soon.

RAFFLE TICKETS—SACRED HEART QUILT

We will be selling raffle tickets for a Sacred Heart quilt made by the Carmelite Sisters after all Masses the first three weekends in June as part of our Sacred Heart Parish Feast Day on June 24, 2022. The cost of a ticket is \$10 and the goal is to sell at least 500 tickets with 1000 tickets being awesome. The proceeds raised will be split between the Carmelite Sisters and the parish. Money raised for Sacred Heart will go towards the replacement of the landscaping in front of the rectory this fall. For more info contact Deacon Matt at mLaidley@sacredheartaplata.org or via cell at 301 643-1683 or Phyllis Laidley at phyllislaidley@yahoo.com or via cell at 301 643-7328

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Substitutes Needed

Archbishop Neale School is in need of substitute teachers. If you are interested, please contact the school office at 301-934-9595 for more information. Any applicant must be in full compliance with the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington's Child Protection.

Archbishop Neale School is now enrolling students in grades PK3- 8th. To learn more about all that we have to offer or to schedule a tour, please call the school office (301) 934-9595 or email Mrs. Mary Ellen Howard at admissions@archbishopnealeschool.org. We would love to have you be a part of our school community!

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have a pulpit announcement for the weekend, please send them to cmilby@sacredheartaplata.org by **12 Noon on Wednesdays**. Please be sure to email them and in Subject line put "Pulpit Announcements". Once the announcements are prepared, they are given to the priest for review. At this review the priest will decide if he wants to edit, change or delete the announcement. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the parish office. Thanks.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTER'S CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Court Neale #753, of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, cordially invites you to attend their Centennial Celebration of 100 years on Saturday, June 11, 2022 at the 5:00 PM Mass at St. Ignatius Church, 8855 Chapel Point Rd., Port Tobacco, Maryland. There will be a reception with light refreshments following the mass. All are welcome!



100 years of service to our Parish!

We are asking "Servant Leaders" to join us to Support, Help and Serve our Priests and community in any needs or services. Please contact Steve Urso at SJUFIU@MSN.com or call 410-320-7078



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