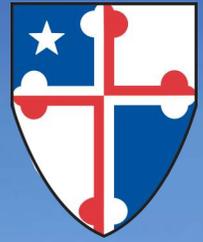


# Sacred Heart Parish



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**CELEBRATING CHRIST SINCE 1873**

**December 2, 2018 ♦ First Sunday of Advent**

## PASTORAL STAFF

**Rev. Msgr. Lloyd E. Aiken, V.F.**  
*Pastor*

**Rev. Canisius T. Tah**  
*Associate Pastor*

**Rev. Hilario Avendaño**  
*Associate Pastor for Hispanic Ministry*

**Mr. James A. Ryan**  
*Retired Deacon*

**Mr. James Nuzzo**  
*Deacon*

**Sr. Cecilia Cyford, SSJ**  
*Director of Religious Education*

**Sr. Helen Wiegmann, SSJ**  
*Health Care Ministry*

**Mrs. Michele Hunter**  
*R.C.I.A.*

**Mr. Kevin Dessecker, Jr.**  
*Director of Youth Ministry*

**Mrs. Jeanne Cossentino**  
*Principal*

**Mrs. Anne Purnell**  
*Assistant Middle School Principal*

**Mrs. Georgeann Gurkovich**  
*Assistant Principal*

**Sr. Karen Washabaugh, SSJ**  
*Teacher Assistant*

**Mrs. Kathy Whitelock**  
*Director of Development*

## SEMINARIANS

**Rev. Mr. Matthew T. Himes**  
*Transitional Deacon*

**Charles Onyeneke**  
*3<sup>rd</sup> Theology, St. Mary's Seminary*

**Thiago Ibiapina**  
*1<sup>st</sup> Theology, St. Mary's Seminary*

## ASSISTING CLERGY

**Rev. Santhosh George, O.S.S.T**

**Rev. James McKearney, P.S.S.**

**Rev. Gilbert J. Seitz**

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

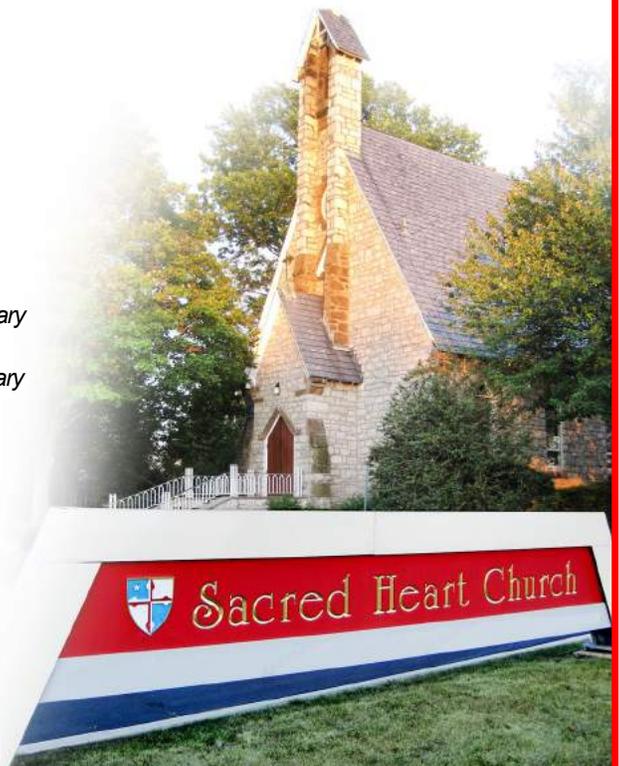
**Weekend Masses:** Saturday: 4:00 PM  
Sunday: 7:30 (Quiet), 9:00, 10:30 AM (Choir);  
12:00 (Contemporary Choir) & 5:00 PM

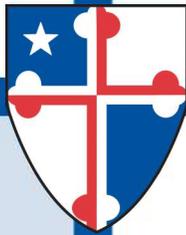
**Misa en Español:** Sabado: 7:00 PM • Domingo: 1:45 PM

**Weekday Masses / Communion Service:**  
Monday – Friday: 7:00 & 9:00 AM (Little Church)  
Saturday: 8:00 AM (Little Church)

**Holy Day Schedule:** Consult bulletin

**Eucharistic Adoration on First Fridays:**  
Exposition follows the 9:00 AM Mass and concludes with  
Benediction before the Saturday 8:00 AM Mass (Little Church)





### Weekly Liturgical Schedule

### Prayer and Worship

#### Sacred Heart Parish Mission Statement

We, the people of God in the parish of Sacred Heart, are constantly attempting to become a faith community of those who, believing in Jesus, proclaim God's Kingdom and share the mystery of faith by worshipping the Father, enabling all members to grow in their relationship with each other through the Son, and witnessing our gifts through active service to others in the Spirit.

#### Saturday Vigil Mass, December 1

4:00 PM Mass Stephanie April Rudisill  
7:00 PM Sp. Mass Miguel Andre Gil

#### Sunday, December 2

7:30 AM Mass Stewardship Supporters  
9:00 AM Mass Kristina Rivera  
10:30 AM Mass Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
12:00 PM Mass Vallory Shearer  
1:45 PM Sp. Mass Margarita Serrano Chavez  
5:00 PM Mass Richard Angerer

#### Monday, December 3 – St. Francis Xavier, Priest

7:00 AM Mass Frances Hviding  
9:00 AM *Communion Service*

#### Tuesday, December 4

7:00 AM Mass Russell Southard, Jr.  
9:00 AM Mass Josephine Oliva

#### Wednesday, December 5

7:00 AM *Communion Service*  
9:00 AM Mass Mary Pinkas

#### Thursday, December 6

7:00 AM Mass Philip Brach, Sr.  
9:00 AM Mass Rocelando Ferraren, Sr.

#### Friday, December 7 – St. Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

7:00 AM Mass Al Pfanneschlag, Sr.  
9:00 AM Mass William Ment  
9:30 AM *Eucharistic Adoration*

#### Friday, December 7 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

7:00 PM Vigil Mass Carl Downs  
7:00 PM Sp. Mass Awilda Rosado

#### Saturday, December 8 – The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM Mass Luz Miranda  
10:30 AM Mass Elaine Ortiz (Sp. Int.)

#### Saturday Vigil Mass, December 8

4:00 PM Mass Bob Hubbard  
7:00 PM Sp. Mass Carmen Ortiz

#### Sunday, December 9

7:30 AM Mass Josephine Feustle  
9:00 AM Mass Christine Louise George  
10:30 AM Mass Cannida Rodriguez  
12:00 PM Mass Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
1:45 PM Sp. Mass Julia Aguirre  
5:00 PM Mass Rosalie M. Gamm

#### Presiders' Schedule: Immac. Conception

7:00 PM Mass Fr. Canisius  
7:00 PM Sp. Mass Fr. Hilario  
7:30 PM *St. Charles* Msgr. Aiken  
9:00 AM Mass Msgr. Aiken  
10:30 AM Mass Fr. Canisius

#### Presiders' Schedule: Dec. 9, 2018

4:00 PM Mass Fr. Canisius  
7:00 PM Sp. Mass Fr. Hilario  
7:30 AM Mass Fr. Canisius  
9:00 AM Mass Fr. Canisius  
10:30 AM Mass Msgr. Aiken  
12:00 PM Mass Msgr. Aiken  
1:45 PM Sp. Mass Fr. Hilario  
5:00 PM Mass Msgr. Aiken

#### Scripture Readings: December 9, 2018

Bar 5:1-9 • Ps 126:1-6  
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11 • Lk 3:1-6

The Lord has done great things (Ps), leading his people out of slavery to the glorious splendor of Jerusalem (1). Let us make ready the way of the Lord (3) by abounding in love and in works of justice (2).



Beginning the Church's liturgical year, **Advent** (from "ad-venire" in Latin or "to come to") is the season encompassing the four Sundays (and weekdays) leading up to the celebration of Christmas. The Advent season is a time of preparation that directs our hearts and minds to Christ's second coming at the end of time and also to the anniversary of the Lord's birth on Christmas. The final days of Advent, from December 17 – 24, focus particularly on our preparation for the celebrations of the Nativity of our Lord (Christmas).

Advent devotions, including the Advent wreath, remind us of the meaning of the season. For an Advent calendar with daily activity and prayer suggestions to prepare you spiritually for the birth of Jesus Christ and for more Advent resources from USCCB, go to [www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/](http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/).



# Parroquia del Sagrado Corazón

Primer Domingo De Adviento

Diciembre 2, 2018

## LA VIRTUD DEL AMOR

**Veamos ahora la primera virtud: el amor de unos con otros.**

Teresa de Jesús propone como un valor para quiénes están en el camino de la oración el ideal de la *amistad*. Por ello, cuando se lanza a fundar los monasterios tiene criterios para lo que busca en este ejercicio del amor, *no más de trece...* comunidad pequeña, donde circule el amor y facilite la relación en donde se propicie un ambiente de familia, de cercanía, de suavidad en la vida fraterna... Lo que rige en una comunidad teresiana, es el amor, no el rigor. Una comunidad sin amor, es una comunidad que no sabe orar, porque no se ha experimentado la monja o el fraile, amado por Dios y no ha descubierto el amor.

Teresa expresa el amor, el amor de verdad. *No hay cosa enojosa que no se pase con facilidad en los que se aman.* Sólo cuando ella se aclaró en este tema misterioso de la afectividad humana, pudo bogar mar adentro en el trato de amistad con El. *En amarnos mucho unas a otras va muy mucho.*

La conciencia de Teresa en el camino de la virtud, aprendida desde el Buen Jesús es el ejercicio del amor. Teresa lo entiende como una exigencia evangélica, que lo vivió y nos lo manda el Buen Jesús: *...ámense los unos con los otros...* pues será el signo más claro de que somos amigos/as y discípulos/as de Jesús. Teresa descubre que para alcanzar esta virtud, se necesita un aprendizaje, educarnos en el amor. ¿Dónde podremos aprenderlo? En el Buen Jesús que es *el capitán del amor...*

Teresa lanzará a la comunidad teresiana, y ahora a todos los que quieren conocer a Teresa de Jesús, elementos necesarios para el ejercicio de la virtud del amor. Ejercicio que va de la mano con los momentos orantes y del conocimiento del Buen Jesús. Estos elementos los podemos

ir descubriendo con varias formas que nos ayudarán a ir cobrando conciencia para darnos cuenta de que si el amor que vivimos es verdadero o no.



## Sacramental

**Bautizos:** Se celebran cada segundo sábado del mes (excepto durante la cuaresma). Los padres y los padrinos requieren asistir a una clase de preparación que se realiza el tercer domingo de cada mes y los padrinos deben haber recibido todos los sacramentos de iniciación cristiana (Bautizo, Confirmación y Eucaristía). Favor llamar a la oficina para mayor información.

**Matrimonio:** Las parejas que están planeando en casarse deben contactar el sacerdote o el diacono por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha planeada para este sacramento. Todas las parejas comprometidas deben de tomar el cursillo prematrimonial.

**Unción de los Enfermos:** En caso de emergencia llamar a la oficina parroquial o a la rectoría. Por favor notificar a la oficina si sabe de alguien que se encuentre en el hospital y necesite de este sacramento.

## Sacramento de la Reconciliación:

El sacramento de la confesión se celebra los sábados de 5:30 pm a 6:45 pm.





### Pray for the Repose of the Souls of the Faithful Departed

*May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.*

Jack Hodges



### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Friday:  
8:30 AM—12:30 PM  
1:15—8:30 PM

Saturday-Sunday:  
8:30 AM—4:00 PM

### PHONE NUMBERS

Parish Office/Rectorry  
410-833-1696

Hispanic Ministry  
410-830-1862

Development Office  
410-833-4933

Sacred Heart School  
410-833-0857

Religious  
Education Office  
410-833-8515

Sacred Heart  
Youth Ministry  
410-833-7639

Convent  
410-526-1327

**BULLETIN DEADLINE.**  
Notices must be received in the parish office TEN days (Thursday) before the bulletin date requested.

### Please Remember the Sick in Your Prayers

Lucy Angerer, Laura Bartholme, Renee Bence, Mary Ellen and Mike Berry, MaryLou Brosso, Sam Collins, Foula Dargakis, Maria Dargakis, Maria Ekavihare, Mon Etter, Theresa Eyler, Mergelita Faciolan, John Fiore, Troy Heiner, Dennis Helm, Sam Hibbard, Gerry Kleiman, John Kmiecik, Stan LaSov, Maria Victoria Londono, Loretta McCusker, Carlyle Montanye, Scott Moser, Socorro Ortiz, Tony Pritchett, Cindy Pryor, Beth Ralston, Tim Rhoades, Troy Rhoades, Mel Serio, Ryan Shriver, Ashley Silcott, Chuck Stansbury, George Stifler, Laura Tell

### Names Will Remain on the Sick List for 5 Weeks

If there is a need to have the name of your loved one on the list for a longer period of time, we will be happy to accommodate you. Please contact the Parish Office at 410-833-1696 to make this request.

### Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary — a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at the following times in in the Main Church:

**Friday, December 7:** 7:00 PM • 7:00 PM Misa en Español (*Parish Hall*)  
**Saturday, December 8:** 9:00 AM • 10:30 AM



An essential part of God's plan for the mother of his Son was that she be conceived free from Original Sin. "Through the centuries the Church became ever more aware that Mary, 'full of grace' through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception" (CCC #491). In anticipation that she was to bear the Son of God, Mary was preserved from the time of her conception from Original Sin. We call this the Immaculate Conception. No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God. The Immaculate Conception does not refer to the virginal conception and birth of Christ, but rather to Mary's being conceived without inheriting Original Sin. In 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed this dogma infallibly: he declared that this doctrine is divinely revealed and must be accepted with faith by the entire Church. In the United States, celebration of this observance predates the Declaration of Independence. The bishops commended the nation to the patronage of Mary under the title of the Immaculate Conception in 1846. It became a nationwide holy day in 1885. – USCCB



### First Friday Eucharistic Adoration

Come to First Friday Eucharistic Adoration on **Friday, December 7** and allow the Real Presence of Our Blessed Lord to jump-start your spiritual life! **There is a critical need for adorers in the late night and early morning hours.** For community prayer with singing, come at 4:00 PM for a Family Holy Hour for Life, or join Esperanza Latina at 3:00 AM. All other hours are for quiet prayer. Please consider helping this important parish effort by signing up ahead of time for an hour of prayer with the Eucharistic Presence of Jesus. The sign-up board will be in the Gathering Space of the Main Church during weekend Masses and in the Little Church during the week. Contact David Binette at [davidbeenet@gmail.com](mailto:davidbeenet@gmail.com) or 410-370-2023 for more details.

### Wedding Anniversary in December?

If you are celebrating a wedding anniversary in December, please call the Parish Office at 410-833-1696 and give us your names and years of marriage. We will pray a special blessing upon you and your marriage next **Sunday, December 9** at the 9:00 AM Mass.



### Our Lady of Guadalupe

The feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated in Spanish on **Sunday, December 9** at 1:45 PM in the Main Church. The English celebration will be on Wednesday, December 12 at 9:00 AM in the Little Church.

## Our Stewardship

Sharing the gifts we've been given

### Weekly Offering

Offertory (November 25, 2018) .....	\$20,126.21
Envelopes .....	\$17,897.00
Loose .....	\$2,229.21

Catholic Education .....	\$3,056.00
Thanksgiving Day (Nov. 22 – total).....	\$375.00

### Electronic Fund Contributions 11/19/18 – 11/25/18 (Not included in above total)

Offertory .....	\$2,300.50
Maintenance .....	\$102.50
Catholic Education .....	\$122.00

The Second Collection next weekend will be for the **Retired Religious**.

### Memorial Envelopes for Christmas Flowers

Memorial envelopes for flowers were included in the Christmas mailing and are available in both churches and the Parish Office. Flowers and decorations enhance our liturgical worship and are a wonderful way to remember our loved ones, both living and deceased. The names of those to be remembered will be published in a printed book of remembrance that will be on display during the Christmas season. Flower envelopes may be placed in the collection basket or brought to the Parish Office throughout the Advent season. They are due by **Friday, December 21**.

### MagnifiKids!

Every week, our children use the *MagnifiKids!* Mass books to help them pray with us as a community. Help is needed to finance our subscription for *MagnifiKids!* We need \$997.50 for a year-round subscription of 80 books. If you or your organization would be able to assist us in ordering these books, please contact the Parish Center at 410-833-1696 or [parish@shgparish.org](mailto:parish@shgparish.org). Thank you!

## Youth Ministry

### Middle School Summit

Our next meeting is on **Friday, December 14** at 7:00 PM! We will be meeting in the Youth Room! If you don't have a permission form, you can find it at [www.shgparish.org/Middle-School.aspx](http://www.shgparish.org/Middle-School.aspx).

### High School Ministry

High School Lock-Ins are back! Come join us for our Glow in the Dark Christmas After Party on **Friday, December 28!** Details and permission forms are now on the website at [www.shgparish.org/high-school.aspx](http://www.shgparish.org/high-school.aspx).

## Christian Formation and Evangelization

### Knights of Columbus: Upcoming Schedule

- **Wednesday, December 5** – Little Church at 7:00 PM: parish invited to pray a **Patriotic Rosary** and/or your intentions with the Knights... followed by the monthly KofC business meeting in the West Room at 7:30 PM.
- **Tuesday, December 11** – West Room at 7:30 PM: KofC **Admission Degree Ceremony** for new members joining the Knights of Columbus. Lite meal and beverages served after.
- **Wednesday, December 12** – West Room at 7:30 PM: KofC **Home Corporation Meeting** and election of NEW officers will be conducted.
- **Tuesday, December 18** – School kitchen at 6:30 PM: KofC Casserole Night for Our Daily Bread.
- **Wednesday, December 19** – West Room at 7:00 PM: KofC **Christmas Party and Christmas Assistance** for families in need. (Bring gifts, nonperishable food items.)
- **Wednesday, January 2** – Little Church at 7:00 PM: parish invited to pray a **Patriotic Rosary** and/or your intentions with the Knights... followed by the monthly KofC business meeting in the West Room at 7:30 PM.



### Catholic Scripture Study: Discovering the Mass in the Bible

To enrich our understanding and awareness of Jesus' presence in the bread and wine received in the Eucharist, it is inspiring to learn that there are Biblical references to the sacrificial nature of bread and wine. For instance, in Genesis 14:17-24, Melchizedek, who is identified as both king and priest, is approached by Abram (later named Abraham) after his enemy was defeated. Melchizedek blesses Abram and offers bread and wine to God in thanksgiving for the victory. We then see in Hebrews 7:1-4 that Melchizedek "*is first, by translation of his name, the king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace.*" Melchizedek is thus a prefiguration of Christ, our true King and Priest, who offers himself to God the Father in the form of bread and wine in the sacrament of his body and blood.

### Contemplative Prayer Session

Please join Fr. Canisius on **Monday evenings** at 7:00 PM in the Little Church for an hour of prayer, reflection, and Eucharistic adoration.





## Service & Social Justice



### SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

#### BAPTISMS:

Third Saturdays at noon and within the celebration of Mass (except during Lent). Parents are required to attend a Preparation Class held on the 2nd Monday of the month. Please call the Religious Education Office to arrange for both Preparation Class and Baptism.

#### RECONCILIATION:

Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3:00 – 3:45 PM (Little Church) and by appointment. Parish Reconciliation Services are held during Advent and Lent.

#### MARRIAGE:

Couples planning to be married should contact a priest or deacon at least six months before the anticipated date. All engaged couples must take a Marriage Preparation Course. Do not set a date until you have met with the priest or deacon.

#### COMMUNION TO THE SICK:

If someone is in the hospital or homebound and unable to attend Mass and wishes to receive communion, please contact the Parish Office. Mass is celebrated at FutureCare-Cherrywood Nursing Home on the 2nd Wednesday at 10:30 AM.

### St. Vincent de Paul Giving Trees — Please Take an Ornament

There are many people in our own community who may not experience the joy of Christmas without our help: families of St. Ann's Church (our Baltimore sister parish), residents of Springfield Hospital Center, those served by Christopher Place / Our Daily Bread, My Sister's Place, Franciscan Center, Tender Care Pregnancy Center, Sarah's Hope at Hannah Moore, and residents of Cherrywood Future Care Nursing Home.

 Please select an ornament from one of the decorated Christmas trees and return the unwrapped gift item with the ornament taped to the item. Gifts will be collected on the weekends of **December 8 and 9** and **December 15 and 16**. Early return of the gifts will be greatly appreciated to facilitate distribution to the various agencies. Thank you for caring and for sharing with those in need.

### Praying Together at the Holy Hour for Life

*Psalm 139:13 "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."*  
The Sacred Heart Respect Life Committee invites you to pray and sing at the Holy Hour for Life during Eucharistic Adoration on **Friday, December 7** from 4:00 – 5:00 PM in the Little Church. We will sing songs of praise, listen to children read prayers/scripture verses, and pray in the presence of Christ in the Eucharist. We pray all will respect the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. If your son or daughter would like to read, please arrive at 3:50 PM. Call Denise Blair-Nellies at 410-795-6852 for more info.

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawls are made for folks who are seriously ill or who have a serious disability. Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month (**December 4, 18**) in Room 103 from 1:00 – 2:00 PM. Are you interested in helping to crochet or knit? Would you like to learn either of these skills? Would you like a prayer shawl for someone? Contact Sister Helen at [helenwiegmann@yahoo.com](mailto:helenwiegmann@yahoo.com) or 410-833-1696.

### Sacred Heart Respect Life Committee Needs You

*"...Choose life, then, so that you and your descendants may live..." Deuteronomy 30:19*  
The Sacred Heart Respect Life Committee invites you to join us for a rosary for life and planning meeting on **Thursday, December 13** in Room 112. We will pray a rosary for life from 6:30 – 7:00 PM, and the planning meeting will take place from 7:00 – 8:00 PM. We welcome you to join us in planning ways we can spread awareness for respect for the sacred gift of life from conception to natural death. Please call Denise Blair-Nellies at 410-795-6852 for more info.



### Singing Christmas Carols with Future Care Residents

*Psalm 104:33 "I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God while I live."*  
The Sacred Heart Respect Life Committee and Faith in Action invite you to share the love of Christ by singing Christmas carols with the residents of Future Care Cherrywood Nursing Home (located on 12020 Reisterstown Road) on **Monday, December 17** from 6:30 – 7:30 PM. We will meet in the lobby at 6:25 PM. We will be distributing Christmas cards and pictures to the residents. As we thank God for the sacred gift of life, we will also sing "Happy Birthday" to each resident who has a birthday in December. Please call Denise Blair-Nellies at 410-795-6852 for more information.

### Annual "March for Life"

The annual "March for Life" will be held on **Friday, January 18**, and Sacred Heart Parish will again be sponsoring a bus going to the march. The Sacred Heart Respect Life Committee hopes you will save this date and plan to join us at the march. More information will be supplied as the march draws nearer.

## Parish Life

### Christmas Wreath Sale TODAY

Boy Scout Troop 706 wishes everyone an early Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year 2019! Our annual Christmas Wreath Sales fundraiser will be held at Sacred Heart Church after the Saturday and Sunday Masses on **December 1 and 2**. We are offering decorated balsam, mixed evergreen and boxwood wreaths, evergreen door swags and charms, and white pine garland. Please consider supporting the Troop and spreading holiday cheer through your purchase of a Christmas tree and wreath. For more information, please contact Emily Rollins at 410-599-8738 ([Emily.SH.Rollins@gmail.com](mailto:Emily.SH.Rollins@gmail.com)) or Jackie Seal at 443-985-6418 ([jackie@seal-family.net](mailto:jackie@seal-family.net)).



### Hope for the Holidays When You Are Grieving

Do you ask yourself how you will make it through all the events of the holiday? A **Lunch and Learn** will be offered at Sacred Heart for those who are grieving or want to help a friend during the holiday season. "Hope for the Holidays When You Are Grieving" will be presented by Debbie Geffen Jones, NCBF, on **Sunday, December 9** from 2:00 – 4:00 PM in the Mother Seton Room. Come join us to learn positive ways to comfort yourself or a dear friend. For further information and registration, contact Sister Helen at 410-833-1696, ext 321.



### Respect Life Christmas Prayerful Sing Along

The Respect Life Committee invites people of all ages to join us for songs, prayers, fellowship, and refreshments at the Christmas Respect Life Prayerful Sing Along on **Friday, December 14** from 7:15 – 9:15 PM in the Mother Seton Room. Our theme is "Adoring Christ, our Savior." We invite you to bring a donation for the pro-life pregnancy center (e.g. diapers, wipes, baby shampoo, new and gently used baby clothing [size infant - 4T], etc.). Child care is provided. Children will make pictures for senior citizens, play games, and then join us for songs, fellowship, and snacks. Please call Denise Blair-Nellies at 410-795-6852 for more information.

### Advent and Christmas Mailing

The mailing with the schedule of parish services and activities for Advent and Christmas can be found at [www.shgparish.org/mass/advent\\_flyer\\_2018.pdf](http://www.shgparish.org/mass/advent_flyer_2018.pdf).



### Baptism Preparation Class

The monthly baptism preparation class will be held on **Monday, December 10** at 7:00 PM in Room 105. This class is for parents who will be having their first child baptized at Sacred Heart and for parents whose last child was baptized here more than four years ago. Godparents are also welcome and encouraged to participate in the class. For more details about baptisms at Sacred Heart Parish, visit [www.shgparish.org/baptism.aspx](http://www.shgparish.org/baptism.aspx).

## Organizations

### BEST YEARS

Our next meeting of Best Years will take place on **Wednesday, December 5** in the Mother Seton Room. *It will be an evening of entertainment. We are requesting that everyone bring granola bars, protein bars, or cereal bars.* They will be donated to the homeless. We are looking forward to another fun and interesting year. Please watch the bulletin every Sunday to find out details of coming events. In the next few weeks, more plans for the year will be announced. Plus, there is always a lot of delicious food to eat. Hope to see you all there.

Let's keep putting our *best foot forward*. We have finally reached Hawaii and have walked 6,935 miles. I wonder where we will wind up next. Don't forget to turn in your miles at the meeting.

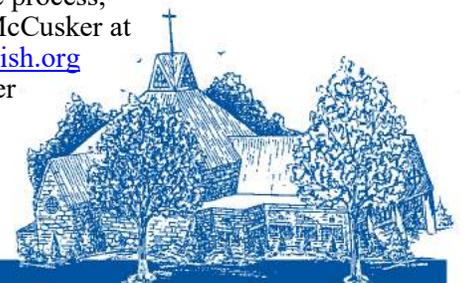
If you want to know more about Best Years and get a full calendar of upcoming events, go to the parish website at [www.shgparish.org](http://www.shgparish.org) under **Fellowship** or contact our president, Stan Behnken, at 410-833-0182. You will be able to obtain all of the information you need to become a Best Years member. The only requirement is that you be 55 years old. If your spouse is under 55, he or she is also welcome to become a member. We currently have 66 paid members. Our yearly dues are only \$5.00 a year.

### Upcoming Events:

- The Executive Board Meeting **will not meet in December.**
- **Wednesday, December 12** – Christmas luncheon at Linwood's in Owings Mills at 12:30 PM. The cost is \$43.00. If you are interested in attending, please contact Judi Benkhen at 410-833-0182.
- **Sarah's Hope** is requesting extra long twin blankets for December. If you can help, it will be greatly appreciated.

### VOLUNTEER Training

Thank you for your willingness to share your time and talents with the children at Sacred Heart. Volunteers (ages 18 and older) for the school and/or parish need to complete all requirements before beginning their volunteer service. This process is now on-line through VIRTUS – a compliance management system. Please visit [www.shgparish.org/stand.aspx](http://www.shgparish.org/stand.aspx) for step-by-step instructions for **new and current volunteers**. After finishing this on-line process, contact Mary Lee McCusker at [mmccusker@shgparish.org](mailto:mmccusker@shgparish.org) so that your volunteer requirements can be reviewed and verified.





## Religious Education

### SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY

#### ANOIDING OF THE SICK:

In case of emergency call the Parish Office/Rectorate at anytime. Please notify the Parish Office if you know someone in the hospital or at home who wishes to be anointed. Masses of Anointing are celebrated several times a year.

#### RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS:

"Thirsting for God?" Do you know someone not baptized or baptized in a non-Catholic Christian tradition, who is thirsting for what it means to become Catholic?

Do you know someone already Catholic but has not yet received Confirmation & Communion? They may be thirsting, too! The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a place to ask questions and seek understanding.

The RCIA is a church rite for adults pursuing the possibility of joining the Roman Catholic Church. If you, or someone you know, are interested or would like more information, please contact Michele Hunter 410-833-1696 or [mhunter@shgparish.org](mailto:mhunter@shgparish.org).

#### Children's First Reconciliation Congratulations

Congratulations to our parish children who received their First Reconciliation on **Saturday, December 1!** Please pray that these children and their families will continue to grow through this sacrament and experience it often.

#### Family Home-Study December Gathering

The monthly session for parents and children in the FHS program will be **Wednesday, December 12** at 7:00 PM in the Mother Seton Room. We will gather together for a very special family lesson and activity to help with our Advent and Christmas preparation.

#### "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual "Keep Christ in Christmas" poster contest for all parish children in grades K – 8. View the contest rules and details at [www.shgparish.org/children/kcposter2018.pdf](http://www.shgparish.org/children/kcposter2018.pdf). Poster entries are due at the parish office **by December 18**. A \$50 prize is awarded to the winners in three age groups. We've had several R.E. winners in past years, and we encourage your children to enter!

#### Children's Christmas Eve Pageant and Mass

Children ages 3 and above are invited to participate in the Christmas Eve pageant and Mass on **Monday, December 24** at 3:00 PM in the school gymnasium. The pageant is very simple, with only one brief "rehearsal"! Children will help us tell the story of our Savior's birth while we celebrate Christmas Eve Mass — with children participating as readers, altar servers, and singers. For more info or to sign up your child for Christmas Eve, go to [www.shgparish.org/pageant.aspx](http://www.shgparish.org/pageant.aspx) or call Sister Cecilia at 410-833-8515.

#### Printable Family and Personal Advent Calendars from USCCB

[www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/upload/advent-calendar2018-family-interactive.pdf](http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year/advent/upload/advent-calendar2018-family-interactive.pdf)  
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## Community Events



#### Lessons and Carols at St. Mary's Seminary TODAY

The Festival of Lessons and Carols is a service of Scripture and song that dates to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century in England. Traditionally, we listen to nine Scripture lessons which recount the Fall, the promise of a Messiah, the Incarnation, and the Great Commission to preach the Good News. Each lesson is followed by a carol or other song that reflects on the lesson's message and a brief prayer. This event is **free and open to the public**. Join us at St. Mary's Seminary and University on **Sunday, December 2** at 7:00 PM where the Seminarian *Schola Cantorum* will lead the Festival with great music.

#### Dr. Scott Hahn at St. Louis Catholic Church

Divine Mercy Prayer Group is sponsoring a powerful presentation with best-selling author and renowned biblical scholar Dr. Scott Hahn on **Saturday, December 15** from 9:00 – 11:30 AM at St. Louis Church in Clarksville. Dr. Hahn will discuss the riches of our Catholic faith and explore the deeper meaning of Scripture in the Church and our lives today. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased online at [stpaulcenter.com/clarksville](http://stpaulcenter.com/clarksville).

#### Battle of the Ages Basketball Game at Loyola Blakefield High School

Come watch the "seniors" of Bykota Senior Center take on current Loyola students (and Sacred Heart alumni) Jaden Baker, Joe Dryden, Jordan Elbert, Trey Hunt, Ethan O'Reilly, Jeffrey Snider, and Adam Will on **Friday, December 28** at 2:00 PM in an epic Battle of the Ages basketball game sponsored by the Baltimore County Dept. of Aging. See "Poe" of the Baltimore Ravens and enjoy halftime entertainment. Admission is free; concessions will be available. Contact Peggy Dryden at 410-887-3517 for more details.

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