

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

#### First Reading: Genesis 14:18-20

Melchizedek, a priest of God, prayed that Abram would be blessed by God. He also praised God for delivering Abram's foes into his hands.



#### Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Paul describes Jesus' actions during the last supper. Jesus broke bread and said it was his body given for us, asking that we do the same in remembrance of him. He then passed the cup and called it his blood. Jesus then asked us to break bread in this manner to remember his death until he returns.

#### Gospel: Luke 9:11b-17

Jesus spoke to a large crowd when his disciples asked that he dismiss the people to give them a chance to find food and lodging. Jesus asked the disciples to give the crowd something to eat, but they had only five loaves of bread and two fish. Jesus then blessed and distributed the food, which fed about 5,000 people. Twelve baskets were then collected from what was left over.



### For the Week of May 29<sup>th</sup> through June 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Sunday

Gn 14:18-20; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Lk 9:11b-17

#### Monday

2 Pt 1:2-7; Mk 12:1-12

#### Tuesday

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

#### Wednesday

2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12; Mk 12:18-27

#### Thursday

2 Tm 2:8-15; Mk 12:28-34

#### First Friday

Ez 34:11-16; Rom 5:5b-11; Lk 15:3-7

#### First Saturday

2 Tm 4:1-8; Lk 2:41-51



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 28<sup>th</sup>

4:00 p.m. (SJ) James R. Miller "Skip"

6:00 p.m. (SH) William F. Sullivan, Sr.

### Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. Jean Archer

10:00 a.m. Kitty Harris

### Monday May 30<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for those who Died in Military Service

### Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Wednesday June 1<sup>st</sup>

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

### Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

### Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>

8:30 a.m. Ann and John Mentz

### Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

4:00 p.m. (SJ) Mass for the People

6:00 p.m. (SH) David Schaubert

### Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>

8:00 a.m. James R. Miller

10:00 a.m. Nick Gatto

### REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH:

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:

*Barron Scott, Barbara Darrah,*

*John Troffo, Valerie*

*Lindyberg, Patricia Dana,*

*Ryan Elizabeth Quintero, Edith*

*Follin, Elizabeth Montague, Angela Wilmer, Agnes*

*Knoedler, Faith King, Ray Brilz, and all those*

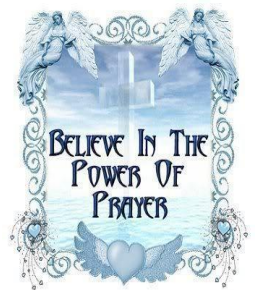
whose names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF

INTENTIONS located in the front foyer of

Sacred Heart/St. John's.

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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](http://sacredparish.org).



## PREP

### Parish Religious Education Program

*May you walk with God, this spring & summer...In whatever you do and wherever you go.*

**Religious Education classes have concluded for the year. Registration for next year's classes will be available on August 1, 2016. May God abundantly bless your family time this summer. See you in Church.**

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**THANK YOU: We were so very blessed to have had such a dedicated group of Catechists for our Religious Education Program this year. A sincere, heartfelt "THANK YOU" to each of them for their commitment to our children and their faith.**

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**DIOCESAN ASSESSMENTS:** One of the Bishop's Priorities (as written about in the Dialog) has been the *renewal of catechesis*. As a part of this effort, an overall assessment was created for all Religious Education programs throughout the diocese for grades 2 - 8. The assessments are instruments that help us determine what the students learned and how we need to shape and focus our catechesis in the year ahead. Sacred Heart students completed the assessments for the second year in April 2016. It is encouraging to note that our Overall Average Score has increased. I'd like to share the following data with you: (#'s in parenthesis represent last year's data.):

- Total # of PREP Students Registered for Grades 2 - 8: #67 (#68)
- Total # of Students taking the Assessment: #52 -15 not assessed (#52 - 16 not assessed)
- Overall Average Score = 83%(B) (78% ="C")

If you would like to see a copy of your child's assessment, please email Ann Ashe at [ann.ashe.md@gmail.com](mailto:ann.ashe.md@gmail.com).

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**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:  
"Catch the Wave" of God's Amazing  
Love at the VBS Surf Shack this**

**summer – June 20-23<sup>rd</sup>.** Open to all children ages K – entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Registration forms are available at the Church doors or register online at [cokesburyvbs.com/PCCTownVBS](http://cokesburyvbs.com/PCCTownVBS). Contact Ann Ashe with any questions.

**VBS NEEDS:** We are in need of several free standing shade shelters to be used Monday – Thursday, during VBS. If you have a shade shelter we could borrow, please contact Ann Ashe.

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION



### UNLOCKING THE MYSTERY OF THE BIBLE

If you want to know God's plan for your life and would like to have a deeper relationship with him and a better understanding of your faith, then join us for Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible, beginning:

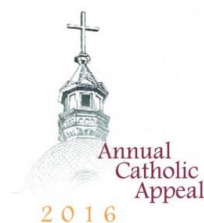
**Sunday, June 12 or Wednesday, June 15 (new)**

*Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, so you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about. The complexity of the Bible is simplified through an easy-to-follow narrative approach, and an ingenious color-coded Bible Timeline Chart. This Chart helps you to follow the story that ties all of Scripture together and makes it easy to understand the Bible.

The study includes eight half-hour videos presented by Jeff Cavins. Jeff will guide you through salvation history. He will explain how the Bible reveals God's loving plan for your life and provide you with helpful advice on how to put your faith into practice. These engaging videos also feature footage from the Holy Land, animated maps, useful charts and graphics, and beautiful art, which add to the overall experience of the study. Each video will be followed by a group discussion.

We will begin both a Sunday and a Wednesday session so you can choose the day/time that is best for you. Registration forms are at the doors of the church. Scholarships are available for those requesting one.

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL



**2016 Annual Catholic Appeal –  
"Blessed are the Merciful for They  
Shall Obtain Mercy"**

**Participants in the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal can expect to receive their first payment reminder on or about May 30<sup>th</sup>. Additional reminders will continue through December. Please mail all payments in the self-addressed, return envelope provided with your mailing. Do not submit payments to the parish office or through Offertory collection. Thank you.**

# PARISH NEWS

**CHURCH OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY MAY 30<sup>TH</sup> IN OBSERVANCE OF THE MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY.**

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**KICK OFF TO SUMMER FAMILY DINNER RAFFLE:** Luisa's Cantina Italiana - Dinner, dessert, and drinks for 6 people. There are pasta or pizza options available. **The drawing is Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>.** Tickets are \$3.00; 2 for \$5.00; or 5 for \$10.00. **Tickets will be available for purchase after all Masses at Sacred Heart and St. John's parishes this weekend - May 28/29<sup>th</sup>.** For more information, contact Beverly at 410-708-4722, Lanae at 443-350-5265, or Kara at 443-480-8669, or see the flyers at the entrances of the Church.

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**ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS:** The summer schedule has been published online. Please take a moment to review your assignments for June, July and August and request sub's where needed. Thank you for your commitment to ministry at our church. **Please Note:** Diane Voshell has agreed to take on the Administrator role for MSP Scheduling of Liturgical Ministers. She will be your contact person from this point forward regarding scheduling issues. Please be patient as we make this transition. Her email address is: [diane.voshell.42@gmail.com](mailto:diane.voshell.42@gmail.com)

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## FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

Hunger in our community doesn't end in the summer. As a matter of fact, because the Kent County Schools close and the Backpack Food Program for school children ends in June, the need to stock our local Food Pantry is greater in the summer. Sacred Heart/St. John's Parish collects food donations every week of the year. Simply leave your donation in the boxes at the doors of the church. Let's strive to keep the shelves stocked this summer for those less fortunate than ourselves.



Feeding the Community

**Generally, we receive 250 pounds of donated food each month. This month we have received only 48 pounds. Your donations of non-perishable foods are greatly needed.**

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** to feed the hungry musicians during the National Music Festival. Help is needed to prepare lunch, serve and cleanup on **Monday - Friday June 6<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> and June 13<sup>th</sup> -17<sup>th</sup>.** The time is 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.. The lunch is served at Emmanuel Episcopal Church at Cross and High St. If you can help one, two or more days please email Nancy Dick at [nmdick2@gmail.com](mailto:nmdick2@gmail.com) or call Barbara Creegan at 410-778-4830 for scheduling. Thanks for your help.

# FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

## Offertory - Week Ending 5/22/16 Week 47

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 05/22 Wk.47	\$4,574	\$730	\$6,442	-\$1,138
YTD Wk. 47	\$247,266	\$50,674	\$302,774	-\$4,804

**ELECTRONIC GIVING:** It is possible to make your weekly financial commitment to the Parish using Electronic Funds Transfer. We are encouraging everyone to consider using this contribution method. Contact Senta Burton with any questions at 410-778-3160, or [senta.burton@sacredparish.org](mailto:senta.burton@sacredparish.org). Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church.

# DIOCESAN NEWS

## FORTNIGHT FOR FREEDOM:

The *Fortnight for Freedom: Witnesses to Freedom* will take place from **June 21 to July 4, 2016**, a time when our liturgical calendar celebrates a series of great martyrs who remained faithful in the face of persecution by political power—St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher, St. John the Baptist, SS. Peter and Paul, and the First Martyrs of the Church of Rome.

You are invited to attend a special Mass to begin the *Fortnight for Freedom* on **June 21 at 7 p.m. at the Baltimore Basilica** (America's First Cathedral). Archbishop William Lori will celebrate. Through special arrangements with Stonyhurst College in England, the relics of St. Thomas More and St. John Fisher will be at the Mass. For more information, visit [www.Fortnight4Freedom.org](http://www.Fortnight4Freedom.org).

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**DIALOG:** In addition to the newspaper edition of The Dialog that's available in church every two weeks, the newspaper's website, [www.thedialog.org](http://www.thedialog.org), is updated every weekday with stories from the diocese and around the world, including many that don't appear in the newspaper due to space considerations. Stay on top of national and international issues of concern to Catholics, each Sunday's Scripture reading commentaries by Dialog columnists and the work of the church in the nation and world by visiting [www.thedialog.org](http://www.thedialog.org).

