

SCRIPTURE READINGS

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 50:5-9a

Isaiah describes the willingness of the Suffering Servant to submit to the persecution of his enemies. This willingness stems from true faith in God, and the knowledge that the Lord will always be his help.



Second Reading: James 2:14-18

James states that if someone is hungry and you wish them well but do not help them, you have done them no good. He compares this to stating your faith, without

backing it up with your actions. He reminds us that we must show our faith through our good works.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus taught his disciples that as the Messiah, he had to suffer much, be put to death, and rise three days later. Peter began to disagree and Jesus reprimanded him for judging by human standards rather than by God's. He told them that whoever would be willing to lose their life for the sake of Jesus and the gospel, will in fact preserve their life forever.

For the Week of September 13th through September 19th

Sunday

Is 50:5-9a; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35

Monday

Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Tuesday

1 Tm 3:14-13; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wednesday

1 Tm 3:14-16; Lk 7:31-35

Thursday

1 Tm 4:12-16; Lk 7:36-50

Friday

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3

Saturday

1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15



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, September 12th

4:00 p.m. Anita Gelderman

Sunday, September 13th

8:00 a.m. Mass for the People

10:00 a.m. Owen Pierce

Monday September 14th

8:30 a.m. Margarita Apt

Tuesday, September 15th

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday September 16th

8:30 a.m. Communion Service

Thursday, September 17th

8:30 a.m. Niall O'Connor

Friday, September 18th

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

Saturday, September 19th

8:30 a.m. Mass for the People

4:00 p.m. Marie Gruber

Sunday, September 20th

8:00 a.m. Mass for the People

10:00 a.m. Ken Burns

REMEMBERING THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Remember in your prayers the sick of the parish:

Julia Ridgely, Barron

Scott, Thomas Parson,

Barbara Darrah, John

Troffo, Valerie

Lindyberg, Patricia

Dana, Jim Kestell,

Ryan Elizabeth

Quintero, Elizabeth

and Barrie Montague,

Edith Follin, Tim Sullivan, and all those whose

names appear in the PARISH BOOK OF
INTENTIONS located in the front foyer of
Sacred Heart and St. John's.



PREP

Parish Religious Education Program

PREP CLASSES BEGIN THIS SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH!

"Let the little children come to me, do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." Matthew 19:14

NOT TOO LATE TO REGISTER FOR PREP! Registration Forms for all students grades K - 10th are available online at www.sacredparish.org and at the doors of the church.

RE CATECHIST PRAYERS: Our faithful Catechists have begun preparation with joy for the start of the year with our Catechist Training this past weekend. Please pray for them and for the children who will share their faith together this year.

"...Catechists joyfully shoulder the responsibility with which the Lord has entrusted them, so that the great heritage of faith — which is the most authentic treasure of this world — may not be lost in the passage from one generation to another, but rather be renewed and strengthened, and become a guide and a stimulus on our journey toward the future. In close association with parents, they are entrusted with the noble art of forming individuals." POPE FRANCIS

CATECHETICAL

SUNDAY: This Sunday, Sept. 13th, we celebrate Catechetical Sunday! All across the country, Catechists will be blessed and commissioned for their important work in the year ahead. Please join us in support of these "faith filled" people who have answered "yes" to God's call to serve by committing to pray for them this year.



HIGH SCHOOL/CONFIRMATION

PROGRAM: Information specific to the 9th and 10th students who are preparing for Confirmation has been mailed and is available on the church website at www.sacredparish.org.



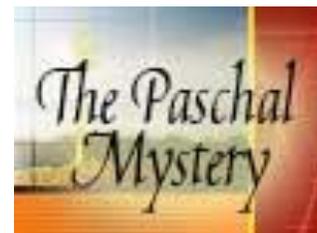
Lord, I pray Your emotional, physical, and spiritual protection over my children (grandchildren) this school year. I pray You will make them courageous, compassionate and tenacious when they need to be. Help them to remember that You are right there with them everyday in the halls and classrooms. Help them soak up good knowledge and to dismiss any negative or worldly messages that come their way. Help them treat others with kindness and respect, and to guard their hearts. Give them joy, a desire to learn and the peace that passes all understanding as they put their trust in you. Amen.

TEACHINGS AND TRADITIONS

JOURNEY OF Faith

Teachings and Traditions of the Catholic Faith meets weekly **following the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday**. The readings of the day are discussed so that we can better apply them to our daily lives; and a particular piece of Catholic doctrine is then presented and explored. This is a wonderful way to grow in knowledge of our faith! *Won't you join us??*

THE CROSS AND PASCHAL MYSTERY - Jesus tells us that we must take up our cross and follow him. Jesus' way is the way of the cross and the way every believer must embrace. We are called to join the struggles of life to the cross of Christ and thus participate in his saving mystery.



Next Week: Kingdom of God

PARISH LIFE

ATTENTION CURRENT LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

**Ushers, Cantors, Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors,
Commentators and Greeters**
(Altar Servers will have a separate meeting in the
near future)

Please mark your calendar for **Saturday, September 26th from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.** Our parish will be conducting a Fall Formation Session for all existing volunteers that evening. Any current liturgical minister who is unable to attend is asked to call the Parish Office and let us know.

The various ministries have an essential role in the celebration of Mass. These roles require preparation, formation, and a degree of competency and confidence that formation sessions can help provide. In addition, ongoing formation allows each minister to remain up to date and well informed regarding what is expected of them.

Formation for new liturgical ministers will soon be announced. Anyone interested in becoming involved as a liturgical minister is asked to contact the Parish Office so that we can be in touch when the formation date is announced.



Flowers this weekend at Sacred Heart were donated by Cathy McCall in memory of James and Lisa Curran.

REMINDER TO ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS AT SACRED HEART: Thank you to the ministers who volunteer to serve weekly at our liturgies. Please remember to "check in" before mass in the foyer of the church. Simply highlight your name on the schedule so that priest and deacon know in advance if we need to fill positions or make changes. All ministers should check in...Lectors, Greeters, Cantors, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers. Thank you for your attention to this request.

CALL FOR TUTORS: Parishioners from the Catholic Community of Sacred Heart & St. John's are needed as part of an interfaith effort to assist in tutoring children and young adults in collaboration with local schools and churches in Kent County. An orientation and training program for interested participants will be provided under the auspices of the Kent County Learning Center from **8:30 – 12:00 at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Chestertown on Saturday September 26th.** Please contact David Foster (410 708 8244) for further information.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COLLECTION: Next weekend, **September 19/20**, there will be a second collection for the Religious Education program at all masses. Donations will be used to subsidize Religious Education events such as the Confirmation Retreat for high school students, the Day Apart Retreat for our Catechists, and special catechetical purchases such as the Youth Catechism, children's bibles, and rosary rings for students. Please consider directly supporting these efforts through the second collection next Sunday.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP



—SIGN UP FOR ELECTRONIC GIVING—

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 Deacon John Davis with any questions at 443-875-6898 or deaconjohn@sacredparish.org. Sign up forms are available at the doors of the Church. Thank you.

Offertory – Weeks Ending 9/06/15 (Week 10)

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	\$6,467	\$2,223	\$6,442	\$2,248
YTD Wk. 10	\$52,974	\$12,310	\$64,420	\$864

