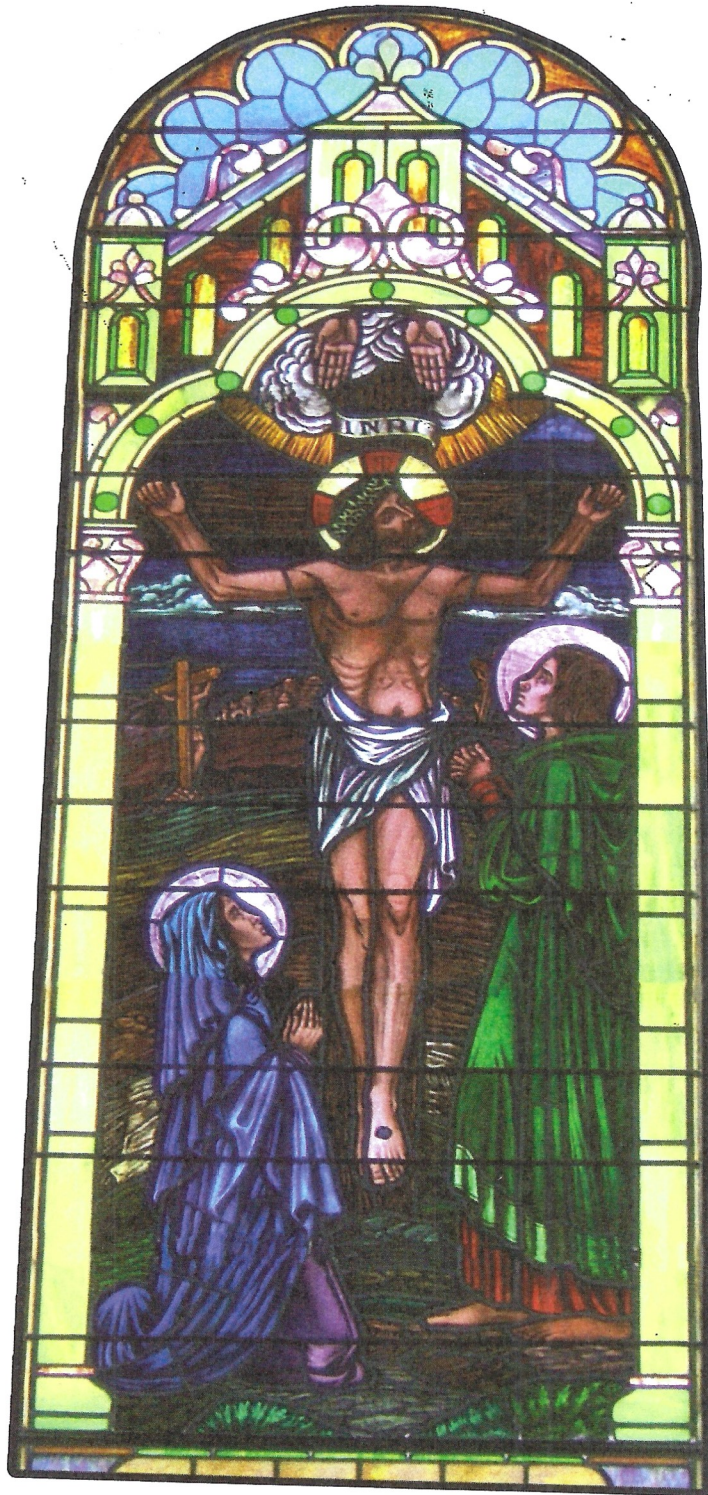


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This program involves preparation for and celebration of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist for the Christian initiation of unbaptized adults, unbaptized children of catechetical age, as well as for welcoming baptized Catholics and non-Catholics into full communion with the Church. Please contact Father Conley for more information.

## The Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are normally celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month. Parents seeking to have a child baptized at St. Mary's should contact the rectory office to make the necessary arrangements.

## The Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples seeking to be married at St. Mary's are to call the rectory to make arrangements at least six months in advance of their intended wedding date. This should be done prior to any other reception or invitation arrangements so that the parish may suitably serve the couple.

## The Sacrament of Anointing

Any Catholic who is facing serious illness or surgery is encouraged to receive the Anointing of the Sick. Please call Father Conley at the rectory office to arrange to receive this sacrament for yourself or for a family member.



Dear Parishioners,

When we receive the Holy Spirit through the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, the Spirit brings seven gifts along with Him. These gifts are piety, fortitude, fear of the Lord, counsel, wisdom and knowledge. Unfortunately, in our day-to-day lives we don't always remember that we have these gifts to help us navigate our relationships with others. The article below suggests ways that these gifts can help us especially in our intergenerational relationships which oftentimes can be tense. Of course, it is not necessary to memorize the gifts in order to benefit from them. If we simply began each day asking the Holy Spirit to be with us, we can be confident that the gifts will be operating in our lives. And, when we are in a tense situation with someone, we can call on the Spirit right then and there to help us I know that He will. The Spirit wants to help us to be more like Jesus Christ; all we have to do is ask.

With my prayers,

Fr. Conley

***Seven Ways to Get Along with Other Generations***

by Bill Dodds *Our Sunday Visitor* June 10, 2022 adapted

It's not surprising generations don't always see eye to eye. It's probably been that way since Adam and Eve. But that first couple never shook their heads and muttered about "the older generation." Yes, most likely, they grumbled about the younger ones, but not the older. They had already more than strained their relationship with God the Father.

Why, to one degree or another, have peoples, tribes, clans, societies and families always been that way? You know the answer. It's because members of generations other than your own can be so...you know. That's not you? Uh huh. Sure. Let's try a very basic two-question test: A.) What style of music is best? And B.) What's one you just can't stand? And there you have it. So how can you-how can anyone, but especially how can you-get along with...them? Here are some suggestions for using gifts of heavenly help.

1. **Wisdom.** Wisdom does come with age. Or maybe it should be said "can come with age." Why? Because as the years roll by, life kicks one right in the teeth. The long-term effects of mistakes (and sins) come sharply into focus. Then too, hard times and heartaches can bear rich fruit. You-child, teen, young adult-can avoid a lot of trauma and drama, a lot of pain and strain, by paying attention to what your elders are saying, advising and suggesting based on some colossal screw-ups or painful experiences in their own lives. Those middle-agers and seniors aren't going to go into the particular (juicy) details, but a lesson was learned. On the other hand-listen up, old timers-seniors can learn from the childlike faith of the youngest and the tremendous hope and love-in-action of the middle-agers.

2. **Understanding.** This one just takes practice. Realize and remember: Seniors/middle agers/young people can seem strange to one another because each grew up (or is still growing up) in a different time. Same planet, different world. Depression era and WW II. Sputnik and Vietnam war. Challenger and 9/11. Internet and social media. Perry Como, Beatles, Snoop Dogg. One generation had a skate key. One was thrilled to get a transistor radio. One can't imagine a time without smartphones. All children of God who chose them to be created and grow up in a particular era.

3. **Counsel.** This seems like an easy one because, boy, do you have some things to say to those other two groups! Bad news. Yes, "instruct" others. With kindness and charity as you teach one to tie a shoe or you help another get rid of malware on their laptop. But also, be humble enough to ask for and accept help. That can be tough, tough, tough-at any age. Perhaps it would be best to remember that when Simon of Cyrene was forced to assist Jesus on his way to Calvary, the Lord didn't protest. Didn't say, "I got this. Look, I got this!" When it comes to counsel, be Simon-like and Christ-like.

4. **Fortitude.** Here's a gift that's like a cookie that has all kinds of good stuff in it. Chocolate chips, oatmeal, pecans, raisins, and on and on. Fortitude is strength of mind and perseverance. Both can be needed because getting along with a person of any generation (including your own) can be no walk in the park. Often it's more a slog through the swamp. Fortitude helps you patiently deal with that-let's say "overly opinionated"-individual. And helps you avoid becoming like him or her. The latter can be harder than the former.

5. **Knowledge.** This ties in with understanding. It's a gift that can make understanding easier. Yes, in the big picture, each person is a product of his or her time. Of that particular world of their childhood, middle-age and old age. But knowledge is more particular. More precise. More personal. In the small picture, the events of our life can shape our time on earth in big ways. The death of a parent when we were at a tender age. A divorce in middle age. Chronic health problems as a senior. This doesn't mean prying but making note after learning about what a person has faced or is facing. Has dealt with and, in some if not many ways, is still dealing with. Quick tip: You'll never go wrong assuming everyone is carrying a personal cross. Or two. Knowledge can help you cut someone some slack, realizing it's not generational differences that are throwing sand in the gears of the relationship, it's the crippling events that have been a part of his or her life story.

6. **Piety.** It might surprise you to learn that one of the primary definitions of piety is showing reverence to one's parents and homeland. Being respectful to Mom and Dad, Grandma and Grandpa, and all those in your



country and around the world. Respectful even to teens and young adults who "know everything." To middle-agers who whine about old people and about young people. And to seniors who scoff at anyone under, oh, 50 or so.

But here's another facet of piety. It nudges you to worship God, the Father of all. And to do good to others because a deeper reverence for God includes paying closer attention to what Jesus said (taught) how to treat others. Paying attention and actually doing it. The closer you are to God, the better you'll do his will for you and the easier it can be to get along with others. It makes all aspects of your life easier. Not easy. Easier.

**7. Fear of the Lord.** OK, this ties in with piety, although it's often interpreted as being a super fraidy-cat who's scared of God doing some smiting on your head if you don't straighten up and live right. Rather, Scripture scholars note, it's hating sin because you're better aware-as his beloved child-what a horrible thing it is to turn from him. Including bad-mouthing other generations or being impatient with them. Yes, you know how they are, or can be, but you also know how God is and always will be: infinitely in love with you. And with every human being since our first parents. There you have it. Seven blades and doodads, the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. Always available. Always free. Never lost even when, at times, we are. +++

#### **Praise and Worship Ensemble (PWE)**

On the fourth Sunday of every month at the 12:00 Mass, the choir sings Contemporary Christian songs (like the ones played on the local radio stations 91.9 and 107.3). The next PWE Mass will be June 26th. Please come worship with us. Also, if you enjoy contemporary Christian music and are interested in singing or playing the piano with our PWE choir, please contact Debbie Sablan at [djs775564@gmail.com](mailto:djs775564@gmail.com) for information. .

**Are You or is Someone You Know Being Called to Full Initiation in the Catholic Church?** Our Faith Formation class is offered on Mondays from 7 to 8:30 pm beginning in September. These classes are for those who wish to enter the Church, for adult Catholics who wish to receive all the sacraments of initiation, and for folks who would just like to learn about the Faith. Please contact Fr. Conley or Sue Wolfe if you would like more information.

#### **Join the Eucharistic Revival!**

The Church in the United States has embarked on a National Eucharistic Revival. Learn more about the Revival and sign up for the newsletter at [eucharisticrevival.org](http://eucharisticrevival.org)

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Prospective students and families are invited to learn what *Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's* has to offer. Meet the Headmaster and discover the benefits of a classical curriculum. Join current parents and students **June 27<sup>th</sup>; 6:30pm-8:30pm**; 29530 Charlotte Hall Rd Charlotte Hall MD 20622. For more information and to learn about Chesterton Academy of St. Mary's please visit our website at [chestertonstmarys.org](http://chestertonstmarys.org)

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#### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR June 25 – July 1**

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6pm Parishioners

SUN: 8am Barbara Groomes

10 am Chuck Miller

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#### **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR DAILY**

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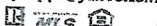
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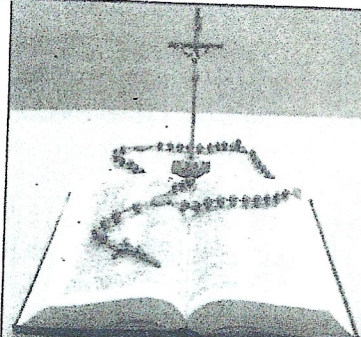
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