



Sacred Heart Church

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DECEMBER 23, 2018

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

*"And how does this happen to me, that the mother
of my Lord should come to me." - Luke 1:43*

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm(Spanish)
Monday - Friday: 7:00am in St. Dominic Chapel(No Mass in Jul. & Aug.)
12:00pm in the church
Saturday: 9:00am in St. Dominic Chapel,
5:00pm in church (Anticipated Mass of Sunday)
Holy Days & Holidays: As announced in Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 11:30am - 12:30pm and 4:00pm - 4:45pm
Daily: Upon request following the 12:00pm Mass

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parents should contact the parish office to schedule an interview and register for the required baptismal preparation session.

Preparation: in the church at 7:00pm
Dec. 17, Jan. 7, Feb. 18, Apr. 8, May 13, Jun. 10

Sacrament: in the church at at 3:00pm
Dec. 30, Jan. 13, Feb. 24, Apr. 20 (8:30PM), May 19, Jun. 16

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Common Policy for Marriage in all Catholic parishes of New Jersey requires couples to begin preparation at least one year prior to the planned wedding date. It is advisable to contact the parish office before any other arrangements are made.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Anointing of the Sick is available for all seriously ill members of our parish family. Please call the parish office.

R.C.I.A.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the Church's process to prepare to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more, please call the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION / OFFICE HOURS

We invite all new members of our parish family to register at the Parish Office during regular office hours: 9:00am to 6:00pm Monday - Friday; Saturdays and Sundays Closed.



Fourth Sunday Of Advent

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Christmas celebrates the dawn of the Light of the World. The powers of darkness are overcome by his coming to share our life. The long reign of sin is ended and grace has been poured out upon the earth. The Sun of Justice has arisen, and evil is vanquished.

Perhaps the hardest thing to remember about Christmas is this. "It celebrates the incarnation, not just the nativity. The incarnation is an on-going process of salvation, while the nativity is the once-for-all-historical event of Bethlehem. We do not really celebrate Christ's 'birthday,' remembering something that happened long ago. We celebrate the stupendous fact of the incarnation, God entering our world so thoroughly that nothing has been the same since. And God continues to take flesh in our midst, in the men and women and children who form his body today. And the birth we celebrate is not just the past historical event but Christ's continuing birth in his members, accomplished by the power of the Spirit through the waters of baptism.

What we celebrate is our redemption in Christ and the transformation of all creation by the presence of the divine in our midst."

Merry Christmas.

Fr. Theemas

UPCOMING Events

DECEMBER 2018

- 23(Sun.) Fourth Third Of Advent
- 23(Sun.) 10:00AM RCIA
Parish Center Dining Room
- 23(Sun.) No Religious Education Classes
- 24(Mon.) 9:00AM - Last Day of Advent
Mass, No Mass at 7:00 or 12:00
- 24(Mon.) Vigil of Christmas
- 24(Mon.) 5:00PM - Family Christmas Mass
- 24(Mon.) 11:30PM - Christmas Carol
Service
- 25(Tue.) 12:00AM Nativity of the Lord
Midnight Mass
- 25(Tue.) Christmas Masses -7:30AM,
9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12:00PM
- 26(Wed.) No Religious Education Classes
- 28(Fri.) 12:30PM - Eucharistic Adoration
Church
- 28(Fri.) 6:00PM - Spanish Rosary
Parish Center
- 29(Sat.) 8:00PM - Neocat. Liturgy
Parish Center
- 30(Sun.) Solemnity of the Holy Family



CHRISTMAS, NEWS SO GOOD IT TAKES A WHOLE SEASON TO CELEBRATE IT

Christmas is one of the most important days of the Church year, second only to Easter itself. It is the feast of the incarnation, the feast of God becoming flesh (the Latin "in carne" means "enfleshment"). It is a uniquely Christian teaching, the Divine choosing to become one of us. Because of this belief, God is not only Transcendent, but also wholly Immanent, Emmanuel (God-with-us). While remaining Transcendent (meaning we must rise above our present condition to reach Him), He is at the same time Immanent (meaning He is with us as we rise toward Him). Every Eucharist is like Christmas where the bread and wine are transformed into His flesh, His Body and Blood, and, in a sense, He is born anew on the altar. The liturgical season of Christmas begins with the vigil Masses on Christmas Eve and concludes on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord (in 2019, January 13th). During this season, we celebrate the birth of Christ into our world and into our hearts, and reflect on the gift of salvation that is born with him...including the fact that he was born to die for us. The Christmas tree and the Nativity scene are popular symbols of the season and a tradition in many Christian homes. It is also traditional to exchange Christmas gifts with family and friends as a way to honor God the Father's gift of his only son to the world. Having received the gift of Christ, we naturally want to pass that gift along to our loved ones.

[-http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-resources/christmas/](http://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-resources/christmas/)

At Christmas our thoughts naturally turn to those friends and members of our family who shared their faith with us and helped to make each Christmas so special. If you would like to remember your deceased relatives or friends by donating Christmas Flowers and Decorations used to decorate the Church of the Sacred Heart throughout the Christmas Season, just fill in the form below and put it in a plain envelope marked "CHRISTMAS FLOWERS" and drop it in the collection or return it to the parish office at your convenience.

Your Name _____	
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	
Phone _____	
In Memory of:	Other: \$ _____
	\$50
	\$35
	\$25
	\$20
	\$15
	\$10

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DAILY MASS ON MONDAY DEC. 24TH

Please note that there will be **only one daily Mass celebrated during the day on Monday, Dec. 24th. It will be celebrated at 9:00am in the church.** There will be **NO 7:00am or Noon Mass on the 24th.** The 9:00am Mass is for the last day of Advent. It is not a Christmas Mass and it **DOES NOT** fulfill the obligation to attend Mass on Christmas.

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PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS SEASON HOURS

In observance of Christmas, the **parish office will close at 6:00pm on Fri., Dec. 21 and reopen on Thursday, Dec. 27 at 9:00am.** The priests and staff of Sacred Heart wish you and your family a very Holy and Joy-Filled Christmas!

In observance of the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and the New Years holiday, **the parish office will close at 6:00pm Fri., Dec. 28. The office will reopen at 9:00am on Wednesday, January 2.**



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ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY

Sacred Heart School will hold their Annual Tricky Tray which benefits Sacred Heart School, on Friday, Jan. 18, at Sacred Heart School, 620 Valley Brook Ave. Tickets are \$15 per person and are non-refundable. Ticket includes one sheet for 1st level prizes, Coffee/Tea, and dessert. Ticket deadline is Jan. 4th. No one under 18 will be admitted and no alcoholic beverages. Kitchen will be open. For tickets call Patty at 201-803-9580 or the school at 201-939-4277.

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FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

Items "most needed items" at this time are: Spaghetti, Pasta Sauce, Fruit, and Tuna. Items which are always in need include: Vegetables, Potatoes (canned or packaged), Cereal, Soup, Beans, Pasta, Prepared Meals (boxed, canned, or bag 'sides'), Chili, Tea, Coffee, Peanut Butter and Jelly. Thank you for all of the generous donations which help keep our food pantry stocked. As a reminder, we are unable to package out-of-date food products for distribution to our families.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Eleanor Descalzi, Frank Lipinski, Louis Guida, Betty Tynan, Baby Ryan Joseph Lomuscio, Dolores Manno, Sal Russo, Charles Klimkowsky, Nancy Namoviez, Margaret & Robert Sealer, Giovanna Muscara, Al & Joan Viscuso, Lea Pappas, Anita Barcia, Denise Swanteck, Ken Remo, Maureen F. Coughlin, John Smith, Melanie Paige Didomizio, Yvonne Hoefsloot, Julius Single, Melina Sylvestro, Dave Tzrepla, Frank Bucu, Sr., John Stenkowski, Francis (Buddy) McSweeney, Dominick Palmieri, Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Allison Russell, Francesco Giacchi, Alex Hernandez, Mario Alongi, Sr.

DECEASED: Lynn Ferguson, Vitina Morgano, Mary Condon

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23RD

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MONDAY, DECEMBER 24TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of Laila Cheddard

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of Skye Marie Whittington

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of December 23rd, the following items used for worship in our sanctuary were donated in the memory of a relative or friend or a special intention.

SANCTUARY LAMP:



In Honor of: John Valente & Albert Alberti

Donated by: Maryann Valente

BREAD & WINE:



In Honor of: John Valente & Albert Alberti

Donated by: Maryann Valente

MASS CANDLES:



In Honor of: John Valente & Albert Alberti

Donated by: Maryann Valente

Christmas Novena

Come and join the Sacred Heart Family to Praise and sing the Nativity of our Lord Jesus. The Christmas Novena will be prayed in English and Spanish. We will share hot cocoa and cookies afterwards.

Sunday, December 23 - 3:00 pm.

Monday, December 24 - 9:30 am

DECEMBER 23, 2018

Fourth Sunday Of Advent

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00 pm Helder DaCosta

SUNDAY - Fourth Sunday Of Advent

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Patrick Ferrara

10:30 am Edward A. Downey

12:00pm Brian & Giovanni Anitco

1:30 pm Servando I, Servando II, Angela Fernandez

MONDAY - Late Advent Weekday

9:00am Patrick Ferrara

CHRISTMAS MASSES

MONDAY - VIGIL OF CHRISTMAS

5:00 pm Giuseppe Malzone &

Giuliana Cafaro

TUESDAY - THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

12:00am 1. Carol Petrillo-Lintz

2. Frank Navatta

7:30 am Catherine & Pat Costello

9:00 am Alfonso Olaya &
Rosemary Valencia

10:30 am Anna Marie Faller &
Anthony Michael Silver

12:00pm Mary & Anthony Scardino &
Anthony Pereira

1:30 pm Berona Family (Living)

WEDNESDAY - St. Stephen, The First Martyr

7:00am Anthony & Lucy Di Lascio

12:00pm Emma Ortiz

THURSDAY - St. John, Apostle and Evangelist

7:00am Virginia Reardon

12:00pm Pasquale & Marie Marchetta

FRIDAY - The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

7:00am Theresa Brady

12:00pm Chrissie Hogan

SATURDAY - Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

9:00am Joseph Orlando

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00 pm John Sidonio

SUNDAY - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Michael & Loretta La Pollo

10:30 am Hugh W. Dalzell

12:00pm Krizan Peros

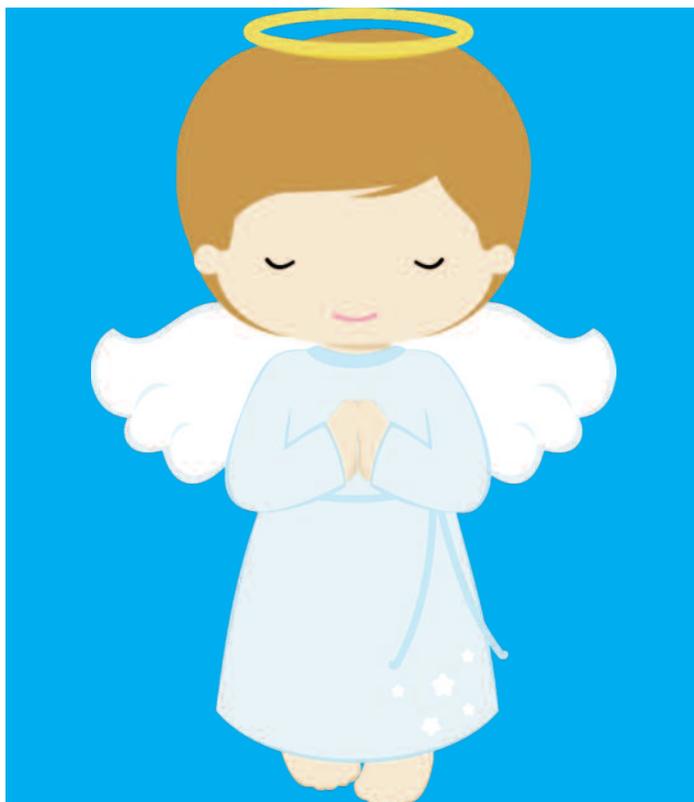
1:30 pm Horacia Jimenez





SAVE THE DATE
Special Visitors
Coming To
Our Parish
Friday, January 4th
At 7:00 PM

The Three Kings will stop by our church on their way to adore the Christ Child on Friday, January 4th at 7:00 PM. All are invited to come and greet them. The children of our parish family are encouraged to write letters to Kings and to give to them when they visit and they will receive a gift from the kings. Refreshments will be served after.



ATTENTION ALL
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
STUDENTS
HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BE
AN ANGEL THIS CHRISTMAS

The Family Mass for Christmas is celebrated at 5:00 PM on Christmas Eve here at Sacred Heart. All grammar school students are invited to dress like angels for this special Mass. Those students dressed as angels will process with Fr. Theemas at the Mass. Be sure to grab those angel wings and halos now so you will be ready for the big day when we celebrate the birthday of Jesus!