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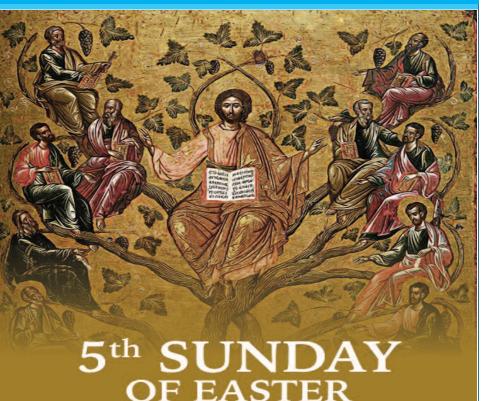
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"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing." - Jn 15:5 April 28

April 28, 2024

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm(Spanish) Monday - Friday: 12:00pm in the church 9:00am in the church, Saturday: 5:00pm in church (Anticipated Mass of Sunday) Holy Days & Holidays: As announced in Bulletin SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturday: 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

Sacrament: in the church at at 3:00pm May 5, Jun. 9, Jul. 14, Aug. 11, Sep. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 10, Dec. 8

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 5:00pm Monday - Friday; Saturdays and Sundays Closed.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



In the Gospel of last week Jesus called Himself the Good Shepherd and spoke about his role as guide and protector of his flock. Those words are very comforting and reassuring. We know that he will care for us, that he will never leave us as orphans and that we can feel safe within his embrace. His words also speak about the great sacrifice that he must make. As the Good Shepherd, he gives his life for his sheep.

The emphasis is all on Jesus, the shepherd and his role in our salvation. We are the recipients, the objects of all his love and concern. If we were to stop here we could easily reach the point where we leave all of the ini-

tiative to him and merely follow where he leads us.

But Jesus doesn't stop there. In this week's Gospel he refers to himself as the "True Vine", and he presents us with quite a different emphasis, the focus of which is our role within this mystery.

Jesus says: "I am the True Vine and my Father is the vinedresser. I am the vine who feeds and nourishes. You are the branches." This is not quite as comforting or easy going as we may think. The True Vine provides nourishment but it is our job to bear much fruit.

Jesus uses the imagery of the vine and the branches to dramatize the intimate, life-giving connection that he offers to those who believe in him. He promises that if we remain united with him in faith and love we will be alive and fruitful. He reminds us that being connected to him is necessary for healthy growth. But he also tells us that we cannot be connected to him without being connected to - and dependent upon - one another.

There is, of course, another important dimension to these words. Remember that this passage is part of the great 'farewell discourse' in John's Gospel, given in the upper room after Jesus washed the feet of his disciples during the Last Supper. The image of the Vine and Branches tells us that we cannot exist on our own, without the sustenance from him who is our Source of Life and Love. It also shows us that we cannot exist without the support and love of one another.

Love is the ultimate connection. This is his "new commandment." We are not only connected to him but to one another. He taught the truth, he spoke words of comfort, he healed the sick, he brought sight to the blind, he rebuked those who needed to be rebuked, he spent time in prayer and in communion with the Father. Ultimately he laid down his life for His brothers and sisters.

And He invites and calls us to go and do likewise. He calls us to love not only in word or speech but in deed and in truth. It is only within the loving support of the community that we maintain our connection with Jesus, the vine, and are assured that His life will continue to flow in us and through us and make us fruitful as his disciples.

Easter Memoríal Flowers The following members of our parish family gave a gift in memory of a loved one.

Josefina Coson Albiski-in memory of-Thomas James Albinski, Michael Stephen Maleczkowicz John Aquino-in memory of-Anthony & Alice Aquino, Mary Tallent, Michael Tallent, Norman Arcos, Bret Paton The Baumann Family-in memory of-Albert & Helen Greenrose, Joseph & Rosemarie Baumann, Leila Kukuruza, RoseHennessev, Stephen & Stephanie Krand **Colleen Branigan**-in memory of-Bobby Branigan, Mikey Branigan, Sigird Smith, Carmen Melone Danny Cappiello-in memory of-Mr. & mrs. Daniel Cappiello, Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Wassong Jim & Isabel Cavalcante-in memory of-James M. Cavalcante, Rev. Robert Brennan Thomas Cecot-in memory of-Walter & Anne Cecot, Randy H. Walters Nilde Coiro-in memory of-Philip Coiro & The Coiro Family, Arsenio & Rose Aromando, Gerarda & Michael D'Amato, Lisa & Tony Aromando, Mark Monetta, Mary & Arthur Durante, Pina Episcopo, Ida Pandolfo, Philip Salomone Michael & Joan Coyne-in memory of-The Ambrose and **Covne Families** Lucretia D'Emilio-in memory of-Alfonso D'Emilio, Laura Manning, Armand & Annie Louise Carusona, Mattia & Rita D'Emilio, Laura Manning, Anna & Vincent Giardelli, Janet & Matt Giardelli, Terry & Jerry D'Emilio, Fred & Carmella Carusona, Henry & Annie Mae Bray Joann De Serio-in memory of-Frank De Serio Janet & Greg DeFrino-in memory of-Jeanette and Nicholas DeFrino Greg & Janet DeFrino-in memory of-Marie Siculietano Janet & Greg DeFrino-in memory of-Betty Toole Robert Derby-in memory of-Eleanor & Arthur Derby, Louise & Anthony Radice, Mary & George Derby, Angela Malzone, Barbara Ruzika, Richard McGill Heidi C. Doria-in memory of-Juan Cantos, Sr., Pilar Cantos, Modesto & Monica Estrella, Saturnino & Demetrio Cantos, Eufrocinia Torres Cantos, Ignacio Boy Espiritu, Roberto Lumbang, John Casiello, Sr., John Casiello, Jr., Jenny Casiello, Editha Ocenop, Corie Gaillarte, Petronillo Rivera, Natividad Magcaley, Sotera Eugenio Helen C. Dowling-in memory of-Dowling Family, Clem Yurkiewicz Robert Durham-in memory of-Theresa Durham-Wiley, Robert K. Durham, Jr., Kay & Joseph Bianco, Ann & Stephen Nayman Phyllis Esnes & Edward Varga-in memory of-Stella & Eugene Esnes, Lauren Esnes, Carrie Goddrich, Agatha & Alex Varga, Michael Varga, Maria & Martin Macko, Eleanor & Stephen Macko Linda Halpin-in memory of-Agnes Pelak Robert & Mary Hero-in memory of-Joseph & Evelyn Famularo George & Camille Hirth-in memory of-Hirth & lovino Families Bridget Horgan-in memory of-Bernadette Lynch, O'Gorman Family Marjorie Lejda-in memory of-Lejda & O'Mara Family

Denise & Craig Mayer-in memory of-Grace Mayer, Louise & James LeFante, Dominick LeFante, Joseph Rocco, Sr., Henry Machno, Colt Baker

Dorothy Mayerchak-in memory of-Joseph Mayerchak Mr. & Mrs. Euclides Medellin-in memory of-Silvia Quintero Brian & Carol O'Keeffe-in memory of-Patrick O'Keeffe, Sr., Sean O'Keeffe, Vincenzo & Catalina Valentino Laurie Paolazzi-in memory of-Anthony Paolazzi, Sr., Catherine Paolazzi, Josephine Edwards

Maddalena Passero-in memory of-Gabriella Ricci, Carol Clark, Antonia Rizzo, Marcos Cruz, Laura Balletto, Joseph & Rose Motisi, Diane Marshall

Patty & Joe Pavlica-in memory of-Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr., Ferrara Family, Pavlica Family

Rose Peros-in memory of-Krizan Peros, Krese & Ivana Peros, Antonio & Maria Meli, Joseph Meli, Anthony B.V. Meli, Rina De Marco, Louise Van Decker, Maria Torina Meli, Joseph Cannella **Dolores Petrillo**-in memory of-Conrad Petrillo, Carol Petrillo Lintz, Kay & Al Galindo, Carol & Alex Galindo, Marilyn & **Loma Readie**-in memory of-William Readie, Mary Osborn, Readie & Mc Ardle Families

Jean Redner-in memory of-Thomas Redner, Betty & Louis Sottovia & all deceased members of the Sottovia Family, Lena & Larry Redner & all deceased members of the Redner Family, Maria Rose & Angelo Corino and all deceased members of the Corino Family, Mary & Louis Ferrie and all deceased members of the Ferrie Family, Romano & Theresa Sottovia, Joe, Roberta & Sr. Christine Corey

Carmen A. Rodriguez-in memory of-Souls In Purgatory Agnes Sauser-in memory of-Adam A. Sauser, Sr.

Charles Sofio-in memory of-Peter & Carmela Sofio, Sam & Ita Deo, Charles & Mary Sofio, Anthony Sofio, Geraldine Carbone, Sam Deo, Marcos A. Cruz, Linda Clemente, Madeline D'Aloia, Theresa Stone, John Neglia, Michael Carpino, Roni Mulligan, Joseph & Rose Motisi, Natalie Navatta, Fr. Robert Brennan, Joseph Mayerchak, Bill Davis, Deacon Stephen Rodack, Ruth Tracey, Ann Chiaro, Juan Morales, Vito & Grace Dacchille, Barbara Ruzika, Eleanor & Frank Cappadona

Debra Sylvestro-in memory of-Melina Sylvestro & Family **Rosemarie Vaccari**-in memory of-David Vaccari, David Vincent Vaccari, III, Rose & Mike Carini, Vinnie & Margot Carini, Mickey & Nada Carini, Addy & S. Vaccari

MaryAnn Valente-in memory of-John Valente, Albert Alberti, Meagan Valente, Anthony & Caroline Naviello, John & Arminda Valente, Joann Fescoe

Kathy Valerius-in memory of-Miriam & William Rooney Arceli & Maria Vargas-in memory of-Manuel & Mercedes Vargas, Rudy & Ador Vargas, Florencio & Basilia Vargas, Marcelino & Ester Samartino, Elena Gache, Line Ramores, Trinidad & Armilfo Balce, Wilfredo Balce, Marcos Cruz, Arlyn Villarom, Theresa Stone, Linda Clemente, Philip Coiro, Placido & Estellita Ramores

Geraldine Velazquez-in memory of-Juan & Anna Velaquez, Frank & Anna Fata, Carmen Rodriguez, Rosemary Ortiz, Connie Di Pasquale, Alma DeFilippo, Camille Squitieri, Clara Carrozzo, Anita Meyer, Madeline D'Aloia, Geraldine Carbone Joseph & JoAnn Vincenzino-in memory of-James & Eleanor Scotti, Peter & Mathilde Favaro, Orazio & Michelina Vincenzino, Al & Anna Mae Rapisardi

Florence Yurkiewicz-in memory of-Clem Yurkiewicz, John DeLuca Family, Judy Nelson

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Baby Ryan Joseph Lomuscio, Sal Russo, Charles Klimkowsky, Nancy Namoviez, Giovanna Muscara, Al & Joan Viscuso, Lea Pappas, Anita Barcia, Denise Swanteck, Maureen F. Coughlin, John Smith, Julius Single, Dave Tzrepla, Frank Buco, Sr., Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., John Scivetti, Ken Stone, Timothy Yushak, Jaxson Rivera, Marilyn Loughran, Luca Ataide, Donald Tetreault, Norma Altreche, Linda Vasquez, Joelle Montillo, Vincent Russo, Nenita A. Jacildone, Anthony Scorre, Fely Czesłowski, Ely Ongoco, Perpetua Aspile, Anne Montillo, Margot O'Hara, Patricia Coughlin, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald, Ava Romano, Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Ruben Arevalo Gacildone, Helen Dowling, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Martina O'Connell, Michele Gilmore, Milena Giacchi, Freddy Berrios, Maryann Sheridan, Naham, Rudy Rivas, Tania, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Brian Oppici, Art Elwell, Robert Schaefer, Eric Dietz, Marion Dietz, Jamie Brown, John Santelli

DECEASED: Barbara Piserchia, Dr. Mohsen "Michael" Michail

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of April 28th, the following items used for worship in our sanctuary were donated in the memory of a relative or friend or a special intention.

BREAD & WINE:

In Honor of: David Vaccari

Donated by: The Vaccari Family

Food Pantry Update

We are stocking up our parish family food pantry for the spring and summer months. Can you help us show the love and hope of Jesus Christ to those living with food insecurity?



If you can donate any of these items, it would

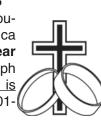
be greatly appreciated: <u>Cereal, Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including Spaghetti)</u>, Potatoes (small packages or canned), Vegetables, Coffee (regular and instant), Peanut Butter, and Jelly. Food items can be left near the shrine of the Sacred Heart in the back of the church.

Thank you for all of the generous donations. It's only with your help that we are able to keep our food pantry stocked.

As a reminder, we are unable to package out-of-date food products for distribution to our families.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The annual tradition continues this year of honoring couples married 50 years with Mass at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark on **June 2nd at 12:00 PM for 50 year Anniversaries of Catholic Marriages.** Cardinal Joseph Tobin will celebrate the Masses. **Deadline** to register is <u>May 23rd.</u> To register, please call the parish office at 201-438-1147.





Anticipated Sunday Mass 5:00pm Julian & Lorenza Duran

SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am William Earl
10:30 am Adam A. Sauser, Sr.
12:00pm James M. Cavalcante
1:30 pm Margarita Pauta

MONDAY - St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm George Frank Lubertazzo

TUESDAY - Easter Weekday/St. Pius V, Pope

12:00pm Joseph Mayerchak

WEDNESDAY - Easter Weekday/St. Joseph the Worker

12:00pm Rao Family

THURSDAY - St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Rosaria Aliotto

FIRST FRIDAY - Sts. Philip and James, Apostles 12:00pm Jack Meister (Living)

FIRST SATURDAY - Easter Weekday 9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Sunday Mass 5:00pm Susan & John Fraser

SUNDAY - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Robert & Lucille Llewellyn
10:30 am Chiara Lubertazzo
12:00pm James M. Cavalcante
1:30 pm Horacia & Jaime Jimenez

STEWARDSHIP

April 21st Sunday - \$6,960 Add'l Assessment - \$127

Reminder: We need \$7,900 in the Sunday Collection to cover our budgeted expenses. Thank you for your continued generosity!!

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK - ANNUAL APPEAL 2024

The Archdiocese's 2024 Annual Appeal is currently underway. You may have already received at home a letter from Cardinal Tobin explaining the important role the Annual Appeal plays for our Archdicoese. Gifts to the Annual Appeal play a critical role in the delivery of programs and ministries provided by the Archdiocese that are at the heart of the mission of our local Church.

Your gift will assist passing on the faith, ministries that proclaim the Gospel, care for the Poor and Vulnerable, forming future priests and supporting retired clergy.

To Date, 110 families from our parish family have generously supported the Appeal: Our Parish's Goal - \$34,720 -- Paid To Date - \$23,181.30 (66.76% of Goal)

**Reminder, we must collect our Parish's Goal in paid gifts by June 30th. If we don't accomplish this, the shortfall will be added as an expense to our budget and must be paid to the Archdiocese.

If you haven't already done so, please prayerfully consider your gift to the 2024 Annual Appeal. Envelopes for the Appeal are available in the pews. You can put your gift in them and drop them in the basket at collection time. You can also make your gift online at www.rcan.org/sharing. Please be sure to select Sacred Heart Church, Lyndhurst so the parish receives credit.

We will have a **special collection the weekend of May 11 & 12**, to help us close the gap on our goal.



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Knights of Columbus Lyndhurst Council #2396

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Sacred Heart Church Mount Carmel Church Saint Michael Church

BI-ANNUAL ROSARY SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE

The Dominican Nuns of Summit NJ will be holding their bi-annual Rosary Sunday Pilgrimage on **Sunday**, **May 5th at 3:00 PM**. <u>Their</u> <u>yearly 'May Crowning' of the Blessed Virgin Mary</u>, a brief homily, and Benediction will follow the recitation of the Rosary. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know the nuns! Currently the community is comprised of about 20 nuns from the ages of 26-91 with a median age of 36. It is the only cloistered community in the Archdiocese of Newark. The Rosary Shrine is located at 543 Springfield Ave, Summit NJ. Parking will be available next door at 535 Springfield Ave. For questions: info@summitdominicans.org or 908-273-1228.

ONLINE GIVING

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Online Giving at Sacred Heart has never been easier and is just a couple of clicks away.

1. You can give to the parish through the Zelle online payment system offered through most major banks. When you create the Zelle payee for the parish, please use the parish email address: sacred-heartchurch@comcast.net.

Please be careful when you type in the email address because once you "Zelle" the money from your account it can not be corrected.

 You can visit www.sacredheartlynd.org, our parish website and click the Online Giving Options link. If you want to make a direct donation to the parish with your debit or credit card, you can click the direct donation link.