



Sacred Heart Church

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6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2024

“If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love,
just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and
remain in his love.” - Jn 15:10

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
Saturday: 9:00am in the church,
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 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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

We cannot share what we have not first received. After the Resurrection the great news that the apostles proclaimed was very simple. Peter puts it all into context in today's First Reading, "God shows no partiality. Rather, in every nation whoever fears him and acts uprightly is acceptable to him." Love is not something we create. It is instead a gift from God. It is a gift given. But once given it remains a gift only if it is shared.

Jesus understood his ministry in terms of setting people free. He was never concerned about winning back God's friendship or changing God's mind about His people. Rather all of his words and activities were about changing people's minds and hearts. It is about changing people's thoughts and images about God and how they see themselves in relation to him and to one another.

We are all influenced by our own likes or dislikes, our own preferences or prejudices. Loving as Jesus loved is how others will know that we are his followers.

It is not easy to love. It is not easy to put another's needs before our own. Yet in God's plan of things, we are called to be a people whose quiet, patient and sometimes turbulent lives speak loudly about this overwhelming and unending love.

Jesus was a champion to those on the fringe. He was considered by some to be a prophet, a rabbi and teacher. To those in mainstream religion he was a very troublesome embarrassment. To those who came to know Him well he was the Son of God.

His life was one big embrace. Jesus lived to bring hope, peace, and compassion. He came to set people free from fear and ignorance. He died for those in prison, for the homeless, for the poor, the prostitutes and sinners, the rejected and the despised. He healed those possessed, the leprous, the dying. He loved them as much as he loved all.

And His command to love one another takes on a communal character in our lives as we struggle each day together in our journey of faith. By so doing he asks us to become instruments of something we didn't fully expect and of something we can never fully understand. On our journey we meet many ordinary people that we may find easy to love. But there are others we simply don't take to. We do meet people who have deeply hurt us and those whom we actively dislike. That's the journey we are taking.

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.

The message of Jesus is quite simple: Love God and love each other. There is no need for us to refine, redefine or wrap this message with our own theological concepts of what he was talking about. There are no rules and regulations for this love. It is God's Spirit that enables us to experience God's love and then find ways we can best express it to others.

The message remains, and the challenge is still before us: remain in my love, stay with me and learn from me. We will each have to find our own way to "remain" in Christ's love. It is a journey that leads us to the kingdom that this risen Jesus invites us to experience so that our joy may be complete.

BEWARE OF SCAMS

Please be alert to scammers who claim to be Fr. Theemas or Fr. Cesar asking for money or gift cards. It's been reported that scammers claiming to be parish priests are calling, emailing, or texting people asking for money, gift cards or favors. **Don't be fooled. If you have any doubt about a message you receive from "one of our priests", please call the parish office directly at 201-438-1147.**

BCB - PAY IT FORWARD

BCB Bank was very generous in its donation to our St. Patrick fund raiser. Consider rethinking your opening an account at BCB. It's a great way to say thank you but also an opportunity to join the Pay It Forward program which would contribute to our receiving a continuing financial support for the parish.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

The following deceased have been enrolled in the Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society:

EDWIN GEISLER-req.by-Alfano Family
EDWARD THOMAS MADSEN-req.by-Celeste Cappadona
AMELIA P. MEDIRAN-req.by-Cunanan Family
ETELVINA MENDOZO-req.by-Oswaldo & Gloria Sanchez
JOHN ALLAN MISSIRIAN-req.by-Ed & Ditas Go Alcantara
DANIELLE RENDON-req.by-Michael DiFore
VITO SALVANTO-req.by-Dolores Petrillo
JOHN SCARDINO-req.by-Carmine & Angelica Di Bianco
BETTY TYNAN-req.by-Mr. & Mrs. Mike Foglio & Family
DAVID VACCARI -req.by-Vaccari Family
MARIA VILLANO VIUDA DE DURAND-req.by-Her 8 Children & Grandchildren
FRANCIS DONALD WYNNE -req.by-Jean kimak

CATHOLIC EVERYTHING EXPO 2

Restoration Of The Catholic Church
May 29 - Jun. 1, Felician University, Lodi Campus
Visit www.johnleaps.com to learn more and to register. Space is limited.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

Do you have a child or grandchild starting or changing school in September? Why not consider Sacred Heart School? We offer a safe and nurturing environment for children Pre-K3 through 8th Grade. Along with their ABCs your child will build character and learn compassion and values. New families considering enrolling in our school can visit Monday - Friday during the hours of 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Call the school at 201-939-4277 for more details.

USED INFANT CLOTHING NO LONGER ACCEPTED

Due to restrictions from the pandemic, most institutions which formerly accepted gently used infant clothing no longer do so. Please no longer donate items to Sacred Heart since we have no means of giving them to institutions which formerly accepted them. Thank you.

PAY IT FORWARD PROGRAM

Sacred Heart Parish has partnered with BCB Bank to raise some need funds for our parish.

The Pay It Forward Program gives us the opportunity to earn donations based on the number of supporters who signed up for the program. If we have 20-50 members, BCB will contribute 0.20% of the cumulative account balance, 51-75 members 0.30%, 76+ members 0.40%. **A minimum of 20 members is required**

****NO DONATIONS ARE WITHDRAWN FROM CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNTS, ALL DONATIONS COME DIRECTLY FROM BCB.**

****ALL PERSONAL AND FINANIAL INFORMATION IS KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL BY THE BANK. THE CHURCH WILL NOT KNOW WHO HAS REGISTERED UNLESS YOU DECIDE TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH US. Contact BCB directly if you have questions about the program or want to open an account. Please remember to tell them you want to support Sacred Heart Church in Lyndhurst. Lyndhurst - 201-728-6810, Rutherford - 201-728-6960**

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, MAY 5TH

In Honor of: Nicholas Toulon

Donated by: Michele Toulon



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 Czeslowski, Ely Ongoco, Perpetua Aspille, 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: All those from our parish family the Lord has called home

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of May 5th, 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: 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: Cereal, Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including Spaghetti), 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 May 23rd.** To register, please call the parish office at 201-438-1147.



MAY 5, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

MONDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Renee & Daniel Turek (Living)

TUESDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Horgan & O'Reilly Family

WEDNESDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Anthony Scardino, Sr.

THURSDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Julian & Lorenza Duran

FRIDAY - Easter Weekday/St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Kearney Family

SATURDAY - Easter Weekday

9:00am Isold, Navatta & Pretto Families

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Barbara Moretto

SUNDAY - THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr.

10:30 am Julian & Lorenza Duran

12:00pm Conrad Petrillo & Petrillo Family

1:30 pm Olga Moscot & Linda Torres (Living)

STEWARDSHIP

April 28th

Sunday - \$4,763

Catholic Home Mission - \$1,110

Add'l Assessment - \$35

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 Archdiocese. 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 - \$23,826.30 (68.62% 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 next weekend, May 11 & 12**, to help us close the gap on our goal.



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Columbus**

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WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A KNIGHT

We are Catholic men who
**LEAD, SERVE
PROTECT AND DEFEND**

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**HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS
NEIGHBORS AND ROLE MODELS**
And to put charity and community first

**Knights of Columbus
Lyndhurst Council #2396**

Link Below For More Info
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Supporting

**Sacred Heart Church
Mount Carmel Church
Saint Michael Church**

Friday Eucharistic Adoration Fridays, 12:30 - 3:00 pm

"Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" She thought it was the gardener and said to him, "Sir, if you carried him away, tell me where you laid him, and I will take him." Jn 20:15
Like Mary Magdalene, we many times are searching for intimate communion with Jesus but fail to discern His presence in our lives, even when He is very close to us.

Don't miss this opportunity to spend some intimate time in adoration *and be in the real presence of our risen Lord!*

ONLINE GIVING

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ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

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.

2. 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.