



Sacred Heart Church

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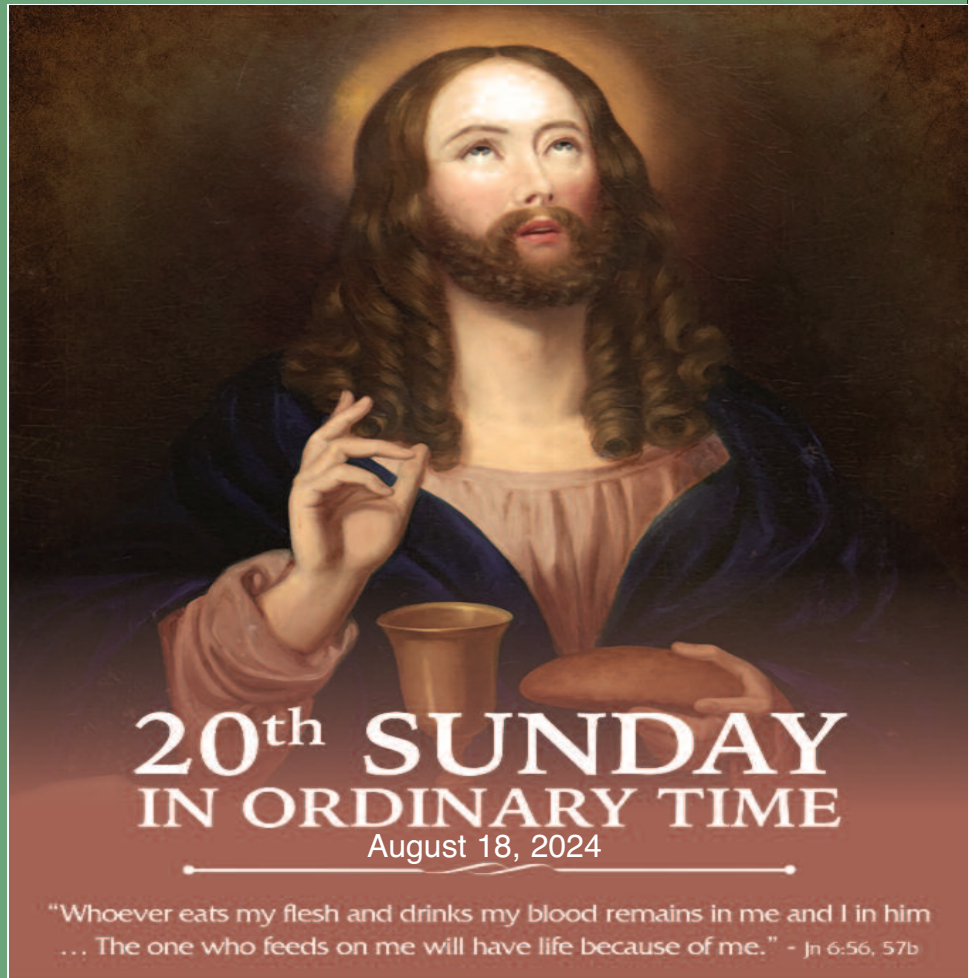
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**20th SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

August 18, 2024

"Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him
... The one who feeds on me will have life because of me." - Jn 6:56, 57b

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 at 3:00pm
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.

Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Hunger is a world wide problem. More than 800 million people in the world go hungry. In developing countries, more than six million children die each year, mostly from hunger-related causes and in the United States alone, 12 million children live in households where people have to skip meals or eat less to make ends meet. That means one in ten households in the U.S. are living with hunger or are at risk of hunger. But there are deeper hungers that don't go away when our stomachs are full.

In the "Bread of Life" Gospel narrative, when Jesus saw the crowds he didn't dismiss them. He didn't test their loyalties or the quality of their faith. They were hungry and so he gave them more than enough to eat. And when they were filled they wanted to stay around so that they could learn more. They were hoping that Jesus was the one who would perform deeds of freedom for them. They were looking for "signs and wonders."

But Jesus wanted to show them that God was in their midst and that God was offering them so much more than they could ever imagine. They were looking for physical fulfillment. What Jesus gives is instead a sacramental look at life properly placed within the perspective of Christ's life and His life within us. John shows us a Jesus who uses the language of our world to refer to the realities of His world.

At the beginning of this Gospel scene, we listened to the story of the miracle of the loaves and the fish. We watched as a young boy offered his few provisions to The Lord, who in turn used them to feed the multitudes. We see in this event that God's possibilities are greater than anything you or I could ever dream or imagine.

But there's more to the story. We heard Jesus speak of the great promise and the hope to which all of us cling: eternal life with God forever. Jesus makes a promise that many find hard to accept: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

This week we reflect on the closeness of Christ to us. Jesus explains to the disciples: "whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him." Those hearing this had no doubt as to what Jesus meant, even though they had no heart to believe him. We too can ask in unbelief, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" Or we can listen in faith to the unspoken language of the Eucharist and in our hearts know it to be true.

This week's passage consists of only seven lines and yet Jesus mentions the words live, life, and living, almost 10 times. He emphasizes that life - real life, eternal life - comes through him, through his body and blood.

There is a sense of intimacy here. Ours is not a distant, unapproachable God. Ours is a close and very personal God with whom we are called to share our lives. And we know that when we possess the life of God within ourselves, we are open to and make possible moments of wonderful grace - God's presence - moments when the unrelenting love of God is especially real to us and to those around us.

Like the boy with the loaves and fish, we come bringing our own paltry provisions. We offer them to the Lord who takes them and who provides our nourishment. Jesus gives us true bread and true drink, transforming it into the Living Bread of eternal life. Much more than this, He transforms us into His Body and Blood. We become Eucharist for one another.

REMEMBER OUR PARISH

Whenever we contribute to the parish we are mindful and respectful of our Catholic teaching to support the Church. Our parish is blessed by so many who support us. A meaningful way to continue this support is by considering a gift to the parish in your will or trust. Even a small percentage of your residual estate would go a long way in the maintenance of our church. Please remember Sacred Heart in your will or trust. This will help future generations to experience the love of Jesus Christ in our community. If you have any questions about this planning please contact the parish office.

OUR LADY OF KNOCK AUGUST 21ST

The apparition in County Mayo in Ireland of Our Lady of Knock is reported to have occurred on the evening of August 21, 1879, the vigil of the octave of the feast of the Assumption. Those who witnessed the miracle ranged in age from five years old to seventy-five.

The apparition was described as follows: "Our Lady was wearing a large, brilliant crown and clothed in white garments. On her right was Saint Joseph, his head inclined toward her and on her left Saint John the Evangelist. To the left of Saint John was an altar on which stood a cross and a lamb."

Since then thousands of people have gone to Knock to pray to Our Lady. No sign of commercialism detracts from the purely religious atmosphere of that hallowed spot.

In honor of our Lady of Knock, Neil Horgan from our parish family will sing the Our Lady of Knock hymn on Sunday, August 18th at 9:00, 10:30, & 12:00 Masses.

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, Tuna, Macaroni & Cheese, Beans, 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.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

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

MARCELINO CARO-req.by-Carmen Rodriguez & Natalia Barone

GEORGE D'ELIA-req.by-Oswaldo & Gloria Sanchez

JOSE A. DI SILVA-req.by-Antonia Vasquez

INDIA NICHOLSON EDWARDS-req.by-Mina Durso

DOLORES EMERY-req.by-Mr. D. Cappiello

ROBERT ERNST-req.by-Vargas Family

STELLA MARIA-req.by-Oswaldo & Gloria Sanchez

JAIME R. MENA-req.by-Carla & Gabriel Gomez

GIOVANNI MIMERIVINI-req.by-Sarina & Jinette Giacchi

PAULO SERGIO F. RODRIGUES-req.by-Clarisse Madeira

REGALADO SAMARTINO-req.by-Arceli & Maria Vargas

WESLEY SASIADEK-req.by-Da Silva Family

ALVA SAUSER-req.by-Sauser Family

BETTY TYNAN-req.by-Pam Trasso

D. JOHN VACCARI-req.by-Vaccari Family

BILL WISOWATY-req.by-Eric, Paula, Nico, Tom, & Josie

MARIETTA "MIMI" BENIN YAP-req.by-Coson Family



Under the direction of Public Affairs Commissioner Karen Haggerty & Health Coordinator Janine Barone The Lyndhurst Health Department will be holding a Blood Drive run by the American Red Cross.

The Blood Drive will take place on Tuesday August 20th and Thursday October 17th from 9 a.m.-2 p.m., located at the Community Center 255 Riverside Ave.

For any questions please feel free to contact the Lyndhurst Health Department at 201-804-2500.

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 Bucu, Sr., Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Francesco 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 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, Julius Single, Jr., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Joann Di Giovanna

DECEASED: All those from our parish family the Lord has called home

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of August 18th, 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: James M. Cavalcante



Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

BREAD & WINE:

In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante



Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

MASS CANDLES:

In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante



Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

ASSISTANCE TO AN ORPHANAGE

Msgr. Reilly has been supporting an orphanage in the Dominican Republic for years. The sisters who run it have a presence at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Convent in Newark. On September 22, the 28th annual fundraiser will be held at the Chandelier, 340 Franklin Avenue, Belleville, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. An invitation is being extended to all parish family members who may be interested in supporting this endeavor. No tickets will be sold at door.

Tickets are \$60 for adults and \$40 for children 12 and under. If you would like to make a reservation, please call 973-204-5514 and leave your name and number. Or you can call, 201-675-5981 and leave your information. Alternatively you can email reillywilliam99@gmail.com.

If you can't attend, you might consider donating to a gift basket which we will be putting together from the Sacred Heart Parish Community.

AUGUST 18, 2024



Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Sabino T. Iovino

SUNDAY - Twentieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Michael Maddalone

10:30 am Jackie O' Gorman

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Norma Azuero

MONDAY - Weekday/St. John Eudes, Priest

12:00pm Paul Matthew Meister (Living)

TUESDAY - St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Rudy & Adofr Vargas

WEDNESDAY - St. Pius X, Pope

12:00pm Barbara Bagnuolo

THURSDAY - The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:00pm Evelyn M. Comer

FRIDAY - Weekday/St. Rose of Lima, Virgin

12:00pm Donna & Pasquale Accola

SATURDAY - St. Bartholomew, Apostle

9:00am Hernando Molera

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Regalado Samartino

SUNDAY - Twenty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Elizabeth Tynan

10:30 am Rudy & Ador Vargas

12:00pm Michael Samarelli

1:30 pm Maria Luisa Del Risco

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - August 12th

Sunday - \$5,637

Add'l Assessment - \$394

Early Assumption - \$200

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

RCIA - A JOURNEY IN FAITH JOIN THE RCIA TEAM & BE A PARTNER ON THE JOURNEY

The Church extends an invitation to all who wish to become members of the Catholic faith. Those who go through the RCIA process fall under one of the following categories:

- Someone who is of another faith and wishes to convert to Catholicism.
- Someone who was baptized in another Christian denomination and wishes to become a member of the Catholic faith.
- Someone who was baptized in the Catholic Church, but never received the sacraments of First Holy Communion and Confirmation.

There is a team from our parish that accompanies and supports all the individuals that go through RCIA process. If you are interested in sharing your faith by joining the RCIA team, please contact Sabina Prendergast at 862-249-1186.



ARE YOU WILLING TO SHARE OUR FAITH WITH THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH FAMILY?

There is no greater gift that you can give to a child than to share your faith in Jesus Christ.

Our Religious Education program is always in need of teachers, aides, substitute teachers, hall monitors, and office helpers.

Are you willing to help our children learn more about the love that Jesus Christ has for them in the 2024-2025 school year?

No special religious education training is required. If you are interested in volunteering, call our parish Catechetical Leader, Ryan Tobiason at 201-935-3094.

THE PERFECT GIFT FOR THE PERSON WHO HAS EVERYTHING GIVE A GIFT FROM THE HEART THAT NOURISHES OUR NEIGHBORS!

Make a donation to the Sacred Heart Food Pantry as a gift or remembrance of a favorite loved one. You can obtain a gift card any time of the year, for any occasion, and help the families struggling with food insecurity in the Sacred Heart Community. Please visit the Parish Office, Monday through Friday 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM.



ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART * EASY * FAST * SECURE *

Did you know you can give online to our parish with Zelle, or with a debit or credit card? 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: sacredheartchurch@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.