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# Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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# **15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

"A man fell victim to robbers as he went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. They stripped and beat him and went off leaving him half-dead. A priest happened to be going down that road, but when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side. But a Samaritan traveler who came upon him was moved with compassion at the sight." - Lk 10:30b-31, 33 July 13, 2025

#### SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm(Spanish) Sunday:

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 Saturdav: 4:00pm - 4:45pm Upon request following the 12:00pm Mass Dailv: 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 Jul. 13, Aug. 10, Sep. 7, Oct. 19, Nov. 9, Dec. 7

### 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.

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The mystery of God-With-Us is the final, fullest proof of God's desire to become someone very near to us. In Jesus, the Word becomes our flesh and every facet of His human journey speaks to us of the nearness of God. He walked with His Father, not only in the Temple, but in the carpenter shop, at the family table, in the desert and on the mountain top. He recognized the image of the Father in the members of His family, in the townspeople of Nazareth, in the poor, the lepers, the crippled, the deaf and the blind who flocked to Him. He enfleshed the compassion of God in His reaching out to the tax collector, the prostitute, the Samaritan woman at the well, the thief on the cross.

When asked about the real meaning of the Law, Jesus identified love of God and of Neighbor as the heart of that Law. When asked to define "neighbor", He told a simple story of compassion, whose hero was not a revered priest or levite, but a detested Samaritan - an outcast from society.

The inescapable lesson for us is simple and yet sometimes disturbing. As our first reading proclaims, the presence and the love of our God is "something very near" to us - already in our hearts and in our mouths. We feel it and are touched and moved by it in the ordinary events, people and places of every day. These events, these people and these places may not often be the kind where we would expect to meet our God. He is often uncomfortably near us in situations and persons where we would prefer not to see Him.

At the heart of the Gospel message is the challenge to lose ourselves in concern for others. If we truly love every other person as Jesus has loved us, then we don't look at risk, or color, or public opinion, or all of the other excuses for walking away.

In the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus says clearly that the love of neighbor means that we must be compassionate. We must be sensitive to the pain of others. And we must respond to that pain in some concrete, personal way. Obviously, we cannot cure all the ills of society by ourselves. We cannot abandon our work and our families to go physically to care for the homeless or the victims of violence and poverty. But the love of Jesus challenges us to keep trying, to keep reaching out, to keep caring.

The Sunday Readings over the next few weeks teach us two important lessons. The parable of the Good Samaritan points out the importance of getting involved in the life of our neighbor - no matter how he or she appears as neighbor. Next week, the story of Martha and Mary confirms that this involvement must be fed and nourished by prayer. The following week, Jesus will give us the ultimate prayer - The Lord's Prayer. The gift of outreach is lessened without inner peace and reflection; but a life of prayer is selfish and "intolerable" unless it leads us to be there for one another.

We are called to be a compassionate people, not only celebrating our joys together, but also to take on the trials and sufferings each one of us has to bear. The mission of the Gospel is one that constantly reminds us that together all things are possible. No longer is our relationship to God a one-on-One proposition. God is our Father and we are His children. Together we are a Family, a community. We relate to Him only in communion with one another. When one of us is hurting or in pain, we all hurt and we all cry out. When one has reason to celebrate, we are all filled with joy.

That is precisely the challenge of authentic love of God. It is as close to us as our dearest friend, or our worst enemy. We see it in the bright shining eyes of children on a summer playground, and in the dirty hands and faces of the poor and oppressed. It touches us in our greatest joys and in our deepest sorrow. It is never farther away than our next breath, or sigh, or burst of laughter.

Just exactly who is our neighbor? The answer Jesus returns is not what we would expect. He challenges us to ask that same question of ourselves. But we will never come up with an answer unless we understand who this Jesus is and what he asks of us.

### RETIRED PRIEST COLLECTION JULY 19TH & 20TH

"Let us pray for all good and faithful priests who dedicate themselves to their people with generosity and unknown sacrifices."

### -Pope Francis

Our priests enrich our lives in many ways: they baptize our children, comfort us in the confessional, witness our marriage vows and hold our loved ones hands as the Lord calls them home. Let's join together to help provide care and housing for our retired priests so they can live their retirement in dignity. Your generosity in the second collection next weekend will assist the retired priests of the Archdiocese of Newark that have selflessly served the faithful and the community to continue Christ's mission for decades, and in some cases, more than a half century.

### ST. ANN'S HOBOKEN FEAST - 115TH YEAR 704 JEFFERSON STREET

This year the feast will take place from Wed., July 23 to Sun., July 27. Enjoy a variety of different food options, live music, games, crafts and 50/50 raffles. 23rd & 24th 6:00 PM- 11:00 PM, 25th, 26th, 27th 1:00 PM - 11:00 PM St. Ann Novena Masses July 17th - 25th at 7:00 PM. Procession on July 26th following the 11:00 AM Mass

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER ABOUT APPROPRIATE SUMMER ATTIRE AT MASS

Dressing for Mass is simply a matter of showing proper respect, not only for God, but for others around us and ourselves. We should keep in mind the dignity of what we celebrate when we come together for the Mass, which is nothing less than the wedding feast of the Lord, as well as the dignity of the people assembled, who are no one less than the children of God. Remember the days when we wore our "Sunday best," our finest outfits, to Mass? Dress codes at Mass have certainly relaxed over the years. With the warm weather upon us, it is particularly important that we dress appropriately and modestly for Mass, so here are some rules to follow for modest and proper Mass attire during the summer months: "Hemlines on dresses and skirts fall at or just slightly

above the knee

\*No muscle tee-shirts

\*Hemlines on shorts fall near the knee (no short-shorts)

\*No exposed undergarments.

\*Shoulders and midriffs are covered

\*Necklines are modest - not low-cut

\*No beachwear - no swimsuits with cover-ups for females, no swim trunks for males



Do you have a child or grandchild starting or changing school in September? Why not consider Sacred Heart School? We offer a safe and nuturing 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 call the school at 201-939-4277 for more details.

### HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese. We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201)407-3256.

The phone numbers for the County Prosecutors within the Archdiocese are:

Bergen - (201) 646-2300 Essex - (973) 621-4700 Hudson - (201) 795-6400 Union - (908) 527-4500

# Food Pantry Update

If you can donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated: <u>Cereal, Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including</u> <u>Spaghetti)</u>, Potatoes (small packages or canned), Vegetables, Coffee (regular and instant), Peanut Butter, and Jelly, Tuna, Macaroni & Cheese, Beans, Note that great vegetable and fruit prices can be found at Lidl's and Aldi's. Food items can be left near the shrine of the Sacred Heart in the back of the church. Thanks to all for the donations which help keep our food pantry stocked! We would not be able to help our brothers and sisters struggling with food insecurity without you!

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

### **SPRING MEGA 50/50 WINNER**

Congratulations to Denise McGonigle, winner of our Spring Mega 50/50 Raffle. Denise received \$5,000. The winning number was 152.

### 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 Aspile, Anne Montillo, Margot O'Hara, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald, Ava Romano, Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Ruben Arevalo Jacildone, Helen Dowling, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Michele Gilmore, Milena Giacchi, Freddy Berrios, Maryann Sheridan, Naham, Rudy Rivas, Tania, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Jamie Brown, Julius Single, Jr., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Patricia Anne Coughlin, Cathy Horoieski, Felipe Agustin Breton, Josephine Burns, Arnulfo Orozco, Assunta Santangello

DECEASED: Pasquale Cedola, Ruben Marambio

### **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

During the week of July 13th, 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: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

### **BREAD & WINE:**



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante



### MASS CANDLES:

In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

## 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:



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. JULY 13, 2025 MASS

### Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass 5:00pm Arthur Klein

SUNDAY - Fifteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Arthur Giammetta
10:30 am Bob Callahan
12:00pm Silvio Cinquino
1:30 pm Aureliana Rodrguez & Familia

MONDAY - St. Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin 12:00pm David Barone

TUESDAY - St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Silvio Cinquino

WEDNESDAY - Weekday/Our Lady of Mount Carmel

12:00pm Thomas James Albinski

**THURSDAY - Weekday** 12:00pm Amalia de Vivas

FRIDAY - Weekday/St. Camillus de Lellis, Priest

12:00pm Mary Petti

SATURDAY - Weekday/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Jorge Delnevo

Anticipated Sunday Mass 5:00pm James M. Cavalcante

SUNDAY - Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Marcos Cruz
10:30 am Aldo Virginio
12:00pm Ralph Zocco, III
1:30 pm Ramon Sanchez

### **STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday - \$5,334 Assessment - \$2,411

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



### Knights of Columbus

# JOIN US! WHAT IT MEANS TO BE A KNIGHT

We are Catholic men who LEAD, SERVE PROTECT AND DEFEND

We share a desire to be better HUSBANDS, FATHERS, SONS NEIGHBORS AND ROLE MODELS And to put charity and community <u>first</u>

### Knights of Columbus Lyndhurst Council #2396

Link Below For More Info Linktr.ee/council2396

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Supporting Sacred Heart Church Mount Carmel Church Saint Michael Church Teaching Positions Available Sacred Heart School is

seeking passionate educators to join their dedicated and faith-based learning community! For more information on available teaching positions, please call the school's main office at 201-939-4277.

Resumes may be sent to maviello@sacredheartlynd.org

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### CATHOLICISM SERIES JOIN US

Journey with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. Be illuminated by the spiritual and artistic treasures of this global culture that claims more than one billion of the earth's people.

From the sacred lands of Israel to the beating heart of Uganda... from the glorious shrines of Italy, France, and Spain, to the streets of Mexico, Kolkata, and New York City, the fullness of CATHOLICISM is revealed. Journey deep into the Faith as you watch each episode.

We will be viewing episodes from this series and discussing them on **Wednesday:** Jul. 16th, Aug. 13th, and Aug. 27th at 7:00 PM in the parish center.

