



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." - Lk 14:13-14

August 31, 2025

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. 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.

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Luke's Gospel has a unique focus on the significance of sharing a meal at table. He presents his Gospel in a way that makes this very human activity and Christ's message inseparable, and he does this by framing the narrative as a great journey. Along the way, meals and hospitality play a critical role for Jesus and his followers. One such occasion becomes a springboard for a parable which teaches us much about God and about ourselves.

In the ancient world, eating a meal was a very structured affair. Guests were seated according to a clear hierarchy of importance. The place of honor was at the right hand of the host. The person who sat to the left was in second place. Other places of importance went down from there. At the very end of the table were the places for those seen as having a lower importance - children, slaves, and (unfortunately) women.

In all of the "table discourses" of Luke's gospel, Jesus breaks through the barriers that society and religion have constructed. It's a pretty clear clue that this parable is not a moral teaching nor an instruction on getting ahead at social events, or how to behave at dinners. Parables have more to do with our standing before God who is the host at "the banquet."

Jesus speaks about the guest list and who is on it. He has already identified himself with social unfortunates and outcasts. The invitation is sent along the highways and byways to call them in to the table that he is preparing for them. They are to sit with him at the banquet as honored guests.

The point? All who are in need of mercy and acceptance are invited. That pretty much includes all of us.

There needs to be a shift in our perception of God from the One who looks down on us, to the One who looks upon us with love, and can smile at what he sees. To think correctly about who we are as a community, we must adapt our vision accordingly. We must realize that we are not simply a liturgical community, concerned only with rubric and the "how" of worship. We are a Eucharistic community, which gathers together to be nourished by the bread of Life and who leave the table to become that bread for others.

Accepting Jesus' invitation, we sit with him at the banquet as honored guests. And we must understand that anyone who acknowledges their poverty and need before God are the special recipients of this same honor. If we really understand this, if we really believe this, we too will invite to the table of reconciliation and equality the very same honored guests - the poor, the suffering and those held captive by the brokenness of this world.

There is a place for everyone at the table.

Faith. Academics. Service.

Catholic Schools

SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2025-2026 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 call the school at 201-939-4277 for more details.

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



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 2025-2026 school year? No

special religious education training is required, just the desire to help our children learn more about the love Jesus Christ has for them. Call Ryan Tobiason at 201-935-3094 for more information or if you would like to volunteer.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL MEGA 50/50

September 18, 2025 at Back to School Night

ONLY 200 TICKETS WILL SOLD

\$50 a ticket for a chance to win up \$5,000

Final prize will be 50% of tickets sold

Checks payable to Sacred Heart HSA and mail to Michelle Hering, 166 Central Lane, Secaucus, NJ 07094. Playing by credit card visit

<https://bit.ly/SHS2025MEGA>

Questions-Email Michelle at firedup151@gmail.com or call 201-615-2374

SAVE THE DATE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BILINGUAL SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE TUESDAY, SEP. 16TH 7:30 PM ALL ARE INVITED

The Silver Rose Prayer Program is an annual Prayer service in honor of Our Lady Of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas and the Unborn, which demonstrates the unity and confraternity of Knights of Columbus from Canada, the United States, and Mexico and our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God, and to Pro-Life causes.

ANNUAL SENIOR CITIZENS FESTIVAL THU., SEP. 18, 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM RAIN DATE SEP. 25

If you are 60+ years old, join us at Van Sausan County Park for a special day including lunch, craft fair, music & entertainment and information tables. Registration is required. Register online at <https://forms.office.com/g/xbwhU7XCzX> Transportation is available call 201-368-5955

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

During Eucharistic Adoration, the faithful pray to Jesus Christ, who is present in the Eucharist. The Eucharist, also referred to as the Blessed Sacrament, is typically kept in the tabernacle in our church.

While it is true that you can pray to God anywhere and that He is always within you, it is especially powerful to adore Jesus in the Eucharist. In the presence of the Eucharist, we pray to the power and sacrifice that it represents — the body of Jesus, who gave His life so that we may live. It is His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity that is really, truly, and substantially present in the Eucharist.

AUGUST IS NATIONAL MAKE A WILL MONTH

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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Baby Ryan Joseph Lomuscio, Sal Russo, Charles Klimowsky, 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, 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, Josephine Burns, Arnulfo Orozco, Assunta Santangelo, Clementine Vocaturo

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

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH

In Honor of: Donald A. Wenes

Donated by: Rosemary & Andy Palelogos



MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of August 31st, 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: Roger Paul Bustamante Moncayo

Donated by: Bustamante Moncayo Family

ORPHANAGE ASSISTANCE

You'll all recall the generosity of Fr. Reilly celebrating our parish's feast day in June. Fr. Reilly is sponsoring a fundraiser for an orphanage in the Dominican Republic on September 28 at the Chandelier in Belleville from 3 to 7. Tickets are \$60 for adults and \$45 for children. Call Sabina at 862 249 1186 for tickets if you want to attend or would like to make a contribution to the orphanage.

Food Pantry Update

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. *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.

AUGUST 31, 2025



**Twenty-Second Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Rose Violante

SUNDAY - Twenty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Russ Prokop

10:30 am Francis Don Wynne

12:00pm Rosemary & Michael Carlucci & Michael Carlucci, Jr.

1:30 pm Jorge Lozada

MONDAY - Weekday/Labor Day

9:00am Rosalia Pandolfo

TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Ruben Santos

WEDNESDAY - St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Peter Amato

THURSDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Gerarda & Michael D'Amato

FIRST FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm David Barone

FIRST SATURDAY - Weekday/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Maria & Peter Amato

SUNDAY - Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Marla Ewart & Family

10:30 am Aya Schlacter & Family

12:00pm Arthur Giammetta

1:30 pm Pedro & Costanza Porras (Living)

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - \$5,277
Add'l Church In Africa - \$78

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 first*

**Knights of Columbus
Lyndhurst Council #2396**

Link Below For More Info
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SCAN ME



Supporting

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



Positions Available

Sacred Heart School is seeking upper elementary educators and a school nurse 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 rnaviello@sacredheartlynd.org

Sunday, October 5th
In Honor of St. Francis of Assisi



All are invited to bring their pets to the Sacred Heart Church Parking Lot after the 1:30 PM Mass(2:15 - 2:30) on the Sunday, October 5th to receive a special blessing