



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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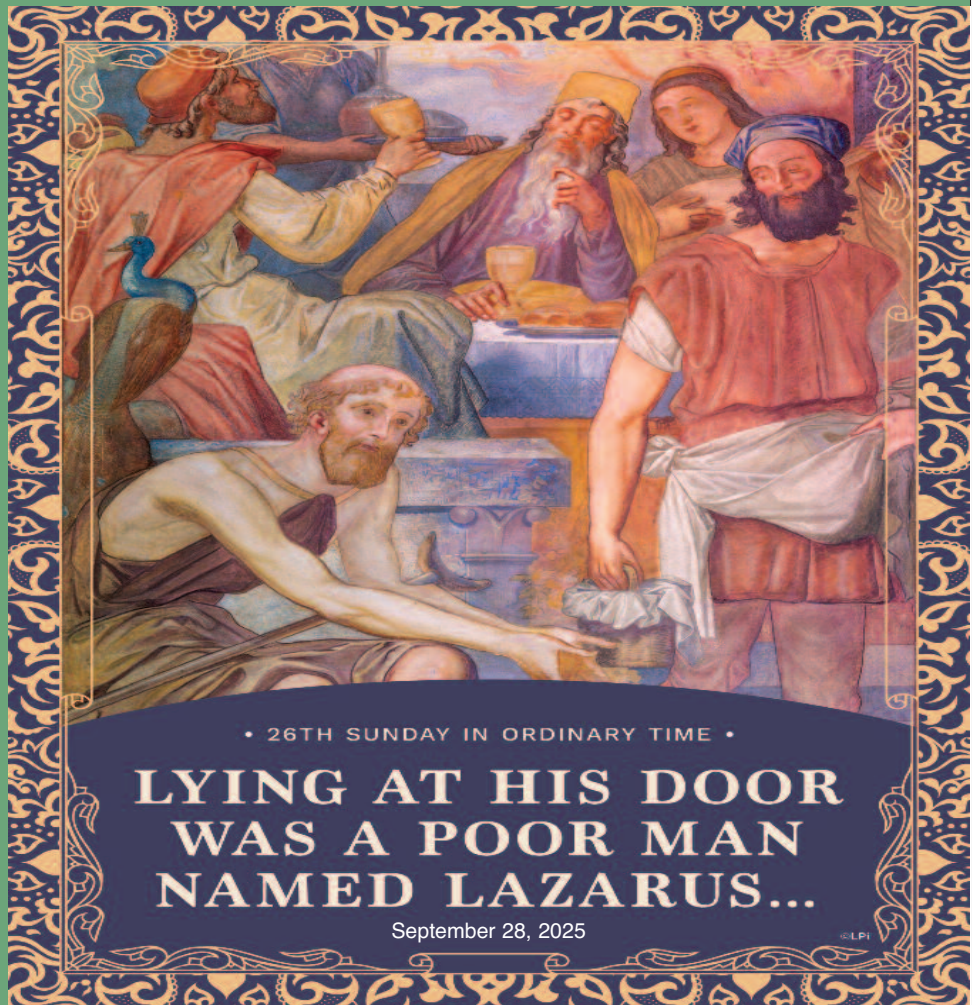
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• 26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME •

**LYING AT HIS DOOR
WAS A POOR MAN
NAMED LAZARUS...**

September 28, 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
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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus spends much of his public ministry speaking about "the poor." He constantly reminds us that "The poor you will always have with you" and He will not let us become deaf to their cry. Page after page of the Gospel speaks of his unwavering concern for the beggars, the widows and orphans, the homeless, the jobless and the oppressed. We almost want to protest: "What does this have to do with the kingdom of God? Talk to us about holiness and prayer. Talk to us about everlasting life. Enough about the poor."

The story of Lazarus and the rich man is a story of opposites. We hear the cry of Lazarus, but more importantly, we hear "the cry of the rich man", begging God to send someone to warn his brothers. And sadly the reply comes: "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced, even if one should rise from the dead."

The Risen Lord lives on in the church, crying out in the name of the poor and who continues to warn us not to let our hunger for material wealth blind and deafen us to the needs of our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

But as we try to be attentive to the cry of the poor, we should also listen carefully to the cry of the rich, the warnings of those who have misused and abused their wealth, losing their personal integrity and their God given inheritance of eternal life and happiness.

Listening to the cry of the poor requires a desire to change the present state of things. The challenge to "make all things new" necessarily implies letting go of the old. We cannot keep clinging to the ways or the things or the people who make us feel secure and safe. The Letter to Timothy puts it very simply: "pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness." This is the only way that we can acquire the mind and spirit of Jesus.

As Christians we are called to proclaim "The Gospel of Life" to the world. So much of what is communicated to us by the media preaches just the opposite: self satisfaction, defending one's rights, protecting one's investments and security. These values all sound fine on the face of things, but they tend to weaken and obscure the radical elements of the Christian message - poverty of spirit, compassion, meekness, peace making, forgiveness, and making all things new.

To listen to the cry of the poor is a radical return to the fundamentals of our faith. It means putting on the mind of Christ. As the Psalmist says, it means "keeping faith forever, securing justice for the oppressed, giving food to the hungry, setting captives free and raising up those who are bowed down."

There are plenty of people like Lazarus in our world, crying out for the scraps from our table. And there are likewise plenty of people like the rich man, totally clueless of what is right before their eyes.

Christianity is not merely a doctrine or a system of beliefs. We believe that Christ lives in us and that he unites us to one another in His own Life and Love. As long as we allow the cry of both the poor and the rich to go unheard, we will remain apart from one another and opposed to one another. The "great chasm" that distances us from one another will grow ever wider, and we will never truly discover the God who dwells within us.



**In Honor of St. Francis
of Assisi**
Sunday, October 5th
*All are invited to
bring their pets
to the church parking lot after
the 1:30 PM Mass (2:15 - 2:30)
on the 5th*



**Knights of Columbus,
Lyndhurst Council 2396**

**COLUMBUS DAY
BEEFSTEAK DINNER**

SATURDAY, OCT 11TH | 6:30 PM

Food provided by Nightingale Catering
Beefsteak + Ziti, Dessert, Coffee, Soda & Water

\$60 per person
INCLUDES DINNER
+10 PRIZE CHANCES
• 50/50
• Group Seating Available

OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISH CENTER
146 COPELAND AVENUE, LYNDHURST, NJ

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE:
<https://linktr.ee/council2396>
Or call 551-587-8402



HELP FOR CANCER PATIENTS

If you or someone in your family is currently undergoing cancer treatments, or if you know of someone in Lyndhurst who is going through treatments, a local resident and some volunteers have established a charity in which they will cook a home cooked dinner for the patient and the family and deliver it to your home upon return on treatment day. Please contact WeRcooking4Cancer@gmail.com and they will reply with the information and the menu.

HOMEBOUND AND NEED ASSISTANCE?

The CHEER program pairs homebound seniors or those with living disabilities with volunteers to assist with tasks and errands like grocery shopping, prescription pick-up or visits to the post office. Most importantly, volunteers provide much needed companionship and a connection to the outside world. Volunteers visit weekly. For more information contact Michele Ogden at 201-489-9456 or email mogden@bergenvolunteers.org

NJSAVE PRESCRIPTION SAVINGS

Are you taking prescription medication and Are 65 or older and have a limited income or are you 18 to 64 years old receiving Social Security Disability benefits? You may be qualify to save money on your prescriptions. For more information and see if you qualify call the Bergen County Division of Senior Services at 201-346-7400

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY RALLY

Each year, America Needs Fatima holds the Public Square Rosary Crusade, with thousands of rosary rallies in cities all across the country. Our world is at a historic crossroad. Let us ask God to save America through the Rosary of His Most Holy Mother. **Join us in praying for our Church, our nation, our leaders and our world on Sat., Oct. 11th at 12:00 noon at the outdoor shrine of the Sacred Heart on Ridge Road near the rectory.**

EVA'S VILLAGE THANKS YOU

Kaileen Alston from Eva's Village in Paterson will be at the 10:30 mass on September 28 to personally thank those parishioners who generously donate new infant clothing, wipes, formula, etc. to Eva's Mommy and me program.

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.

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, 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, Tin Maung Khin, Monroe Madsen

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

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of September 28th, 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: Mr. & Mrs. Fred Giordano (Living)

Donated by: Friends



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.

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.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Anticipated Sunday Mass

:00pm Julian & Lorenza Duran

SUNDAY - Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Anna Palermo

10:30 am Lee Russo

12:00pm Pasquale Cedola

1:30 pm Almas de Purgatorio

MONDAY - Sts. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, Archangels

12:00pm Leticia P. Diaz

TUESDAY - St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Javier Vivas (Living)

WEDNESDAY - St. Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Bettina Santos (Living)

THURSDAY - The Holy Guardian Angels

12:00pm Maria San Pablo Diaz

FIRST FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Grace & Michael Ryan, Vita Del Russo, & Yvonne Hoefsloot

FIRST SATURDAY - St. Francis of Assisi

9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Eileen Sposato

SUNDAY - Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Catherine (Kay) Rullo

10:30 am Frances Klein

12:00pm Paolo Cervino

1:30 pm Almas de Purgatorio

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - \$5,629

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



FUN
MUSIC
GAMES
PRIZES

SACRED HEART CHURCH

11.25 5K RUN WALK

SPONSORED BY
 **BCB Bank**
Lyndhurst Recreation Center
862 Valley Brook Avenue
Lyndhurst, NJ US 07071

Registration at 9:00am
Run starts at 10:00am
(comes with a shirt)
Rain or Shine
Open to All Ages!

**FOR INFO AND
TO REGISTER ONLINE:**
<http://bit.ly/shc5k2025>



Questions?
Email Charlie Sofio at:
sacredheartchurch@comcast.net

OR REGISTER BY MAIL/BASKET

Fill out the attached ticket request form and return
with your **check made payable to Sacred Heart Church**

Place in the **basket** or **mail** to:
Sacred Heart Church
324 Ridge Road • Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
Attention: 2025 5K

☐ **I am interested in
volunteering at this event.**

of People Registering (\$40 each)*: _____ Total amount of money enclosed*: \$ _____

Indicate a shirt size for each entrant (ADULT: S / M / L / XL)*: _____

Full Name*: _____

Address*: _____

_____ Zip Code*: _____

Phone*: _____

Email address*: _____

Name on Credit Card*: _____ Exp Date*: _____

Credit Card #*: _____ Security (CVV) Code*: _____

*Fields MUST be filled out