



Sacred Heart Church

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." - Lk 23:35

November 23, 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 3:00pm
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.

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The current landscape of the world reveals quite clearly the struggle for power and domination. It has been deep-seated in the history of our country, and it seems to be part of the DNA of the history of the world. There has always been a constant need for power and control over people and things - in politics, in society, in business, in religion, in media and in personal relationships.

The Scriptural readings for this feast of Christ the King always point to suffering and death, and what looks to be total human failure. But in reality, they describe what true power really is.

Some use power to dominate and manipulate. Others use power to teach and to heal. Jesus is a king whose strength was one of salvation, not power. And salvation is about Jesus setting us free. It is an exodus experience. It is a pilgrimage. It is a movement from being imprisoned to being set free, from being bound to being released from bondage, from darkness into light, from fear to trust, from arrogance to insight and understanding.

This is the kingdom we inherit: Emmanuel - God with us. God above us. God under us. God around us. God within us. We are carriers of a new vision. We are dreamers of His dream that all may be one, all loved and accepted as persons of immeasurable value. We are the bearers of life, nurturing it in all of its myriad manifestations. We are the reminders that truth, goodness and beauty are to be pursued and enjoyed. We are called to be servants of the Word, open and vulnerable to its transforming power. We are a community of disciples who live simply, love tenderly and act justly.

And so, we gather on this feast to contemplate once again the mystery of Jesus' Kingship. It is a Kingship like no other. Just as it is important to proclaim Jesus as our king, it is equally important to know where our king is to be found. Jesus is not found in the places that kings are usually expected to be. He is not found in a royal palace, or in the halls of power where our politicians sit. Jesus is found on the cross. The fact that the king of the universe was found on a cross was certainly good news to the thief in today's gospel.

It was his faith that brought him salvation, and it is that same faith that will bring us ours.

The challenge for us today on this Feast of Christ the King is to imitate Christ's redemptive love. To love people not because we like them, not because they deserve it, but to love others because that is what Christ asks us to do.

To stand at the foot of the Cross with our King is to share intimately in His kingship. To stand there is to feel the drops of His blood, to see Him ascending and to yearn for his return. To stand beneath the feet of Christ is to live in the paradox of the martyred king, the dying God. To stand beneath the Cross is to reign through serving. And in this lay our true power, our truth, our freedom and liberty.



CHRIST
THE KING

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ATLANTIC CITY BUS RIDE - NOV 30TH

Anyone interested in a bus trip to Atlantic City, leaving from the St. Michael's in Lyndhurst parking lot at 10:00 AM on Sunday, November 30th should contact Mary Lou at 201-933-2186. \$40 per person with \$20 return. Christmas Party on the bus.

CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER

The **8th Grade Class** in our school will be selling pointsettias, wreaths and grave blankets outside of the church on **December 6th and 7th** as a class fundraiser.

12 inch wreath \$25

2 x 2.5 foot grave blanket \$32

Pointsettia 4 inch \$10 & 6 inch \$15

REPORT FINANCIAL MISCONDUCT CONFIDENTIALLY

If you suspect financial misconduct use EthicsPoint an independent and confidential reporting tool that helps the Archdiocesan community address issues while promoting positive parish, school and workplace environments. Visit www.rcan.org for the hotline and reporting link.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Your generosity in the second collection next weekend will go to assist the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

Designated by the USCCB as a National Sanctuary of Prayer and Pilgrimage, this great Basilica is our nation's preeminent Marian shrine, dedicated to the patroness of the United States, the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception.

HOLIDAY FAVORITES AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA IN NEWARK

Navidad Latina 2025 - Thu., Dec. 11th at 8:00 PM

The Cathedral Spanish Choir, under the direction of Olfary Gutierrez, joins forces with singers and instrumentalists from other Latin American communities of the Archdiocese to present a program of Christmas music. Free Will Offering

The 53rd Candlelight Carol Sing - Wed. Dec. 17 & Thu. Dec. 18 at 8:00 PM

The ambiance of candle light and seasonal decor, along the Cathedral Choir, organ, instrumentalists and thousands of participants combine to create an event not to be missed. Free Will Offering

THE GIVING TREE BRING SOME CHEER TO SOMEONE IN NEED

Just before you know it Christmas will be upon us, which means it is time for the annual **Sacred Heart Giving Tree**. Please help those in need have a merrier Christmas by taking a tag and purchasing a new gift.

You will have between **now and November 30th** to select a tag. Please make sure the gift is wrapped and the tag is securely fastened to the gift so the contents can be easily identified. **All gifts need to be returned under the tree by no later than Sunday, December 7th** so they can be delivered on time.

Thank you again for your generosity and overwhelming response to this wonderful project.

For security reasons, we are asking that all gifts be brought to the church on Saturday evenings or Sunday mornings only so that volunteers can pick them up promptly and store them in a secure area.

*You Are Most Cordially Invited To
Begin Thanksgiving Day In Your Father's House*
Join your parish family for the Eucharist (derived from the Greek word *eucharistia*, meaning "thanksgiving") **offered at 9:00 AM on Thanksgiving Day** in humble gratitude for the abundant blessings our loving and faithful God bestows on us.

In observance of the holiday the parish office will close on Wed., Nov. 26 at 2:00 PM and will reopen on Mon., Dec. 1 at 9:00 AM

THE PARISH FAMILY OF SACRED HEART INVITES YOU TO FIESTA GUADALUPE

**Sunday, DECEMBER 7, 2025 - 3:00 PM
SACRED HEART SCHOOL CAFETERIA
620 VALLEY BROOK AVE**

Join us as we celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe with GREAT MUSIC and FOOD with a Latin Flair, raffles and other entertainments.

**Tickets will be sold after the Sunday Masses in the Main Vestibule of the Church or call the parish office
201-438-1147**

Adult \$25.00 Children \$10

For Donations (Monetary, Raffle Items, Food) please contact: Maria & Veronica at the parish

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, 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, 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, Ymilce Badia, Rita Blanco

DECEASED: Rose Astrella

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25TH

In Honor of: Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr.

Donated by: Joe & Patty Pavlica

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27TH

In Honor of: Joseph & Evelyn Famularo

Donated by: Robert & Mary Hero



MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of November 23rd, 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: Pavlica & Ferrara Families

Donated by: Patty & Joe Pavlica



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.

NOVEMBER 23, 2025



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Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Beatriz R. Arcos &
Norman G. Arcos

SUNDAY - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Franco Piccirillo
10:30 am Domingo Rivera
12:00pm John Valente & Al Alberti
1:30 pm Amador Castelo Rodriguez

MONDAY - St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, and Companions Martyrs

12:00pm Walsh Family

TUESDAY - Weekday/St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

12:00pm Joseph Pavlica, Jr.

WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Julian & Lorenza Duran

THURSDAY - Weekday/Thanksgiving Day

9:00am Scardino, Pereira & Alongi
Families

FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Haven Pagano (Living)

SATURDAY - Weekday/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Rao

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Mr. & Mrs. Fred Giodano (Living)

SUNDAY - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Rocco & Louise Paolazzi
10:30 am Vito Barone & Family
12:00pm Rosemary Marranzino
1:30 pm Brian Gracia (Living)

STEWARDSHIP

Collection Totals Not Available At
Time Of Publication

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

Sacred Heart Church

CHRISTMAS

MEGA 50/50

WIN
UP TO
\$5,000!*

All Proceeds Benefit Sacred Heart Church

Only 200 tickets will be sold.
Each ticket is \$50.00 for the
chance to win up to \$5,000*.

Drawing will be held on December 12, 2025
in the Parish Center at 7pm.
Winner need not be present to win.

*Final Prize will be 50% of ticket sales

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2 WAYS TO PLAY!



1. 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: MEGA 50/50 Raffle

2. ONLINE (Credit Card Only)

Visit https://bit.ly/SHC_CHRISTMAS_MEGA



or Scan this code on your
smart phone to order online!

Your tickets will be mailed to you.

Any questions please email Charlie Sofio at: sacredheartchurch@comcast.net

Full Name*: _____

Address*: _____

Zip Code*: _____

Phone*: _____

Email address*: _____

- Name and Phone Number to be put on each ticket if different than above. (please print clearly)
1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

of Tickets Requested: _____ Total amount of money enclosed: _____

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

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

*Fields MUST be filled out