

Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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32nd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"At midnight, there was a cry, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' Then all those virgins got up and trimmed their lamps." Matthew 25:6-7

November 8, 2026

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
Nov. 8, Dec. 13

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.

O.C.I.A.

The Order 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.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

There are certain passages in the New Testament that pull against the grain. They seem to contradict a central teaching of Jesus, a central part of the gospel. But their purpose is not to negate that teaching but, instead, to balance it and place it in a clearer perspective. The issue in today's parable is the difference between wisdom and foolishness and how we can distinguish between the two.



The Gospel story of the ten virgins is not about wedding customs or about charity or even about staying awake at night. Rather it is about being ready, being vigilant, paying attention – so that we never miss an opportunity to experience every moment of our lives to the fullest. All ten virgins are among the wedding party. The crucial difference between the two has nothing to do with staying awake, but with being wise enough to prepare for a possible emergency by having sufficient oil.

What does all of this mean for us? Discipleship involves more than simply being part of the wedding party. And our response must be that of watchfulness, not in the sense of neglecting the duties to which our Christian life calls us, but to the extent that each day must be one of attentiveness, expectation, and hope.

It is not a message for Christians alone. It is one that suggests specific priorities that must be addressed by all peoples - the protection of human life, the promotion of family life and values, the quest for social justice and the pursuit of global solidarity. It is a matter of respecting life - all of life.

And while not promoting specific solutions, the message of Jesus asks some very pointed questions. Among them are:

How will we protect the weakest in our midst-innocent, unborn children?
How will we address the consequences of hunger, debt, and lack of development around the world?
How can we raise our children with respect for life, sound moral values, a sense of hope, and an ethic of stewardship and responsibility?
How will we address the growing number of families and individuals without affordable and accessible health care? How can health care protect and enhance human life and dignity?
What are we doing to address the needs of migrants and refugees?
How do we combat continuing prejudice, bias, and discrimination and heal the wounds of racism, religious bigotry, and other forms of discrimination?
Why does it seem that our nation is turning to violence to solve some of its most difficult problems?

We are pilgrims in a changing world and there is, indeed, one absolutely essential element that all of us must share in common - keeping vigil and paying attention to this world and to others around us. We have a great opportunity to hold one another accountable to address the important moral issues that the world faces today.

Being a wise disciple implies that one has to make hard choices. Jesus tells us, "Be prepared, stay awake." Pay Attention. And if we are not prepared well, we may find ourselves locked out of the wedding banquet. And then it will be too late.

PAY IT FORWARD PROGRAM

Sacred Heart Parish has partnered with BCB Bank to raise some need funds for our parish. The Pay It Forward Program gives us the opportunity to earn donations based on the number of supporters who signed up for the program. If we have 20-50 members, BCB will contribute 0.20% of the cumulative account balance, 51-75 members 0.30%, 76+ members 0.40%. **A minimum of 20 members is required.** NO DONATIONS ARE WITHDRAWN FROM CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNTS, ALL DONATIONS COME DIRECTLY FROM BCB. ALL PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION IS KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL BY THE BANK. **Thus far BCB has donated $1,377 to our parish through this program.** Contact BCB directly if you have questions about the program or want to open an account. Please remember to tell them you want to support Sacred Heart Church in Lyndhurst.
Lyndhurst - 201-728-6810,
Rutherford - 201-728-6960

THE PARISH FAMILY OF SACRED HEART INVITES YOU TO FIESTA GUADALUPE

Sunday, DECEMBER 13, 2026 - 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 $30 Children $10
For Donations (Monetary, Raffle Items, Food) please contact: Maria & Veronica at the parish

THANKSGIVING DINNER FOR THOSE IN NEED

Fr. Ernie and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Parish, Lyndhurst wish to welcome anyone who is in need of a Thanksgiving Dinner to the Mt. Carmel Parish Center on Thanksgiving Day, between 11:00am – 2:00pm, to share a warm meal and fellowship with members of the Mt. Carmel parish family. Please read the announcement in this week's church bulletin, and RSVP to Lou De Marco at the phone number printed in the bulletin, no later than Fri., Nov. 20.

VETERAN'S DAY HOLIDAY

The Mass on Veteran's Day, Wednesday, Nov. 11th will be celebrated at it's regular time of 12:00 PM in the church. The parish office will close on Tuesday, Nov.10th at 2:00 PM and will reopen on Thursday, Nov. 12th at 9:00 AM in observance of the holiday.

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 **November 21st & November 29th** to select a tag. Please make sure 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 6th** 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.



Food Pantry Update

If you can donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated: Soup, 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.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Sal Russo, 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, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., John Scivetti, 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, Rudy Rivas, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Julius Single, Jr., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Patricia Anne Coughlin, Cathy Horoieski, Josephine Burns, Assunta Santangello, Clementine Vocaturo, Tin Maung Khin, Ymilce Badia, Rita Blanco, Linda Kost, Jimmy Delano, Antoinette Wartel, Mike Foglio, Doreen Tetreault, Edward Watts, Anthony Di Sciascio, Bonnie Blairk, Charles O'Brien, Theresa Klim, Jayden Bulo, Jacob Bulo, Janey Alonso, David Naphegyi, Eric Dietz, Giuseppe Maneiro

DECEASED: Luis Flores, Salvatore B. Valente, Annette Di Mascio, Richard M. George

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of November 8th, 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: Philip Coiro

Donated by: His Family

SACRED HEART HOME-SCHOOL ANNUAL TRICKY TRAY FRIDAY, JANUARY 15, 2027

Sacred Heart Home -School Association presents their Annual Tricky Tray on Friday, January 15, 2027 at Sacred Heart School, 620 Valley Brook Ave, Lyndhurst. Tickets are **$20 per person - no one under 18** will be admitted. **Tickets are non-refundable.** Doors open at 5:30 pm. Tickets includes ticket for 1st level prizes, coffee/tea and dessert. If you are interested, please call the school office at 201-939-4277 or Patty at 201-803-9580. **Ticket deadline is January 3. No tickets available at the door. No alcoholic beverages.**

RELIC OF ST. CARLO ACUTIS IN OUR AREA

The heart relic of St. Carlo Acutis from Assisi, Italy will be in our area at **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish, 120 Prospect St., Nutley on Nov. 15-17.** St. Carlo was canonized on Sep. 7, 2025 and reminds us that holiness is possible at every age and in every circumstance of life. His life is a powerful witness to young people and families. For more information please visit Mt. Carmel, Nutley's website at www.olmc-nutley.org

NOVEMBER 8, 2026



THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Anticipated Sunday Mass
:5:00pm Natalie Stehn

SUNDAY - Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time
7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Faithful Departed
10:30 am Demostenes Alegrado
12:00pm John Matino, Sr.
1:30 pm Bertha Falla

MONDAY - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
12:00pm Faithful Departed

TUESDAY - St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
12:00pm Faithful Departed

WEDNESDAY - St. Martin of Tours, Bishop
12:00pm Lorenza & Julian Duran

THURSDAY - St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr
12:00pm Rita & Bill Reilly

FRIDAY - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin
12:00pm Mariano & Mary Alongi

SATURDAY - Weekday/ Blessed Virgin Mary
9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Sunday Mass
5:00pm Jack & Natalina Navatta

SUNDAY - Thirty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time
7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Walsh Family
10:30 am Felix & Iluminada Orozco
12:00pm Albert Alberti & John Valente
1:30 pm Ramon Vargas

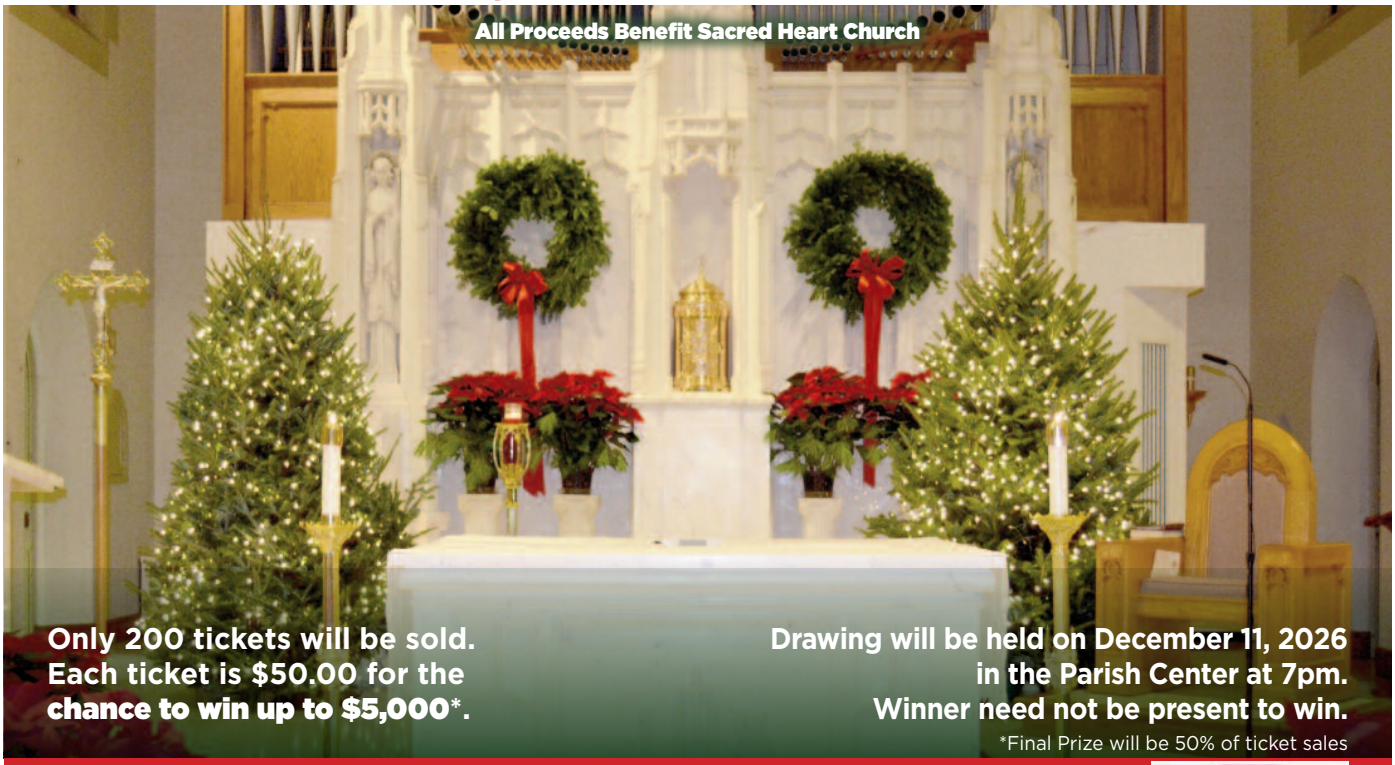
STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, - $6,277
All Saints - $1,041
Add'l All Souls - $611

Sacred Heart Church

CHRISTMAS MEGA 50/50

WIN UP TO $5,000!*



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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)

https://bit.ly_SHC_2026_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. _____
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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**