



Sacred Heart Church

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DECEMBER 9, 2018

*"... A voice of one crying out in the desert:
Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight
his paths." -Luke 3:4*

SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm, 1:30pm(Spanish)
Monday - Friday: 7:00am in St. Dominic Chapel(No Mass in Jul. & Aug.)
12:00pm in the church
Saturday: 9:00am in St. Dominic Chapel,
5:00pm in church (Anticipated Mass of Sunday)
Holy Days & Holidays: As announced in Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 11:30am - 12:30pm and 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
Dec. 17, Jan. 7, Feb. 18, Apr. 8, May 13, Jun. 10

Sacrament: in the church at 3:00pm
Dec. 30, Jan. 13, Feb. 24, Apr. 20 (8:30PM), May 19, Jun. 16

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 6:00pm Monday - Friday; Saturdays and Sundays Closed.



Second Sunday Of Advent

Dear Brothers and Sisters

Today's gospel story tells how John prepared himself to receive Jesus. How did John prepare for the coming of the Messiah? Luke tells us that "the word of God came to John" when he was dwelling in the wilderness of Judea. John was called from an early age to devote himself to prayer and to the word of God. John not only took the Scriptures to heart, he molded his life according to them, and made himself a servant of the Word of God. John was led by the Spirit into a barren and lonely place away from the noise and distractions of everyday life. There God taught John in the solitude of the desert and prepared him for a prophetic ministry that would turn the hearts of his people to receive their long-awaited Messiah.

How can we, like John the Baptist, prepare ourselves for the coming of Jesus Christ - today and every day and when he comes again to bring us fully into his everlasting kingdom? John the Baptist tells us that the first step is conversion and repentance. Conversion involves receiving God's word into our heart and mind and allowing his Word to change our attitudes and wrong ways of thinking and judging. Repentance is the deliberate turning away from sin and turning to God to receive his pardon, healing, and strength to do what is good and reject what is wrong. Do you allow God's Word to transform your life?

God bless you,

Fr. Theemas

UPCOMING Events

DECEMBER 2018

- 9(Sun.) Second Sunday Of Advent
- 9(Sun.) Second Collection
Monthly Assessment
- 9(Sun.) 10:00AM RCIA
Parish Center Dining Room
- 9(Sun.) 10:00AM Religious Ed. Classes
School
- 11(Tue.) 6:00PM - Divine Mercy Chaplet
Parish Center Chapel
- 11(Tue.) 6:30PM - Holy Rosary
Parish Center Chapel
- 12(Wed.) 3:30PM & 6:30PM Religious
Ed. Classes - School
- 14(Fri.) 12:30PM - Eucharistic Adoration
Church
- 14(Fri.) 6:00PM - Spanish Rosary
Parish Center Chapel
- 15(Sat.) 8:00PM - Neocat. Liturgy
Parish Center
- 16(Sun.) Third Sunday Of Advent
- 16(Sun.) 10:00AM RCIA
Parish Center Dining Room

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE DECEMBER 12

The feast in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe goes back to the 16th century. Chronicles of that period tell us the story. A poor Indian named Cuauhtlatohuac was baptized and given the name Juan Diego. He was a 57-year-old widower, and lived in a small village near Mexico City. On Saturday morning December 9, 1531, he was on his way to a nearby barrio to attend Mass in honor of Our Lady. Juan was walking by a hill called Tepeyac when he heard beautiful music like the warbling of birds. A radi-



ant cloud appeared, and within it stood an Indian maiden dressed like an Aztec princess. The lady spoke to him in his own language and sent him to the bishop of Mexico, a Franciscan named Juan de Zumarraga. The bishop was to build a chapel in the place where the lady appeared. Eventually the bishop told Juan to have the lady give him a sign. About this same time Juan's uncle became seriously ill. This led poor Juan to try to avoid the lady. Nevertheless the lady found Juan, assured him that his uncle would recover, and provided roses for Juan to carry to the bishop in his cape or tilma. On December 12, when Juan Diego opened his tilma in the bishop's presence, the roses fell to the ground, and the bishop sank to his knees. On the tilma where the roses had been appeared an image of Mary exactly as she had appeared at the hill of Tepeyac.

At Christmas our thoughts naturally turn to those friends and members of our family who shared their faith with us and helped to make each Christmas so special. If you would like to remember your deceased relatives or friends by donating Christmas Flowers and Decorations used to decorate the Church of the Sacred Heart throughout the Christmas Season, just fill in the form below and put it in a plain envelope marked "CHRISTMAS FLOWERS" and drop it in the collection or return it to the parish office at your convenience.

Your Name _____	
Address _____	
City/State/Zip _____	
Phone _____	
In Memory of:	Other: \$ _____
	\$50
	\$35
	\$25
	\$20
	\$15
	\$10

THANKSGIVING BREAD

Many have commented on the excellent quality of the bread distributed at the Thanksgiving Mass. This year, our parish partnered with our new neighbors across street, Patis Bakery, who graciously provided the delicious sourdough bread for our parish family. Patis is a kosher French-American bakery and its grand opening was Sunday November 25th. If you stop by and try their their wonderful baked goods, be sure to tell them you heard about their bake shop at Sacred Heart Church.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

The food pantry opening this month is December 15th. Items "most needed items" at this time are: Spaghetti, Pasta Sauce, Fruit, and Tuna. Items which are always in need include: Vegetables, Potatoes (canned or packaged), Cereal, Soup, Beans, Pasta, Prepared Meals (boxed, canned, or bag 'sides'), Chili, Tea, Coffee, Peanut Butter and Jelly. Thank you for all of the generous donations which help keep our food pantry stocked.



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 - 5.) Please remember to shop our smile.amazon.com link every time. Purchases made on the main Amazon.com site do not support our parish.
- **If you have friends or family members who are Amazon shoppers, why not ask them if they would help our parish too?!**

THE GIVING TREE

Reminder, All gifts need to be returned under the tree by no later than this Sunday, December 9th

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

**CHRISTMAS FAVORITES AT THE
CATHEDRAL BASILICA**
The Forty-Eighth Annual
Christmas Carol Sing
Wed., Dec. 12 & Thu., Dec. 13
Doors Open 7:00PM



Now in its forty-eighth consecutive year, the Carol Sing has become one of the most significant Christmas concerts in northern New Jersey. The ambiance of candlelight and season décor, along with the Cathedral Choir, organ, brass, percussion, and thousands of participants combine to create an event that must be experienced. Free-Will Offering

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Eleanor Descalzi, Frank Lipinski, Louis Guida, Betty Tynan, Baby Ryan Joseph Lomuscio, Dolores Manno, Sal Russo, Charles Klimkowsky, Nancy Namoviez, Margaret & Robert Sealer, Giovanna Muscara, Al & Joan Viscuso, Lea Pappas, Anita Barcia, Denise Swanteck, Ken Remo, Maureen F. Coughlin, John Smith, Melanie Paige Didomizio, Yvonne Hoefsloot, Julius Single, Melina Sylvestro, Dave Tzrepla, Frank Bucu, Sr., John Stemkowski, Francis (Buddy) McSweeney, Dominick Palmieri, Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Allison Russell, Franceso Giacchi

DECEASED: Mildred Carscadden, Brian Reddington, Marie P. Nardiello

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MONDAY, DECEMBER 10TH

In Honor of: Betty Sottovia

Donated by: Jean & Tom Redner

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of Nicole Breedlove

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Remember your deceased loved ones this Christmas season and join us at December's Mass of Remembrance at one of our Catholic Cemeteries (Mass schedule at www.rcancem.org). Bring a personal, non-fragile tree ornament in memory of your loved one to help decorate the Christmas Tree of Remembrance following monthly Mass. In addition, the Catholic Cemeteries Annual Christmas Food Drive is underway. Please bring non-perishable food items such as cereal or canned foods to any mausoleum office during business hours now through January 6th. Or consider donating online at www.rcancem.org/donate. Feeding the hungry is one of the seven Corporal Works of Mercy and performing this charitable act of loving kindness on behalf of a deceased loved one is a caring gift that truly honors the memory of the faithful departed in a tangible way. Let's keep Christ in Christmas and help feed the hungry this season. Thank you.

BULLYING INFORMATION EVENING

Sacred Heart School is hosting an evening event to hear a well known speaker, Dianne Grossman on the subject of Bullying. Bullying has become a huge problem among school aged children from Preschool through College. Mrs Grossman's daughter was a victim of bullying at the elementary level and took her own life. This is an important message for all parents to hear. The event will be held at **Sacred Heart School Gym on December 10, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.** The evening is open to all parents regardless whether your children are at Sacred Heart.

PART TIME JOB AVAILABLE

St. Joseph's in East Rutherford is looking for someone to assist with the daily opening and closing of St. Joseph's Cemetery on Ridge Road in Lyndhurst. If you are interested, please contact Fr. Joe Astarita at 201-939-0457 or email stjosepher@gmail.com

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Second Sunday Of Advent



MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00 pm John Z. Klim

SUNDAY - Second Sunday Of Advent

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Lucy Di Lascio

10:30 am Donal St. Leger

12:00pm Florence Moderelli

1:30 pm Alfonso Lino

MONDAY - Advent Weekday

7:00am Joseph Searls

12:00pm Sabastiana Demilio

TUESDAY - Advent Weekday/St. Damasus I, Pope

7:00am Charles Gress

12:00pm Loretta Hrenko

WEDNESDAY - Our Lady of Guadalupe

7:00am Joan Moriarity

12:00pm Cecilia Knittel

7:00pm People Of Sacred Heart

THURSDAY - St. Lucy, Virgin & Martyr

7:00am Lola Fernandez

12:00pm Daniel Marcinkowski

FRIDAY - St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church

7:00am Purificacion Sta Maria

12:00pm Alfonso Lino

SATURDAY - Advent Weekday

9:00am Deacon Stephen Rodack

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00 pm Henry Stoma

SUNDAY - Third Sunday Of Advent

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Patrick & Gennaro Ferrara and John Pavlica

10:30 am Charles Muldoon

12:00pm Josefina Ratum Mosquera

1:30 pm Pablo Rodriguez

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection - \$5,736.00

Retired Religious - \$1,919.00

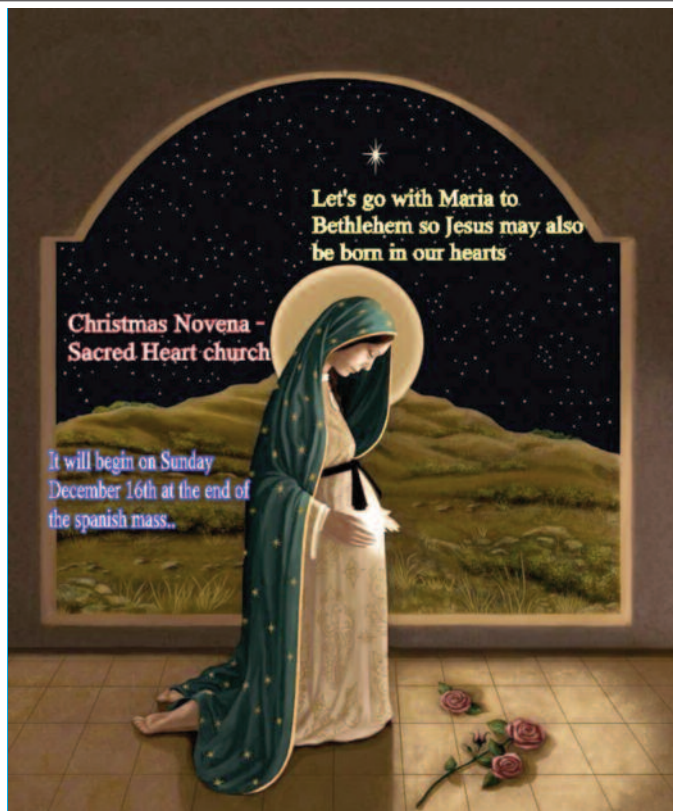
Add'l Catholic Campaign - \$10.00

Add'l All Saints - \$10.00

Add'l Assessment Coll - \$10.00

Add'l Fuel - \$5.00

Early Immac. Concept. - \$5.00



Christmas Novena

Come and join the Sacred Heart Family to Praise and sing the Nativity of our Lord Jesus. The Christmas Novena will be prayed in English and Spanish. We will share hot cocoa and cookies afterwards.

Sunday, December 16 - 3:00 pm.

Monday, December 17 - 6:15 pm.

Tuesday, December 18 - 6:15 pm.

Wednesday, December 19 - 6:15 pm.

Thursday, December 20 - 6:15 pm.

Friday, December 21 - 6:15 pm.

Saturday, December 22 - 6:15 pm.

Sunday, December 23 - 3:00 pm.

Monday, December 24 - 9:30 am



ATTENTION ALL GRAMMAR SCHOOL STUDENTS

HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO BE AN ANGEL THIS CHRISTMAS

The Family Mass for Christmas is celebrated at 5:00 PM on Christmas Eve here at Sacred Heart. All grammar school students are invited to dress like angels for this special Mass. Those students dressed as angels will process with Fr. Theemas at the Mass. Be sure to grab those angel wings and halos now so you will be ready for the big day when we celebrate the birthday of Jesus!