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## SacredHeartChurch

A Roman Catholic Community

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#### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

#### 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 Feb. 13, Apr. 16 (8:30pm), May 15, Jun.12

#### 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.

#### Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

In these days that immediately follow our celebrations of Christmas, Epiphany and the Baptism of Jesus, all of the lights and decorations, all of the wreaths and pine boughs, all of the signs of these special feasts are gone. Our sanctuaries are relatively bare. And the focus of attention is now on us, the people of God, the followers of Jesus; we, too, who have been anointed by the Spirit of God we too have been baptized in His Spirit; we too have been sent to complete His mission.

Liturgically, we experience a giant leap in time, moving from the birth of Jesus to His baptism some thirty years later all in a couple of weeks. We don't really know too much about what happened during those intervening years, except that Jesus grew in age, wisdom and grace, was an obedient, loving son, learned his father's trade, matured in His faith, prayed constantly to understand His mission, and then finally submitted to baptism by the Baptist as a sign of initiating His public mission. The Gospel of John then tells us that Jesus' first sign to the world was a compassionate gesture at the wedding celebration of friends.

A lot of things happen to us as well, as we journey from birth to our 30th year and beyond. We take years trying to nourish and understand our relationship to God, and looking for the particular way in which each of us will use our gifts for personal fulfillment and for the advancement of God's kingdom. When, as adults, we begin to live out that commitment, we become what Christ calls us to be - His witnesses, His peacemakers, men and women rooted in faith, powered by love, bringing the Gospel spirit and insight into every aspect of our lives.

But we need some kind of affirmation for this to happen. We need at some point in our adult journey to hear the voice of God saying to us with overpowering intimacy: "You are my son, my daughter; my chosen one; my beloved with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my spirit" - just as He said this to Jesus Himself.

It's no coincidence, then, that we enter into "Ordinary Time" with an image that speaks to us of God's faithfulness and steadfastness. Both Isaiah and John use the image of marriage to describe this relationship. Through Isaiah Yahweh tells us: "You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the Lord, a royal diadem held by your God; and as a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you." And John's story of the wedding feast in Cana reveals just how much of a concern each of us actually is to a compassionate Lord.

The imagery of "faithful relationship" is a constant one throughout Scripture. We are told over and over how our God has embraced us as the ultimate Lover, how he delights in us, how He remains true to His promises to us, even when we fail in ours to Him. And yet we can find our true identity in knowing that despite our failures and failings, and despite our sometimes lukewarm and empty responses God remains as true to us as ever. The bond between God and mankind will always remain intimate and powerful.

We gather as the people of God precisely because we have come to understand and accept our identity. We are confronted again with the challenging truth that we are the ones called to continue the saving presence of Jesus in our world, to continue the work of Christmas. We come face-to-face with the fact that even though we may not be always conscious of this incredible gift, we too are sent today and every day to "take away the sins of the world."

St. Paul tells us that each of us has been blessed with special gifts and talents to accomplish this: wisdom, knowledge, faith - different kinds of gifts, different forms of service - all given freely and for a specific purpose.

The sanctuary may be bare but we are not. The decorations may be gone but the Spirit lives on in each of us. We are never alone. It may be "ordinary time" but we are called to do extraordinary things.



## Christmas Memorial Flowers



Dorothy Mayerchak-in memory of-Joseph Mayerchak

#### MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY

In observance of the Martin Luther King holiday the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 17th. The Mass will be celebrated at the regular time of 12 Noon.

# ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

Did you know you can give online to our parish with Zelle, or with a debit or debit card, or with GoFundMe? 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.
- 3. Use our Go Fund Me Page. Visit our parish GoFundMe page at:

https://charity.gofundme.com/o/en/campaign/sacred-heart-church-lyndhurst

# OUR PARISH FAMILY'S FINANCIAL CONDITION

We are all aware how difficult these pandemic times have been for all of us. The Sacred Heart Parish Community and staff continues to pray for all its members as we navigate this new normal. We hope everyone is safe and understand that many of you have been confronted with many economic challenges. As you can imagine, the parish has also been adversely affected financially because of the substantial decrease in Mass attendance. If there is any way you can catch up on your weekly offertory donations, or if possible, consider increasing your weekly gift it would be greatly appreciated and would assist in alleviating our parish's shortfall. Please prayerfully consider this request as we continue to pray for our parish family.

#### COMMUNITY ALLIANCE PROGRAM

Sacred Heart Church has partnered with BLUE FOUNDRY BANK to raise money for the parish. Through the Community Alliance Program, Blue Foundry will make a quarterly donation to our parish account based upon the average balance of our members' designated accounts at Boiling Springs. NO MONEY WILL BE WITHDRAWN from members' accounts. A minimum of twenty individuals (members) is required. Enrollment in the program is quick and easy. Just stop by a Blue Foundry Branch and fill out a Community Alliance Member account form.

Note: There are other Sacred Heart Churches enrolled in the program. When you sign up at the branch PLEASE BE SURE TO SPECIFY SACRED HEART, LYNDHURST (CAP CODE 094). If you have ALREADY ENROLLED AT THE BRANCH, PLEASE VERIFY with the branch that your enrollment is for Sacred Heart, Lyndhurst (CAP CODE 094).

# ATTENTION AMAZON SHOPPERS!! YOUR PURCHASES CAN HELP OUR PARISH AT NO COST TO YOU!!

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to give a little support to our parish every time you shop, at **NO COST TO YOU**. When you shop at smile.amazon.com, you'll find the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com, with the added bonus that Amazon will donate a half of one percent of the purchase price to our parish.

#### Just follow these simple steps:

- 1.) Visit smile.amazon.com. It's just like shopping on amazon.com.
- 2.) Sign in. Simply use your existing Amazon credentials. If you don't have an account, you can create a new one.
- 3.) Start shopping! In the box that says Pick Your Own Charitable Organization type in 324 Ridge Rd. This the address for the church. There are many, many Sacred Heart Churches on AmazonSmile, by using the address it will bring you directly to our parish. Click the yellow select button.
- 4.) If you are already an AmazonSmile user and want to switch your selected charity to be our parish, on the top of the screen you will see your current charity listed. Click the down arrow next to the charity name and follow the directions in step 3.
- 5.) Please remember to shop our smile.amazon.com link every time. <u>Purchases made on the main Amazon.com site do not support our parish.</u>
- \*\*If you have friends or family members who are Amazon shoppers, why not ask them if they would help our parish too?!\*\*

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: Betty Tynan, 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 Buco, Sr., John Stemkowski, Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., Grace Dacchille, John Scivetti, Joseph Caramanico. Ken Stone. Rosie Perez. Timothy Yushak. Simplicia Ramirez, Corazon Santos, Jaxson Rivera, Marilyn Loughran, Dorothy Mayerchak, Luca Ataide, Donald Tetreault, Mario Diaz, Jeanne Dziencio, Norma Altreche, Joseph M. Diaz, Patrick H. Diaz, Kim Stefani, Linda Vasquez, Joelle Montillo, Colleen Branigan

**DECEASED:** Angela Piccininni, Joseph Annuzzi, Graciela Calvopina, Terrence James Cagnacci, Jr., Patricia Ann Scott



#### CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:



In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante



# Food Pantry Update

We are stocking up our parish family food pantry to help our brothers and sisters in need during the cold winter months. Can you help us make winter a little warmer for those living with food insecurity?

If you can donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated: Vegetables, Fruit, Spaghetti, Potatoes (small packages or canned), Peanut Butter, Jelly, Macaroni and Cheese, and Tea. Note that great vegetable and fruit prices can be found at Lidl's and Aldi's. Thank you for all of the generous donations. It's only with your help that we are able to keep our food pantry stocked. As a reminder, we are unable to package out-of-date food products for distribution to our families.



#### HOW TO REPORT ABUSE

The Archdiocese of Newark takes very seriously any and all complaints of sexual misconduct by members of the clergy, Religious and lay staff of the Archdiocese We encourage anyone with knowledge of an act of sexual misconduct to inform the Archdiocese immediately so that we may take appropriate action to protect others and provide support to victims of sexual abuse. Individuals who report an allegation of sexual misconduct may do so by calling the Victim's Assistance Coordinator of the Archdiocesan Office of Child and Youth Protection at (201)407-3256.

The phone numbers for the County Prosecutors within the Archdiocese are:

Bergen - (201) 646-2300

Essex - (973) 621-4700

Hudson - (201) 795-6400

Union - (908) 527-4500

#### **JANUARY 16, 2022**

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time



#### **Anticipated Mass for Sunday**

5:00 pm Giuseppe Giacchi and Francesco & Carmela Radachia

#### **SUNDAY - Second Sunday In Ordinary** Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr.

10:30 am James M. Cavalcante 12:00pm Anthony Scardino, Sr.

1:30 pm Libertad Villanueva de Rios

#### MONDAY - St. Anthony, Abbot

12:00pm Pura Fernandez

#### **TUESDAY - Weekday**

12:00pm Joseph D'Amore

#### **WEDNESDAY - Weekday**

12:00pm Antonietta Dello Russo

#### THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr

12:00pm Jesse Tetreault & Ted Cornell

#### FRIDAY - St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr

12:00pm Giuseppe & Anna Aliotta & Anthony Giacchi

#### SATURDAY - Weekday/Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

9:00 am Deanna Giuliano

#### **Anticipated Mass for Sunday**

5:00 pm Peter Amato

#### **SUNDAY - Third Sunday In Ordinary Time**

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Edward Donnelly

10:30 am Jesus F. David

12:00pm Terry Cappiello LaBruno

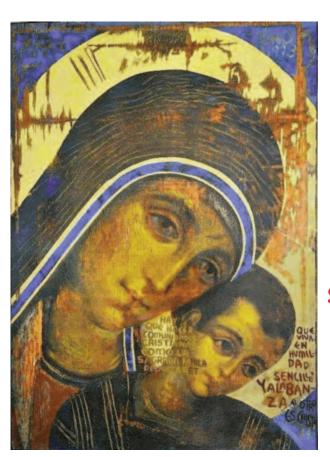
1:30 pm Carlos Ruiz Lara



#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Sunday Collection 01/02 - \$4,205 Assessment - \$2,098 Solemnity of Mary - \$1,570 Sunday Collection - 01/09 - \$4,398 Communicating God's Word - \$1,066

Christmas To Date - \$19,197



### COME AND LISTEN

"FOR MY YOLK IS EASY, AND MY BURDEN LIGHT" Matthew 11:30

ARE
CARES & WORRIES
WEIGHING YOU DOWN?

COME & LISTEN
ONE WORD COULD CHANGE
YOUR LIFE.

Mondays & Thursdays
Starting Monday, January 17th
8:00pm in Parish Center
(former Convent)

Enter through the parking lot entrance CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS

AND YOUTH (ages 13 & older)
Free babysitting will be available

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
January 22

Ps 139:13 "For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb."

January 22 has been designated by the General Instruction of the Roman Missal as "a particular day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion." Life is at the heart of the gospel - a beautiful gift from God. When that gift is destroyed rather than treasured, a violent act is committed not just against God, but all humanity. As Pope John Paul II remarked, "The Gospel of God's love for man, the Gospel of the dignity of the person, and the Gospel of life are a single and indivisible Gospel."

Let us all keep in our prayers the respect and protection of life at its earliest and most vulnerable stage, on January 22, and always!