



Sacred Heart Church

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." - Lk 9:34-35

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
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 Of Lent

Part of the theology that most of us inherited taught that our journey of faith was one of living our lives "according to God's plan", of accepting our state in life - whatever it may be - as part of His will for us and submitting to the sometimes unreasonable demands that we seem to think He makes upon us. The soul is spirit, noble, most God-like. The flesh is lowly, corruptible, and definitely mortal. We were trained to struggle against the desires of the body, to subdue, to repress. Our ultimate goal is our reunion with our God in the heavenly kingdom and our earthly journey is one of "earning" our citizenship in heaven.

At first glance, the readings for the Second Sunday of Lent reinforce these ideas.

In Genesis we listen to God's promise to Abram: "Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can... so shall your descendants be. To your descendants I give all this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the Great River, the Euphrates." This, of course, is the same God who a little later on in Genesis will demand that Abram offer the life of his son in sacrifice as proof of his loyalty and faith.

The passage from Philemon reminds us that all is not well with the world - nor with us. We are sinners who have turned, in small or large ways, from the God whom Genesis reminds us, has made a covenant with our ancestors and has renewed that covenant with us by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Some may choose to live according to what they have learned from Christ; while others do not. We are to share the sufferings of Christ in order to share in the resurrection of Christ.

And finally, in the Gospel passage, Luke allows us to become witnesses, with Peter, James and John, of the Lord's transfiguration: "His face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white". Much later, the disciples would recognize that this mysterious event was not only a preview of the resurrection, but also a vivid reminder that the body as well as the spirit is destined for transforming glory.

The Apostles witnessed a dazzling display of God's glory at the Transfiguration and were overwhelmed with excitement; but they were soon to experience the passion and death of Jesus. These same three will follow Jesus into the Garden of Gethsemane. They will see Him, fearful, saddened, pleading not to have to suffer and die. They will see Him on the cross, apparently abandoned by his Father and overcome by evil. This will betray all their hopes and dreams, and almost destroy their faith.

At first they didn't understand the meaning behind the Transfiguration. Only when He is risen from the dead, will they understand. Only then will they remember the Transfiguration, the promise of the victory and the glory that is the reward at obedience and faithfulness. Only then will they truly understand why He sent them down from the mountain, back to the physical world, which needed - and still needs to be - transformed and transfigured.

Being a people of faith does not mean that we will always be able to find Him present in the ups and downs of our everyday lives - there are few "transfiguration events" in our lives.

Nor does it mean that we are expected to passively sit back and "accept" all of the obstacles and roadblocks we find along the way as being part of some grand plan that He has for us. Citizenship in heaven does not exempt us from the responsibilities of citizenship here on earth. *Our mission is the same mission for which Jesus willingly gave His life: "to proclaim liberty to captives, recovery of sight to the blind and to let the oppressed go free and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord."*

God's plan for us consists in just one thing: that He loves us now, in whatever frame of mind or state of being we find ourselves in - and that He will always love us, despite ourselves. For us, the meaning of the Transfiguration is that, as Karl Rahner says: "in the dark night of hopelessness the light of God shines, and a human heart finds in God the power which turns dying into victory." The account of the Transfiguration is a reminder that we cannot live our lives above and removed from daily life.

Today we are challenged to transform our lives - to let the glory of God guide us and shine through us - to focus on God along the hills and valleys of our journey of faith knowing that God is near, that He understands our pain, and that He will sustain us and carry us through.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

The following deceased have been enrolled in the Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society:

FELICIDAD ALCALDE-req.by-Jenny Carlucci
PHYLLIS AHLBORN-req.by-Dorry & Stephen
Trobiano

JOSEPHINE FROATS-req.by-Renew Group
VALENTINA GIACCHI-req.by-Sarina Giacchi
& Family, Mr. & Mrs. Michael Foglio & Family

ELIZABETH MAE HUSCHKA-req.by-Rita
Emmett

GERALD MATHESON-req.by-Colleen & Erik
Tobiason & Family

THOMAS "NEMO" NAJMOWSKI-req.by-Mr.
& Mrs. Michael Foglio & Family

PATRIZIA NESE-req.by-Linda Schifano

PAULA MAURA PATINO -req.by-Gloria &
Haydee Humire

TOM REDNER-req.by-Maryann Valente

SHIRLEY ANN WILLIAMS-req.by-Maria
Torraca

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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.

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- 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. Purchases made on the main Amazon.com site do not support our parish.

PIETÀ CASTING ON DISPLAY AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA

In conjunction with the Archdiocese of Newark, the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart and Arte Divine LLC is excited to announce that a life-size marble casting of Michelangelo's 'Pietà' has been delivered to the Cathedral Basilica for 120 days. During this time, the Cathedral Basilica will be open to all the parishes of the Archdiocese of Newark to visit and admire this exquisite casting. The Carrara marble, an exact casting of Michelangelo's Pietà, will be the 56th of only 100 authorized to be created and placed.

St. Joseph's, East Rutherford Pilgrimage

Spain and Portugal with Fr. Joe Astarita

JUNE 12-19, 2022 - \$2,489 Double Occupancy

Round trip airfare from Newark to Portugal including sights in Lisbon, miracle of bleeding heart in Santarem, chapel of the apparitions in Fatima, tombs & home town of Jacinta, Francisco & Sr. Lucia, candlelight procession & rosary. Santiago de Compostela, walking tour of this medieval city of St. James, El Camino de Santiago, tour Cathedral with relics of this apostle, and tour port city of Porto in northern Portugal. For more information, itinerary and package details call 201-939-0457.

THANK YOU BULLETIN AD SPONSORS! HELP STILL NEEDED!

Jim Marcinkiewicz from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin publisher, was with us this past week securing advertisers for our Bulletin. We would like to thank all of the advertisers who have generously committed to the Bulletin for this year! We still have space available and humbly ask that you consider advertising your business or remembering a loved one in our weekly bulletin. Our parish bulletin is one of our main communication tools to our parish members. It provides inspirational words, Mass intentions, news, and events for the week ahead. We are thankful that this crucial communication piece is provided to our parish at no cost thanks to the generous advertising support of our parishioners and community-minded businesses.

Please let us know if you can help. Sponsors of our bulletin recognize the tremendous value of connecting with our church family, who in turn respond by supporting our sponsors! If you would like to advertise in the weekly bulletin, please contact Jim Marcinkiewicz at (973) 525-7674 or via e-mail tojmarcinkiewicz@4lpi.com. Thanks!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Lyndhurst A Celebration of St. Joseph & St. Patrick

Food * Music * Irish Dancers

Sat., March 19, 5:30 PM

Mt. Carmel Parish Center, 146 Copeland Ave

\$25 per person, Children Under 10 Free

Call Mt. Carmel Rectory 201-935-1177 for tickets.

NO Tickets will be sold at the door.

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 Bucu, Sr., John Stemkowski, Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., Grace Dacchille, John Scivetti, Joseph Caramanico, Ken Stone, Timothy Yushak, Corazon Santos, Jaxson Rivera, Marilyn Loughran, Luca Ataide, Donald Tetreault, Mario Diaz, Jeanne Dziencio, Norma Altreche, Joseph M. Diaz, Patrick H. Diaz, Kim Stefani, Linda Vasquez, Joelle Montillo, Colleen Branigan, Vincent Russo, Nenita A. Jacildone, Anthony Scorre

DECEASED: Miguel Reina, Grace Ryan, Ines D'Alessio

MARCH 13, 2022
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00 pm John McGarry

SUNDAY - SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Carmela Ferrara
10:30 am Nicholas Prioli
12:00pm James M. Cavalcante
1:30 pm Emilio Santander

MONDAY - Lenten Weekday

12:00pm Louis Caviello

TUESDAY - Lenten Weekday

12:00pm Steve Gonnello

WEDNESDAY - Lenten Weekday

12:00pm Mike & Rose Carini & Sons

THURSDAY - Lenten Weekday/St. Patrick, Bishop

12:00pm Camille Ferrara

FRIDAY - Lenten Weekday/St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Melba R. Coughlin

SATURDAY - St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 am Thomas Hansen

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00 pm Ann & Daniel Henckel

SUNDAY - THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Howard Tiffner
10:30 am James M. Cavalcante
12:00pm Eleanor Cappadona
1:30 pm Jose Lopez

CHURCH BELLS

CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, MARCH 13TH

In Honor of: Enrico & Delia Beneduce
Donated by: Celia & George Meglio

MONDAY, MARCH 14TH

In Honor of: James Nazare
Donated by: Christine & Fran Delaney

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16TH

In Honor of: John Ambrose
Donated by: Mike & Joan Coynes

THURSDAY, MARCH 17TH

In Honor of: Camille Ferrara
Donated by: Goldie Paolazzi

FRIDAY, MARCH 18TH

In Honor of: Robert & Margaret Wynne
Donated by: Don & Barbara Wynne

SATURDAY, MARCH 19TH

In Honor of: Joseph & Teresa O'Keefe
Donated by: Brian & Carol O'Keefe

**NO-CONTACT TAKEOUT
CHICKEN DINNER
PREPARED BY KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS
LYNDHURST COUNCIL #2396**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND PICKUP TIMES: 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM
AT OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISH CENTER
146 COPELAND AVE, LYNDHURST**

Each dinner box will contain 1/2 rotisserie chicken, potatoes, vegetable, salad and dessert for \$15. Orders must be placed online at <https://bit.ly/Council2396Dinner>. Call 551-587-8402 for more details. **Order Deadline March 30th.**

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday March 6 - \$6,666
Assessment - \$2,205
Ash Wednesday - \$2,881
Add'l Fuel - \$80
Early Catholic Campaign - \$5

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK
2022 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The **days of both Fast and Abstinence** during Lent are **Ash Wednesday and Good Friday**. *If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the “paschal fast” to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.*

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted and two (2) smaller meals, which added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, March 6, 2022 to the Solemnity of the Holy Trinity, June 12, 2022.**

*Canon 920, §1. *All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.*

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK - ANNUAL APPEAL 2022

The Archdiocese’s 2022 Annual Appeal is currently underway. You may have already received at home a letter from Cardinal Tobin explaining the important role the Annual Appeal plays for our Archdiocese. Gifts to the Annual Appeal play a critical role in the delivery of programs and ministries provided by the Archdiocese that are at the heart of the mission of our local Church.

Your gift will assist passing on the faith, ministries that proclaim the Gospel, care for the Poor and Vulnerable, forming future priests and supporting retired clergy.

To Date, 89 families from our parish family have generously supported the Appeal:

Our Parish’s Goal - \$34,000 -- Paid To Date - \$15,120 (44.47% of Goal)

*Your generosity not only supports all the ministries listed above but can also be a direct support for our parish as well. **If we exceed our parish goal in paid pledges by June 30th, like we did last year thanks to your generosity, we will receive a rebate from the Archdiocese of all the excess funds and a 2% reduction in our parish assessment expense for the fiscal year. This 2% reduction saved the parish more than \$6,900 in assessment expense last year. The Archdiocese also rebated back to the parish \$9,848.70 in excess funds received from our parish! It’s a great way for our parish family to “fund raise” and help others at the same time. Thank you so much to all who have supported the Annual Appeal by giving a gift!!***

****Reminder, we must collect our Parish’s Goal in paid gifts by June 30th. If we don’t accomplish this, the shortfall will be added as an expense to our budget and must be paid to the Archdiocese and we will not receive the 2% reduction in our assessment expense.****

If you haven’t already done so, please prayerfully consider your gift to the 2022 Annual Appeal. Envelopes for the Appeal are available in the pews. You can also make your gift online at www.rcan.org/sharing. Please be sure to select Sacred Heart Church, Lyndhurst so the parish receives credit.