



Sacred Heart Church

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27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you." - Lk 17:5-6

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
Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11

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.

Twenty- Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

"Lord, give me strength... a little patience is all I ask... give me faith."

We may find ourselves praying this little prayer quite often during our daily routine. Whether it's the driver behind us who insists upon accelerating, knowing full well that we intend to make a turn, or family and friends who just "don't seem to get it," or people who continually seem to make the same mistakes over and over again... we are constantly praying for assistance to cope. We all share these same foibles, and some of us can react to life's little aggravations better than others.

But we also live in chaotic times, in a broken world. We may find ourselves whispering those same words every time we read the daily newspaper, turn on the television news or listen to the world report on the radio. We are bombarded on all sides with scenes of suffering, starvation, oppression, violence against our children, and inhumanity in places like Zimbabwe, Dafur, Iraq, Afghanistan, North Korea, Hong Kong, or China. There is a hunger in the human mind and heart for certainty in every aspect of life. We want to be safe: we want to be secure. We want to be able to do something to enable a change, a shift in the suffering that we experience.

In the midst of this day-by-day struggle we yearn to find God and to come to know Him better. We want to understand how the promise of God's love fits into all of this; and we cry out like the disciples: "Lord, increase our faith." At times life can seem somewhat overwhelming.

The apostles in today's gospel voice their sense of urgent need to Jesus. It takes enormous faith to live Jesus' teachings and face the demands of discipleship - the demands of simple service to others, or that of reconciling and forgiving. A disciple can easily feel inadequate. He or she wants more faith so that they can be the kind of disciples Jesus is teaching them to be. Their plea is also ours.

But Jesus shifts our attention away from thinking about quantity to considering the quality of the faith we already have. Faith, he implies, is not something that we can have more or less of. If we have faith the size of a mustard seed - the tiniest seed of all - we can move mountains. This is not a rebuke by Jesus; it is a gentle reminder of what we have already received as gift.

Faith, it seems, doesn't have to increase - as much as exist. Having faith doesn't automatically give the believer the power to perform crowd-pleasing spectacles or life-saving miracles. But faith does mean that we are in touch with God and experience God as the source of that energy which enables us to live good lives, marked by the ability to forgive - as we ourselves have been forgiven; to reach out to one another - as we ourselves have been found and embraced by God.

Even a tiny bit of faith can be very powerful and requires appropriate action. *If we wait around for some imagined heroic faith, we are liable to do just that: wait and do nothing. The Lord gently urges us to forget about how much faith we think we need or feel we have. We are to act on the faith we already have. With even just a little faith, we disciples could accomplish great things.*

The parable Jesus tells is about a very hard working servant who does what he or she is supposed to do. Disciples, equipped with "mustard seed faith" must set about doing the sometimes very hard work that our faith urges us to do. All thoughts of reward or acknowledgment are to be put aside as distractions from the task at hand. We can easily get side-tracked from doing what needs to be done, if we place too much emphasis on our abilities, or own reputations or the rate of success we have in accomplishing great projects. If we think we are so very important for what we have done, Jesus' sobering reminder should set us straight, "When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants, we have only done what we were obliged to do.'"

We are likely to continue to mutter that same little prayer tomorrow as we go through the day experiencing our frustrations and difficulties; but, we might remember that we are all far from perfect, and are rather consistently plagued by failure and selfishness. We are much too easily hurt, too easily discouraged. We fall short of expectations; we display our frailty like open wounds. Yet despite this, our faith will give us strength to live our lives freely, in trust and in love - knowing that our God is near, that He understands our pain, that He will sustain us and carry us through, even though in the midst of the struggles, that faith may feel as small and insignificant as a mustard seed.

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If you have friends or family members who are Amazon shoppers, why not ask them if they would help our parish too?!

ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

Did you know you can give online to our parish with Zelle, or with a debit or credit card? 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: sacred-heartchurch@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.

Food Pantry Update

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Mt 25:40

The next food pantry openings will be on September 17th and 24th and on October 22nd and 29th.



Items needed most, at this time, are: Fruit,

Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including Spaghetti), Potatoes (small packages or canned), Vegetables, Coffee (regular and instant), Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, and beans.

Thanks to all for the donations which help keep our food pantry stocked! **We would not be able to help local families without your generosity.** As a reminder, we are unable to package out-of-date food products for distribution to our families.

IN A THEATER NEAR YOU Mother Teresa: No Greater Love Monday, Oct. 3 and Tuesday, Oct. 4 Only

Filmed on five continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film is a breathtaking visual tour de force. This is far more than a documentary film. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

The film will be screened at 7:00 PM at:

**AMC Clifton Commons 16 - 405 NJ-3 East, Clifton
AMC Ridgefield Park 12 - 75 Challenger Rd., Ridgefield Park**

BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS THIS WEEKEND

From the birthplace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Christian community is seeking your love and support through obtaining their handmade olive wood religious articles. **These items will be displayed in the main vestibule of the church after all Masses this weekend.** Please stop by the main vestibule of the church and browse through these beautiful items. Your help can and will make a difference in the lives of your brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.

THANK YOU!

The beautiful new handle rails in our sanctuary were made possible through the stewardship of MaryAnn Valente. Thank you MaryAnn for your generosity and stewardship!

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., Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Franceso Giacchi, Mario Alongi, Sr., Grace Dacchille, 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, Camen Yangco, Lea Aspile, Perpetua Aspile, Anne Montillo, Christopher Di Giovanna, Jamie Canal, Laney Darmiento, Margot O'Hara, Maureen Branigan, Stanley Albanese

DECEASED: Richard McGill

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE
Saturday October 15, 2021 - 12 Noon
Sacred Heart Shrine On Ridge Road
Next To The Rectory

The world is at a crossroad. Join us as we pray for our country, our church, our families, and our world. For more information contact MaryAnn at 201-939-8438

DO YOU HAVE A FEW HOURS TO SPARE EACH MONTH?

Our parish **food pantry volunteers** play a key role in helping to end hunger in our community.

We are currently **in need of assistance checking expiration dates, bagging groceries, and interacting with families.**

This is a great opportunity for those who can speak Spanish, so as to help communicate with some of the families, and for students seeking service hours. **Schedules are flexible.** Some volunteers come weekly, others help with our pantry openings, and some come only occasionally.

Please contact Micki Prokop (201-788-0911) or Beverly Dalzell (201-988-5171) if you would like to help or have any questions.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Your generosity in the second collection next weekend will defray our monthly assessment expense. Thank you for your continued support for our parish!

OCTOBER 2, 2022

Twenty-Seventh Sunday
In Ordinary Time



Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm John Ruggier

SUNDAY - Twenty-Seventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Georgeann Ferrie

10:30 am Eleanor Cappdona

12:00pm O.C.

1:30 pm Luis Martin Elias Cordova

MONDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Joseph Pacillo (Living)

TUESDAY - St. Francis of Assisi

12:00pm Joseph Tasch

WEDNESDAY - Weekday/St. Faustina Kowalska, Virgin/Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

12:00pm Georgeann Ferrie

THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Bruno, Priest/Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin

12:00pm Frances Klein

FIRST FRIDAY - Our Lady of the Rosary

12:00pm Anthony Michael Silver

SATURDAY - Weekday/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Jesse Tetreault

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm Paolo Cervino

SUNDAY - Twenty-Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Laura Manning

10:30 am Lorenza & Julian Duran

12:00pm Margaret & Salvatore Albanese

1:30 pm Jose Lopes

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - \$5,603

Add'l Catholic University - \$10

Add'l Assessment - \$10

Reminder: We need \$6,600 in the Sunday Collection to cover our budgeted expenses. Thank you for continued generosity!



*Achtung Achtung Damen Und Herren !!
Attention Attention*

All Fun Lovin' "Oompahs & Oomahs" !!

*Saturday, October 22 Following the 5:00 Mass
Sacred Heart Parish Family Oktoberfest Fundraiser
Menu -- Guten Appetit*

- * Cucumber Sald * Sweet & Sour Red Cabbage * Soft Pretzels **
- * Potato Pancakes With Apple Sauce or Sour Cream **
- * Bratwurst & Sauerkraut **
- * Chicken Schnitzel (Chicken Cutlet) * Spaetzle & Gravy **
- * Coffee * Tea * Soft Drinks * Desserts * BYOB **

** Raffles * Music * Fellowship **

Tickets

Adults \$30 Children 12 & Under \$10

*Tickets sold following the Saturday Evening &
Sunday Masses in the Main Vestibule of the Church
Or Mon. - Fri. 9:30 - 4:00 Parish Office
Questions - Call 201-438-1147*



Friday Eucharistic Adoration
Fridays, 12:30 - 3:00 pm

"Night and day, He is there. If you really want to grow in love, come back to the Eucharist, come back to that Adoration..."

People ask me: 'What will convert America and save the world?' My answer is prayer.

What we need is for every parish to come before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament in holy hours of prayer." - St. Teresa of Calcutta

During Eucharistic Adoration, the faithful pray to Jesus Christ, who is present in the Eucharist. The Eucharist, also referred to as the Blessed Sacrament, is typically kept in the tabernacle in our church.

While it is true that you can pray to God anywhere and that He is always within you, it is especially powerful to adore Jesus in the Eucharist. In the presence of the Eucharist, we pray to the power and sacrifice that it represents — the body of Jesus, who gave His life so that we may live. It is His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity that is really, truly, and substantially present in the Eucharist.