



# Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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## 29<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Will not God then secure the rights of his chosen ones who call out to him day and night? Will he be slow to answer them? I tell you, he will see to it that justice is done for them speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?” - Lk 18:7-8

### 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  
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 - Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Jesus was a great story-teller - and people loved to listen as He taught through parables. The people understood the message of the parables, because the stories dealt with ordinary, day-to-day experiences that they were all familiar with. But they loved these stories for another reason as well: most of the time these stories disturbed the comfortable and comforted the disturbed. The parables would seem to point to an obvious conclusion, and then shock the listener with an unexpected ending. Jesus continually challenged conventional wisdom, and He so upset the leadership of his time by his parables that they eventually began to plot a way to get him out of the picture.

The parable in today's gospel is particularly interesting as it is itself capable of being turned upside-down and inside-out. It seems to be a parable about the need to pray constantly and never lose heart. It gives the picture of two people: an unjust judge who had neither fear of God nor respect for people, and a widow who came to him - time and again - looking for justice. For a long time he ignored her and refused to listen; but at last he tired of her and granted her wish out of sheer expediency. The immediate understanding of the parable would be to say that just as the unjust judge heard the widow because of her persistence, so too God will hear us if we persist in our requests.

It's a little strange for Jesus to identify God with an unjust judge; to say that our petitions are answered because of our nagging God into action rather than because His is a true concern for justice. All throughout the Scriptures, God identifies with the widow and the orphan, the poor and disenfranchised. Jesus' understanding of God would not be different. So, maybe the point of His story is much different from the obvious.

Maybe He is trying to tell us that we ourselves are the unjust judges - who neither fear God nor respect people. In the measure of this world, the vigilant and wise person is the one who keeps his wits about him; the one who watches his chances and makes the right moves; the one who doesn't let himself be beaten. We can be dominated by our egos and be stubborn in our self seeking. We easily put ourselves and our own agenda above the plight of our less fortunate brothers and sisters. We can easily look the other way at injustice and suffering when it doesn't affect us directly. People without power and influence are easy to brush aside.

But our God is persistent in His love for us. It is He who wears us down, like the widow, by persistently pursuing us, constantly nagging us. Eventually, we see God as constantly trying to break down our defenses; and we see prayer as allowing this pursuing God to enter our lives and challenge us to a true conversion of heart.

The Lord reminds us that God is concerned about justice for everyone, especially the poor. If the corrupt judge, who fears neither God nor people, will give justice to a defenseless widow simply because of her insistence, how much more will God give justice to those people who cry out to him for it night and day? God is not only interested in justice but He swiftly responds to our cries for it.

Jesus' final question is an interesting one: "And yet, when the Son of Man comes will he find faith?" The Lord longs for our participation in His plan. He doesn't wait for the answer because he knows it already. He encourages us to keep working towards the Kingdom, to keep praying for it, and to never give up. Faith and persistence are the two inseparable elements of discipleship.

It is important for us to remember that Jesus is never one to ask the impossible, only the unlikely and unimagined. He asks if he will find people crying out for justice by living in ways that promote the quality of life on every level - by being willing to listen and to act on behalf of the poor and destitute, the lonely and the outcast - He is asking if we will be "persistent, whether it is convenient or inconvenient."

Discipleship is indeed demanding - and no one of us can do it alone. It requires new kinds of relationships, new kinds of community. It demands imagination, vision and total commitment. All He asks from us is everything that we are. And He is telling us that we have something really important to offer one another - something really helpful, something life changing.

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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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- 3.) Start shopping! In the box that says Pick Your Own Charitable Organization type in 324 Ridge Rd. This is 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. 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?!\*\***

## 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: 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](http://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 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.

### COMING SOON

#### Christmas Mega 50/50 Raffle

An Opportunity To Win \$5,000 And  
Make \$5,000 For Our Parish  
Just In Time For Christmas  
**\$50 Per Ticket**

**Only 200 Tickets Will Be Sold**

Increasing Your Odds Of Winning

**If We Are Successful In Selling ALL 200 Tickets**

\$5,000 Will Go To The Winner And  
\$5,000 Will Go To The Parish

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

#### WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

In 1926 Pope Pius XI instituted Mission Sunday for the whole Church with the first worldwide Mission Sunday collection taking place in October 1927. The Mission Sunday collection is always taken on the next to last Sunday during the month of October. That day is celebrated in all the local Churches as the feast of catholicity



**World  
Mission Sunday**

and universal solidarity so Christians the world over will recognize their common responsibility with regard to the evangelization of the world. **The second collection next weekend is your opportunity to participate in this legacy of a world wide evangelization effort.**

## 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, Patricia Coughlin

**DECEASED:** Maria Schlemm

### CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH

**In Honor of:** The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

**Donated by:** Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH

**In Honor of:** The Intentions of Denise Vecchio

**Donated by:** Jim & Isabel Cavalcante



## FLU VACCINATIONS AVAILABLE



Under the direction of Public Affairs Commissioner Karen Haggerty & Health Coordinator Janine Barone the Lyndhurst Health Department will be holding its Flu Shot Clinic at 253 Stuyvesant Avenue on the following days: October 19th Starting at 9:00 a.m. – 7 p.m. AND October 26th from 9:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Please call the Health Department at 201-804-2500 for Appointments

## 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.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER NEEDED

Queen of Peace Grammar School in North Arlington is seeking a full or part time middle school social studies/literature teacher.

Please contact Dr. Linda Jacewich

Phone #201-998-8222 Fax #201-997-7930

OCTOBER 16, 2022

Twenty-Ninth Sunday  
In Ordinary Time



### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm Edward Geisler

### SUNDAY - Twenty-Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Madeline & Gennaro Ferrara

10:30 am John Ruggier

12:00pm O.C.

1:30 pm Amador Castelo Rodriguez

### MONDAY - St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

12:00pm Thomas Coughlin

### TUESDAY - St. Luke, Evangelist

12:00pm Armando Pereira

### WEDNESDAY - Sts. John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, Priests, and Companions, Martyrs

12:00pm Josephine & Sandra Froats

### THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Paul of the Cross, Priest

12:00pm John & Arminda Valente

### FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Ukraine

### SATURDAY - Weekday/St. John Paul II, Pope/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Ukraine

### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm August Papamarkos

### SUNDAY - Thirtieth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Lorraine & Erwin Breitkoff

10:30 am John Ruggier

12:00pm Antoinette & Michael Di Preta

1:30 pm Carlos Ruiz Lara

## STEWARDSHIP

Collection Totals Not Available At Time of Publication

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



Sacred Heart Church  
Altar Server Form

All current Altar Servers and those interested in becoming an Altar Server are asked to fill out this form and return it to the parish office. Please print clearly.

Altar Server Requirements

1. be Catholic and have received First Holy Communion
2. be a Sacred Heart Parish member or a student at Sacred Heart School
3. be in grades 3 through 8
4. participate in all training sessions
5. be committed to serving our parish family

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Email \_\_\_\_\_

School Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle all Masses that the child is available to serve.  
A child will not be asked to serve at more than 1 Mass per week

Sat. 5:00PM, Sun. 7:30AM, Sun. 9:00AM

Sun, 10:30AM Sun. 12:00PM, Sun. 1:30PM (Spanish)

**Parent/Guardian Authorizaton**

I give my child permission to be an Altar Server at Sacred Heart Church.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Print Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_