



Sacred Heart Church

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31st Sunday

I N O R D I N A R Y T I M E

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

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
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.

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

There is something of a turn-around in today's Gospel. The standard understanding of Zacchaeus is that he is a notorious tax collector, becoming wealthy by squeezing money out of the people. He is a sinner, a small man, both physically and morally. He learns that Jesus is coming through town, so he climbs a sycamore tree to get a better view of Him as He passes by. Zacchaeus doesn't shout out or call to Jesus, but the Lord sees him and calls him down. Zacchaeus repents and that's the end of his story.

That's a good interpretation, but if we listen carefully to the story there's another turn-around, that's quite possible here. One clue is what Zacchaeus has to say. He says, "...if I have extorted any man..." He doesn't say that he has. There is no admission of guilt nor does he strike his breast. He doesn't beg for mercy and doesn't express his sorrow. Furthermore, Jesus makes no reference to repentance and to conversion. And so this might be a clue that maybe something else is going on here.

Maybe Zacchaeus is a good man, and his reputation for being evil is simply pure rumor, backbiting, and lies based on the jealousy of his neighbors. Therefore what Jesus offers is not forgiveness, but rather vindication. What Jesus might be saying is, "you are really not what they say you are. You're all right in my book. I'll dine with you." (Jesus seemed to "invite Himself over" a lot!)

In other words, what we have here is a Zacchaeus story that can be read about a man who has been misjudged and mistreated by people. To that degree he stands in a long history of those who would be misunderstood and marginalized.

This interpretation opens the story to two vantage points in the narrative. We can be with Zacchaeus "up a tree," or we can be on the ground with those who judge him wrongly. We have all been up that tree at one time or another. On the other hand, there are times we may be on the ground, being the accusers, rash judges, spreading gossip and delighting in it.

In either case, the Gospel message is there. First it offers complete acceptance by Jesus for those who have been wrongly judged. It reminds us that while people may look at appearances, God reads the heart. Jesus offers vindication and states that if no one else will eat with us, He will. If no one else will make an effort at understanding He will. If no one will take us at our word, He will.

What it comes down to is invitation. It is an invitation to accept the Lord's embrace and to accept his forgiveness. In both cases, the bottom line of the Gospel is "mercy is at work."

The story doesn't tell us what preceded Zacchaeus' going out to see Jesus. We don't know. Was Zacchaeus a man ready for a big change in his life? Maybe, but we aren't explicitly told anything about a prior change of heart or remorse.

Jesus, however, is in a hurry to reach out to Zacchaeus, there is no time to waste. "Today," Jesus says, "I must stay at your house." But who's the host and who's the guest in today's story? While it might be Zacchaeus' house, it is Jesus who does the inviting. He invites Zacchaeus to join Him as a guest in Zacchaeus' own house!

Unless we know our own condition and unless we accept the fact that we are all a bit like Zacchaeus, some of us more lost than others, we will not be able to accept the Lord's invitation. Neither will we be able to own up to the fact that we need him. We would be like Zacchaeus before his encounter with Jesus. We may be curious about Jesus from all the things we might have heard about him but we won't do very much about it.

The gospel message is **Christ believes in us, Christ is committed to us.** Like Zacchaeus, we are small people in many ways. But, here every week at Mass we climb into the sight of God and we say we are not worthy that He should come under our roof. But Christ invites himself in, He comes under our roof and gives Himself to us. And he can say to us what he said to Zacchaeus, this day salvation has come to this house.

It is only in Christ that we can become whole, it is only in Christ that we can become complete. There is a religious novelist, Lloyd Douglas who closes his version of the encounter between Jesus and Zacchaeus with these words. "Zacchaeus, said The Carpenter gently, what did you see that made you desire this peace?" "Good Master, I saw in you the Zacchaeus I was meant to be and when you showed me that, I could not turn away."

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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 and on November 19th for Thanksgiving.

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

YOUR COINS FOR CHRIST COUNT!

In the few short weeks since Fr. Theemas announced the "Coins for Christ" program your generosity has raised more than \$500 for our parish family. **This ongoing activity** invites our parish family to take a Coins for Christ collection jar home and keep it in the area where you empty your pockets in the evening. **Collection jars are available at the entrances to the church.** Any spare change you have you can put in the jar. Every couple of weeks, simply empty the contents of the jar into a plastic bag and put the bag into the collection basket. Your spare change counts for our parish! Thanks for your continued generosity!!



ALL SAINTS DAY

This Tuesday, Nov. 1st is the Solemnity of All Saints, a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses begin on Monday at 5:00PM and continue on Tuesday at 7:00AM, 9:00AM, 12:00 Noon and 7:30PM.

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., 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, Andrea Globis

DECEASED: All those from our parish family the Lord has called home

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

In Honor of: John & Theresa Simonak

Donated by: Barbara & Don Wynne

LYNDHURST KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS, COUNCIL 2396 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL FUNDRAISER TOURNAMENT NOVEMBER 25TH, 26TH, 27TH TEAM REGISTRATION \$250

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| *Bracket Play/Double Elimination | *Players 5th - 8th Grade |
| *Maximum 12 players team | *1-2 Coaches 18 yrs. & older |
| *Tourney capped at 16 teams | *Commemorative t-shirt |
| *1st place team gets the trophy | *1st, 2nd, & 3rd medals |

REGISTER NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 18TH at

<https://bit.ly/Council2396Vball>

No affiliation needed, open to all!

OKTOBERFEST THANK YOU

Our parish family enjoyed a fun evening of German food, music and prizes on October 22nd! Thanks so much to many the people of our parish family who gave freely of their time, talent and treasure to make this evening very enjoyable for all those who attended! Thanks also to all who bought tickets and those who came out to have some fun with our parish family. Thanks to your generous support *we sold 94 tickets and raised \$1,810* for our parish!!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDING

Daylight Savings Time will end next Sunday, November 6th at 2:00AM. **Please remember to set your clocks BACK one hour next Saturday, November 5th before going to bed.** It is also a good time to change batteries in smoke and CO2 detectors.

OCTOBER 30, 2022

Thirty-First Sunday
In Ordinary Time



Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm O.C.

SUNDAY - Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am O.C.

10:30 am John Ruggier

12:00pm O.C.

1:30 pm Senor de los Milagros

MONDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Juan Morales

Anticipated Holy Day Mass

5:00pm Ukraine

TUESDAY - All Saints Day

7:00am Charles M. Alberto, Jr.

9:00am Manuel S. Cunha

12:00pm Aaron Angel Lopez

7:30pm Domenico Tulipani

WEDNESDAY - All Souls Day

12:00pm Faithful Departed

THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Martin de Porres, Religious

12:00pm Faithful Departed

FRIDAY - St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

12:00pm Faithful Departed

SATURDAY - Weekday/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm Faithful Departed

SUNDAY - Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Faithful Departed

10:30 am John Ruggier

12:00pm John Matino, Sr.

1:30 pm Alfonso Lino Zamudio

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Collection - \$5,164
World Mission Sunday - \$1,281
Reminder: We need \$6,600 in the Sunday Collection to cover our budgeted expenses. Thank you!



THE PARISH OF SACRED HEART IN LYNDHURST
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

**Feast Location: Sacred Heart School cafetería
Saturday . December 3,2022 At 1:00 pm**

*** Tickets will be sold at all Masses starting in November
Adults - **\$10** – Include Food, drink, coffee and desert
Teenagers - (12 a 6 años) **\$ 5**
Childrens (under 6) **Free**

There will be music, raffles (**\$2 & \$5** each tickets) with great prizes, entertainment, delicious food, surprises for the children and especially, we will all have a moment to celebrate this feast as a community to help our parish.

Note: Our Lady of Guadalupe bilingual mass will be : Lunes 12 de diciembre a las 7:00pm

For Donation please : Carmen (201)-390-8968

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