



# Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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

“Now I have seen and testified that he is  
the Son of God.” - Jn 1:34

### 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  
Jan. 8, Feb. 12, Apr. 8 - 8:30 PM, May 14, June 18

### 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

The year is very new and there are as ever many questions on the horizon. We look at the days and months ahead and wonder how those still suffering the effects of Covid will fare and when the wars and strife in Ukraine, Ethiopia, Haiti, and so many other places will end. How can we put an end to poverty and homelessness? Will we ever be able to speak civilly to one another again? When will peace rule peoples' hearts? As "ordinary time" begins to unfold, we will be constantly reminded that God has not and will not abandon us. The light that led the Magi will shine light on our dark winter days. Into this darkness comes the promise of Light. Will all things get better immediately? Not likely. But a way has been illumined, a path has been shown to us and we must continue to live by the light we have seen.

Today's scripture opens with a focus on Isaiah's "servant" - the light to the nations. This light then moves to John the Baptist and his testimony about Jesus. And finally that light comes to rest on us, both as a community of faith and as individual witnesses to the light of Christ. We are called to be holy.

Isaiah is dominant in our liturgical readings as we begin our new year. We begin with God's promise: "I will make you a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." Next week we will discover the promise fulfilled: "The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom a light has shone."

John the Baptist also has a prominent place during these weeks. In last week's reading, John protested his unworthiness at the baptism of Jesus. This week he boldly proclaims: "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." Finally, next week, we will see John arrested - his mission fulfilled.

In the Gospels of Luke and Matthew this scene has a voice from heaven affirming Jesus as "the beloved Son," perhaps a continuation of the Epiphany narrative. But today's revelation is different. It comes through the human voice of the Baptist. John was a forthright, outspoken prophet, but also quite vulnerable. The Baptist's voice gives rich testimony to Jesus' identity. He tells us that Jesus is the Lamb of God who "takes away the sin of the world. He is the one who ranks ahead of John, the one upon whom the Spirit came and remained. John also tells us that Jesus is the one who will "baptize with the Holy Spirit" and who is "the Son of God."

In Matthew and Luke it is the voice of God which identifies Jesus. But in the Gospel of John, the Baptist is the clear witness to him for us. Today's Gospel has turned our attention to human witnesses, those who are the lights in the world, who speak and act out of their own faith experience and thus give witness to Jesus' identity.

Early Christians were drawn to the Servant Songs of Isaiah and they saw themselves as a people called out of exile through Jesus, God's obedient servant. He was the sign of God's compassion and justice to all nations that "my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth." These same Christians also saw themselves in the prophetic role of God's servant, called and challenged to be holy, to be a people of light, a sign of God's outreach to all who dwell in any kind of darkness.

In Jesus, we too are called to be this "light to the nations." But we have a long way to go before we, as a community, can be called servants of God's compassion and peace in the world. If we truly are lights to the world, then we are on display all the time. Who we are as the people of God and how we interact among ourselves and others, will also be a message to those in exile, calling them out of their darkness into the loving embrace of the Father.

This, then, is our call. And if we are faithful to it, living as Paul describes us today - those "who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy" - then we can become the servant community of people that Isaiah envisioned, a "light to the nations."

## Christmas Memorial Flowers

The following members of our parish family gave a gift in memory of a loved one.

**Danny Capiello**-in memory of Daniel & Lena Capiello, Wilfred & Evelyn Wassong, Theresa LaBruno

**Isabel & James Cavalcante**-in memory of-James M. Cavalcante

**Thomas Cecot**-in memory of-Walter & Anne Cecot, Randy H. Walters

**Nilde Coiro**-in memory of-Arsenio & Rose Aromando, Gerarda, Michael, & Edie D'Amato, Lisa & Tony Aromando, Pina, Conrad A. & Corrado Episcopo, Dominka Zic, Michele & Leonilda Pandolfo, Nicola, Adele, & Matilde Coiro, Adele Buckley, Barbara Ruzika

**Michael & Joan Coyne**-in memory of-Ambrose & Coyne Families

**Joann De Serio**-in memory of-Frank De Serio

**Janet & Gerry DeFrino**-in memory of-Our Parents--Jeanette and Nicholas DeFrino

**Lucretia Demilio**-in memory of-Alfonso Demilio, Laura Manning, Armand & Annie L. Carusona, Mattia & Rita Demilio, Anna & Vincent Giardelli, Fred & Carmela Carusona, Henry & Annie Bray, William & Marilyn Worman

**Robert Derby**-in memory of-Eleanor & Arthur Derby, Louise & Anthony Radice, Mary & George Derby, Angela Malzone, Richard McGill

**Heidi C. Doria**-in memory of-Juan Cantos, Sr., Pilar Cantos, Modesto Estrella, Monica Estrella, Eufrocinda Cantos, Saturnino Cantos, John Casiello, Sr., John Casiello, Sr., Jenny Casiello, Ignacio Espiritu, Roberto Lumbang, Editha Ocenta, Socorro Guillarte, Petronilo Rivera

**Mr. & Mrs. Robert Durham**-in memory of-Theresa Wiley Robert Durham, Jr., Kay & Joseph Bianco, Ann & Stephen Nayman

**Robert & Mary Hero**-in memory of-Joseph & Evelyn Famularo

**Horgan Family**-in memory of-O'Gorman Family

**Marjorie Lejda**-in memory of-Lejda Family, O'Mara Family

**Denise & Craig Mayer**-in memory of-Grace Mayer, Henry Machno, Joe Rocco, Sr., Audrey & Bart Heid, Dominick LeFante, Louise & James LeFante, Jamie Cunningham

**Dorothy Mayerchak**-in memory of-Joseph Mayerchak

**Anne McMullin**-in memory of-Richard McMullin, Sr.

**Mr. & Mrs. Euclides J. Medellin**-in memory of-Silva & Henry Medellin

**Anna Navatta**-in memory of-Navatta Family, Isoldi Family, Pretto Family

**Brian & Carol O'Keeffe**-in memory of-Patrick O'Keeffe, Sr. & Sean O'Keeffe, Vincenzo & Catalina Valentino

**James Owens**-in memory of-Owens and Bevacqua Families

**Maddalena Passero**-in memory of-Luigi & Filidea Di Bianco, Pellegrino Di Bianco, Matthew Di Bianco, Gino & Elisa Di Bianco, All the Di Bianco Family, James & Martha Kennedy

**Patty & Joe Pavlica**-in memory of-Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr., Carmela & Pat Ferrara, Madeline & Gennaro Ferrara

**Rose Peros**-in memory of-Krizan Peros, Krese & Ivana Peros, Antonio & Maria Meli, Joseph Meli, Anthony B.V. Meli, Rina De Marco, Louise Van Decker, Maria Torina Meli

**Dolores Petrillo**-in memory of-Conrad Petrillo, Carol Petrillo-Lintz, Kay & Al Galindo & Family, Carol & Alex Galindo, & Marilyn & Hank Kapras, Cate & Tom Riley & Family, G. & A. Gaston & Family, F. & I. Nagler & Family, F. & R. D'Aloia & Family, L. & A. Petrillo & Family

**Loma Readie**-in memory of-William Readie, Mary Osborn

**Jean Redner**-in memory of-Thomas Redner, Louis & Betty Sottovia & Sottovia Family, Larry & Lena Redner & Redner Family, Rose & Angelo Corino & Corino Family, Louis & Mary Ferrie & Ferrie Family, Christine Corey

**Carmen A. Rodriguez**-in memory of-Souls in Purgatory

**Marge & Sal Russo**-in memory of-Arthur & Frances Klein, William Klein, Alma & Jack Corry, Sal & Lee Russo

**Agnes A. Sauser**-in memory of-Adam A. Sauser, Sr.

**Charles Sofio**-in memory of-Peter & Carmela Sofio, Sam & Ita Deo, Charles & Mary Sofio, Anthony Sofio, Sam Deo Geraldine Carbone, Marcos A. Cruz, Theresa Stone, John Neglia, Michael Carpino, Roni Mulligan, Joseph & Rose Motisi, Mike Carpino, Natalie Navatta, Fr. Robert Brennan, Joseph Mayerchak, Bill Davis, Deacon Stephen Rodack, Ruth Tracey, Ann Chiaro, Madeline D'Aloia, Barbara Ruzika

**Rosemarie & David Vaccari**-in memory of-Rose & Mike Carini, David Vaccari, III, Vincent & Margot Carini, Mickey & Nada Carini

**MaryAnn Valente**-in memory of-John Valente, Albert Alberti, Meagan Valente, Anthony & Caroline Naviello, John & Arminda Valente, JoAnn Fescoc

**Kathy Valerius**-in memory of-Miriam & William Rooney

**Phyllis Esnes-Varga & Edward Varga**-in memory Stella & Eugene Esnes, Agatha & Alex Varga, Joseph Varga, Michael Varga, Maria & Martin Macko

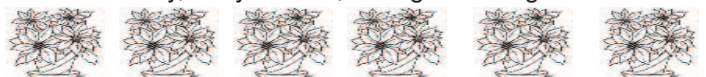
**Arceli & Maria Vargas**-in memory of-Manuel & Mercedes Vargas, Florencio & Basilia Vargas, Cipriano & Emilia Gache, Rudy & Ador Vargas, Elena Gache, Lina Ramores, Wilfredo & Arnulfo Balce, Trinidad Balce, Marcos Cruz, Theresa Stone, Eleanor Cappadona, Delfina De Oliveira, Zaida Rivera

**Geraldine Velazquez**-in memory of-Juan & Anna Velaquez, Frank & Anna Fata, Carmen Rodriguez, Rosemary Ortiz, Connie Di Pasquale, Alma DeFilippo, Madeline D'Aloia, Geraldine Carbone, Anita Meyer, Teenie Morgano

**Joseph & JoAnn Vincenzino**-in memory of-James & Eleanor Scotti, Orazio & Michelina Vincenzino, Peter & Mathilde Favaro, Al & Anna Mae Rapisardi

**Bill & Barbara Whitford**-in memory of-William & Lillian Whitford, Juan & Daysi Morales, Marcos Cruz, Terry Stone, Joseph Mayerchak, Bill Davis

**Florence Yurkiewicz**-in memory of-Clem Yurkiewicz, John DeLuca Family, Judy Nelson, George Dowling



## 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, Patricia Coughlin, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald

**DECEASED:** William Boutilette, Joann De Lorenzo, Josephine Chiarella

### CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

#### SUNDAY, JANUARY 15TH

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

**Donated by:** Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 21ST

**In Honor of:** Donna Armstrong

**Donated by:** Rosemary & Andrew Palelogos

### YOUR HELP REQUESTED

In conjunction with a major fund raising event on March 11, the parish is requesting gift baskets that will be auctioned off that night. If you are interested in donating a \$25, \$50, or \$75 basket, please drop it off at the parish center. Maybe you received items for the Christmas that you can't use, you can also drop off NEW ITEMS ONLY at the parish center to make up a basket. If you have any questions, feel free to call Sabina at 862-249-1186. Thank you for your generosity which will contribute to the success of this fund raising event which will benefit Sacred Heart Church.

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

**We are stocking up our Parish Family Food Pantry for the cold winter months. Can you help us make winter a little warmer for our brothers and sisters struggling with food insecurity?**

**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.

### MARTIN LUTHER DAY HOLIDAY

In observance of the Martin Luther Day holiday the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 16th. The Mass will be celebrated at its regular time of 12 Noon.

### SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Your generosity the second collection next weekend will help announce the love of God through the Catholic Communication Campaign. Half of the funds collected will remain our diocese to support local communication efforts.

**JANUARY 15, 2023**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

#### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm Sabino Joseph Salerno

#### SUNDAY - Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Danilo Veluz Palomares

10:30 am Lee Russo

12:00pm Sergio Gatria

1:30 pm Celia & Fernando Torres

#### MONDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Anthony Scardino, Sr.

#### TUESDAY - St. Anthony, Abbot

12:00pm Michael Conzo

#### WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Christina Moore

#### THURSDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Carole Marciano

#### FRIDAY - Weekday/St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr/St. Sebastian, Martyr

12:00pm Ted Cornell

#### SATURDAY - St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

9:00am Donna Armstrong

#### Anticipated Mass for Sunday

5:00pm Louise & Rocco Paolazzi

#### SUNDAY - Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Anthony Silver

10:30 am Rita Duane

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Carlos Ruiz Lara

### STEWARDSHIP

January 1st

Sunday - \$1,480

Solemnity of Mary - \$5,610

January 8th

Sunday - \$6,151

Add'l Solemnity of Mary \$370

Christmas To Date - \$29,168

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

## COME AND LISTEN

“COME TO ME ALL WHO ARE TIRED  
AND BURDENED AND I WILL GIVE  
YOUR REST” Matthew 11:28



ARE  
CARES & WORRIES  
WEIGHING YOU DOWN?

COME & LISTEN  
ONE WORD COULD CHANGE  
YOUR LIFE.

**Mondays & Thursdays**  
**Starting Monday, January 9th**  
**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**

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## ST. PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISER

Saturday, March 11, 2020,

following the 5:00 PM Mass

Sacred Heart School Cafeteria

Corned Beef Dinner - Irish Music - BYOB

50/50 Raffle - Drawing at 8:00 p.m.

Gift Baskets Auction

Tickets for the dinner \$25 for Adults

**\$10 for kids 12 and under and will go on sale shortly.**

In conjunction with this major fund raising event, the parish is requesting donations for gift baskets that will be auctioned off that night. If you're interested in donating a \$25, \$50, or \$75 basket, please drop it off at the Parish Center. If you'd like to contribute new items to make up a gift basket, you can also drop them off at the Parish Center. If you have any questions, feel free to call Sabina at 862-249-1186. Thank you for your generosity which will contribute to the success of this fund raising which will benefit Sacred Heart Parish.

