



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

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
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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Good Shepherd Sunday



The Gospels over the next weeks are drawn from the Gospel of John leading up to Jesus' farewell discourse to his disciples. Although we are just about halfway through the Easter season, these readings take us back to the Upper Room where Jesus shares a meal with his disciples and speaks his final words to them. Very often in John, Jesus describes himself using the words "I am" - "I am the true vine, I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." And when we reflect on the metaphors that he uses to identify himself, we learn more and more about who Jesus is in our lives. We also learn much about ourselves and who we are to be.

The Gospel today gives us another image which Jesus used to describe himself. He says I am "the gate for the sheep." He is the shepherd who calls his sheep by name and whose voice the sheep recognize and follow. There are a number of different reflections one can draw from this short narrative.

It is important for us to remember that this passage was not just a memory that looked back on Jesus' life with his disciples. When Jesus talks about being the "gate" and the "gatekeeper," his intent is to focus both on the role of shepherd as well as on the attitude of the sheep. His view was much broader than simply the powerlessness and helplessness of the flock. Rather He was modeling a life-style to which He was inviting all of his followers to share: one of concern and compassion, of service and dedication, one of relentless and abounding love.

Today's narrative would have challenged community leaders, "shepherds," who had failed their own communities and who had placed themselves above their people or preached a message they did not adhere to themselves. During our own time, when some church leaders and local shepherds have dismally failed their flock, it is comforting to hear Jesus' reminder that he would be a faithful shepherd and not abandon us like "thieves and robbers," or those looking only for their own profit or power.

But this parable is a challenge to us all. We are to be a reconciling, healing and unifying community. One of the effects of the pandemic was the extraordinary sacrifices and gestures of hospitality shown to those in need by their neighbors. Strangers became friends because they had to reach out beyond the usual confines of their private lives. Isn't that what Jesus encourages us to do -- as he did -- lay down our lives for others? If we are to be Jesus' followers then we cannot be bystanders when others are in need. Salvation is not simply a private thing.

We are a community and care of those in need is not just the job of a few professionals. Nor is the care of others just a matter of simply contributing to a "worthy cause". "Laying down our lives for others" means that we are to be willing to give whatever is necessary of our lives to serve others. We are not to be like the thief who comes only "to steal and slaughter and destroy."

The eruption of God in our lives requires a profound change. We should be encouraged by Jesus' words today. He proclaims God's reign in order to awaken hope and call all people to change their way of thinking and acting. We are called to enter the gate and follow. But we are called to be shepherds of the flock as well. As both sheep and shepherds, we need to rediscover and reinterpret the Jesus message in a clear and decisive language that will speak to the world about how we see ourselves as His followers.

"I am the gate for the sheep." Others will know Him by the way they come to know us. And we will have life, and have it more abundantly.

Easter Memorial Flowers

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

John Aquino-in memory of-Anthony & Alice Aquino, Michael Tallent, Norman Arcos, Bret Paton, Richard Lester, James & Mary Tallent, Aniello & Rose Aquino

The Baumann Family-in memory of-Albert A. & Helen Greenrose, Leila Kukuruzza, Joseph & Rosemarie Baumann, Stephen & Stephanie Krand

Jim & Isabel Cavalcante-in memory of-James M. Cavalcante, Rev. Robert Brennan

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

Nilde Coiro-in memory of-Arsenio & Rose Aromando, Gerarda & Michael D'Amato, Lisa & Tony Aromando, Jean Aromando, Coiro Family, Pina & Conrad Episcopo, Mark Monetta, Dominka Zic

Michael & Joan Coyne-in memory of-The Ambrose and Coyne Families

Lucretia D'Emilio-in memory of-Alfonso D'Emilio, Laura Manning, Armand & Annie Louise Carusona, Mattia & Rita D'Emilio, Anna & Vincent Giardelli, Janet & Matt Giardelli, Terry & Jerry D'Emilio, Fred & Carmella Carusona, Henry & Annie Mae Bray

Janet & Greg DeFrino-in memory of-Jeannette and Nicholas DeFrino

Greg & Janet DeFrino-in memory of-Marie Siculietano

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

Joann DeSerio-in memory of-Frank DeSerio

Lillian A. Dondero-in memory of-Joseph, Agnes & Rosemary Dondero

Heidi C. Doria-in memory of-Juan Cantos, Sr., Pilar Cantos, Modesto & Monica Estrella, Saturnino Cantos, Eufrocina Cantos, Ignacio Espiritu, Roberto Lumbang, Demetrio Cantos, John Casiello, Sr., John Casiello, Jr., Jenny Casiello, Editha Ocenop, Corie Gaillarte, Petronillo Rivera, Natividad Magcaley, Sotera Eugenio

Helen C. Dowling-in memory of-Dowling Family, Clem Yurkiewicz

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

Phyllis Esnes & Edward Varga-in memory of-Stella & Eugene Esnes, Agatha & Alexander Varga, Joseph Varga, Maria & Martin Varga, Ethel & Joseph Wilkinson, Evelyn & Michael Sherwood, Mary & Mario & Daniel Faochin

Linda Halpin-in memory of-Agnes Pelak

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

George Hirth-in memory of-Marie Hirth & Dorothy Hambach

Marjorie Lejda-in memory of-Lejda & O'Mara Family

Denise & Craig Mayer-in memory of-Grace Mayer, Louise & James LeFante, Nicky Cimicata, Jamie Cunningham, Henry Machno, Joseph Rocco, Sr.,

Dorothy Mayerchak-in memory of-Joseph Mayerchak

Anne Mc Mullin-in memory of-Richard W. Mc Mullin, Sr., Mrs. Anna Stecz

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

Maddalena Passero-in memory of-Marie & Donald Brett, Jordan R. Tague, Carol Clark, Rose & Joe Motisi, Diane Marshall, Marcos Cruz, Antonio Rizzo, Laura Balletto

Ann Petrillo-in memory of-Joseph Petrillo, Varacalli Family

Dolores Petrillo-in memory of-Carol Petrillo Lintz, Conrad Petrillo, T.D.C Riley Family, A. & K. Galindo Family, H. & M. Kapras Family, C. & A. Galindo, S. & R. Klein Family

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

Micki Prokop-in memory of-Russ Prokop, Pat Zimmermann, Loretta & Joe Dietz, Jim Dietz

Loma Readie-in memory of-William Readie, Mary Osborn, Readie & Mc Ardl Families

Jean Redner-in memory of-Thomas Redner, Betty & Louis Sottovia & all deceased members of the Sottovia Family, Lena & Larry Redner & all deceased members of the Redner Family, Maria Rose & Angelo Corino and all deceased members of the Corino Family, Mary & Louis Ferrie and all deceased members of the Ferrie Family, Romano & Theresa Sottovia, Joe, Roberta & Sr. Christine Corey

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

Marge & Sal Russo-in memory of-Frances & Arthur Klien, Lee & Sal Russo, Alma & John Curry

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

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

Mr. & Mrs. David Vaccari, Sr.-in memory of-David Vincent Vaccari, III, Carini Family, Vaccari Family

MaryAnn Valente-in memory of-John Valente, Albert Alberti, Anthony & Caroline Naviello, John & Arminda Valente, Meagan Valente, Joann Fescoe

Kathy Valerius-in memory of-Miriam & William Rooney

Geraldine Velazquez-in memory of-Juan & Anna Velaquez, Frank & Anna Fata, Carmen Rodriguez, Rosemary Ortiz, Connie Di Pasquale, Alma DeFilippo, Camille Squitieri, Clara Carrozzo, Anita Meyer, Madeline D'Aloia, Tennie Morgano

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

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

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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, Margot O'Hara, Patricia Coughlin, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald, Ava Romano, Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Hector Cruz, John Du Bois

DECEASED: Anita Carbone

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of April 30th, the following items used for worship in our sanctuary were donated in the memory of a relative or friend or a special intention.

BREAD & WINE:



In Honor of: John Michael Torrillo
At Rest With The Lord

Donated by: Mr. & Mrs. Elvio Marinelli

"A FATHER'S HEART" In Theaters on May 1st ONLY

On the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, Monday, May 1, 2023, *A Father's Heart: The Miracles of St. Joseph Today* will be released exclusively in theaters across the country. It will be preceded by a short film produced by The Knights of Columbus, *Our Liberator: St. Joseph and the Priests of Dachau*.

A Father's Heart: The Miracles of St. Joseph Today

What do we know about the real St. Joseph? In *A FATHER'S HEART*, the filmmakers search over five continents for the people whose lives have been transformed by this mysterious man. Husband of Mary. Foster-Father of Jesus. Protector of the Church. Patron of the Dying. Terror of Demons. From radical conversions to impossible cures; from the rebuilding of broken marriages to aid to the dying - this compelling documentary film reveals just who St. Joseph is and how he acts in the world today.

Near us, the film will be screened will be at AMC Clifton Commons 16, 405 Route 3, Clifton at 7:00 PM.

BI-ANNUAL ROSARY SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE

The Dominican Nuns of Summit NJ will be holding their bi-annual Rosary Sunday Pilgrimage on **Sunday, May 7th at 3:00 PM**. Their yearly 'May Crowning' of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a brief homily, and Benediction will follow the recitation of the Rosary. This is an excellent opportunity to get to know the nuns! Currently the community is comprised of about 20 nuns from the ages of 26-91 with a median age of 36. It is the only cloistered community in the Archdiocese of Newark. **The Rosary Shrine is located at 543 Springfield Ave, Summit NJ. Parking will be available next door at 535 Springfield Ave. For questions: info@summitdominicans.org or 908-273-1228.**

APRIL 30, 2023

**MASS
INTENTIONS**
FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Pellegrino Di Bianco

SUNDAY - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Barbara Ruzika

10:30 am Ernesto Santiago

12:00pm Joseph Mayerchak

1:30 pm Josefa Marino Lustres

MONDAY - Easter Weekday/St. Joseph the Worker

12:00pm Richard Mc Gill, Sr.

TUESDAY - St. Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm U.S.A.

WEDNESDAY - Sts. Philip and James, Apostles

12:00pm Jack Meister (Living)

THURSDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Special Intention

FIRST FRIDAY - Easter Weekday

12:00pm Marcelino & Ester Samartino

FIRST SATURDAY - Easter Weekday

9:00am Purgatorial Society

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Ferrara & Pavlica Families

SUNDAY - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Theresa Muldoon

10:30 am Manuel & Mercedes Vargas

12:00pm Varacalli Family

1:30 pm Manuel Noya Gude

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - April 23rd

Easter To Date - \$16,317

Sunday Collection- \$5,908

Add'l Assessment Collection - \$50

Add'l Holy Land - \$50

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

ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK - ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

The Archdiocese's 2023 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, 114 families from our parish family have generously supported the Appeal:
Our Parish's Goal - \$34,700 -- Paid To Date - \$23,584 (67.97% 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 from the Archdiocese a 2% reduction in our parish assessment expense for the fiscal year. This 2% reduction saved the parish more than \$7,500 in assessment expense last year. The Archdiocese will also rebate back to the parish 50% of the funds received from our parish that exceeds our goal! 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 2023 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.

COUNCIL #2396
Knights of Columbus
Presents
ARRAY OF HOPE
AWAKENING HEARTS

100th Anniversary
Lyndhurst
COUNCIL #2396
1922 - 2022

**An Evening of Faith,
Hope and Love**
A Musical Multimedia Experience

Date:
Saturday, May 13th 2023, 7:00pm

Location:
Lyndhurst Middle School
619 Page Avenue
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Ticket price
VIP Tickets - \$50
(Includes VIP seat and another given away to local youth organizations)

General Admission - \$20 each
Family Package - Starting at \$50

"It's a multi-generational musical journey of the faith"
-EWTN "Life on the Rock"

"They present the Gospel in technicolor"
-Relevant Radio, "Morning Air"

**Have Questions?
Contact Us:**
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