



# Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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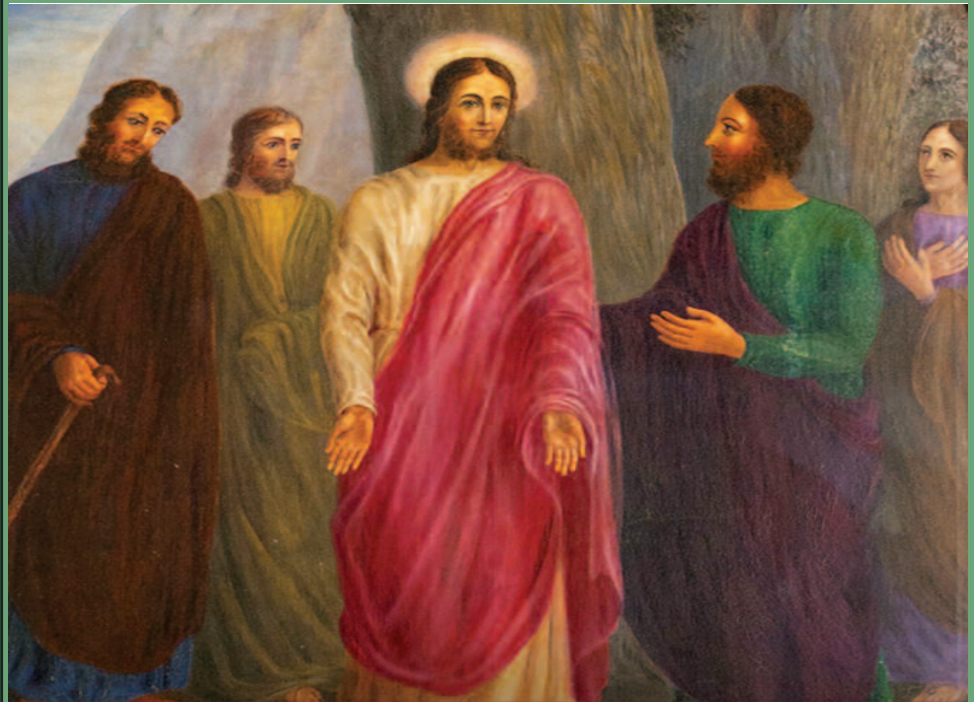
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## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK

973-497-4000



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

“Go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, make this proclamation: ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, drive out demons. Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give.” - Mt 10:6-8

### 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

Jul. 9, Aug. 13, Sep. 10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec. 10

### 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.

## Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

God's kingdom is often compared to a "harvest" in the Scriptures. It is an image that perhaps meant more to other cultures, in other ages than our own. However, there is still an important message for all of us in today's Gospel passage. We can substitute the word "church" for "harvest" and we can hear the Lord reminding us that it is by God's favor that we belong to this chosen community.

The Gospel Matthew tells us that Jesus is moved to speak because of his compassion for the fractured humanity that encircles him. But it wasn't just the crowds' tattered clothes, or their sufferings and diseases or the physical poverty that Jesus saw - though he was often deeply moved by people's physical needs. But He also saw the outsiders, beggars lining the paths, prostitutes and public sinners. Jesus saw these people with a vision that others did not have and if his disciples were to be his true followers, they would have to have their eyes opened by him. The people are confused and dejected, like "sheep without a shepherd" and they are expectant, like a field of grain ready for the harvest.

Jesus wants the powers of God's reign to be brought to these people's needs. He doesn't require that they first conform to some pre-requisites imposed by "the kingdom of heaven." They don't have to belong to some special group or nation in order to be helped. They don't have to pre-qualify in any way beforehand by pledging allegiance or obedience. He simply tells his disciples to go out and "cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, and drive out the demons."

He simply tells them to go to people who need them and tend to them.

But the mission of the Gospel is not just a response to a need; it is a gift from God and therefore the Father must be asked to send those who will do the harvesting. And so we see Jesus formalizing the call of the twelve who will be sent on this mission. But the folks that He chooses, themselves deserve the label "lost sheep"; the awkward and fearful Peter; Matthew the tax collector; Simon, a member of the hot-blooded Zealot revolutionaries; James and John, who would argue over who was the greater; and the tragic Judas. Those originally sent by Jesus were Galileans. They weren't from the center of the institutionalized religion in Jerusalem. Rather, they themselves were from the fringe of the religion and society - just ordinary people who were called to do extraordinary things.

So the Gospel will be proclaimed by the very ones who desperately need it themselves. And they in turn will give this gift free of charge. They will make neither personal profit nor gain in personal prestige and rank over those to whom they are sent. They will always remember that the teaching and healing they themselves received from Jesus came free of charge - the "good news" is a gift. It always was and it always will be.

A harvest just doesn't happen - it requires work. "Church" doesn't just happen... it doesn't just spring up out of ground. All of the different components which make up our Church require work, support, planning, tender care and collaboration.

Blessed John XXIII and the bishops of the Second Vatican Council believed that the Church could read the reality of the social and cultural phenomena of this world by reading the "signs of the times." The Church of the New Millennium must be a Church of responsible leadership and commitment. If we must rely on "the Church" to witness to Christ, we must do so because together we are the Church. This is our fundamental belief of sacramental theology - that as baptized and sacramental people we are empowered to be alive in the Holy Spirit and to transform the world.

Jesus didn't choose a perfect band of apostles, but they trusted in his word and did their best—we, too, have been chosen - and neither are we perfect. It will take the rest of our lives and beyond to realize what a gift the gospel has been to us. True leadership and service - called, gifted and appointed by Christ - will carry the marks of the Good Shepherd in the way we become shepherds to his sheep.

How we act and speak in our lives will give proof that we have sat at Jesus' feet and have heard his message, sending us to those who are troubled, abandoned, the sick and the outcast.

## FATHER'S DAY BLESSINGS

*Heavenly Father,  
you entrusted your Son Jesus,  
the child of Mary,  
to the care of Joseph, an earthly father.  
Bless all fathers  
as they care for their families.  
Give them strength and wisdom,  
tenderness and patience;  
support them in the work they have to do,  
protecting those who look to them,  
as we look to You for love and salvation,  
through Jesus Christ our rock and defender,  
in union with the Holy Spirit, one God  
forever and ever,  
St Joseph Pray for all our Fathers, Amen.*

*A blessed and happy Father's Day to  
all the fathers of our parish family!*

### POPE FRANCIS WROTE A LETTER TO YOU!

And to everyone else on this planet.  
The letter is called "Laudato Si: On Care for Our Common Home," and it's about our impact on the environment and our responsibility to the earth.  
The **Laudato Si Movement has produced a movie, called "The Letter", and we'll show it in the parish center this Thursday, June 22nd at 7:30 PM.** Light refreshments will be served. This is for adults and youth. If you're old enough to care about our environment, you're old enough to see this movie!

### Knights Of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive

The **Knights of Columbus** passed out baby bottles that you can fill with your donations for Good Counsel Homes which provide homeless expectant mother's and their children with residential care. Since 1985 Good Counsel Homes has helped more than 8,000 homeless women and children move from a crisis situation to receive concrete help and build a brighter future. Visit [www.goodcounselhomes.org](http://www.goodcounselhomes.org) to learn more about the important work they do. **Baby bottles are due back on the weekend of Jun. 24th & Jun. 25th and can be put in the collection basket.**

Faith. Academics. Service.

## Catholic Schools

### SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENROLLMENT FOR THE 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR

Do you have a child or grandchild starting or changing school in September? Why not consider Sacred Heart School? We offer a safe and nurturing environment for children Pre-K3 through 8th Grade. Along with their ABCs your child will build character and learn compassion and values. New families considering enrolling in our school can visit Monday - Friday during the hours of 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM. Call the school at 201-939-4277 for more details.

### LYNDHURST SERVICES FOR SENIORS

The Lyndhurst Parks Departments under the direction of Commissioner John J. Montillo, Jr. offers many amenities for the Seniors year-round! Weekly shopping trips, Bingo, Movies, Yoga, monthly meals and more. If you are a senior (60 and over) and are not on their mailing list to receive newsletters containing the schedule for bus trips, programs and events, please call the Parks Department at 201-804-2482.

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER ABOUT APPROPRIATE SUMMER ATTIRE AT MASS

Dressing for Mass is simply a matter of showing proper respect, not only for God, but for others around us and ourselves. We should keep in mind the dignity of what we celebrate when we come together for the Mass, which is nothing less than the wedding feast of the Lord, as well as the dignity of the people assembled, who are no one less than the children of God. Remember the days when we wore our "Sunday best," our finest outfits, to Mass? Dress codes at Mass have certainly relaxed over the years. With the warm weather upon us, it is particularly important that we dress appropriately and modestly for Mass, so here are some rules to follow for modest and proper Mass attire during the summer months:

- \*Hemlines on dresses and skirts fall at or just slightly above the knee
- \*No muscle tee-shirts
- \*Hemlines on shorts fall near the knee (no short-shorts)
- \*No exposed undergarments.
- \*Shoulders and midribs are covered
- \*Necklines are modest - not low-cut
- \*No beachwear - no swimsuits with cover-ups for females, no swim trunks for males

## 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, Ruben Arevalo Gacildone, Helen Dowling, P. Darmiento

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

### MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of June 18th, the following items used for worship in our sanctuary were donated in the memory of a relative or friend or a special intention.

#### SANCTUARY LAMP:



**In Honor of:** James M. Cavalcante

**Donated by:** Mom & Dad

#### BREAD & WINE:



**In Honor of:** James M. Cavalcante

**Donated by:** Mom & Dad

#### MASS CANDLES:



**In Honor of:** James M. Cavalcante

**Donated by:** Mom & Dad

### CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:



#### SUNDAY, JUNE 18TH

**In Honor of:** James M. & James G. Cavalcante

**Donated by:** Their Family

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 20TH

**In Honor of:** The Intentions of Robert Kimball, III

**Donated by:** Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 24TH

**In Honor of:** Patrick R. Ferrara

**Donated by:** Patty & Joe Pavlica

**JUNE 18, 2023**



Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Fr. Ernie Rush (Living)

#### SUNDAY - Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Joseph John Pavlica, Jr.

10:30 am James M. Cavalcante

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Zenaida Vergara

#### MONDAY - Weekday/St. Romuald, Abbot

12:00pm Dominka Zic

#### TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Rose Aromando

#### WEDNESDAY - St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious

12:00pm Francis Lee Prestridge

#### THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Paulinus of Nola, Bishop/Sts. John Fisher, Bishop and Thomas More, Martyrs

12:00pm Special Intention

#### FRIDAY - Weekday

6:30pm Mario Torraca

#### SATURDAY - THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

9:00am Rita Duane

#### Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Patrick R. Ferrara

#### SUNDAY - Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Verrico Family

10:30 am Candela & Wineland Families

12:00pm John Z. Klim

1:30 pm Joseph Steve Mendez

### STEWARDSHIP

**Sunday, June 4**

**Sunday Collection - \$6,106**

**Assessment - \$2,271**

**Sunday, June 11**

**Sunday Collection - \$5,051**

**Air Conditioning Coll. - \$1,911**

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

## ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK - ANNUAL APPEAL 2023

**THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!**

THANKS TO YOUR VERY GENEROUS SUPPORT WE HAVE SURPASSED OUR GOAL OF \$34,700 IN PAID PLEDGES.

OUR PARISH NOW QUALIFIES FOR A 2% DISCOUNT ON OUR ASSESSMENT EXPENSE.

ADDITIONALLY, THE ANNUAL APPEAL NOW BECOMES A FUND RAISER FOR OUR PARISH. THE ARCHDIOCESE WILL REBATE 50% EXCESS FUNDS RECEIVED TO OUR PARISH.

**IF YOU HAVE A BALANCE ON YOUR PLEDGE TO THE ANNUAL APPEAL PLEASE CONTINUE TO MAKE YOUR PAYMENTS AS 50% THESE FUNDS WILL BE REBATED BACK TO OUR PARISH AND WILL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE MONTHLY ASSESSMENT!!**

### FOOD PANTRY UPDATE

*"Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me" Matthew 25:40*

We are stocking up our Parish Family Food Pantry for the Summer Season. Can you help us assist our brothers and sisters struggling with food insecurity?



**FEED THE HUNGRY**

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. Food items can be left near the shrine of the Sacred Heart in the back of the church.

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.

### CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY

The Mass on Tuesday, July 4th will be celebrated at 9:00 AM. Join us as we celebrate our country's birthday and give thanks for the blessings of freedom we all enjoy. The parish office will close at 2:00 PM on Friday, June 30th and reopen on Wednesday, July 5th at 9:00AM.



Under the direction of Commissioner John Montillo, the Department of Parks and Recreation, will be kicking off the Fourth of July weekend with food trucks, novelty vendors and a spectacular fireworks display on Friday, June 30th, 2023. Festivities start at 6:00 p.m. behind the Little League fields on Riverside Avenue.

There will be Patriotic Exercises held at 8:30 p.m. with our "Gala Fireworks Display" following at dusk.