



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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September 10, 2023

23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother." - Mt 18:15

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
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.

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At the time that Matthew wrote his Gospel, the early church was on its own, no longer a part of the Jewish community and therefore no longer observing the daily norms and customs of that religious tradition. The community needed guidelines for its life together and in chapter 18 Matthew portrays Jesus as a community builder, instructing his disciples on matters that emphasize and focus on the community of believers.

Since Jesus revealed a forgiving and compassionate God, the life of the community must do the same, if they are to witness to the risen Jesus living in their midst. Forgiveness and reconciliation must be the hallmarks of this new community of faith. The teaching in today's Gospel sets out a rather elaborate and specific process for how forgiveness and reconciliation are to happen. And the passage ends with the Lord reminding his followers that "where two or three are gathered together in my name, there I am in the midst of them."

We most commonly apply this passage to two or more believers praying together - Jesus will be in their midst. This is indeed true. However, this verse is set in the context of reconciliation within the community; when "two or three" come together to settle an offense against a member, or bring about harmony. When a believing community works to bring about justice and unity, Christ is in our midst working to achieve the same goal. That is what makes this teaching more than just an "ideal" and keeps it from being dismissed as not practical in "the real world."

Where do we find the true presence of Christ? In today's example, He is in our midst when we work together to right wrongs. Forgiveness and justice should characterize the community; if it does, others will recognize something unique about the church and might even recognize Christ alive and active in our midst doing what others may believe impossible.

Christians are not simply to live as individuals, but as members of a witnessing and supportive community. When a member has been "sinned" against, others are there for support and to see that rights are wronged.

But the spirit of today's Gospel goes much further. Is Jesus just talking about individual offenses and sins? Suppose a race is sinned against, what are we to do? Suppose the poor on the other side of town are being ignored or deprived of their needs and rights? Suppose a group in our parish is treated as second class members just because they are new arrivals? Or, the elderly patronized? Suppose young people never hear their lives or issues mentioned in our preaching and worship?

In Matthew's Gospel, from the very beginning, Jesus is named "Emanuel," "God is with us." The Gospel ends with the same assurance of his on-going presence. When Jesus commissions his disciples to "make disciples of all the nations," he lives up to his name, Emanuel, as he promises to "be with you always until the end of the world." He clearly wanted us to be a community faithful to his memory. He didn't want us to be stay-at-home, individual believers, but a people worshipping together and then going out into the world living lives that proclaim his name to others.

And what better way for a community to be a beacon to Jesus than to practice forgiveness and concern for each other within the community? He wasn't suggesting such virtues just to hold the community together until he returned. But, since forgiveness is such a rare commodity among individuals, communities, religions, tribes, races and nations, a community that is characterized by forgiveness would certainly be a way of announcing Jesus Christ to the world. If forgiveness were the hallmark of our religious community we would certainly become what Jesus hoped for us - "a city built on a hilltop," a "light to the nations."

Our lives are not so different from those who lived and struggled during Christ's lifetime. His message then is the same today. Unless we take ownership of the Gospel message and come together, if only two or three at a time, we will simply be left with a ideal that will never be realized.

ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

*** EASY * FAST * SECURE ***

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, 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.

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

The following deceased have been enrolled in the Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society:

CAROL BERONIO-req.by-Justin & Nancy Simins, John & Monica Beronio, Richard & Arlene Beronio

MABEL MACHUCA-req.by-Carlos & Milagros Hijos

ROSA FURIO RAGONE-req.by-Mina Durso

EVELYN TALANGBAYAN-req.by-Jema & Angelee Delfin

CHIARA TULIPANI-req.by-Carmine & Maria Lombardi

BERGEN VOLUNTEER MEDICAL INITIATIVE

Bergen Volunteer Medical Initiative provides free, high-quality healthcare to working, uninsured adult Bergen County residents. BVMI receives no reimbursements from insurance companies and does not charge patients for services provided. BVMI relies primarily on contributions from individuals, corporations and foundations.

If someone in your household is working your income is:

1 person household to \$36,450 annually/ \$700 weekly

2 person household to \$49,300 annually/ \$945 weekly

3 people household to \$62,150 annually/ \$1,195 weekly

4 people household to \$75,000 annually/ \$1,442 weekly

You may qualify for this free service. Call 201-342-2478 to learn more and see if you qualify. Visit www.bvmi.org

BVMI always welcomes doctors, nurses, medical professionals, social workers, people who can translate Spanish or Korean, people with administrative skills to volunteer a few hours a month in the clinic. To learn more about volunteering contact Elaine Posner at 201-518-8488.

ONE NIGHT ONLY - OCTOBER 5TH MOTHER TERESA & ME

A new film in theaters. Near us the film will be screened at AMC Clifton Commons 16 at 7:00 PM.

LYNDHURST APARTMENTS NEED

There are several members our parish family who are looking for apartments to rent in Lyndhurst. If you or someone you know has available rental property, please call the parish office 201-438-1147.

AROUND THE COUNTY Satellite Office & Passport Outreach Services Thursday, Sep. 14, 10:00 - 2:00 Town Hall Cacus Room - 367 Valley Brook Ave NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY

Services Available:

Passport Applications (Photos Done On-Site)

Swearing In Notary Oaths

Photo Cards for Seniors, Veterans, And

Exempt Firefighters

****Please Be Sure To Bring Checks For Payments****

For Questions Or Additional Information

Please Call 201-336-7055

ARE YOU WILLING TO SHARE OUR FAITH WITH THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our Religious Education program is always in need of teachers, aides, substitute teachers, hall monitors, and office helpers. Are you willing to help our children learn more about the love that Jesus Christ has them in the 2023-2024 school year? No special religious education training is required, just the desire to help our children learn more about the love Jesus Christ has for them. Call Ryan Tobiason at 201-935-3094 for more information or if you would like to volunteer.

31ST ANNUAL FESTIVAL IN HONOR OF MARIA SS. ADDOLORATA (OUR LADY OF SORROWS)

Holy Family Church, 28 Brookline Ave, Nutley
September 21 - 24

Games, Rides, Super 50/50

Nightly Entertainment

Italian & Filipino Food Specialities

Thu., Sep. 21 6PM - 10PM - Healing Mass 7PM

Fri., Sep. 22 6PM - 11PM

Sat., Sep. 23 4PM - 11PM

Sun., Sep. 24 12PM - 9PM - Mass 12PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

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, Perpetua Aspille, 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, Elyse & Lauren Branigan, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Theresa Klim



Twenty-Third Sunday
In Ordinary Time

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

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Reid Family

SUNDAY - Twenty-Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Frank & Darlene Sciolaro
10:30 am David Schmidt
12:00pm Alfredo P. Gacildone, Sr.
1:30 pm Wilfredo Cruz Campos

MONDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Mary & Mario Valente & Rosa Valente

TUESDAY - Weekday/The Most Holy Name of Mary

12:00pm Carmela M. Ferrara

WEDNESDAY - St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Edgardo SP Diaz

THURSDAY - The Exaltation of the Cross

12:00pm Joseph Mayerchak

FRIDAY - Our Lady of Sorrows

12:00pm Tierney & Thompson Families

SATURDAY - Sts. Cornelius, Pope and Cyprian, Bishop Martyrs

9:00am Joseph Gouek

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Angela P. Garofolo

SUNDAY - Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart
9:00am Rocco Paolazzi
10:30 am Iovino Family
12:00pm Krizan Peros
1:30 pm Josefina & Leonidos Bedon

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH

In Honor of: Carmela Ferrara, At Rest With The Lord

Donated by: Patty & Joe Pavlica

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

In Honor of: Neil Ronan

Donated by: Brian & Carol O'keeffe

SACRED HEART SCHOOL MEGA 50/50DRAWING SEPTEMBER 19

Only 200 tickets will be sold. Each ticket is \$50 for the chance to win up \$5,000. You can purchase your ticket online with a credit card at <https://bit.ly/SHS2023MEGA>. Your ticket will be mailed to you.

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR CHURCH BUILDING

2024 will mark the 100th Anniversary of our current church building and the 122th Anniversary of our parish. We would like to have some special events to commemorate this time in the life of our parish family. If you would like to be a part of the committee that will be putting together the events please fill out the information below and drop it in the collection basket or call the parish office at 201-438-1147.

100TH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

NAME _____

PHONE _____

STEWARDSHIP

Collection Totals Not Available
At Time Of Publication

Reminder: We need \$7,900 in the Sunday Collection to cover our budgeted expenses. Thank you! for your continued generosity!

Sacred Heart Church, Lyndhurst

Stewardship of Time And Talent Volunteer Sheet

Our parish is brought to us by the love and mercy of the Lord and by our stewardship. We are called to be good stewards of the gifts of time, talent, and treasure given to us by God to make His presence a reality in our community. To paraphrase the gospel, don't hide your light! Let it shine for all; let your good deeds glow for all to see, so that they will praise your heavenly Father.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10).

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your Phone Number: _____

Your Email Address: _____

I am interested in giving of my time and talent in the following ways (please check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lector | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exrtaordinary Mininster | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choir Member | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Pantry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Usher | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Cleaning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greeter | <input type="checkbox"/> General Repairs & Maintenace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Choir Organist | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Choir Director | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

I would like to enroll my child:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Altar Server | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Choir |
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Child's Name: _____

Child's Age: _____ Child's Grade: _____

School Attended: _____

My Signature below gives my child permission to participate in the activity indicated

Parent's Signature: _____

**Completed forms can be placed in the collection basket.
Thank you for your generous stewardship for our parish family!**