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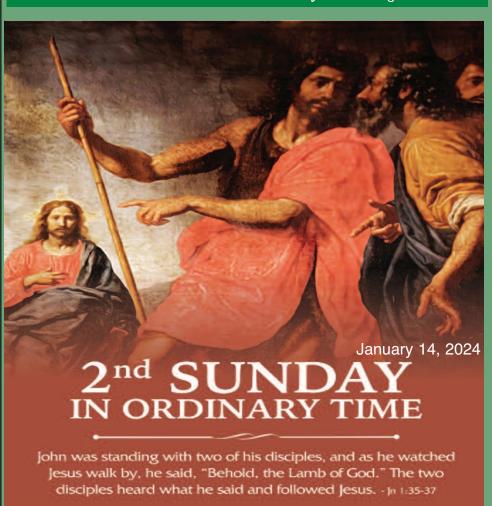
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SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS SCHEDULE

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 at 3:00pm

Feb. 11, Mar. 30 (8:30PM), Apr. 14, May 5, Jun. 9

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 Gospels over the last few weeks have asked us to think about some very important things: the revelation of God's presence in the world with the Feast of the Epiphany; our remembering the beginning of His public mission with the feast of His Baptism; the very personal invitation that we all have received from the Lord at our baptism - and the commitment that we make to that invitation.

Today, the Gospel of John reminds us that we are called to be disciples; we are all called to minister and proclaim God's word to the nonbeliever (to evangelize) and to share that word with our fellow believers (to catechize). How we respond to His call is the measure by which we reflect his constant presence to the world and how the Good News of Salvation is spread throughout it.

That same "good news" is being proclaimed to us today, challenging us to believe, to grow in faith, to reform, and to hasten the coming of the kingdom. The gentle voice of Jesus and his people proclaiming peace, forgiveness and love cannot and will not be silenced.

But for many folks these days, there is no such thing as "good news." God seems distant, disconnected, unconcerned, unforgiving. Our vision can be so clouded by false and misleading concepts of God and Church, that we cannot see the Good News as it is placed before us. Our purpose can become so blurred that the news we bring is not "good" at all. It's not good news if suffering, death and other human tragedies are seen as "God's will." It is not good news if God's love is felt as conditional, unattainable or limited only to certain groups of people. It is not good news to preach the value and dignity of human life, and then blindly turn our eye to the poor and homeless. It is not good news to preach peace and justice, and stand by idly as nations continue to war.

We live in a contradictory world heavy with human dysfunctionality. We hear the pleas of wounded humans crying out for justice and for a divine power to intervene. We see them in despair as they receive no answer. Yet we believe that there is Good News and that many people are at work for justice and peace. The call to discipleship is not one of revolution but of the retrieval of one of the most important elements in the church's tradition - service.

Service is what "discipleship" is all about. Throughout our life's journey the idea of "service to others" may take on many forms or varied flavors. And there may be a lot of mixed motives in our faithfulness to this ideal. It may be habit, or training, or family tradition. Perhaps, like Eli in our first reading, priests and nuns have been strong influences on our choice. Perhaps the example of parents, relatives and friends have been a factor. But when our faith is challenged, when the call to discipleship is really difficult to live up to, we need to have a source to which we can return - time and again - to be refreshed, renewed and revitalized. As mature, free and responsible adults, we have to have a solid, tested, reasonable base for our faith, for our decisions, for our actions, and for the fundamental values we live by.

It may be that we need to focus a little more on the Kingdom of God outside of our static notions of Church. This may rankle some, but this is exactly what Christians are called to do. We've been gifted with the opportunity to live outside the walls of what's socially acceptable and to be involved in ministering to all the people of God in the diaspora. To make Him present and credible here and now, at every moment of our lives, is what the Kingdom of God is all about.

The Lord called Samuel by name. He called Simon by name and gave him a new name. He called the first disciples by name. For us - as those called by name in baptism - making the Kingdom of God present in the world is what defines our call to discipleship. Christ is the Father's gift. He is the revelation of God's truth and love. He is the Lamb of God who takes away our sin. And he calls us to "Come and see for ourselves."

Let us find hope amidst life's chaos. Jesus has died. Jesus has risen. Jesus will come again and again and again.

Christmas Memorial Flowers

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

Mr. & Mrs. John Aquino-in memory of-Alice & Anthony Aquino, Michael Tallent, Mary Tallent, Norman Arcos, Bret Paton

The Baumann Family-in memory of-Joseph & Rosemarie Baumann, Albert & Helen Greenrose, Rose Hennessey, Leila Kukuruza, Stephania & Stephen Krand

Celeste Cappadona-in memory of-The Cappadona Family Danny Cappiello-in memory of-Daniel & Lena Cappiello, Wilfred & Evelyn Wassong

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, Nick & Jean Aromando, Coiro Family, Gerarda & Michael D'Amato & Family, Andrew Mastellone, Stephen Reichart, Pina, Conrad & Corrado Episcopo, Gloria & Alfred Roche, Dominka Zic

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

Janet & Gerry DeFrino-in memory of-Our Sister--Marie Siculietano

Janet & Gerry DeFrino-in memory of-Our Sister--Betty Toole

Lucretia Demilio-in memory of-Alfonso Demilio, Laura Manning, Marilyn Worman, Matt & Janet Giardelli, Anna & Vincent Giardelli, Armand & Annie Louise Carusona, Mattia & Rita Demilio, Jerry & Terry Demelio

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

Lillian Dondero-in memory of-Joseph & Agnes & Rosemary Dondero

Heidi C. Doria-in memory of-Juan & Pilar Cantos, Sr., Monica &Modesto Estrella, Eufrocinia Cantos, Socorro Guillarte, Ignacio Espiritu, Roberto Lumbang, Nestor Marci Heidi C. Doria-in memory of-John Casiello, Sr., Jenny Casiello, John Casiello, Jr., Edita Ocenta, Carols Mendiola, Jr.

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

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

Bridget Horgan-in memory of-Bernadette Lyne O'Gorman Family

Linda Radeglia Kearns-in memory of-Rachel, Jim, Peg Kearns, Mary, Pete, Annette Radeglia, Yvonne Hoefsloot, Vita & Grace Spalutto

Marjorie Lejda-in memory of-Lejda Family, O'Mara Family Ted & Sue McPherson-Huber-in memory of-Malcolm & Miriam McPherson

Ana L. Medellin-in memory of-Silva Quintero, Anita Medellin

Brian & Caol O'Keeffe-in memory of-Vincenzo & Catalina Valentino, Patrick & Sean O'Keeffe

Maddalena Passero-in memory of-Luigi & Filidea Di Bianco, Pellegrino Di Bianco e tutti la famiglia, James & Martha Kennedy, Gabriella Ricci

Patty & Joe Pavlica-in memory of-Joseph J. Pavlica, Jr., Ferrara Family, Pavlica Family

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-Carol Petrillo-Lintz, Kay & Al Galindo, Carol & Alex Galindo, Conrad Petrillo, Marilyn & Henry Kapras, Angie & Louis Petrillo, Klein Family, T. Riley Family

Micki Prokop-in memory of-Russ Prokop, Pat Zimmermann, Joe Dietz, Jim Dietz, Loretta & Joseph Dietz **Loma Readie**-in memory of-William Readie, Mary Osborn, Readie Family, Mc Ardle Family

Jean Redner-in memory of-Thomas Redner, Louis & Betty Sottovia & Sottovia Family, Larry & Lena Redner & Redner Family, Rose Maria & Angelo Corino, Louis & Mary Ferrie, Theresa & Romano Sottovia, Larry & Mary Redner, Mary Ann Corino & Family Members

Carmen A. Rodriguez-in memory of-Souls in Purgatory Marge & Sal Russo-in memory of-Arthur & Frances Klein, Sal & Lee Russo, John & Alma Curry

Dan & Debbie Sabato-in memory of-Lorraine Sabato, John Higgins

Charles Sofio-in memory of-Peter & Carmela Sofio, Sam & Ita Deo, Charles & Mary Sofio, Anthony Sofio, Sam Deo Geraldine Carbone, Madeline D'Aloia, 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, Barbara Ruzika

Rosemarie & David Vaccari-in memory of-Rose & Mike Carini, Vincent Carini, Mickey Carini, Vaccari Family MaryAnn Valente-in memory of-John Valente, Albert Alberti, Meagan Valente, Anthony & Caroline Naviello, John & Arminda Valente, JoAnn Fescoe

Kathy Valerius-in memory of-Miriam & Bill Rooney Ed Varga & Phyllis Esnes-in memory Stella & Eugene Esnes, Lauren Esnes, Agatha & Alex Varga, Joseph Varga, Michael Varga, Maria & Martin Macko, Andrew Macko Arceli & Maria Vargas-in memory of-Manuel & Mercedes Vargas, Rudy & Ador Vargas, Florencio & Basilia Vargas, Cipriano & Emilia Gache, Placido & Estellita Ramores, Marcelino & Ester Samartino, Marcos Cruz, Theresa Stone, Elena Gache, Arlyn Villarosa

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

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, Perpetua Aspile, Anne Montillo, 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, Elvse & Lauren Branigan, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Colleen Branigan, Martina O'Connell, Michele Gilmore, Raymond Santelli, Sr., Milena Giacchi, Freddy Berrios, Maryann Sheridan, Joann Di Giovanna, Barbara Bagnuolo

DECEASED: Jane Mc Laughlin

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



SUNDAY, JANUARY 14TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of the Cavalcante Family

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of January 14th, 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: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

BREAD & WINE:

In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

MASS CANDLES:

In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

MARTIN LUTHER DAY HOLIDAY

In observance of the Martin Luther Day holiday the parish office will be closed on Monday, January 15th. The Mass will be celebrated at it's regular time of 12 Noon.

JANUARY 14, 2024



Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Wendy Khin

SUNDAY - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart 9:00am Maryann Sheridan (Living)

10:30 am Wendy Khin

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Alejandrina Ruiz

MONDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Margaret & James Carchio

TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Anthony Scardino, Sr.

WEDNESDAY - St. Anthony Abbot

12:00pm Ted Cornell

THURSDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Anna Boice

FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Maria Cutrone Esposito

SATURDAY - Weekday/St. Fabian, Pope & Martyr, St. Sebastian, Martyr

9:00am Intentions of Donna Kaufman

(Living)

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Giuseppe, Ricardo & Francesco

Radicia

SUNDAY - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Noah Abdon 10:30 am Sharon Ko

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Alejandrina Ruiz

STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31ST SUNDAY - \$5,570

SOLEMNITY OF MARY - \$2,040 SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH SUNDAY - \$4,780

ASSESSMENT - \$2,034

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



ST. PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISER



Saturday, March 9, 2024, 6:00 PM 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 \$30 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.



Food Pantry Update

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

We are stocking up the pantry for the cold winter season. Can you help us assist our brothers and sisters struggling with food insecurity?

Items needed most, at this time, are: Cereal, Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including Spaghetti), Potatoes (small packages or canned), Vegetables, Coffee (regular and instant), Peanut Butter, and Jelly. 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.

PAY IT FOWARD PROGRAM

Sacred Heart Parish has partnered with BCB Bank to raise some need funds for our parish. The Pay It Forward Program gives us the opportunity to earn donations based on the number of supporters who signed up for the program. If we have 20-50 members, BCB will contribute 0.20% of the cumulative account balance, 51-75 members 0.30%, 76+ members 0.40%. A minimum of 20 members is required **NO DONATIONS ARE WITHDRAWN FROM CUSTOMER'S ACCOUNTS, ALL DONATIONS COME DIRECTLY FROM BCB.

**ALL PERSONAL AND FINANIAL INFORMATION IS KEPT STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL BY THE BANK. THE CHURCH WILL NOT KNOW WHO HAS REGISTERED UNLESS YOU DECIDE TO SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH US. Contact BCB directly if you have questions about the program or want to open an account. Please remember to tell them you want to support Sacred Heart Church in Lyndhurst. Lyndhurst - 201-728-6810, Rutherford - 201-728-6960