



Sacred Heart Church

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12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He woke up, rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Quiet! Be still!"
The wind ceased and there was great calm. Then he asked them,
"Why are you terrified? Do you not yet have faith?" - Mk 4:39-40

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. 14, Aug. 11, Sep. 8, Oct. 6, Nov. 10, Dec. 8

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.

Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

The journey of faith is a never-ending one, where we constantly come to know the Father through Jesus. It parallels the journey of the first disciples. Their journey was also a coming to faith, a gradual understanding that God is always the one who speaks first, who acts first, who loves first. And sometimes they learned that discipleship always involves a call that requires a reply, an invitation requiring a response.

The story in this week's Gospel is a perfect example of this process. Jesus invites the disciples to "go across to the other side" of the lake. Their response: "they took him with them in the boat." Unfortunately, a quick response is simply not enough.

Discipleship is fundamentally a leap of faith, which is not the same as belief. Faith is a deep, bedrock trust in God's presence in the world, in the person of Jesus and in our lives. When the storms of life whip up we come to the truth of just how deep is our faith. Life is full of overwhelming waves - even for experienced sailors or fishermen.

Our God knows that if we spend all of our lives reacting fearfully to life's storms, we will never know the fullness of life in Him. God is always with us. That is a fact. But do we trust deeply? Can we ride out life's storms by trusting the quiet, still presence of God that is beneath the surface of the storm. That is faith.

The Gospel of Mark always encourages us to place our trust in Christ whose suffering and death give meaning to our lives. We don't have to experience the challenge of discipleship, if we don't want to. But if we choose to follow Jesus then there will be power for us, the power of the cross and the power of service.

We certainly do not live in a world of peace and calm. Our lives are surrounded with suffering and death, war and poverty, mistrust and fear. Our governments, our society and even our churches are divided and fractured. There are times when we look to the heavens and like Job, cry out: "Don't you care that we are perishing?"

But the Gospel tells us that the real sign of discipleship is a trust in Jesus and who he is for us. We are challenged to put our faith in Christ even amid the turmoil and storms that seem to be about to sink us. All Jesus asks is our trust in him, even when there seem to be no great display of His power or miraculous intervention in times of crisis.

There is no easy answer to the mystery of suffering. The reading from Job gives us just a glimpse. An innocent man suffers and struggles with his belief in a just God. The entire Book of Job deals with one man trying to make sense of his suffering. He confronts God with his arguments and gets the response we hear in today's reading. God is God and who is Job to question the Almighty? Not a very satisfying answer for the question of suffering.

The Gospel doesn't provide an answer either, but it does teach us that the question in the minds of the disciples after Jesus calms the storm is ours as well: "Who is he?" We may not get a satisfying answer but we do hear the message of the Gospel today. Jesus is teaching us disciples to stay close. We need to stay close to the one who died and is risen from the dead and we need to stay close to each other. This is how we will find security through the most difficult storms in our lives. This is our foothold as we struggle with what seems to have no rational or adequate answer. In times of distress it is our consolation that Jesus does care for us and has our ultimate safety as his complete concern.

Jesus asks a simple question: "Why are you afraid? Do you still not have faith?" But Jesus answers his own question: "Don't you see that I am with you?" The move from fear to faith is one of holding onto Jesus' presence, knowing that He will always be with us. No matter what.

REMEMBER OUR PARISH

Whenever we contribute to the parish we are mindful and respectful of our Catholic teaching to support the Church. Our parish is blessed by so many who support us. A meaningful way to continue this support is by considering a gift to the parish in your will or trust. Even a small percentage of your residual estate would go a long way in the maintenance of our church. Please remember Sacred Heart in your will or trust. This will help future generations to experience the love of Jesus Christ in our community. If you have any questions about this planning please contact the parish office.

YOUR COINS FOR CHRIST COUNT! DONATIONS SURPASS \$1,000 YEAR TO DATE

The "Coins for Christ" program, through your generosity, has received more than \$1,000 in donations for our parish family this year. **This ongoing activity** invites our parish family to take a Coins for Christ collection jar home and keep it in the area where you empty your pockets in the evening. **Collection jars are available at the entrances to the church.** Any spare change you have you can put in the jar. Every couple of weeks, simply empty the contents of the jar into a plastic bag and put the bag into the collection basket. Your spare change counts for our parish! Thanks for your continued generosity!!



Food Pantry Update

We are stocking up our parish family food pantry for the spring and summer months. Can you help us show the love and hope of Jesus Christ to those living with food insecurity?

If you can donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreciated: Cereal, Fruit, Pasta Sauce, Pasta (including Spaghetti), Potatoes (small packages or canned), Vegetables, Coffee (regular and instant), Peanut Butter, and Jelly, Tuna, Macaroni & Cheese, Beans. Food items can be left near the shrine of the Sacred Heart in the back of the church.

Thank you for all of the generous donations. It's only with your help that we are able to keep our food pantry stocked.

As a reminder, we are unable to package out-of-date food products for distribution to our families.

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

PAY IT FORWARD 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 FINANCIAL 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

**134TH ANNUAL ITALIAN FEAST
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL
Fri., July 12th - Sun., July 14th - 6-11PM
259 Oliver St., Newark
Jul. 16th Mass & Solemn Candlelight Procession 7PM**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

SICK: 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., 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, Margot O'Hara, Patricia Coughlin, Andrea Globis, Laura MacDonald, Ava Romano, Fr. Anthony Di Stefano, Ruben Arevalo Gacildone, Helen Dowling, Dr. Leticia Luna, Jeanette Knowlton, Martina O'Connell, Michele Gilmore, Milena Giacchi, Freddy Berrios, Maryann Sheridan, Naham, Rudy Rivas, Tania, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Brian Oppici, Art Elwell, Robert Schaefer, Eric Dietz, Marion Dietz, Jamie Brown, John Santelli, Julius Single, Jr.

DECEASED: Teresa S. Digesere, Luke Kearney

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE



The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

MONDAY, JUNE 24TH

In Honor of: Patrick Ferrara

Donated by: Patty & Joe Pavlica

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26TH

In Honor of: John Curran

Donated by: Brian & Carol O'Keeffe

SATURDAY, JUNE 29TH

In Honor of: The Intentions of Candice Cavalcante

Donated by: Jim & Isabel Cavalcante

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Catholic Schools

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL ENROLLMENT
FOR THE
2024-2025 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 should call the school at 201-939-4277 for more details and arrange to make a visit.

SAINT ANN'S 114TH ITALIAN FESTIVAL - SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, July 24th - Sunday, July 28th

704 Jefferson St., Hoboken

***Great Food *Beer Garden *Games *Live Entertainment**

JUNE 23, 2024



Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Vito Dacchille

SUNDAY - Twelfth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Louis Scerbo

10:30 am Rachel Ann Kearns

12:00pm Grace Dacchille

1:30 pm Amador Castelo Rodriguez

MONDAY - THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

12:00pm Patrick Ferrara

TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm June Conzo

WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Alfonso Demilio

THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Julian & Lorenza Duran

FRIDAY - St. Irenaeus, Bishop and Doctor

12:00pm Violet Grace Pagan (Living)

SATURDAY - STS. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

9:00am Mickey & Nada Carini

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Elizabeth "Betty" Tynan

SUNDAY - Thirteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Louise & Anthony Radice

10:30 am Manuel & Mercedes Vargas

12:00pm Alma & John Curry

1:30 pm Jaime Mena

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - June 16th

Sunday - \$6,105

Add'l Air Conditioning - \$155

Add'l Assessment - \$130

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

CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY

The Mass on Thursday, 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 Wednesday, July 3rd and reopen on Monday, July 8th at 9:00AM.



Under the direction of Commissioner John Montillo, the Department of Parks & Recreation will be holding the Township's Independence Day Celebration on Tuesday, July 2, 2024 behind the Little League fields on Riverside Avenue. There will be food trucks, novelty vendors and a DJ for your entertainment starting at 6:00 PM.

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

Music Under The Stars
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10TH
The Cameos 7:00-8:30 pm
Step by Step 9:00-10:30 pm
Celebrating the music of Johnny Maestro
THURSDAY, JULY 11TH
Larger Than Life 7:00-8:00 pm
Let's Sing Taylor 8:30-10:30 pm
FRIDAY, JULY 12TH
100 Rock Parade 7:00-8:30 pm
Queen Flash 9:00-11:00 pm
SATURDAY, JULY 13TH
Yellow Brick Joel 7:00-8:00 pm
A Face to Face Tribute Concert 8:30-10:30 pm
TOWN HALL PARK · DELAFIELD AVE., LYNDHURST, NJ

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FEAST NEWS
JULY 10 | JULY 11 | JULY 12 | JULY 13
6-10PM | 6-10PM | 6-10PM | 5-11PM

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL OF LYNDHURST ANNUAL FEAST - TOWN HALL PARK DISCOUNT RIDE TICKETS

Discount ride tickets are available at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Rectory, 197 Kingsland Ave., during office hours (Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 11:30am and 1:00pm - 5:00pm & Friday 8:30am -12:00pm.) Tickets are \$15.00 for a sheet of 18!

ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

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Did you know you can give online to our parish with Zelle, or with a debit or debit 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.