



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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September 15, 2024

24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it." - Mk 8:34-35

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
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.

Twenty - Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

On the road to Jerusalem Jesus asks his disciples two questions. The first is a general question. "Who do people say that I am?" The disciples respond with what people were saying about him. The popular notion was that Jesus was someone like John the Baptist, Elijah, or one of the great prophets. Then He asks, "but who do YOU say that I am?" Only Peter has the courage to answer.

The answers to these questions go beyond mere excitement and enthusiasm. They touch the very make-up of the call to discipleship. Popular opinion is one thing. That's not what Jesus was looking for. He wanted a more personal response, one that would not only come from the mind, but also from the heart -- an answer that would include total commitment to him and his ways.

Peter answered "You are the Christ," and he speaks for all of the disciples. It is the right answer. But their notion of a Messiah was a victorious ruler. It certainly did not include any notion of suffering. So, Jesus tells them not to tell anyone until they understand and learn what kind of Messiah he will reveal himself to be.

Peter would have none of this suffering business. He rebukes Jesus, perhaps telling Jesus that maybe this is the time to start spreading this good news. Jesus' answer to this was more than a rebuke and he said it in not so gentle terms.

We can't be too hard on the disciples. Jesus did not want to become a celebrity simply known only for his miraculous powers. It was too early in the formation of his disciples to have them spread word of his messiahship. They would have gotten the message all wrong. They would have missed what Jesus meant when he invited us to "take up your cross and follow me."

It is encouraging to know that, though Peter completely misunderstood who Jesus was and what his mission to the world was, Jesus didn't give up on him and the others and go looking for better candidates. The Gospel is suggesting that becoming a disciple is a process of growing in understanding. Peter's quick answer seems correct, at first, but we learn the real answer is much more complex. Peter and the disciples will have to keep quiet for a while - they have more to learn. It is also obvious from what Jesus says to them at this stage of instruction. He is not going to be a quick fix for people's problems.

Do you know who I am? Do you know me? Jesus' question is addressed to us now. And we, His followers answer readily, "You are the Christ. You are the Messiah. You are the Son of the Living God." But there is an implied crucial follow-up question as well. "How well do we know Him?"

We cannot just declare our faith in Jesus. If we don't translate our faith into actions it means nothing and is not enough to save us.

"Who do YOU say I am?" is not a question that we need only to answer once in our lives. Our responses will vary, depending upon how we experience God's presence in our lives, and upon our own level of maturity and faith. The Gospel challenges us: Who is Jesus for us now and what is the meaning of Jesus for our lives now? It is important for us to take Jesus' question seriously each day of our lives.

BETHLEHEM HANDICRAFTS SEPTEMBER 14TH & 15TH

From the birthplace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Christian community is seeking your love and support through obtaining their handmade olive wood religious articles. These items will be displayed in the main vestibule church after all Masses the weekend of September 14th and 15th. Your help can and will make a difference in the lives of your brothers and sisters in Bethlehem.



ASSISTANCE TO AN ORPHANAGE

Msgr. Reilly has been supporting an orphanage in the Dominican Republic for years. The sisters who run it have a presence at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Convent in Newark. On September 22, the 28th annual fundraiser will be held at the Chandelier, 340 Franklin Avenue, Belleville, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. An invitation is being extended to all parish family members who may be interested in supporting this endeavor. No tickets will be sold at door.

Tickets are \$60 for adults and \$40 for children 12 and under. If you would like to make a reservation, please call 973-204-5514 and leave your name and number. Or you can call, 201-675-5981 and leave your information. Alternatively you can email reillywilliam99@gmail.com.



CALLING ALL SOCCER PLAYERS
AGES 9 TO 14!



SOCCER CHALLENGE

SUNDAY SEPT. 22nd 2024

Lyndhurst Middle School (Field)
Page Avenue & Sparta Drive
Lyndhurst, NJ 07071

Start time 6:00 pm (all ages)

Players will take part in a penalty kick competition with prizes for the local winners by age group and a chance for the overall champion to advance to regional competition.

Come try and kick your way to a championship!

Pre-Register Online linktr.ee/council2396

Pre Registration Deadline September 20, 2024
Walk-ins Welcome

We are Collecting Items for the Lyndhurst Food Pantry

- Unexpired canned goods
- Non-perishable food items
- Toiletries
- Stop & Shop and Shop Rite gift cards

All Donations Welcome!

Donations can be dropped off at registration table.

"In Service to One, In Service to All"

Knights of Columbus, Lyndhurst Council #2396



Have Questions? Feel free to contact us at (551) 587-8402 for more information.



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.

FRAUD ALERT - DON'T BE FOOLED

The priests of our parish will **NEVER** send you an email or text asking you to send money or gift cards or your personal information to them. If you receive such a request purporting to be from our priest or staff members, please contact the parish office as soon as possible to alert us and **DO NOT SEND MONEY** or respond to the request.

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

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 Buco, Sr., Christopher N. Coughlin, Vladimir Pudoff, Isabella Lugo, Tess, Francesco 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 Aspile, 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., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Joann Di Giovanna, Nino Pansini

DECEASED: Matthew Flores

SATURDAY NIGHT AT THE MOVIES: REEL LOVE

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Lyndhurst is proud to announce the premiere of its monthly, faith-based, family movie night entitled "Saturday Night at the Movies: Reel Love" at its Parish Hall, **146 Copeland Ave., Lyndhurst on Sat. Sept. 21, at 5:30pm.** The premiere movie will be a 2011 film, "Courageous" starring Alex Kendrick as a Deputy Sheriff who endures a terrible personal tragedy that causes him to question what is really important to him. Taking comfort in his faith, he vows to become a better parent and a better Christian. Pastor Fr. Ernie Rush will moderate a lively Q&A discussion after the film. Pizza and delicious homemade Meatball Sandwiches and beverages will be available for purchase. Free popcorn. Free Admission. All are welcome! This will be a great monthly series to help everyone strengthen their faith. Fr. Ernie hopes to see everyone there!

ATTENTION FAMILIES OF 8TH GRADE STUDENTS PLANNING TO ATTEND CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL IN FALL 2025!

The High School Placement Test (HSPT) administered as part of the Cooperative Admissions Exam Program for Catholic High Schools will be given on Friday, November 8, 2024. Students must be in eighth grade at the time the HSPT is administered. A make-up examination will be administered on Saturday, November 16, 2024, for any student who missed the November 8 examination for any reason. Registration is available only online at njcoopexam.org September 1 - October 25. Students with an IEP, 504, or other documentation that grants extended time on standardized tests will be given extended time on the HSPT if approved. Students will be given one and one half the allotted time on each subtest. Extended time requests must be submitted with documentation by October 18.

In addition to submitting the Extended Time Application, students requesting extended time must register online for the examination.



SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Fourth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Joseph Mayerchak

SUNDAY - Twenty-Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Jimmy Moretto

10:30 am Pat Leccese & Catherine Leccese

12:00pm Krizan Peros

1:30 pm Sandro Veliz

MONDAY - Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and St. Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

12:00pm Barbara Matthews

TUESDAY - Weekday/St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church/St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Jim Moretto

WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm John H. Du Bois

THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr

12:00pm Richard Mc Gill

FRIDAY - Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Priest and Paul Chong Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs

12:00pm George Russo

SATURDAY - St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

9:00am Pierina & Lino Pretto

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Anthony Mosca

SUNDAY - Twenty-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Josefa & Jose Sampedro

10:30 am Grace Dacchille

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Amador Castelo Rodriguez

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Sep 1 - 5,344.50

Assessment Coll - \$2,129

Sunday Sep 8 - \$5,446

Catholic Univeristy - \$1,519



FUN
MUSIC
GAMES
PRIZES

SACRED HEART CHURCH

10.26.24 5K RUN WALK

Open to All Ages!
Lyndhurst Recreation Center
862 Valley Brook Avenue
Lyndhurst, NJ US 07071

Registration at 9:00am
Run starts at 10:00am
(comes with a shirt)
Rain or Shine



FOR INFO AND
TO REGISTER ONLINE:
<http://bit.ly/shc5k2024>



Questions?
Email Charlie Sofio at:
sacredheartchurch@comcast.net

OR REGISTER BY MAIL/BASKET

Fill out the attached ticket request form and return with your **check made payable to Sacred Heart Church**

Place in the **basket** or **mail** to:
Sacred Heart Church
324 Ridge Road • Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
Attention: 2024 5K

I am interested in volunteering at this event.

of People Registering (\$40 each)*: _____ Total amount of money enclosed*: \$ _____

Indicate a shirt size for each entrant (ADULT: S / M / L / XL)*: _____

Full Name*: _____

Address*: _____

_____ Zip Code*: _____

Phone*: _____

Email address*: _____

Name on Credit Card*: _____ Exp Date*: _____

Credit Card #*: _____ Security (CVV) Code*: _____

*Fields MUST be filled out