



Sacred Heart Church

A Roman Catholic Community

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September 22, 2024

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all.” Taking a child, he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it, he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me.” - Mk 9:35b-37a

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-Fifth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Page after page of the Gospels speak of Jesus' unwavering concern for the beggars, the widows and orphans, the homeless, the jobless, the rejected and the oppressed. But the disciples just don't seem to have a clue. We almost seem to hear them protest: "What has this to do with the kingdom of God? Tell us instead about holiness and prayer. Talk to us about salvation. Enough already about the poor!"

They seemed to have no problem talking about their own dreams and ambitions with one another. But they remained embarrassingly silent when the Lord knowingly asks about their arguing. So He takes a little child and talks of welcoming. And for Him, "welcoming" means sitting with them, putting His arms around them, caring for them, taking them as His own.

Oftentimes, the Gospels take a phrase or word of Jesus and give it a wider, more significant meaning. Such is true with the phrase "little ones." We can take it to encompass all those who are seen as "small" or "little" in the eyes of others - the downcast of society, those without hope, the unloved, the oppressed, the forgotten. These are the "little ones" who continually surround Jesus. These were those for whom He continually cries out. These were the "little ones" whom He embraced.

The call to repentance was much more than just a turning away from sin. It was a call to conversion, a change of mind and heart. Jesus challenged people to look at the things differently, to change their thoughts and their images about God, and to see one another in a new light and act accordingly.

The disciples were too wrapped up in themselves, too concerned about status and too interested in "greatness" that they missed the point Jesus worked so hard and so often to make. Maybe they just didn't think Jesus was serious. It had to be frustrating to Jesus. So he sits them down, embraces them, and reminds them that the only road to greatness is one of service. "If anyone wishes to be first, he must be the last of all and the servant of all."

Jesus will not let us become deaf to the cry of the poor. He will not let us forget. He relentlessly confronts us and challenges us to open our eyes to the true meaning of the Gospel message.

It is this Risen Lord who lives on in our faith community, crying out in the name of the poor. It is this same Risen Lord who continues to warn us not to let our hunger for material wealth or status blind and deafen us to the needs of our less fortunate brothers and sisters.

Salvation is an exodus experience. It is a movement from being imprisoned to being set free, from darkness to light, from fear to trust, from ignorance to understanding. It is a journey from self-concern to the humility of caring for the little ones, the least of our brothers and sisters.

The story of the disciples arguing over "who is the greatest" is a wonderful lesson in humility. But it is also one of accountability.

And this has everything to do with the Kingdom of God.

In Honor of St. Francis



Sunday, October 6th

All are invited to
bring their pets
to the church parking lot after
the 1:30 PM Mass on the 6th
to receive a special blessing



Pasta Night Fundraiser

**Mamma Mia, You Won't
Want To Miss This!**

**Saturday, October 12, 6:00 PM
School Cafeteria**

Adults - \$25

**Children Under 12 - \$10
BYOB**

**Bring Your Amici (Friends) &
Familia (Family) & Enjoy A
Deliziosa Night Out!**

**Tickets On Sale After Sunday Masses In The
Church And In the Parish Office M-F 10-4
For more info call 201-438-1147**

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.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to Michael Cox and Peter Petronzio! Fr. Theemas installed them as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at the 9:00 AM Mass last week. May the Lord bless and keep you as you minister to our parish family in this special way!

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.**

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND

In Honor of: James (Jim) Przygocki

Donated by: Brian & Carol O'Keeffe



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, 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 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., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Joann Di Giovanna, Nino Pansini

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

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of September 22nd, 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

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 makeup 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 22, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS

Twenty-Fifth Sunday
In Ordinary Time

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

MONDAY - St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

12:00pm Donald Wynne

TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Deanna Giuliano

WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Linda Clemente

THURSDAY - Weekday/Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

12:00pm Caroline & Anthony Naviello

FRIDAY - St. Vincent de Paul, Priest

12:00pm Lorenza & Julian Duran

SATURDAY - Weekday/St. Wenceslaus, Martyr/St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs/Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00am Mary Minogue

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Teresa DiGesere

SUNDAY - Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Gennaro Pagano

10:30 am Lee Russo

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Norma Arriaga (Living)

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - September 15th

Sunday - \$7,331

Add'l Assessment - \$415

Add'l Easter - \$100

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



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