



Sacred Heart Church

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November 3, 2024

31st SUNDAY *in ordinary time*

When Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him,
"You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:34ab

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
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.

Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

So much of the human story is filled with broken dreams. We have been created in the image of God. We can fashion marvelous possibilities for success, fame and pleasure, and we spend much of our time and effort trying to make at least some of these dreams come true. But along the way, we will always encounter people or circumstances that will shatter those dreams. Along the way we will always question what it is that we need to do to find our ultimate happiness.

This is the type of question asked of Jesus by the scribe in today's Gospel. What is the most important thing that I have to do in order to serve God? What is the first and greatest commandment? What is the one thing that I should do so that I don't have to worry about missing any of the other commandments? How can I get the most reward for the minimum of service to God?

Jesus responds to these questions with the Shema Israel, the ancient prayer of the Book of Deuteronomy that the Jewish people said every morning and every evening, the prayer that they kept in a packet at their doors so they could take it with them wherever they went: "Shema Israel, Hear O Israel, The Lord our God is Lord Alone! You shall love the Lord with your whole heart, whole mind and whole soul." That is the greatest commandment, Jesus says. And to that He adds a small verse from the Book of Leviticus: "and you shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these."

Jesus' simple statements embrace everything we need to do to serve God. And yet, they demand a radical change in our lives and a radical transformation in our whole perception of religion. This transformation is so profound that it flows from us towards God and is expressed in love of neighbor. Every activity of our lives is included in these two commandments. And these two commandments point to accountability and stewardship.

In today's society, accountability is a seldom-championed virtue. It seems that the root cause of most of the disorders in our society today stems from a lack of accountability. Somehow, there is a growing sense among people that we are answerable to no one. What we have is our own, to use or abuse as we choose. People tend to act as though what they do with their gifts is nobody's business but their own.

Jesus teaches otherwise. He teaches stewardship at every turn. He urges us to be concerned for the needs of others. He demands that we use God's gifts wisely and well. At the heart of our faith is a Spirit leading us to acknowledge that it is God's love and goodness that provides so abundantly for all of our needs. And at the center of our love for God must be a desire to share what we have with our brothers and sisters. True stewardship reveals the exquisite, personal, compassionate love of God for all of His creation.

When we love our neighbor as ourselves, we are loving those who themselves are unique reflections of the presence of God. We cannot love God and be indifferent to others. We have to learn how to love those who are not perfect. We have to learn how to love those who are outcasts. We have to learn how to love those by whom we might feel very naturally repelled. What Jesus says in the Gospel is that there is no way we can claim to love God without being accountable to love and serve others.

Jesus was a person of promise and this promise continually invites us to re-imagine how the whole process works. Our task is to enter into this process over and over again so that we will always see something we have never seen before. It's all about listening to a story with open ears and a fresh heart. We are to love totally because that is what God has first done for us - loved us with full "heart, soul and strength." But above all, we need to allow ourselves to be loved by God. If we can do this then loving our neighbor might just become a little easier.

REEL LOVE SERIES

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church is proud to announce the continuation of its successful, monthly, faith-based, family movie night series entitled "Saturday Night at the Movies: Reel Love" at its Parish Hall, 146 Copeland Ave., Lyndhurst on Sat. Nov. 9, 5:30pm. This month's film will be the much acclaimed 2024 film, "Cabrini", which depicts the life of Catholic missionary Francesca Cabrini, portrayed by Chistiana Dell'Anna, as she encounters resistance to her charity and business efforts in New York City in the late 19th century.

Pastor Fr. Ernie Rush will moderate a lively Q&A discussion after the film. Pizza, delicious homemade Meatball Sandwiches and beverages will be available for purchase. Free popcorn. Free Admission. All are welcome!

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY

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

FERNANDA DATOC-req.by-1st Community Bergenfield

MICHAEL DENARO-req.by-Jeanne Romano & Family

BOB MACMILLAN-req.by-Maria & Frank Kisielewski

GESUMINO J. PRINCIPATO-req.by-Evelyn Principato

VICTOR PHILAMEL RAMOS-req.by-1st Community Bergenfield

AUGUST RULLO-req.by-Jeanne Romano & Family

JOSEPHINE SANTOS-req.by-1st Community Bergenfield

WILLIAM SMITH-req.by-Frank & Evelyn Pezzolla

IRENE VIVOS-req.by-1st Community Bergenfield



Monday, November 11th is the Veteran's Day Holiday. The Mass on Veteran's Day will be celebrated at its regular time of 12 Noon in the church. Observance of the holiday the parish office will close on Friday, November 8th at 2:00PM and will reopen on Tuesday, November 12th at 9:00AM. May God bless all our veterans for the sacrificing some of their freedom to defend our freedom!

Food Pantry Update

We are stocking up our parish family food pantry for the fall and winter 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.

INDULGENCES FOR ALL SOULS WEEK AND THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER

To acquire a plenary indulgence it is necessary also to fulfill the following three conditions: sacramental Confession, Eucharistic communion, and prayer for the intention of the Holy Father while being detached from sin. It is appropriate that the sacramental Confession and especially Holy Communion and the prayer for the Pope's intentions take place on the same day that the indulgenced work is performed; but it is sufficient that these sacred rites and prayers be carried out within several days (about 20) before or after the indulgenced act. One sacramental Confession suffices for several plenary indulgences, but a separate Holy Communion and a separate prayer for the Holy Father's intentions are required for each plenary indulgence. The condition of praying for the intention of the Holy Father is fully satisfied by reciting one Our Father and one Hail Mary. A plenary indulgence can be acquired only once in the course of the day.

Visiting a Cemetery: An indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray, even if only mentally, for the departed. Typically the indulgence is plenary each day from November 1-8; on other days of the year, it is only a partial indulgence.

Visiting a Church on November 2: A plenary indulgence, applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is granted to the faithful, who on the day dedicated to the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed [November 2 {as well as on the Sunday preceding or following, and on All Saints' Day}] piously visit a church. In visiting the church it is required that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

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

DECEASED: Robert Eccles, William J. Feeney

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of November 3rd, 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

*Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them O Lord
And Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them*

REMEMBERING THE DECEASED IN NOVEMBER

Historically, November is the month when Catholics stop to remember their deceased loved ones and to pray for all the faithful departed.

A special Novena (9 days) of Masses for the deceased will begin on November 2nd. The 12 Noon Mass celebrated during the week and the 9:00am Mass on Saturday & Sunday will have the Faithful Departed as its intention for this novena. You can enroll the names of all you wish to be remembered at these Masses by using the special envelopes in your boxed set. Additional All Souls Mass envelopes are available at the doors of the Church.

The Book of Remembrance is near the Statue of the Sacred Heart. The names written in the book are included in our prayers and intercessions during the whole month of November. All are encouraged to write the names of your deceased relatives and friends in the Book of Remembrance.

NOVEMBER 3, 2024



Thirty-First Sunday
In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Faithful Departed

SUNDAY - Thirty-First Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Faithful Departed

10:30 am Barbara Ann D'Agosta

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Alfonso Lino Zamudio

MONDAY - St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop

12:00pm Faithful Departed

TUESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Faithful Departed

WEDNESDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Faithful Departed

THURSDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Faithful Departed

FRIDAY - Weekday

12:00pm Faithful Departed

SATURDAY - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

9:00am Faithful Departed

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Jack, Natalina & Joseph Navatta

SUNDAY - Thirty-Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Faithful Departed

10:30 am Julian & Lorenza Duran

12:00pm John Matino, Sr.

1:30 pm Ramon Vargas

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday - Oct. 27

Sunday - \$5,109

Add'l World Mission - \$79

Add'l Assessment - \$16

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

**THE PARISH FAMILY OF
SACRED HEART
INVITES YOU
TO FIESTA GUADALUPE**

**IN HONOR OF THE PATRONESS OF THE AMERICAS
Saturday, DECEMBER 14, 2024**

1:00 PM

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL
CAFETERIA**

620 VALLEY BROOK AVE

**Join us as we celebrate
Our Lady of Guadalupe
with GREAT MUSIC and
FOOD with a Latin Flair,
raffles and other
entertainments.**

**Tickets will be sold after the
Sunday Masses in the Main
Vestibule of the Church or
call the parish office
201-438-1147**

Adult \$25.00 Children \$10

**For Donations (Monetary,
Raffle Items, Food)**

please contact:

**Carmen & Natalia at the
parish**

