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2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

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. 9, Mar. 2, Apr. 19 (8:30pm), May 18, Jun. 1

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

Epiphany, to most of us, means the three kings. But the term Epiphany means "manifestation" or "revelation," and traditionally the Feast of the Epiphany celebrates three revelatory events, the Magi's visit, the Lord's baptism, and the wedding feast at Cana.

The link is not hard to see. The Magi's homage shows divinity of this child-king who is to die for his people. Jesus' baptism in the Jordan reveals a glimpse of God's inner life as Trinity. And the wedding feast of Cana reveals the divine power at work in this carpenter from Nazareth. And it does this smack dab in the middle of everyday life, at a wedding reception.

The fourth gospel calls the Lord's miracles "signs." They all point to Jesus' divinity. But they also profoundly symbolize what it is that he has come into this world to do for us. At Cana, he transforms water into wine.

Now water is good but rather ordinary. It does not have much taste. Wine in ancient Israel was special, generally reserved for feasts and Sabbaths. It is a symbol of joy, and the exhilaration it provides is a great blessing. Note that the wine Jesus provided was rich, flavorful, and of the very best quality.

The Old Covenant was good. It was good to know that God is one that the way to please him is through just actions. That's really what the ten commandments are all about–justice to God, who alone deserves our worship, and justice to other human beings who all deserve our respect, seeing that they are made in God's image. But this covenant did not tell the whole story—the inner life of God as Trinity, this is present there only in hints and shadows. Neither does the Old Covenant provide people with the power to live the commandments. The law is written on stone tablets, and people must try to live it through sheer will power.

Jesus transforms this situation. Religious life now becomes intimacy with God, sharing in the eternal celebration of love between Father, Son and Spirit. And the new law is written in hearts by the Holy Spirit who empowers Christians to live it. Natural human life is good. But the new supernatural life brought by Christ is richer and much more flavorful.

How does Jesus work this transformation? Through the power of the Holy Spirit, the same power that transformed chaos into paradise, a virgin into the mother of the messiah, and bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ.

Christ was anointed with this wonder-working Spirit following his baptism. We share in this anointing through confirmation. So why do we think that the gifts of the Spirit were only for New Testament times? Or why would we think that they are only given to the greatest saints? St. Paul in I Corinthians 12 says that there are different works of the Spirit but it is the same God who accomplishes all of them in everyone. And then, "to each person the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good."

At the Second Vatican Council, the Catholic Church officially taught that the charisms of the Holy Spirit were not limited to the apostolic era but are essential equipment for all times and are poured out upon all the faithful through baptism and confirmation. That means that we Catholics belong to the largest Pentecostal Church in the world.

So what is needed to awaken the wonder-working power of the Spirit that lies dormant in the lives of so many Catholics? Going back to Cana, it seems to me that if Mary's intercession could be a catalyst for the first miracle, it could be the catalyst for many more.

-Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio

Food Pantry Update

We are stocking up our parish family food pantry to help our brothers and sisters in need during the cold winter months. Can you help us make winter a little warmer for those struggling with food insecurity?

If you can donate any of these items, it would be greatly appreci-

ated: 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, Note that great vegetable and fruit prices can be found at Lidl's and Aldi's. 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 our brothers and sisters struggling with food insecurity without you!

YOUR HELP TO MAKE THE FUN IS NEEDED

Our parish's annual St. Patrick's celebration is a significant fundraiser but more importantly it's a fun packed evening with great food, music, and Irish dancers along with raffles and a 50/50. We're looking for folks to help sell raffle tickets and tickets to the celebration after the Masses on the weekends as well as help in building the gift baskets and setting up the school cafeteria on the March 7th and knocking table and chairs down after the celebration on March 8th. We're also soliciting gift certificates from local vendors, e.g. Restaurants, florists, hair and nail salons, etc. Letters acknowledging the gifts will be available at the Parish Center. Consider joining us in this endeavor and take advantage of meeting your fellow parishioners. If you are interested in helping please call the parish office at 201-438-1147.

ONLINE GIVING AT SACRED HEART

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.

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

THIRD ANNUAL VALENTINE CELEBRATION DOO-WOP, DINNER AND MORE!

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025 7:00PM - 10:00 PM (DOORS OPEN 6:30PM) OUR LADY OF MT. CARMEL PARISH CENTER TICKETS \$40 NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

FOREVER YOUNG

ONE OF NJ/NY'S PREMIERE GOLDEN OLDIES DOP WOP SIX-PIECE BAND

PRESENTED BY

LYNDHURST GIRLS' ASSOCIATION & LYNDHURST BOY SCOUTS

A FUNDRAISER FOR THE LIBBIE LINDSAY LITTLE HOUSE FOR LYNDHURST GIRL SCOUTS AND FOR THE LYNDHURSTCUB SCOUTS, BOY SCOUTS AND VENTURE CREW

Admission includes a delicious pasta dinner, dessert and beverages (BYOB)

For tickets mail your check payable to the "Lyndhurst Girls' Association" to Donna Shinnick, 617 Lake Ave, Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 Questions? Call Donna 201-906-3010

OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL HOLY NAME SOCIETY CASINO NIGHT

SAT., FEB. 1 6:30 PM - 10:30 PM
OLMC PARISH CENTER 146 COPELAND AVE
BLACKJACK*CRAPS*ROULETTE*MONEY WHEEL
TICKETS \$60 RECEIVE \$100 IN PLAY MONEY
\$100 IN ADVANCE RECEIVE \$1,000 PLAY MONEY
CALL MIKE 201-522-4553 OR MARK 201-803-1717

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, 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 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 Riyas, Tania, Jaime Diaz, Romile Diaz, Brian Oppici. Robert Schaefer, Eric Dietz, Marion Dietz, Jamie Brown, John Santelli, Julius Single, Jr., Tina Gentile, John Llewellyn, Joann Di Giovanna, John De Stefano, Sr., Patricia Anne Coughlin

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

CHURCH BELLS CELEBRATE & COMMEMORATE

The Sacred Heart Church bell rings:



In Honor of: Josephine A. Burgagni **Donated by:** Brian & Carol O'Keeffe

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

During the week of January 19th, 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: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

BREAD & WINE:



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MASS CANDLES:



In Honor of: James M. Cavalcante

Donated by: Isabel & Jim Cavalcante

MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY

Mon. Jan. 20th is the Martin Luther King holiday. The Mass will be celebrated at its regular of 12:00PM. In observance of the holiday, the parish office will close at 2:00 PM on Fri.., Jan 17 and reopen on Tue., Jan 21at 9:00AM

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Your generosity in the second collection next weekend will assist in the effort of announcing the Gospel through the Communicating God's Word Campaign.

JANUARY 19, 2025



Second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Louise Paterawick

SUNDAY - Second Sunday In Ordinary

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart

9:00am Ciro Sarra 10:30 am William Feeney

12:00pm James M. Cavalcante

1:30 pm Souls In Purgatory

MONDAY - Weekday/St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr/St. Sebastian, Martyr

12:00pm Theodore Cornell

TUESDAY - St. Agnes, Virgin & Martyr

12:00pm Lorraine & Richard Shutt

WEDNESDAY - Weekday/Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

12:00pm Lauro Diaz & Floriel Diaz

THURSDAY - Weekday/St. Vincent, Deacon & Martyr/St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

12:00pm William Joseph Feeney

FRIDAY - St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

12:00pm Rosa Maggiorcalda

SATURDAY - Conversion of St. Paul, Apostle

9:00am Frank De Serio

Anticipated Sunday Mass

5:00pm Sabino & Phyllis Salerno

SUNDAY - Third Sunday In Ordinary Time

7:30am People Of Sacred Heart 9:00am Peg & Jim Kearns &

Mary, Pete & Annette Radeglia

10:30 am William Feeney 12:00pm Phyllis Scelsa

1:30 pm Carmela & Joseph Palmo

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday Jan. 12 Sunday - \$6,136

Add'l Assessment - \$360

Christmas To Date - \$21,867



COME AND LISTEN

"COME TO ME ALL WHO ARE TIRED AND BURDENED AND I WILL GIVE YOUR REST" Matthew 11:28

ARE CARES & WORRIES WEIGHING YOU DOWN?

COME & LISTEN
ONE WORD COULD CHANGE
YOUR LIFE.

Mondays & Thursdays 8:00pm in Parish Center (former Convent)

Enter through the parking lot entrance CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH (ages 13 & older) Free babysitting will be available

ST. PATRICK'S DAY FUNDRAISER

Saturday, March 8, 2025, 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.