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The Parish Center is open Monday through Thursday from 8AM - 4PM, Friday from 8AM - 2PM. Please schedule other times by appointment.

SACRED HEART CHURCH IS LOCATED AT 149 SOUTH PLAINFIELD AVENUE

We welcome all to join us for worship and invite you to become an active member of our parish family.

Sacred Heart Church is open every day as a quiet refuge for prayer and reflection from 6:00AM until 4:30PM.

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend: 5:00PM – Saturday Vigil; Sunday – 9:00AM, 11:30AM
 Daily: 9:00AM – Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday 7:00PM – Monday
 Holy Day: 6:30AM, 9:00AM, 7:00PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday: 6:00-7:00 PM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA

Monday: 6:45PM with Benediction and Saturday: following 9:00AM Mass

BAPTISM

The sacrament is celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of every month at 1:00PM with the exception of the Season of Lent.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 10:00 - 11:30AM and at other times by appointment.

MARRIAGE

In conjunction with the policy of Marriage Preparation set forth by the bishops of New Jersey, couples should begin the process one year in advance of the planned date of marriage. Arrangements should be made with the Church before any other plans are set. All details and information will be gladly provided upon calling the Parish Office.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart, South Plainfield, NJ was established in 1905. We are a diverse community striving to foster spiritual growth and Catholic identity through liturgy, sacraments, service, education and our shared faith in God. We are committed to being an instrument of love, healing and hope by ministering to the needs of our parishioners & the larger community, while celebrating the Christ present in each of us.



SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

5:00 PM IN CELEBRATION OF THE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF BILL & MARY BETH NAGY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

9:00 AM ANNIV. JOHN LANZA, Req. by Wife & Family 11:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

- 6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary
- 6:45 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, Benediction
- 7:00 PM MARY PFEIFER, Req. by Rosemarie Wilson PATRICK BARRY, Req. by Granddaughter Kathy, MERCEDES MELLEJOR, Req. by Family MARIA SHIN, Req. by Family PETER WAITIKOWICH, Req. by Frank & Barbara Stahlin

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

9:00 AM ROBERT ECKENSTEIN, Req. by Kimberly & Tom Hoff



WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 ASH WEDNESDAY

- 6:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
- 9:00 AM TIMOTHY & MARGARET O'SULLIVAN,
- Req. by the O'Sullivan Family
- 4:00 PM Service with ashes
- 7:00 PM MICHAEL CAMPANELLI, Re.q by Wife & Family



9:00 AM ELAINE YORKANIS, Req. by Betty McLean & Family



FRIDAY, MARCH 3

ST. KATHARINE DREXEL, Virgin World Day of Prayer

9:00 AM GERIANNE SANTONAS, Req. by Val & Sandy 7:00 PM Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

ST. CASIMIR

9:00 AM REMEMBRANCE GUILD 5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, MARCH 5 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

9:00 AM DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BUDRIS & NEWCOTT FAMILIES, Req. by Family 11:30 AM EGON LESSLE, Req. by Niece Pat DeSantis & Family



STATIONS OF THE CROSS Fridays in Lent 7:00PM – IN CHURCH



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

February 26 - March 5, 2017

2/26 - Is 49: 14-15/1 Cor 4: 1-5/Mt 6: 24-34 2/27 - Sir 17: 20-24/Mk 10: 17-27 2/28 - Sir 35: 1-12/Mk 10: 28-31 3/1 - JI 2: 12-18/2 Cor 5: 20-6: 2/Mt 6: 1-5, 16-18 3/2 - Dt 30: 15-20/Lk 9: 22-25 3/3 - Is 58: 1-9a/Mt 9: 14-15 3/4 - Is 58: 9b-14/Lk 5: 27-32 3/5 - Gn 2: 7-9; 3: 1-7/Rom 5: 12-19/Mt 4: 1-11



► The daily Scripture references are printed here. If you find it helpful and have internet access, you can find the complete DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS at http://www.usccb.org/nab/.

WE OFFER OUR PRAYER

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, especially: Pauline Gillick, Dot Rotola, Michael Durning, Danielle Pepin, Prudence Capparelli, Anne Nagy, Eileen Walker, Daniel Hedden, Robert Larsen Jr., Brody Kasnowski, Georgie Martinkovic, Joan Sacko, Kevin Jones, Raul Rodriguez, Alyssa Ricciardi, Margaret Nichuck, Tina Bernauer, Thomas Buttery, Cathy Gary, Cheryl O'Brien, Hank Loeffler, Thomas Heim, Peter Romano, Patricia Lacasale, Margaret Smith, William Blair, Albertina Aguilar, Ed Curtin, Arthur Tinana, Ann Marie Lauten, Elizabeth Vargo, Edward Owsik, Barbara Calderoney, Roland Parker, Viola Pratt, Celeste Ginder, Neil Towey, George Castagno, Rev. Charles Mingle.

FOR THOSE IN HOSPITALS & NURSING HOMES,

especially: Bert Gartland, Lorraine Kick, Chuck Pender, Wilma Zielinski, Bill Keenan, Mary Partika.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, especially: the Faithful Departed of Sacred Heart Parish and their families who mourn their loss.

VIRGIN MARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

ANGIE JANKOWSKI

Requested by Niece

SACRED HEART CANDLE

burns on your first birthday in heaven

STACY KREGELOH

Requested by Rochelle & James Ales

SANCTUARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

MAUREEN RYDAROWSKI

Requested by Family

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE: FEB 25-26

5:00 PM - J. Makoski, H. Brignol, A. Ortega 9:00 AM - O. Markus, C. Butrico, T. Figueiredo 11:30 AM - A. Walker, S. Sequeira, G. Ruzicka



We welcome everyone, especially those who are visiting and may be new to Sacred Heart Parish.

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

We are a tithing parish & give thanks for God's gifts.

TITHING OR DONATION: CHURCH SUPPORT

Whether you are tithing or donating, however you choose to monetarily support the Church, we need your contributions. Thank you for your financial assistance.

	2017	2016
Envelopes:	\$ 10,371.74	\$ 9,671.00
Loose:	\$ 1,248.00	\$ 1,436.00
On-line Giving:	\$ 2, 675.00	\$ 2,175.00
Totals:	\$ 14,294.74	\$ 13,282.00

► Major Repairs & Renovations <u>to Date</u> - \$111,937

PASTOR'S COMMENT: "Jesus states in this Sunday's gospel passage that 'no one can serve two masters.' You would go crazy trying. Burning a candle from both ends, results in a big mess. So we are left with a decision, a choice ... whom do we serve? In this world there are those who believe that what you see is what you get, so take it now. Jesus is calling us to something more, and forever. If this is what we believe, if Christ is the master we serve, then live what you believe every day ... here, now, forever." — *Fr. John*

SCRIPTURE: "When you give, give generously and not with a stingy heart; for that, the LORD, your God, will bless you in all your works and undertakings." – *Deuteronomy 15:10*

PARISHIONER COMMENT: "It's simple to tithe: you just give back 10% of what you earn to the source of your spiritual blessings. It's done for the joy of giving. When you lovingly donate, the abundance starts to come to you in many ways." -- An Anonymous Tither

How much of your personal finances do you already do online? SACRED HEART CHURCH OFFERS ONLINE GIVING for parishioners who prefer

to donate through automatic draft. Online Giving is a secure and personalized way to give to the parish.

In the convenience of your home you choose how much to give, how often to give, and what form of payment you wish to use.



Online Giving can stand on its own as a means of donation or can be used in conjunction with your offering envelopes. Sign up for Online Giving at our parish website: <u>http://</u>

www.churchofthesacredheart.net Have your weekly offering automatically debited from your checking account or credit card. If you have reward credit you can be earning points or cash back.

MONTHLY ANALYSIS FOR JAN. 2017

Weekly Collections On-Line Giving Holy Day Gifts Christmas Offerings (Funerals/Weddings) Religious Education Fees 2015-16 National/Missionary Diocesan Appeals Major Renovations & Repairs Year End Gift Other Total Income	\$ 60,683.00 12,175.00 45.00 5,350.00 3,161.00 5,676.00 2,792.00 4,188.00 6,440.00 15,161.00 \$115,721.00
Salaries Benefits Social Security (FICA)-Employer Utilities Repairs & Maintenance Administrative Costs Religious Education Expenses Diocesan Assessment Shared Facility Costs (Holy Savior Acad.) Holy Savior Academy Assessment Scholarships & Grants Reserve for Property/Casualty/Auto Ins. Total Expenses	\$ 31,867.00 5,777.00 1,966.00 10,544.00 5,981.00 4,610.00 24,000.00 1,033.00 4,500.00 2,000.00 20,000.00 \$ 112,779.00
► Income <i>Higher</i> Than Expenses	\$ 2,942.00

THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART WELCOMES ALL NEWCOMERS to the

parish. Please contact our parish secretary, Lisa at the Parish Office at 908-756-0633 x110 for registration information.
▶ If you are moving, please notify Lisa at the Parish Office so we can keep our parishioner records current. *Thank you*

2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL *Ambassadors for Christ*

Twenty-four percent – \$1.7 million dollars – of the funds raised by the 2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal is earmarked for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Through more than 100 programs, Catholic Charities serves those most in need of our assistance. If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so the weekend, March 11/12, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Help us reach our target of 100% participation. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.

PLEDGED TO DATE: \$26,908 - GOAL: \$89,000

Have you included your parish in your Estate Planning & in your Will?

Remember the Church of the Sacred Heart in life & in death. Please call and speak with Jim Bufis at the Parish Office (908-756-0633 x114) about your legacy gift to your parish.



WE PRAY FOR ALL SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Especially for our parishioners



Army Captain Cheryl Hoh, Pharm D Spc. Erik Sienkiewicz - US Army / Iraq Psc. Amanda Marie Morales - US Navy Marine Corp. Troy A. Benson/Japan Pvt. Alterreek Booker - US Army/KY Sgt. Zackeriah Romasz - US Marine Corp. Spc. Bryan Gutschall - US Army/Afghanistan Spc. Nick Okoszko/US Army/No. Carolina LCdr. Edward Quaranta/ US Reserves Lt. Col. Dirk H. Smith/US Army, Washington, DC LCpl. Quinn Cochrane/US Marines, No. Carolina Pvt. Edward C. Forsthoffer/US Army

May we work for Justice as we pray for Peace.

Visit our diocesan website at diometuchen.org, click <u>Offices & Ministries</u>, then click Military and Veteran Families and see

THE APOSTOLATE FOR MILITARY & VETERAN FAMILIES



Respect for Life

During Lent, it is good to think about Jesus' words, "Amen I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." If we do nothing

to work for the protection of these least ones, we do nothing for Jesus. — COLFS Newsletter, San Diego

2 NEW WEBSITES - ONE LIFE SAVING MISSION

Life Choices Resource Center launches two new websites: www.ChoicesOptionsforWomen.com & www.LifeChoicesRC.com

SACRED HEART SOCIAL CONCERNS

The Sacred Heart Social Concerns Ministry serves our parishioners and residents of South Plainfield in need of assistance due to unforeseen circumstances (loss of employment, shelter, sickness, etc.) with the emergency distribution of food and/or funds for utilities or housing.

PLEASE NOTE: We ask for help in further outreach from members of our parish family to let us know who may be in need of assistance, that we may be a resource to support them. Those in need of assistance should call the Sacred Heart Parish Center anytime at 908-756-0633 x112. The primary source of funding is from the Poor Boxes located at all the doors of the Church. Also, at all doors, bins are provided for your donations of non-perishable food items.

Thank you again and may God bless you for your continued support to those in need from our parish.

Call: 908-756-0633 x112 or Email: socialconcerns@churchofthesacredheart.net

DO YOU USE THE PARISH WEBSITE?

See http://www.ChurchoftheSacredHeart.net

VISIT THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE AT www.diometuchen.org

► And don't forget to "like" us on FACEBOOK

The Church of the Sacred Heart, and to "follow" us on TWITTER

& INSTAGRAM



ROSARY NIGHT OF RECOLLECTION -

Tuesday, March 6, beginning with Mass at 7:00PM. The theme

is taken from Paul's Letter to the Corinthians, **'Now is a very acceptable time**", presented by: Rev. James E. De Fillipps, Director of Catholic Identity/ Chair of Theology, Saint Joseph High School. The "sharing" takes place immediately after the 7:00PM Mass. Please attend Mass!



The Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society invites you to pray the Rosary with them on the first Sunday of each month one half hour before all Masses.





PARISH BOOK CLUB - Join our parish book club! Tuesdays throughout Lent at 1:00-2:00PM in the Annex (no stairs!) and 7:30-8:30PM in the Parish Center. The 1:00 PM meeting will have a light lunch of soup and bread. Please *RSVP* to Louise Timko at 908-756-0633 ext.143. We will discuss "Resisting Happiness" by Matthew Kelly, which was distributed parish-wide at Christmas.

Back by popular demand! ANNUAL LENTEN FRIDAY FISH DINNER Holy Savior Academy Cafeteria 5:00-7:00 PM

The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus Council #6203 is sponsoring our famous Sacred Heart Lenten Friday Fish Dinners on **March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, & April 7,** in the HSA cafeteria from 5:00 -7:00 PM followed by *The Stations of the Cross* at 7:00 PM in the Church.

THE MENU features: Fillet of fish (fried, broiled, parmigiana), a pasta dish or pizza, garden salad, rice pilaf, French fries, mac & cheese, cole slaw, coffee, tea, or a cold drink , plus dessert! **TAKE OUT ORDERS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE!** Admission \$10/adults, \$9/Seniors, \$5/children, pay at the door.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



Louise Timko, Director 908-756-0633 x143

For more information please visit our web page

ww.churchofthesacredheart.net

or send us an email:

religiouseducation@churchofthesacredheart.net

Everyone hears the Sunday Scripture readings proclaimed, but do we take time to think about their meaning in our lives?

▶ QUESTION OF THE WEEK – February 26

What unexpected experiences about God's Care for you have you had that challenged your assumptions about life? How might these be understood as God calling you into a closer relationship with Him? How will you respond?

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - SAVE THE DATES

Confirmation will be celebrated by Rt. Rev. Abbot Elias Lorenzo, OSB on Thursday, **March 9**, 7:00 PM. All candidates & sponsors arrive at the school no later than 6:30PM that day.

Summer Session 2017 will be held **July 10-21**, Monday thru Friday, 8:30AM to Noon. Registration for Summer Session begins on Monday, March 6, at 8:00AM. Details and the registration form are on the parish website.



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SAVE THE DATE - Holy Savior Academy's 3rd Annual **Spring Splendor Tricky Tray** on Saturday, April 1. Doors open at 6:00PM. Tickets \$20 per person (includes one sheet of level 1 (white) tickets, coffee/tea/water & dessert). *BYOB* & Food. Tickets available in the school office.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL 2017-2018 TUITION ASSISTANCE

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen Catholic elementary or high school may do so beginning **January 30, 2017.** The application process is online through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment. Online applications must be completed (including supporting documentation) by no later than **Friday, March 31, 2017.** Applications are available in English and Spanish. Families that need assistance completing the online application, or need access to the technology to apply, may register for one of the five Application Workshops, which will be held in four locations within the Diocese in February and March by going to the Workshops Link at <u>www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance</u>

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◆ CEMETERY HOURS ◆ 8:00AM - 4:30PM (SEPT 16 - APRIL 14) 8:00AM - 7:00PM (APRIL 15 - SEPT 15)

RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Would you or someone you know like to complete your Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation? We attend 9:00AM Sunday Mass and meet for a session afterward. Please contact Louise Timko 908-756-0633 x143 or via email: Itimko@churchofthesacredheart.net.

BAPTISM/SPONSORSHIP CLASS - Parents and godparents are required to attend one session before the child's baptism date can be confirmed. Sessions are held on **the 1st Tuesday of every month at 7:00PM** in the Parish Center - 3rd floor. (Adults only - please, no infants or children.) Registration is required. Contact Sr. Nadine 908-756-0633 x118 to register for the class or with any questions.

SPONSOR LETTERS - Canon (Church) Law mandates that a Godparent for Baptism and a Sponsor for Confirmation be an active, Confirmed Catholic. An active Catholic is a parishioner who is registered, attends Mass weekly, contributes to the support of the Church, is in a valid Catholic marriage (an individual married civilly by a judge, mayor, or divorced and remarried without an annulment is not eligible to act as a sponsor) and publicly leads a life compatible with Church teaching. Please note that we can only write *Letters of Eligibility* for parishioners who meet these criteria.

IN GOD'S IMAGE: CATHOLIC FAITH SHARING FOR

LGBT PERSONS & THEIR FAMILIES - In God's Image, the Gay and Lesbian Faith Sharing Group at Sacred Heart Church, meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7:00PM in the Parish Annex (behind the school). Our next gathering will be on March 8. For information call 908-822-5895, OR contact Fr. John at 908-756-0633 x125 OR email:

<u>sacredheartigi@gmail.com</u>. And look for the **IGI** icon on the parish website. All are invited to view and share the video presentation at OwningOurFaith.com.



The Mass PART 3

Three key truths about the Eucharist draw our attention: it is a Sacrifice, a Holy Meal, and the Real Presence of Christ.

THE MASS IS A SACRIFICE - "When

the Church celebrates the Eucharist, the memorial of her Lord's death and resurrection, this central event of salvation becomes really present and 'the work of our redemption is carried out" (*Ecclesia de Eucharisti*, Pope John Paul II, #11, 4/17/2003).



To participate actively in the Mass, we need to resist a tendency to passivity when gathered in an audience-like setting. At Mass, we are an assembly of believers called to be a community joined in the active praise and worship of God. We do this in the singing of hymns, psalms, recitation of prayers and responses; but active participation also requires an interior attention and a profound inner offering. ..., When the assembly of the faithful, from the hands of the priest, offers the sacrifice of Christ to the Father, the members of the assembly are called to offer their bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God. The Eucharistic sacrifice is offered to adore and thank God, to pray for all our needs, and to gain pardon for our sins.

THE MASS IS A HOLY MEAL - "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within



you" (John 6:53). Jesus Christ shares with us His Body and Blood under the form of bread and wine. Thus the Mass is a sacred banquet that culminates in the reception of Holy Communion. The Church urges us to prepare conscientiously for this moment. We should be in the state of grace, and if we are conscious of a grave or serious sin, we must receive the Sacrament of Penance before receiving Holy Communion. Just as bodily food sustains our physical life, so Holy Communion nourishes our spiritual life. This

Communion moves us away from sin, strengthening our moral resolve to avoid evil and turn ever more powerfully toward God.

THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST - By the power of the Holy Spirit, Christ is present in the proclamation of God's Word, in the Eucharistic assembly, in the person of the priest, *but above all and in a wholly unique manner in the Eucharist.* "This presence is called 'real' because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes Himself wholly and entirely present" (CCC, no. 1374; source of much of above: U.S. Catholic Catechism for Adults-Chap 17)

ARCHIVE FINDING AID: The parish archives can be accessed via the parish website. Instructions for using the Finding Aid are included.

MARCH BLOOD DRIVE - Union Catholic High School, 1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, Give the Gift of Life! Tuesday, March 7, 8:00AM – 2:00PM. Contact Edward Thornton to make an appointment. <u>ethornton@unioncatholic.org</u> Walk-Ins are also welcome!

WHOLE COMMUNITY CATECHESIS SUNDAY, MARCH 12, 3-6PM WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 6-9PM

This Month's Theme — Lent & Penance

THE SACRED HEART TRAVELERS -

Venture into the Heart and Spirit of America's Great West -- Journey with Rev. John P. Alvarado to CANYON COUNTRY featuring Arizona & Utah,



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BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

The Parish is looking for **Adult and Youth Altar Servers.** Our adult altar servers assist at Funeral Masses and our youth servers (4th grade or higher) assist with weekend Masses, Holy Days, and Weddings (optional). Training is provided. Altar servers are assigned based upon availability and the needs of the parish. If you are interested, please contact Sr. Nadine 908-756-0633 x118 or email: srnadine@comcast.net.

— Ambassadors for Christ —

THE 2017 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL is focused on three Marquee Ministries.

#2 HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS: Ministering to those experiencing pain, confusion and fear, and those preparing for death is the role of the clergy assigned to hospital ministry. They respond to calls at every hour of the day and night providing sacramental and pastoral presence when needed most.

The Bishop's Annual Appeal helps to support the work of the priests serving as chaplains in more than 15 hospitals and health care facilities located in the Diocese of Metuchen. Last year, our hospital chaplains made over 40,000 pastoral visits.

"There are times when I am called to the hospitals in Edison and New Brunswick to visit with parishioners and specifically to anoint and pray with them. Some of those times, however, it is not possible to immediately leave what is happening here at the parish and travel to the hospital. It is a relief to the family and this pastor



when there is a priest chaplain on duty who can be reached and within a very short time be present at the hospital bedside. Your generosity and participation in the Bishop's Annual Appeal makes a difference!" — *Fr. John*





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