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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.



MASSES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

5:00 PM JOHN MOCHARSKI, Req. by Wife & Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

9:00 AM DOROTHY APPROVATO, Req. by Family
11:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary
6:45 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, Benediction
7:00 PM RENEE HEALY, Req. by Betty McLean & Family,
GEORGE RIPLEY, Req. by Patricia Snoden,
WALTER ZACEK, Req. by Susan Zacek,
JEAN POPIK, Req. by the Venitelli Family,
DOMINIK KRZYSIK, Req. by Nick & Pat DeSantis

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

ST. JOHN BOSCO, Priest

9:00 AM FRANK ROMEO, Req. by Sue Ann Gaster

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

9:00 AM MICHAEL LEIKAUSKAS, Req. by Wife Joyce

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Candlemas Day - bring candles to Mass for blessing

9:00 AM JOSEPH P. HERBERT, Req. by
the McGonigle Family



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

ST. BLAISE, Bishop & Martyr and ST. ANSGAR, Bishop

— *Blessing of Throats after Mass* —

9:00 AM THERESA DESIANO, Req. by Barbara Kelly

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00 AM MARINA GARCIA, Req. by Eleanore Disch & Marie Piesche

5:00 PM DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE MCGILL & POPOVICH FAMILIES, Req. by Family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

World Day for Consecrated Life

9:00 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
11:30 AM KATHY TRACY, Req. by Jay & James Tracy



OFFERTORY GIFTS - If your loved one is being remembered at Mass with a special intention, please let one of the ushers know if you would like to bring up the Gifts of Bread and Wine for the Eucharist.



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

January 29 - February 5, 2017

1/29 - Zep 2:3, 3: 12-13/1 Cor 1: 26-31/Mt 5: 1-12a
1/30 - Heb 11: 32-40/Mk 5: 1-20
1/31 - Heb 12: 1-4/Mk 5: 21-43
2/1 - Heb 12: 4-7, 11-15/Mk 6: 1-6
2/2 - Mal 3: 1-4/Heb 2: 14-18/Lk 2: 22-40
2/3 - Heb 13: 1-8/Mk 6: 14-29
2/4 - Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Mk 6: 30-34
2/5 - Is 58: 7-10/1 Cor 2: 1-5/Mt 5: 13-16



► 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, Dot Cooney, 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.

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: Mary Timko, Fernando Samabria, and the Faithful Departed of Sacred Heart Parish and their families who mourn their loss.

VIRGIN MARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

MOLLY MARINO

Requested by Niece

SACRED HEART CANDLE

burns in memory of

WALTER ZACEK

Requested by Maryann & Mark Sonnenfeld

SANCTUARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

STACY KREGELOH

Requested by Anita Keller



ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE: FEB 4-5

5:00 PM - J. Makoski, H. Brignol, M. Brignol
9:00 AM - D. Faustini, C. Butrico, N. Carannante
11:30 AM - A. Walker, J. Chavez, Z. Policarpio



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.

Week Ending January 22, 2017

	2017	2016
Envelopes:	\$ 8,705.00	\$ 1,675.00
Loose:	\$ 1,281.00	\$ 214.00
On-line Giving:	\$ 2,027.00	\$ 2,725.00
Totals:	\$ 12,013.00	\$ 4,614.00*

*Weekend of snow storm

► Major Repairs & Renovations to Date — \$108,087

The primary project targeted for these funds is the CHURCH BOILER. We cannot consider beginning this project until there is at least \$150,000 banked and available. Thank you — we're getting there!

PASTOR'S COMMENT: "We are reminded in today's gospel passage that we are blessed for the hardships we bear and the kindness that we share with others. It is God whom we serve in them and God who blesses us through them." — Fr. John

SCRIPTURE: "Whoever cares for the poor lends to the Lord, who will pay back the sum in full." — Proverbs 19:17

PARISHIONER COMMENT: "I think tithing was just what St. Andrew's needed. It also made me aware of my obligation to my church. I hope it continues to be a positive move for the church." — A parishioner, St. Andrew's, Sag Harbor, NY

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.

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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.



CHURCH CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are available for the 2016 TAX RETURN. If you would like your document sent to you via email, please contact our parish finance officer, James Bufis, at jbufis1@comcast.net or call 908-756-0633 x114.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Any new family who has moved into the parish area and adult children 18 years of age and older, **are invited to register as a parishioner.** The definition of an active parishioner is: *One registered, attending Mass weekly and contributing to the support to the church.* **There is a (3) month minimum registration requirement before registering for a baptism or requesting letters of eligibility/sponsorship certificates.**

DO YOU USE THE PARISH WEBSITE?

See <http://www.ChurchoftheSacredHeart.net>

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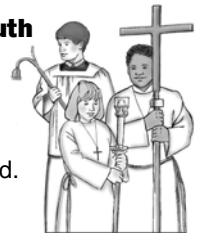
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The Church of the Sacred Heart, and to "follow" us
on **TWITTER**
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BECOME AN ALTAR SERVER

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.



PARISH UPDATES: If you are now solely using a cell phone, have changed your phone number or address, please call Lisa at 908-756-0633 x110, so we can update your records. We would also like to update our parish data base with e-mail addresses. Email us at admin@churchofthesacredheart.net to have your email address included or to update an email address. Thank you!

► If you are moving, please notify Lisa at the Parish Office so we can keep our parishioner records current. *Thank you!*

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*

► 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

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click [Offices & Ministries](#),
then click [Military and Veteran Families](#) and see

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SACRED HEART SOCIAL CONCERNS

In this ministry we are here to serve and offer assistance to anyone who may be in need, or is having difficulty with obtaining available resources. We help those in need with information about other sources, (Catholic Charities, South Plainfield Social Services, FISH, United Way (211), Puerto Rican Action Board, Middlesex County Board of Social Services, other organizations, and agencies)

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510-3102 or visit www.pseg.com/help,

Applications are available at PSE&G's 16

walk-in Customer Service Centers listed on your bill.

Applications must be submitted by April 30, 2017.

PLEASE NOTE: We need your help that we may better serve the members of our parish family. Let us know who may be in need; that we may be a resource to assist 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 in our parish.

Email:

socialconcerns@churchofthesacredheart.net

THE SACRED HEART MUSIC MINISTRY PRESENTS



*"A Little of This &
A Little of That"*

A Choral Concert at
Sacred Heart Church

**TODAY, JANUARY 29
AT 3:00PM**

Join the vocal choirs and bell choir as we present a selection of our favorite Sacred & Secular - Broadway Music. Free Will offering at the door.



WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE -

will be celebrated in the Church on February 2, 2017 and in parishes on the weekend of February 4-5. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in consecrated life and thank them on their special day. The consecrated life is one way that women and men live out their baptismal commitment as followers of Jesus. Some become members of a religious congregation or a secular institute. Others remain single and make a profession to God through the local bishop and are known as consecrated virgins. We recognize and give thanks for those who have consecrated their lives to God and the Church. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

**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.**



Respect for Life

"Some say that the government should not be involved in the personal private decision of abortion. They don't know how right they are. The government got too involved in the abortion decision when it legalized it on January 22, 1973." Rev. Frank Pavone, *The Southern Cross*

2 NEW WEBSITES - ONE LIFE SAVING MISSION

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

**BAKE SALE - The Sacred Heart Music Ministry
will be having a bake sale next weekend,
February 4/5. Stop by for a sweet treat!**



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 February 8.** For information call 908-822-5895, OR contact Fr. John at 908-756-0633 x125 OR email: sacredheartigi@gmail.com. And look for the IGI icon on the parish website. All are invited to view and share the video presentation at OwningOurFaith.com.

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Louise Timko, Director
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For more information please visit our web page
www.churchofthesacredheart.net
or send us an email:

religiouseducation@churchofthesacredheart.net



SAVE THE DATE - CONFIRMATION will be on Thursday, March 9, at 7:00 PM. Bishop James F. Checchio will be the celebrant. Further details can be found on the parish website and an updated schedule has been sent to the Confirmation candidates

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

► QUESTION OF THE WEEK – January 29

What obstacles and challenges do you currently face in your spiritual life? How might you find answers and the support you need in your parish?



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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 www.diometuchen.org/tuition-assistance

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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: ltimko@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.

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THIS IS OUR FAITH

Life

The Right to Life and the duty to cherish and support the gift of every persons' life: **the unborn, the dying, the immigrant are all part of the Seamless Catholic Approach to Life!** We are called to respect life from the moment of conception until natural death, in the lives of all of our brothers and sisters in the human family, and across the spectrum of these two end-posts!

On January 22, Bishop James celebrated the Diocesan *Right to Life Mass* at our diocesan cathedral, and the Bishops of the U.S. **asked us to join the Novena for Life, "Nine Days for Life."** As part of this effort, Father John, celebrated the Day of Prayer for Life and the Legal Protection of Unborn Children here at Sacred Heart on Monday, January 23.

Also, in the January 12 issue of the diocesan *Catholic Spirit*, **Bishop James Checchio teaches us and calls us to continue to support immigrants:** "Jan. 8-14 was the US Catholic Bishops *National Migration Week*. Bishop James wrote, "As



Catholics we believe that all people are children of God and, as such, all inherently are worthy of dignity, welcome and respect, regardless of their country of origin. Recognizing that the family is the

cornerstone of society, we believe that the highest aim of our nation's immigration policy should be uniting and keeping intact families, while honoring and upholding the laws of the nation and without compromising national security or the core principles on which our country was founded."

"Unfortunately, in our country's long broken immigration system, these principles are not fully respected. Moreover, given the harsh rhetoric directed toward immigrants and refugees during the presidential campaign, the situation risks becoming worse. We cannot let that happen. In a November 11 letter to the then president-elect, the Bishops of the United States expressed our collective resolve to "work to promote humane policies that protect refugee and immigrants' inherent dignity, keep families together, and honor and respect the laws of this nation." In the face of the dehumanizing rhetoric toward immigrants in recent months, our letter reminds us all "that behind every 'statistic' is a person who is a mother, father, son, daughter, sister or brother and has dignity as a child of God"

Pope Francis reminded us that "in God's heart there are no enemies. God only has sons and daughters. We are the ones who raise walls, build barriers and label people." "As the local Church in Metuchen, our celebration of National Migration Week reminds us to continue our efforts to serve, build community, and stand in solidarity with immigrants. We will follow this path, established at the inception of our country and illuminated by our values as Christians and as Americans seeking the common good of all. We will continue these efforts and also pray that the laws of our land will promote a healthy system of immigration that benefits all while protecting the security of our country too."

- ❖ The above quoted sections are taken from Bishop James Checchio's January 12 article in the *Catholic Spirit*.
- ❖ An additional resource statement on the Catholic Christian position on the Immigration issue, written by Rev. James Martin, S.J., may be found at <https://www.facebook.com/FrJamesMartin/videos/10154132008256496/>

THE FEAST OF ST. BLAISE - February 3.

St. Blaise (d. 316) was a doctor and a bishop in what is now modern day Armenia. Known for his ability to heal both body and soul, many people came to him for help. Legend has it that he saved a young boy from choking to death on a fishbone stuck in his throat. Arrested and imprisoned for being a Christian, he was beheaded. We celebrate his feast day by blessing throats by using two candles and praying a prayer asking for his intercession to protect us from sore throats and other illnesses. This sacramental (a holy object or practice that reminds us of the power of God) is especially appropriate during winter cold and flu season!



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SUBSTANCE ABUSE AWARENESS POSTER CONTEST - Students ages 8



through 14 are encouraged to develop an original poster and slogan idea designed to discourage their peers from experimenting with drugs and/or alcohol. Details are on the parish website or available from the Religious Education office or from Tom Walsh, Family Director, Knights of Columbus at tojawal@gmail.com. Posters are due no later than Wednesday, February 23, 2017 with the entry form.

PAPAL QUOTE AND CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

THEME 6: Care for God's Creation: We show our respect for the Creator by our *stewardship of creation*. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

"Following a period of irrational confidence in progress and human abilities, some sectors of society are now adopting a more critical approach. We see increasing sensitivity to the environment and the need to protect nature, along with a growing concern.., for what is happening to our planet. Let us review, however cursorily, those questions which are troubling us today and which we can no longer sweep under the carpet. Some forms of pollution are part of people's daily experience. Exposure to atmospheric pollutants produces a broad spectrum of health hazards, especially for the poor, and causes millions of premature deaths. People take sick, for example, from breathing high levels of smoke from fuels used in cooking or heating. There is also pollution that affects everyone, caused by transport, industrial fumes, substances which contribute to the acidification of soil and water, fertilizers, insecticides, fungicides, herbicides and agrottoxins in general. Technology, which, linked to business interests, is presented as the only way of solving these problems, in fact proves incapable of seeing the mysterious network of relations between things and so sometimes solves one problem only to create others..." #19-20, ENCYCLICAL LETTER, *Laudato Si, On Care For Our Common Home*, Pope Francis I, May 24, 2015.

THE CATHOLIC SPIRIT - The annual drive to support our diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Spirit*, is taking place during the month of February, National Catholic Press Month. Please support their good work by using the envelope in your packet. Any amount you contribute will show your support for the ministry of *The Catholic Spirit* and will be greatly appreciated. Please remember to take home a copy of the paper. It has a special role to play in your life as a practicing Catholic.

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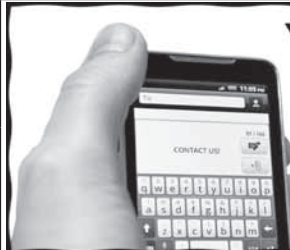
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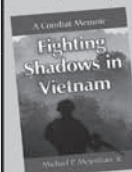
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