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# SACRED HEART

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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**

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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.



# MASSSES

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

5:00 PM GUIDO ABBRUZZESE JR., Req. by Father, Guido

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

9:00 AM JOHN F. MC NERNEY, Req. by Children & Grandchildren

11:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

## MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28

6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary  
6:45 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, Benediction  
7:00 PM GRACE & BOB HOLZHEIMER, Req. by Bob & Carole, ROMEO VANBUSKIRK, Req. by the Otlowski Family, KATHY TRACY, Req. by Marie & Rich Piesche & Family, LORRAINE PETROZIELLO, Req. by Bernie & Daughter, LUCIAN GRIMALDI, Req. by Bob & Anita Keller

## TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

9:00 AM SOPHIE RUDZEWSKI, Req. by the Walezak Family

## WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30

### ST. ANDREW, Apostle

9:00 AM KATHY TRACY, Req. by Nancy Stillman-Pender

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1

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

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2

9:00 AM FRANK & JOHN CRISCUOLO, Req. by Barbara, Isabel & Vincent

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER, Priest

9:00 AM MARY PFEIFER, Req. by Edward & Paula  
11:00AM The Sacrament of First Reconciliation  
&1:00PM The Sacrament of First Reconciliation  
5:00 PM ANNIV. JOSEPH DOLINSKI, Req. by Wife & Family

## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

9:00 AM JOSEPH DI SESSO,  
Req. by Patty & Frank Harris  
11:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE  
PARISH



**CONSIDER A CANDLE OR FLORAL MEMORIAL** - The 2017 Mass book may be closed, but candles in front of the Blessed Mother, Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Sanctuary Lamp, as well as flowers for the altar (basket or vase) are still available to remember a loved one, living or deceased. Please contact Lisa in the Parish Center 908-756-0633 x110 about the options. Have your loved one's name printed in the bulletin and remembered in the prayer.



## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

### November 27 - December 4

11/27 - Is 2: 1-5/Rom 13: 11-14/Mt 24: 37-44  
11/28 - Is 4: 2-6/Mt 8: 5-11  
11/29 - Is 11: 1-10/Lk 10: 21-24  
11/30 - Rom 10: 9-18/Mt 4: 18-22  
12/1 - Is 26: 1-6/Mt 7: 21, 24-27  
12/2 - Is 29: 17-24/Mt 9: 27-31  
12/3 - Is 30: 19-21, 23-26/Mt 9: 35-10:1, 5a, 6-8  
12/4 - Is 11: 1-10/Rom 15: 4-9/Mt 3: 1-12



► 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, Kathleen Poliquin, Thomas Buttery, Cathy Gary, Cheryl O'Brien, Hank Loeffler, Thomas Heim, Peter Romano, Patricia Lacasale, Margaret Smith, William Blair, Albertina Aguilar, Ed Curtin, Maryann Santoro, Arthur Tinana, Ann Marie Lauten, Elizabeth Vargo, Edward Owsik, Kathy Keenan, Barbara Calderoney.

FOR THOSE IN HOSPITALS & NURSING HOMES, especially: Bert Gartland, Lorraine Kick, Anna Marie Gladysz, Chuck Pender, Wilma Zielinski, Bill Keenan.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, especially: the Faithful Departed of Sacred Heart Parish especially, Joan E. Keelan, George Ripley, Nicholas Vargo & their families who mourn their loss.

## VIRGIN MARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

### MICHAEL LEIKAUSKAS

Requested by Loving Wife Joyce

## SACRED HEART CANDLE

burns in memory of

### ANTHONY PELLEGRINO

Requested by Niece



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

### CAROL HART

Requested by Son Bill & Daughter Rachel

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE: DEC. 3-4

5:00 PM - M. Brignol, H. Brignol, J. Makoski

9:00 AM - T. Figueiredo, A. Ortega, N. Carannante

11:30 AM - G. Ruzicka, A. Walker, S. Sequeira



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 November 20, 2016**

2016

2015

\*See next weekend's bulletin

**Major Repairs & Renovations to Date – \$98,778.50**

**PASTOR'S COMMENT:** "As we begin a new Church Year there are opportunities this Advent Season to find peace in our Faith and our Catholic Christian traditions. Society and culture have us moving in many directions. Christ our Light is calling us to stay on the path, be reconciled to God and one another and begin again with a clean heart and a free spirit. Keep Advent and avoid getting bogged down in the seasonal hype and pressure. If Jesus is your first gift to share, all else will find its place and meaning." — Fr. John

**SCRIPTURE:** "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." — Matthew 6:21

**CHRISTIAN COMMENT:** "How can anyone put into words what God does for one? The peace...in times of stress is an example. The month's money of one who has a fixed income and yet it seems to go further. God is so subtle. I don't hear bells, fireworks or drums; still my prayers are answered. Don't try to outdo God! He will not allow it. He comes back with more help than before." — A parishioner, Holy Cross Church, Bronx

**What will you give back to God from the blessings you have received?**

**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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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: <http://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.



## PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION

*Prepare the Way of the Lord*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 10:00 AM**

### RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

"As expenses continue to increase and economic difficulties tighten our income, we appreciate more and more the help of this fund," notes a woman religious. Your tax deductible donation to the RFR supports the day-to-



day care of thousands of elder sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.

**NEXT WEEKEND** December 3 & 4, envelopes will be available at the doors of the church if you are able to make a donation to this appeal. Please visit us online at [www.retiredreligious.org](http://www.retiredreligious.org).

### 2017 PARISH CALENDARS

Our 2017 parish wall calendars are available in Church after all Masses and at the Parish Center. We are most grateful for the generosity of the McCriskin-Gustafson Family of Funeral Homes who provided the new wall calendars for our Sacred Heart families. May God bless you and your families every day of the new year.

### ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

— The traditional Christmas Wafer, **OPLATKI**, is available for \$2.00 after Mass at the Church and at the Parish Center.



### VISIT THE PARISH WEBSITE!

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

**VISIT THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE AT**  
[www.diometuchen.org](http://www.diometuchen.org)

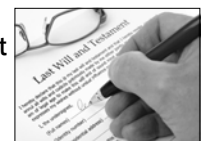
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**The Church of the Sacred Heart**, and to "follow" us on **TWITTER**  
& **INSTAGRAM**



**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.**

► **Have you included your parish in your estate planning and 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](http://diometuchen.org),  
click [Offices & Ministries](#),

then click [Military and Veteran Families](#) and see

**THE APOSTOLATE FOR MILITARY & VETERAN FAMILIES**

## SACRED HEART SOCIAL CONCERNS

### *The Advent Giving Tree*

As in the past, the parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish have been most generous, especially during difficult economic times. We continue to need your support to help those in need from our community. During Advent, many people despair over the commercialism of Christmas. But, long before television began blasting news of pre-Christmas sales, people have given gifts to each other at Christmas time. We love to give gifts. We love to be surprised, and to surprise. Perhaps, gift giving at Christmas persists not because of commercialism but in spite of it. Gift-giving can be a joy-filled experience that reflects Christianity, not commodity.

Our **Advent Giving Tree** gives you the opportunity to experience that feeling of "joyful giving" by taking an ornament to help the poorest members of God's family. Monetary Gift Cards are needed from local stores (Shop-Rite, Acme, Aldi's, Stop & Shop, Target, Walmart, CVS, Walgreens, etc.) in denominations of \$10, \$15, \$25. Gift Cards can be returned to the Poor Boxes located at the entrances of the Church or to the Parish Center.

**Special thanks to the Girl Scouts** for crafting the ornaments & decorating the two Advent Giving Trees in the front church foyer and up-front at St. Joseph's statue.

Also, a **special thanks to the Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts** of South Plainfield for another tremendous food drive the past two weekends. The residents of South Plainfield donated nearly 600 bags of food for the Sacred Heart Social Concerns Food Pantry.

If you know of families in need for the holidays, please encourage them to call 908-756-0633, x112, Monday, Wednesday, Friday between 9:00AM & 11:00AM.

**Email: [socialconcerns@churchofthesacredheart.net](mailto:socialconcerns@churchofthesacredheart.net)**

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a Pilgrimage*



## PARISH PILGRIMAGE

**THE HOLY LAND: In The Footsteps of Jesus**

**March 19 - 28, 2017**; travel with

Rev. John Alvarado on the journey of a lifetime.



For full details, pricing & itinerary pick-up a brochure in Church or at the Parish Center or visit us anytime online at [churchofthesacredheart.net](http://churchofthesacredheart.net) (click on the travel icon).

**Don't delay, we are booking NOW and taking registrations.** You may also visit Peter's Way Tours at

[www.petersway.com](http://www.petersway.com) or call 800-225-7662 **TOUR CODE: 9220**



## *Respect for Life*

**2 NEW WEBSITES - ONE LIFE SAVING**

**MISSION** Life Choices Resource Center launches

two new websites: [www.ChoicesOptionsforWomen.com](http://www.ChoicesOptionsforWomen.com) &

[www.LifeChoicesRC.com](http://www.LifeChoicesRC.com)

**BAKE SALE** - The Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society will be having a bake sale in the parking lot entrance of the church, after all Masses next weekend, December 3 & 4. Be sure to stop by for a holiday treat.



**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.**



Sign up for free at  
**Dynamic Catholic.com**  
**/Advent**

Receive emails for our Best Advent Ever program.

### **When does it start?**

Look for your first email today, Sunday, November 27. (The program ends Monday, December 26.)

### **What can I expect?**

You will receive an email every day during Advent:

#### **Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday -**

Watch a 1- to 2-minute video from one of our great presenters who dives deeper into the theme for the week

**Thursday** - Watch a short, personal video from a Dynamic Catholic team member

**Saturday** - Get a free song from our brand new Christmas CD

**Sunday** - Catch up on any videos you missed, and get a preview for the coming week



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Louise Timko, Director  
908-756-0633 x143

For more information please visit our web page  
[www.churchofthesacredheart.net](http://www.churchofthesacredheart.net)  
or send us an email:

[religiouseducation@churchofthesacredheart.net](mailto: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 – November 27**

Describe an experience of anticipation that you have had. If you think about it, how can Advent become a time of anticipation for you?

## **RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

At any point during the year, our RCIA program is open to newcomers. Catholics needing to complete their Sacraments of Initiation or non-Catholics seeking to become Catholic. All are welcome! Please contact Louise Timko at 908-756-0633 x143 or [ltimko@churchofthesacredheart.net](mailto:ltimko@churchofthesacredheart.net)

## **PRAY FOR OUR CHILDREN** who will be

celebrating, for the first time, the Sacrament of Reconciliation next weekend. They are the new lambs of the flock whom Jesus welcomes. May their innocent witness renew the faith of the sheep of the flock, calling our adults to a deeper awareness of God's love and mercy. The children and their families will gather for confession at 10:00AM and 1:00PM.



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MRS. CAROL WOODBURN, PRINCIPAL

## **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 Christmas gathering will be on December 14.** For information call 908-822-5895, OR contact Fr. John at 908-756-0633 x125 OR email: [sacredheartigi@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://OwningOurFaith.com).

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LYNDA YELENOVSKY, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

### ◆ CEMETERY HOURS ◆

8:00AM - 4:30PM (SEPT 16 - APRIL 14)

8:00AM - 7:00PM (APRIL 15 - SEPT 15)

**FOR YOUR PLANNING:** Monday, November 28, we will be putting up a Christmas Tree in the Mausoleum. The tree is there for you to place an ornament in memory of a loved one buried in Holy Redeemer Cemetery/Mausoleum. Please NO glass ornaments, unbreakable only. We ask that you please be respectful of ornaments place on the tree by families and that they not be removed. Thank you.



**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.

**AED IN CHURCH** - An Automated External Defibrillator (AED) is a portable electronic device that automatically diagnoses the life-threatening cardiac arrhythmias of ventricular fibrillation and ventricular tachycardia in a patient, and is able to treat them through defibrillation allowing the heart to reestablish an effective rhythm. We have purchased & installed an AED in church to assist in emergency medical situations. The AED is door-mounted next to the St. Joseph statue at the front of the church.

# THIS IS OUR FAITH

## Advent

In the Catholic Church, Advent is a period of preparation extending for four Sundays before Christmas. The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *advenio*, "to come to," and refers to the coming of Christ. This brings us, ultimately, to our celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas; but initially, to the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and the Sacrament of the Eucharist and to His Second Coming at the end of time. Our preparations, therefore, should have all three elements in mind. We need to prepare our souls to receive Christ worthily.

Advent has traditionally been known as a "little Lent." As in Lent, **Advent should be marked by increased prayer, fasting, and good works.** While the Western Church no longer has a set requirement for fasting during Advent, the Eastern Church, both Catholic and Orthodox, continues to observe what is known as Philip's Fast, from November 15 until Christmas.

Traditionally, all great feasts have been preceded by a time of fasting, making the feast itself more joyful. Sadly, Advent today has been supplanted by "the Christmas shopping season," so that by Christmas Day, many people no longer enjoy the feast. The season of Advent typically begins with the Sunday nearest to the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle (30 November) and embraces four Sundays. The first Sunday may be as early as 27 November, leaving Advent with twenty-eight days, or as late as 3 December, giving the season only twenty-one days.

### The Symbols of Advent

In its symbolism, the Church continues to stress the penitential and preparatory nature of Advent. As during Lent, the liturgical color is purple, and the Gloria ("Glory to God") is omitted during Mass. The Third Sunday of Advent is known as *Gaudete Sunday* and the priest can wear rose-colored vestments. As on *Laetare Sunday* during Lent, this exception is designed to encourage us to continue our prayer and fasting, because we can see that Advent is more than halfway over.

Other practices, beside the penitential ones noted above, associated with Advent include keeping an Advent Calendar, lighting the Advent Wreath, praying an Advent daily devotional, as well as other ways of preparing for Christmas, such as placing Christmas decorations, writing Christmas cards, setting the Christmas Crèche and the Jesse Tree.



**END OF YEAR GIVING:** Please consider these charities in your tithe *and* end-of-year giving. (5% to the Church + 5% Charities = 10% TITHE).



☑ **The Bishop's Annual Appeal** reaches out and across our diocese to feed, clothe, shelter, educate and the serve the temporal and spiritual necessities of those in need. It supports the ministries and mission of the Church of Metuchen. Diocese of Metuchen, P.O. Box 4000, Metuchen, NJ 08840-4000

☑ **The Holy Savior Academy Student Assistance Fund** aids families who have experienced a catastrophic change in their lives (i.e. death of spouse, fire or natural disaster, etc.) that they may maintain stability in their child's Catholic education.

☑ **Sacred Heart Social Concerns** is a parish social outreach ministry that feeds the hungry and provides clothing and shelter to those in need. Non-perishable food items, financial offerings, and volunteers are always needed and welcomed.

☑ **The Sacred Heart Tree of Life** is a permanent memorial to honor your loved ones, living and deceased. *The Tree of Life* sculpture is prominently placed in our church's main foyer. The brass leaves are available to be inscribed with your personal memorial.

### Other Specific Memorial Gifts

**Please call the Parish Center for further information or specific requests: 908-756-0633x 114.**

**Please remember Sacred Heart Parish in your Will, Estate Planning, Investment Annuities & Stocks.**

► **Put your money to work and double your gift with Employer Matching Grants.** Your gift to the Church enables us to reach out in service to others increasing your generosity many times over.

### OTHER CHARITABLE OPTIONS

☑ **Catholic Charities Solidarity Team of the Diocese of Metuchen** <https://ccsolidarity.org>

☑ **FOOD FOR THE POOR, INC.** 954-427-222  
[www.foodforthe poor.org](http://www.foodforthe poor.org)

☑ **CROSS International Catholic Outreach** 561-392-9212  
[www.crosscatholic.org](http://www.crosscatholic.org)

☑ **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES** 888-277-7575  
[www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org)

**THE SIMBANG GABI**, a devotional nine-day series of Masses honoring the Blessed Mother in preparation for the Nativity of our Lord, Jesus Christ, is coming to the Church of the Sacred Heart on Saturday, December 17, 7:30PM. The celebration is coordinated by the Filipino Apostolate of the Diocese of Metuchen. All are welcome.



**SAVE THE DATE -** Mark your calendars and get ready for a great afternoon of music. The Sacred Heart Music Ministry presents: "A Little of This and A Little of That" choral concert on Sunday, January 29, at 3:00PM., here in the church. More details to follow.

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



**THE ORCHESTRA OF ST. PETER BY THE SEA -** St. Ann Parish presents their 13th Annual Christmas Concert with Father Alphonse Stephenson on Sunday, December 18, 2016 at 2:00PM, at the Somerset County

Vocational & Technical School, 14 Vogt Drive, Bridgewater. Advance Tickets Only are available now by calling the Rectory Office at 908-725-1008 x104 to reserve your ticket.

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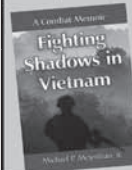
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