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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, SEPTEMBER 10

5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9:00 AM LUKE LORANCE, Req. by Paul, Eileen & Christina Lorange

11:30 AM RUTH & JOHN GILBURN & EUGENE WAGNER, Req. by Patricia Gilburn Wagner

2:00 PM ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

THE MOST HOLY NAME OF MARY

6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary

6:45 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, Benediction

7:00 PM ELIZABETH O'BRIEN, Req. by Jack O'Brien, FRIEDA WALKER, Req. by Maryann Iannitto, GEORGIA PORNOVETZ & PHILIP BURRELL, Req. by the Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society, JOAN CORBISIERO, Req. by Mary Timko

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM MARY ANN PULSFORT, Req. by Mother-in-law & Family

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

9:00 AM CHARLES MAHONEY, Req. by Val Genova & Sandy Romasz

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

9:00 AM JOSEPH VILLA, Req. by Betty McLean & Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

ST. CORNELIUS, Pope & ST. CYPRIAN, Bishop

9:00 AM ROSALIE CALLOM, Req. by Michael & Mary Kelly

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM WILLIAM McALISTER, Req. by Joan Bennett, PATTY YANICK, Req. by Patricia Ratti & Family, MARY McGREGOR, Req. by Lou Capparelli & Family, GAYA AND JULIE GLOBIS, Req. by a Friend

5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

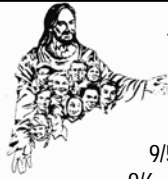
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Catechetical Sunday

9:00 AM STELLA & STEPHEN KOZNOWICZ, Req. by Son & Family

11:30 AM ANNIV. JOHN BURGHARDT, Req. by Daughter Lynda



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

September 11 - 18

9/4 - Wis 9: 13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14: 25-33

9/5 - 1 Cor 5: 1-8/Lk 6: 6-11

9/6 - 1 Cor 6: 1-11/Lk 6: 12-19

9/7 - 1 Cor 7: 25-31/Lk 6: 20-26

9/8 - Mi 5: 1-4a/Mt 1:1-16

9/9 - 1 Cor 9: 16-19, 22b-27/Lk 6: 39-42

9/10 - 1 Cor 10: 14-22/Lk 6: 43-47

9/11 - Ex 32: 7-11, 13-14/1 Tm 1: 12-17/Lk 15: 1-32



► 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, Mary Pfeiffer, Kevin Jones, Raul Rodriguez, Dot Cooney, Alyssa Ricciardi, Margaret Nichuck, Tina Bernauer, Kathleen Poliquin, Thomas Buttery, Cathy Gary, Cheryl O'Brien, Albert Pizza Sr., Hank Loeffler, Thomas Heim, Peter Romano, Patricia Lacasale, Margaret Smith, Clara McGill, Dot Mercier, Daniel Hogan, William Blair, Albertina Aguilar, Ed Curtin, Maryann Santoro.

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

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

VIRGIN MARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

MARGARET STEVENS

Requested by Niece

SACRED HEART CANDLE

burns in memory of

TERESA PELLEGRINO

Requested by Husband Paul & Family

SANCTUARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

THE VICTIMS OF 9/11

New York, Pennsylvania & Virginia



ALTAR FLOWERS

are in loving memory of

ALLEN MILLWARD

Requested by Family



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 September 4, 2016

	2016	2015
Envelopes:	\$ 9,867.55	\$ 10,700.60
Loose:	\$ 1,413.00	\$ 1,005.00
On-line Giving:	\$ 3,395.00	\$ 3,038.00
Totals:	\$ 14,675.55	\$ 14,743.60

Major Repairs & Renovations to Date — \$ 98,374.00

PASTOR'S COMMENT: "The parables of the lost sheep, the lost coin and the lost (prodigal) son from this weekend's scriptures challenge us to find God in the search for what has been "lost." On this 15th anniversary of 9/11 it is an invitation to trust that the Father was there to welcome every soul home and is with us every step along the way." — *Fr. John*

SCRIPTURE: "Through him [then] let us continually offer God a sacrifice of praise, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have; God is pleased by sacrifices of that kind." — *Hebrews 13:15-16*

PARISHIONER COMMENT: "For your good judgement and courage in your attempt to get and keep our parish in good financial shape, I heartily commend you. A commonsense tithing program is working very, very well and consistently elsewhere. It will do as much and more for us." — *A parishioner, St. Brigid's, Westbury, NY*

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

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ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE: SEPT. 17-18

5:00 PM - S. Sequeira, M. Brignol, H. Brignol
9:00 AM - L. Flannery, J. Chavez, G. Delacruz
11:30 AM - A. Ortega, E. Dodge, N. Carannante



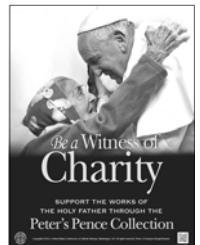
MONTHLY ANALYSIS FOR AUGUST 2016

Weekly Collections	\$ 56,854.00
On-Line Giving	13,097.00
Gifts	4,290.00
Fundraising	2,430.00
Offerings (Funerals/Weddings)	5,832.00
Religious Education Fees 2015-16	3,324.00
Major Renovations & Repairs	4,151.00
Other	1,000.00
Total Income	\$ 90,978.00

Salaries	\$ 29,484.00
Benefits	5,803.00
Social Security (FICA)-Employer	1,866.00
Utilities	6,072.00
Repairs & Maintenance	3,872.00
Administrative Costs	5,076.00
Religious Education Expenses	14,507.00
Diocesan Assessment	11,000.00
Shared Facility Costs (Holy Savior Acad.)	925.00
Holy Savior Academy Assessment	4,500.00
Total Expenses	\$ 83,105.00

► **Income Higher Than Expenses** \$ 7,873.00

THIS WEEKEND - September 10-11, we will support the collection for **PETER'S PENCE** which provides Pope Francis with the funds to carry out his charitable works around the world. Proceeds benefit our brothers & sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Join our Holy Father as a witness of charity to those who are suffering. Envelopes have been included in the mailing for registered parishioners and are also available at the entrances of the church.



NEXT WEEKEND - Bishop Checchio has asked us to support a special collection to assist in the relief and rebuilding efforts in Louisiana and Central Italy. Envelopes are available in the entrances of the church. **"I am aware of the many requests that are directed at our generous parishioners for both local and national causes. However, those affected by these natural disasters are also our sisters and brothers who no longer have the basic necessities. I ask all to be as generous as their circumstances allow."** — *Bishop Checchio*

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

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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.
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Pfc. John W. Diana/US Army/Alaska
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.

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

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Respect for Life

Two days in American history that will live in infamy are December 7, 1941 and September 11, 2001.

Another infamous date in which a war was launched, a war against the unborn, is January 22, 1973. As we remember the countless men and women who have given their lives to defend us, let us pledge again to defend the right to life of the unborn and remember the more than 58 million nameless children who have died since 1973.

SACRED HEART SOCIAL CONCERNS

Vegetable Garden Update

Our vegetable garden continues to be a great success. We are harvesting produce for needy families. Families are surprised and grateful for fresh produce. The garden should be able to provide vegetables well into the Fall.

Thank you, and God bless you, for your continued support to those in need from our parish family. If you know of families in need, please encourage them to call 908-756-0633 x112, Monday, Wednesday, Friday between 9:00AM & 11:00AM.

The primary source of funding is from the Poor Boxes located at all the doors of the Church. At all doors, bins are provided for your donations of non-perishable food items.



TODAY IS THE SACRED HEART ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC

Sunday, September 11, 2016 – 2:00-6:00PM
School Back Lawn & Cafeteria

AED AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR (AED) DEMONSTRATION – The proper use of the AED unit recently installed in church will be demonstrated on Wednesday evening, September 28, at 7:00PM in the Children's Liturgy Room in the church. All are welcome to attend.

THE PRAYER CIRCLE will gather this Tuesday, September 13, at 7:00PM in the Parish Center Chapel.

ADULT CHOIR - The Adult Choir sings on Sundays and at other liturgies and paraliturgies from September - June. The Adult Choir has resumed rehearsals on Thursdays, at 8:00PM in the Church. The choir ordinarily sings at the 9:00AM or 11:30AM Mass on assigned Sundays. **All are welcome** to come join the fun and fellowship that is involved in our music ministry!



Stop by during a rehearsal or if you have any questions about our Music Ministry, please feel free to contact Dan Mahoney, 908-756-0633 x139, or via email Dan410@aol.com.



The Rosary Altar Society will begin their monthly meetings on Monday, September 12, following the 7:00PM Mass, in the Annex building behind the school. All ladies of the parish are welcome. For information call MaryAnn Kane 908-757-3604.

BUS TRIP & SHOWER OF ROSES - The Shrine of St. Therese of Lisieux, Nesquehoning, PA. Sunday, October 2 (rain or shine), leaving at 8:30AM from Our Lady of Fatima parking lot, 499 New Market Avenue, Piscataway. Cost: \$40, includes Mass, procession and helicopter rose drop.



Registration deadline is September 16. Mail check to OLF Rosary Altar Society, 50 Van Winkle Place, Piscataway, NJ 08854. To register please

call Sue Ellen 732-968-5555 x1106 or Pat 732-752-3842. Food available for purchase at the Shrine.

ANNUAL MUM SALE - The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus Council #6203 will be selling the high quality mums in various colors at the South Plainfield Rescue Squad located at 2506 Plainfield Avenue, from 9AM, to 3PM, the following days: Saturday and Sunday, **September 24 & 25, and October 1 & 2**. For Large Mum orders, call Gerry Butrico at 908-346-0320 to arrange delivery. Prices are \$7 for 8 inch pots and \$25 for large pots with beautiful blooms. This fundraiser supports the Knights various charitable works. Get them while supplies last and thank you for your support.





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

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

▶ QUESTION OF THE WEEK – September 11

How would you describe the experience of someone behaving mercifully toward you? What is it like to receive mercy?

REGISTRATION FOR SEPTEMBER RELIGIOUS EDUCATION IS NOW OPEN. Our new program, **Growing in Faith Together** is a MONTHLY program. Sessions are held once a month and you choose whether you would prefer to attend Sunday afternoons or Wednesday evenings throughout the year. The day you choose will be the session your family will attend through the year. **Adults with children** must attend 10 of the 12 monthly sessions. This is not a drop-off program. At least one parent must attend with a child, though, of course, both parents are most welcome. And there is a light meal during each session! The registration form can be found on the parish website: churchofthesacredheart.net and at the Parish Center.

Adults without children are invited to participate in **Growing in Faith Together!** Attend sessions as you choose. Topics are on the parish website (Home Page click on the Faith Formation link) and will be listed in the bulletin. Suggested dinner donation is \$5 per person, payable at the door. No registration required.

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◆ CEMETERY HOURS ◆

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

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

Website Update!

You can now access the cemetery website via the Church website: churchofthesacredheart.net, click on **Cemetery** and it will take you directly to the site. Please view and submit photos, comments, obituaries, military information, etc. **Thank 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

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, and publicly leads a life compatible with Church teaching. We can only write *Letters of Eligibility* for parishioners who meet these criteria.

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.

HELP WANTED - Holy Savior Academy is seeking an aide for their Aftercare Program. Duties include setting-up snacks, homework help, and general supervision of the students in the program. Hours are Mon, Thurs, Fri from 2:45PM to 6:00PM, with Noon to 6:00PM shifts on half days. If you are interested, please email Alice Bach with your contact information at abach@holysavioracademy.com

THIS IS OUR FAITH

#15 - 9/11 and Our Eternal Home

Today we mark the fifteenth anniversary of "9/11. I am sure that you can recall where you were on that day. For me, it vividly brings back the memories of exactly where I was when I saw the first tower of the WTC in flames, and then the realization that it was much more than a terrible accident when the second tower was hit. It brings back the terrible pain we all felt when we saw the WTC on fire, the people jumping to escape the inferno; and then the towers collapsing to the ground. It brings back all the fear we relive grown children returning home to be with their families, and families huddled together for support. It brings back the vulnerability we felt with this attack on our homeland, and the feelings that continue to today.

This anniversary also brings back the question that many of us asked that day, when the 3,000 died in the towers. That question is, how can a good God let this happen? The memory of 9/11 forces us to ask this question again. Just like the memory of December 7, 1941 did for our parent's generation. But this question is not limited to the United States. No, this question was asked by the Jews after 6 million were murdered during the holocaust. It was asked by the whole world as they fought the Second World War, where over 60 million died; 22 million who were soldiers. It is being asked now as tens of thousands of refugees are dying in the Middle East and millions are fleeing their homes. Humans have asked this question repeatedly through history as we confront the effects of evil.

We try to cling to our faith, when we have lost someone close, or when we are so afraid of what is going to happen to us, to our children, to this life that we know and to which we are so desperately attached. But the words and thoughts of faith sometimes leave us feeling empty. What do we say? Why does God allow evil? Why do good people suffer?

What does our faith offer us? As Christians we believe that God made us to know Him, to love Him, to serve Him in this world and to be happy with Him in the next. But we forget this last part of the sentence, we focus on this life and this world, but our Faith, our Savior, only promises happiness in the next, not here and now.

Jesus calls us to know, love and serve God and our neighbor. It is in this way we achieve salvation, eternal life, and happiness. Jesus' path to know, love and serve God and neighbor was through the cross, and He calls each of us to take up our cross and follow Him. This path does not give us the warm feeling we may want ... that our Faith, our God, is going to fix everything in this life. For Christians, reality is only partially reflected in the here and now. It exists in the fullness of time, in eternity. St Paul makes this clear in 1 Corinthians 15 when he says: *"If there is no resurrection of the dead, then neither has Christ been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then empty [too] is our preaching; empty, too, your faith. ... and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is vain; you are still in your sins. Then those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all."*

We are a resurrection people. Every Sunday we come to this church to praise, reverence and serve God, and from here to go and serve our neighbor and our world. As we profess in the Nicene Creed each and every Sunday, *"I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen."*

So let us remember Jesus Christ risen from the dead, and all those who died on 9/11, in every other human tragedy and every lost loved one rising with Him. Let us hold deeply to the truth of Our Lord's and our resurrection for without this we are the most pitiable of people.

— Ralph Quaglia, *Parish Life Coordinator*



Journeys for the Heart & Soul

SACRED HEART TRAVELERS



PARISH PILGRIMAGES

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For full details and itinerary visit us at
churchofthesacredheart.net (click on the icons)

SAVE THE DATE

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE

On Saturday, November 19, Bishop James Checchio will lead a pilgrimage to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the



Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC, concluding the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy & celebrating the 35th Anniversary of the creation of the Diocese by St. John Paul II. Our parish is sharing a bus to the Capitol with Our Lady of Mt. Virgin Parish, Middlesex. More details about the pilgrimage, including how to register, will appear in the bulletin in the coming weeks.

REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE

SUSTAINABILITY TIP — Water Usage: Lower the amount of energy used to pump, treat, and heat water by washing your car less often, using climate-appropriate plants in your garden, installing drip irrigation so that plants receive only what they need, and making water-efficient choices when purchasing shower heads, faucet heads, toilets, dishwashers and washing machines.

PAPAL QUOTE AND CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING - THEME 6: Solidarity -

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers and sisters keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbor has global dimensions in a shrinking world. At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that if you want peace, work for justice. The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

"At another level, the roots of the contradiction between the solemn affirmation of human rights and their tragic denial in practice lies in a notion of freedom which exalts the isolated individual in an absolute way, and gives no place to solidarity, to openness to others and service of them. . . It is precisely in this sense that Cain's answer to the Lord's question: "Where is Abel your brother?" can be interpreted: "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" (Gen 4:9). Yes, every man is his "brother's keeper", because God entrusts us to one another. "The Gospel of Life" (*Evangeliium Vitae*), #19", 1987, "On the Value and Inviolability of Human Life," Pope John Paul II, March 25, 1995

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