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# SACRED HEART

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**ONLINE: <http://www.churchofthesacredheart.net>**

*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, SEPTEMBER 24

5:00 PM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:00 AM DIAMOND & ELIZABETH RONZO, Req. by Family  
11:30 AM SECUNDO & MARIA POLETTI, Req. by Family  
3:00PM Divine Mercy Healing Mass

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

ST. COSMAS & ST. DAMIAN, Martyrs

6:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration, Rosary  
6:45 PM Miraculous Medal Novena, Benediction  
7:00 PM BRAYDEN JAMES CARR & LILLIAN BIANCO, Req. by Jim, Natalie, Lucia & Angelo, DI BELLA FAMILY, Req. by Family, BESSIE BOUTSIKARIS, Req. by Joanne & Anthony Pelle, JONATHAN YUHAS, Req. by the Besser & DeSanto Families.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

ST. VINCENT de PAUL, Priest

9:00 AM JOHN LIBETELL, Req. by M/M E. Wojciechowski

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

ST. WENCESLAUS and

ST. LAWRENCE RUIZ & COMPANIONS, Martyrs

9:00 AM FRANCES LARSON, Req. by the Ratti Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, Archangels

9:00 AM CHARLES MAHONEY, Req. by Deacon Wayne Otlowski & Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

ST. JEROME, Priest & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM ROSALIE CALLOM, Req. by the Cassio Family

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1

ST. THERESE OF THE CHILD JESUS, Virgin & Doctor of the Church

9:00 AM MARY McGREGOR, Req. by Lou Capparelli & Family, DEACON JOE STANCZAK, Req. by Hank Loeffler, MARGARET GALOPPINI, Req. by Maggie Fushetto, FEDERICO MANUEL, Req. by the Gutierrez Family, FRANK BIENIEK, SR., Req. by the Kania Family

5:00 PM ROSE & DESIDERIO CASTELLANO, Req. by Lillian & Vito Cosenza & Family

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Respect Life Sunday*

9:00 AM ANNIV. MARY & SAL DELLAPERUTE, Req. by Bill, Pat & Family  
11:30 AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
1:00 PM Blessing of the Animals



## WEEKLY SCRIPTURE PASSAGE

September 25 - October 2

9/25 - Am 6: 1a, 4-7/1 Tm 6: 11-16/Lk 16: 19-31  
9/26 - Jb 1: 6-22/Lk 9: 46-50  
9/27 - Jb 3: 1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Lk 9: 51-56  
9/28 - Jb 9: 1-12, 14-16/Lk 9: 57-62  
9/29 - Dn 7: 9-10, 13-14/Jn 1: 47-51  
9/30 - Jb 38: 1, 12-21; 40: 3-5/Lk 10: 13-16  
10/1 - Jb 42: 1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Lk 10: 17-24  
10/2 - Hb 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4/2 Tm 1: 6-8, 13-14/Lk 17: 5-10



► 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, Hank Loeffler, Thomas Heim, Peter Romano, Patricia Lacasale, Margaret Smith, Clara McGill, Dot Mercier, Daniel Hogan, William Blair, Albertina Aguilar, Ed Curtin, Maryann Santoro, Arthur Pinana, Ann Marie Lauten.

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: Lidia Nazarov and the Faithful Departed of Sacred Heart Parish & their families who mourn their loss.

## VIRGIN MARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

MARION MASON & SUE CRINO

Requested by Family

## SACRED HEART CANDLE

burns in memory of

MARI OZBALIK

Requested by the Ozbalik Family



## SANCTUARY CANDLE

burns in memory of

WILLIAM & REGINA HAND

Requested by Don & Geri Diegnan



## Wedding Banns

1st TIME: Alexander Pindyck & Lauren Stoeckel

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 18, 2016*

	2016	2015
<b>Envelopes:</b>	<b>\$ 11,098.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,264.00</b>
<b>Loose:</b>	<b>\$ 2,221.00</b>	<b>\$ 1,229.00</b>
<b>On-line Giving:</b>	<b>\$ 1,895.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,298.00</b>
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>\$ 15,214.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,791.00</b>

*Major Repairs & Renovations to Date* — \$ 98,683.00

**PASTOR'S COMMENT:** "We are reminded in today's gospel passage that the time comes when it can be too late to do the "right thing." We live in this world with our eyes wide open, choosing what we want to see, then acting on it. And we will be held accountable for our actions. Our generosity and compassion now will return to us later ... so too our blindness and inaction." — *Fr. John*

**SCRIPTURE:** "They (men of Israel) shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed, but each with his own gift, in proportion to the blessing which the LORD, your God, has given to you." — *Deuteronomy 16:16-17*

**PARISHIONER COMMENT:** "I was amazed to see the success of St. Anne's tithing program. It is heartening to see St. Anne's blossom into new life." — *A parishioner, St. Anne's, Manchester, NH.*

*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.



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: <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.



## **ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE: OCT. 1-2**

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

**9:00 AM** - S. Sequeira, T. Figueiredo, N. Carannante

**11:30 AM** - E. Dodge, G. Ruzicka, G. Delacruz



VISITING HERE NEXT WEEKEND - OCTOBER 1-2

## **GIFTS FROM BETHLEHEM**

*Olivewood Handcrafted from the Holy Land*

A TRADITIONAL ART AND LIVELIHOOD FOR HOLY LAND CHRISTIANS

The handicrafts trade evolved as a cultural tradition of Christians in the Holy Land for centuries. This indigenous form of art has since become an industry of great importance to the local people of the Holy Land who rely on it for livelihood, and to Christian pilgrims from all around the world whose holy pilgrimage can be memorialized for a lifetime in cherished olive wood or mother of pearl souvenirs. The olive wood carving market is the major source of income in the Bethlehem area. More than 65% of the income of the community in Bethlehem comes from this work.

In recent years, however, the holy crafts trade has suffered many hardships due to social and economical pressures. Because of a sharp fall in tourism and also as a result of diminishing numbers of craftsmen who leave their traditional trade and emigrate due to the difficult conditions in the homeland, the Holy Land handicraft market is facing serious danger, and so is the Christian community in the Land. Sixty-five years ago the Christians represented more than 28% of the total population in the Holy Land, today they are less than 1.5%. The loss of Christians in the land of Christianity's birth will represent a tragedy of immeasurable proportions for the billions of Christians worldwide.

Thank you for your vital support for a Christian tradition and in protecting this very important culture and industry.

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## **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*

***Where there's a WILL, there's a way to help your parish with a bequest in your estate planning. Thank you for remembering Sacred Heart Parish.***

## **VISIT THE PARISH WEBSITE!**

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

## **VISIT THE DIOCESAN WEBSITE AT**

[www.diometuchen.org](http://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



## 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



## Respect for Life

"Abortion is the most lucrative part of Planned Parenthoods' operations. They really want to increase the number of abortions so they can increase their income."  
— Abby Johnson, a former Planned Parenthood clinic director.

For the response of the New Jersey Bishops to the *Catholics for Choice* national pro-abortion ad visit the diocesan website: <http://diometuchen.org/CFC-ad>

YOUTH RALLY & MASS FOR LIFE WASHINGTON DC  
Bishop James Checchio will concelebrate the Youth Rally & Mass for Life in Washington DC on **Friday, January 27, 2017**. Anyone wishing to attend must request tickets through the Respect Life Office 732-562-1990 x1543 or [amarshall@diometuchen.org](mailto:amarshall@diometuchen.org). The deadline for requests is Friday, September 30. For more information on the Youth Rally & Mass please visit us at [www.youthrallyandmassforlife.org](http://www.youthrallyandmassforlife.org)

## SACRED HEART SOCIAL CONCERNS

We are in need of the following items for our food pantry: tomato sauce, past sauce, canned soup, shampoo, toothpaste, toilet paper.

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.

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

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



**St. Francis of Assisi**  
*The Blessing of the Animals*

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2 — 1:00PM  
At the Front Steps of the Church

Please have your animal companions on a leash or in a carrier for their safety and the peace of others as well.

**149 SOUTH PLAINFIELD AVENUE, SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07080**

*CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD* - is offered on **Sundays at the 9:00AM Mass** except for the first Sunday of the month. All children in kindergarten through third grade are welcome to attend. Catechists accompany the children to the Liturgy Room after the opening prayers of the Mass and they return at the Presentation of Gifts. The children are led in the reading and discussion of the Gospel, work on a small craft that relates to the reading, as well as, recite the Little Creed to profess their faith and offer prayers of petition. They end their time together with a closing prayer.

***We look forward to seeing your children and sharing with them as they grow in their faith!***



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.

SACRED HEART OF JESUS PRAYER GROUP - meets on **Thursdays at 7:00 PM**, in the Parish Center Chapel. All are welcome to grow in an intimacy with God through the Holy Spirit. Come and bring a friend.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR - The 18th Annual Life in the Spirit Seminar (a two-day weekend retreat) will be held on **October 15 & 16**, in the Holy Savior Academy. If you have never attended, or did many years ago, now is a good time to rekindle the fire of God's love through the Holy Spirit. Come and see for yourself and come away refreshed! God is so good!

*LIFE CHOICES RESOURCE CENTER* - Join us for our Annual Walk for Life, Saturday, **October 8, 2016 from 9:00AM-12:00PM** at Merrill Park, Iselin (Rain or Shine). Walk to help and unborn child. CONFIRMATION SERVICE HOURS PROVIDED. DJ & Refreshments, Games, Family Fun! Set a goal for yourself. Free T-shirt for everyone who raises \$100 or more.

To register or to give online visit the website: [www.LifeChoicesRC.com](http://www.LifeChoicesRC.com) or mail your check to Life Choices Resource Center, 503 Main St., Metuchen, NJ 08840.

*You can make a difference in the life of a mother & child.*





# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Louise Timko, Director  
908-756-0633 x143

For more information please visit our web page  
**www.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 – September 25  
What might be some of the causes of spiritual indifference in your life?

## 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



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WINE TASTING - Sponsored by Wine Country Stores & benefitting Holy Savior Academy's technology development, tuition assistance & academic enhancement.



**Friday, October 7, from 7:00-9:00PM**, in Holy Savior Academy. \$50/person, \$75/ couple. Music, Hot & Cold Hors d'oeuvres. Call 908-803-1573.

CHEERLEADING TRYOUTS - Holy Savior Academy invites all girls in the parish Religious Education Program, grades K-8, to tryout for the HSA cheer squad on **Thursday, September 29, from 6:00-7:30 PM**, in the school gym. If you have any questions, call Marilyn 908-202-2488.



## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULES

BISHOP AHR HS, One Tingley Lane, Edison, Sunday, **October 16**, from 1:00-4:00 PM.

SAINT JOSEPH HS, 145 Plainfield Avenue, Metuchen, Sunday, **October 16**, from 11:30AM- 2:00PM.

UNION CATHOLIC HS, 1600 Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains, Wednesday, **October 5**, 7:00PM.

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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)

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!**

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.**

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. 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.

**TO ADVERTISE IN OUR BULLETIN, PLEASE CONTACT BON VENTURE SERVICES, 1-800-883-4343.**

# THIS IS OUR FAITH

## *Time, Talents, Treasures!*

Recall today's scriptures? God was speaking to you and me in it; directly to each one of us. That's right! Scripture is the inspired word of God. Scripture itself tells us that it is there to guide us, "Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path. I make a solemn vow to observe your righteous judgments"—Psalm 119: 105-106. In 2 Timothy, Scripture speaks to us again, saying "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness,"

In the Gospel today, Jesus clearly tells us what happens to people who seem to use their wealth for themselves and forget others. "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham." When the rich man dies he ends up in torment in the afterlife.

According to the parable, the rich man is in torment because he misuses his wealth. We know this because the rich man asks God to send Lazarus to his five brothers so that they will not end in this place of torment. "Then I beg you, father (Abraham), send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment." But Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them."

So what did the prophets have to say? What would the rich man's brothers have found out, what would the rich man have found out if they each had listened to the prophets? We have only to look at the first reading from the prophet Amos to find out. Here the Lord bemoans the way the wealthy are living in Israel, while the poor who make up the vast majority of the community are "collapsing" And to the well-off the prophet Amos, inspired by the Lord said: "Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, and their wanton revelry shall be done away with."

It's easy to think to ourselves: Jesus is not speaking to me. I am not rich. But material wealth is all relative. You do have more than someone else, and the Lord calls you to use that wealth in service to others. We must remember that all we have is a gift from God. And Jesus calls us to be generous with all the gifts he has given us, all of our time, talents and treasures.

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus can't make this any clearer, He says: "Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.'... Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels'... because what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' — Mt 25:34-41, 45.

Remember, "All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for refutation, for correction, and for training in righteousness." **Whoever has ears ought to hear.** — Mt 11:15



Journeys for the Heart & Soul

## SACRED HEART TRAVELERS



### PARISH PILGRIMAGES



#### OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE and The Shrines of Mexico

► October 29 - November 4, 2016 Immediate Booking

#### THE HOLY LAND

In The Footsteps of Jesus

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[churchofthesacredheart.net](http://churchofthesacredheart.net) (click on the icons)

### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE NATIONAL SHRINE

Parishioners are invited by Bishop James Checchio to join him on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Basilica of National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, D.C. on **Saturday, November 19**. We will conclude the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy & celebrate the 35th Anniversary of the creation of the Diocese of Metuchen by St. John Paul II. The parishes of Our Lady of Mount Virgin, **Sacred Heart** and Saint Joseph (BB) are sponsoring a bus which will leave from the Our Lady of Mount Virgin Parish Center parking lot (on Drake Avenue). The bus will leave at 7:00AM. Pilgrims must be in the parking lot, ready to board the bus by 6:40AM. The bus will be returning to the parking lot at approximately 8:30PM. **The cost is \$30 per person.** Pilgrims should bring a bagged lunch and dinner. Limited food is available at the Shrine, and the bus will be making only a "rest stop". We will not be stopping at a restaurant. **Reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.** Payment must be received at the parish office ASAP. Checks should be made out to *Church of the Sacred Heart*. To reserve a seat on the bus, please contact the parish office and speak with Ralph Quaglia at 980-756-0633 X142.



### THANK YOU DONOR

**ANGEL** - A devoted and most generous parishioner has taken on a project that is a most visible change to the outdoor area right of the church parking-lot-side doors. Two very large trees, a Maple and Cherry had beautifully filled the space adding color and

shade to a "shrine" that has been growing over the years with St. Francis, an angel and many animals. The trees have unfortunately blocked several church windows, caused debris and drainage issues on the roof above and broken through an 8" clay drainage pipe below ground in several places jamming sump pumps and causing flooding and reverse drainage flow. Major cutting, clearing, digging, pipe repair, grading and replanting have taken place at no cost to the parish. We have a fresh start and hope to see St. Francis and friends again. Thank you and God bless you, our genuine and anonymous angel.

*Piscataway*  
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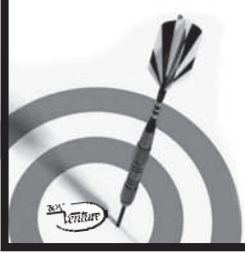
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