

Sacred Heart Church

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Monday through Wednesday 11:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.
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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sat. Eve. 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.
Mon. – Sat. 8:00 a.m.
Holy days 7:00 p.m. evening before
8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. of Holy day

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and as posted

Baptism

2nd and 4th Sundays at 1:15 p.m.
Pre-register for preparation classes.

Holy Matrimony

Arrangements at least six months in advance

Care of the Sick

Emergency calls anytime. Holy Communion for shut-ins on a weekly basis. Please call to make arrangements.

Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Novena and Adoration
Sacred Heart (Mass)
Eucharistic Adoration

Rosary

Funerals

Arrangements are made through the funeral home. At Sacred Heart, the Mass of Christian Burial is seen as a time of prayer and reflection on the mysteries of death, resurrection, and eternal life. Family remembrances, favorite songs, poems and eulogies are incorporated into the wake service.

Parish Membership

We encourage every Catholic to register with us, use the parish envelopes, and inform us regarding changes of address.

Parish Activities

Adult Instruction (R.C.I.A.), Altar Servers, Altar Society, CYO Sports, Choir, Folk Group, Children's Choir, Lectors, Right to Life, Rosary Society, San Gennaro Feast Committee, Ushers, Assistance Program, AA Women's Serenity Mon. & Wed. 10:30 a.m. and Sat. 8:30 a.m., "No Matter What Club" AA (Nov.-Apr.) Mon.-Sun. 8:15 a.m., "Undercover Group" AA Mon.-Sat. 7:15 p.m., Al Anon "Double Winners" Women's Mon. 7 p.m. & Fri. 10:30 a.m., "Opiates Anonymous" Sun. 7:30 p.m.

Food Pantry Open

Tuesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Sat. 3:00 p.m.
First Friday 7:00 p.m.
First Friday 7:30 -8:30 p.m.
Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 pm
Mon. – Sat. 7:30 a.m.



ANNOUNCED MASS INTENTIONS FOR EASTER WEEK OF APRIL 17TH, 2022

- MONDAY APRIL 18TH**
8:00 ✠ August & Dora Merone
r/b Emilie DeStefani
- TUESDAY APRIL 19TH**
8:00 ✠ Phyllis Sindoni
r/b The Maier Family
- WEDNESDAY APRIL 20TH**
8:00 ✠ Anna Silvio
r/b Diane & Joseph Annarella
- THURSDAY APRIL 21ST**
8:00 ✠ Joseph Cambareri
r/b Angelina O'Deady
- FRIDAY APRIL 22ND**
8:00 ✠ Given Intention
- SATURDAY APRIL 23RD**
8:00 ✠ Matthew Tuckruskye
r/b Barbara Leichtner
- 5:00 ✠ Rose Moran
r/b Louise Luisi
✠ Anna & Fredreck Wilbret
r/b Patricia Hackett
✠ Nilia "Taty" Ruzicka
r/b Giovanelli Family
- DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY APRIL 24TH**
8:00 ✠ Don McCarthy
r/b The McCarthy Family
✠ Nicholas Gallinaro
r/b Maryann Krause
Special Intention
r/b The McNeely Family
- 10:00 ✠ Marilyn O'Connor
r/b Pat & Charles Weiss
✠ Carmel Caracciolo
r/b The Sacred Heart Lectors
Special Intention
r/b The Oliver Family
- 12:15 ✠ People of the Parish



DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

&
**Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament
at Sacred Heart Church
Saturday's at 3:00 p.m.**



DAILY ROSARY

The Rosary is recited in the church
Monday through Saturday mornings
at 7:30 a.m.

All are welcome to come and pray.

**The next Rosary Society Meeting is Updated to:
April 23rd 11:00 AM**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

In observance of Easter, there are **No Religious Education Classes April 18th - 24th**. Classes will resume on **Monday, April 25th**.

The next **7th Grade Confirmation Class** is **Sunday, May 1st, at 9 AM in the Church, followed by Mass at 10 AM. Attendance is Mandatory. Your paperwork is now due!**

Any questions, please contact Ms. Andrea Caracciolo at (516) 431-7877

SACRED HEART PARISH CENTER

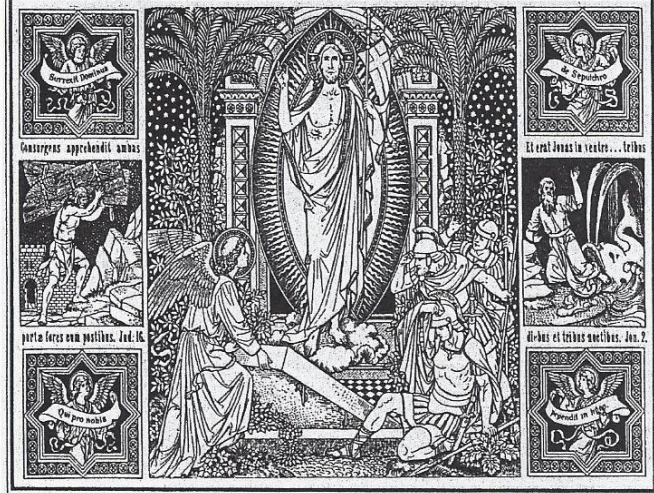
Reminder, the Parish Center will be closed on **Easter Monday, April 18th**. The Parish Center & Pantry will **reopen Tues. April 19th**.

SMILE CORNER

May your life
preach more loudly
than your lips



*"If only we knew how God regards this sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass."
— St. Pio of Pietrelcina*



FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

On the first Easter Sunday morning the disciples of Jesus journeyed from grief, despair and confusion, to faith, hope and an in expressible joy. It is a journey we all too frequently make in our lives.

I invite you to make this journey with us this Holy Week and Easter. May our participation in Holy Week and Easter Liturgies enrich our understanding of the great truth of God's eternal desire that heaven be opened for us.

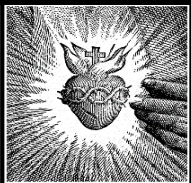
My ardent prayer is that each of you will make time to go to Confession and join us on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the beautiful Mass of Easter.

Be sure that an Easter prepared for in this way will bring great graces and blessings to your family.

May you know that inner peace of this holiest season.

Sincerely in Christ,

Father John



HEART OF JESUS,
SON OF THE ETERNAL FATHER
ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD,
MAY WE NEVER CEASE TO LOVE
AND SERVE YOU.



3RD BANNS
Kristin Tomasewski
& Andrew Crabbe

White Elephant ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ **HUGE** **TAG SALE**

Our parish will be observing the solemnity of Easter and so the White Elephant will be

Closed on:

**Holy Saturday, April 16th and
Easter Sunday, April 17th**

This fundraising sale will **re-open** on **Tuesday, April 19th** and our continue on our regular schedule:

Tuesdays	7 PM to 9 PM
Thursdays	
Saturdays	10 AM to 4 PM
Sundays	

**Please, DO NOT bring any donations
between
April 14 and April 24th.**

Happy Shopping and thank you for your loyal patronage.



CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Our parish has kicked off the **2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal**. Please consider donating to this major appeal. Our goal this year is **\$37,600**. Any pledge or donation will be most appreciated. The number of families that contribute to the Catholic Ministries Appeal is important to the Diocese and the Parish. You may place your donation card/envelope in the offertory basket any Sunday or mail directly to the CMA office. You may pick up your personal CMA card or a blank pledge envelope in the parish office during the week.



CHRIST IS RISEN!

Today the Church repeats, sings, shouts: “**Jesus is Risen!**” But why is this? Peter, John, the women went to the sepulcher and it was empty. He was not there. They went away with their hearts closed in sadness, the sadness of defeat: the Teacher, their Teacher, the One who they loved so much, had been put to death; he is dead. And there is no return from death. This is the defeat. This is the path of defeat, the path towards the sepulcher. But the Angel says to them, *He is not here, he is Risen.*

It is the first announcement: “He is Risen.” And then the confusion, the closed hearts, the apparitions. But the disciples stayed locked in the Upper Room the entire day because they were afraid that what happen to Jesus would happen to them. The Church does not cease to say before our losses, our closed and fearful hearts: “Stop, the Lord is Risen.” But if the Lord is Risen, why is it that these things happen? Why is it that there is so much adversity: illness, human trafficking, human slavery, war destruction, mutilation, vengeance, hatred? Where is the Lord then?...

Yesterday I phoned a young man with a grave illness, an educated young man, an engineer, and while talking to him, to give him a sign of faith, I said: “There are no explanations for what is happening to you. Look at Jesus on the cross. God did this to his Son, and there is no other explanation.” And he answered: “Yes, but he asked his Son and the Son said ‘yes.’ I was not asked if I wanted this.” This moves us. None of us is asked: “Are you happy with what is happening in the world? Are you willing to carry this cross further?” And the cross goes forth and faith in Jesus comes down from it. Today, the Church continues to say: “Stop. Jesus is Risen.” And this is not a fantasy. The Resurrection of Christ is not a celebration with many flowers. This is beautiful, but this is not it. It is something more. It is the mystery of the discarded stone which becomes the foundation of our existence. Christ is Risen. This is what it means.

In this throwaway culture where what is not needed is just used and disposed of, where what is not needed is thrown away, that stone – Jesus the source of life is discarded. And with faith in the Risen Christ, we too, pebbles on this earth of pain, tragedy acquire meaning amid so many calamities. The sense to look beyond, the sense to say: “Look, there is no wall; there is a horizon, there is life, there is joy, there is the cross with this ambivalence. Look ahead, do not close within yourself. You pebble, acquire meaning in life because you are a pebble near that rock, that stone which the evil of sin discarded.” What does the Church tell us today before so many tragedies? Simply this: the discarded stone is not really discarded. The pebbles which believe and stick to that stone are not discarded. They have meaning and it is with this sentiment that the Church repeats from the bottom of her heart: “Christ is Risen.”

Let us think for a while, each of us, think about the daily problems, the illnesses we have been through or of one that a relative has; let us think about wars, human tragedies, and with simplicity, with a humble voice, without flowers, alone, before God, before us, let us say, “I do not know how this is, but I am certain that Christ is Risen and I have put a wager on it.”

Brothers and sisters, this is what I wanted to say to you. Go home today repeating in your hearts: “Christ is Risen.”

- Pope Francis

(Magnificat)



EASTER

Easter does not end as the sun sets on Sunday. Rather, Easter Sunday begins the Octave of Easter. Each of these eight days is a solemnity, a continuation of the celebration of Easter. The Gospel readings assigned to these days focus on Jesus’ post-Resurrection appearances. The eighth and final day of the Octave, the Second Sunday of Easter, is also called Divine Mercy Sunday. This observance, established by St. John Paul II, Pope, “concentrates on the mercy poured forth in Christ’s death and resurrection, fount of the Holy Spirit who forgives sins and restores joy at having been redeemed” (Directory, no. 154).

The celebration of Easter, the greatest feast of the Church, does not end in only eight days. “Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the ‘Feast of feasts,’ the ‘Solemnity of solemnities’” (CCC, no. 1169). As such, the celebration of Easter extends for fifty days. “The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one ‘great Sunday.’ These are the days above all others in which the Alleluia is sung” (Norms, no. 22). In these fifty days, the time of mystagogy, the newly baptized and received reflect on the sacraments they have received. The first readings throughout the season of Easter are taken from the Acts of the Apostles, recounting the earliest days of the Church. The Gospel readings are taken from the Gospel of John. (*Excerpt from Essential Guide to Seasons and Saints, copyright © 2013, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. All rights reserved.*)

GOD EXISTS

“Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry of unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered. Through Jesus we do know ‘the room where exiled love lays down its victory.’ He himself is this place, and he calls us to be with him and in dependence on him. He calls us to keep this place open within the world so that he, the exiled love, may reappear over and over in the world... God exists: that is the real message of Easter. Anyone who even begins to grasp what this means also knows what it means to be redeemed.” (Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI)