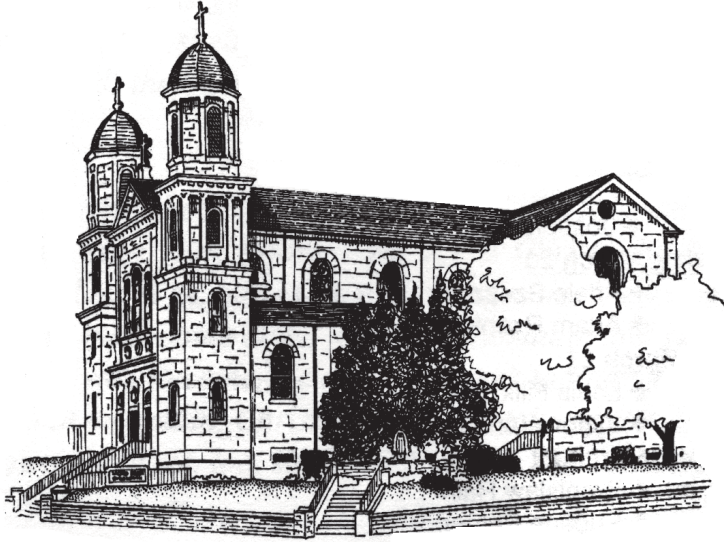


# Church of the Sacred Heart



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**Prayer Chain:** You may email your prayer request to [shprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:shprayerchain@gmail.com). Or write your request in the binder located at the St. Jude statue in the back of the Church. SH Prayer Team is ready to pray for your special needs. To become a member of the Prayer Team please call: 732-721-0040

**In case of emergency,** If you should need a Priest for Last Rites, any time, day or night, please call 732-721-0040, the answering service will pick up, leave a message with your request. A Priest will call back as soon as possible.

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**February 24, 2019**  
**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## **MASS SCHEDULE:**

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm (English), 5:30 pm (Polish)  
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am (Polish), 10:30 am, 12 noon  
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.)  
7:00 pm Fri. (Polish)

**CONFESSIONS:** Before the morning Mass except First Friday; Friday at 6:30 pm (Polish). Saturdays: 3:00 pm (English); 5:00 pm (Polish)

## **NOVENAS/DEVOTIONS:**

**The Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Daily after 8:00 am Mass.

**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Every Wednesday after 8:00 am Mass.

**Sacred Heart of Jesus:** In Polish every Friday following 7pm Mass.

**Holy Rosary:** Following 8 am morning Mass & 10:00 am on Sunday.

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY MATRIMONY/WEDDINGS:** Arrangements are to be made by calling the Parish Office no less than ONE YEAR in advance. Absolutely NO social plans are to be made before meeting with the parish Priest or Deacon. Please note: Sacrament of Holy Matrimony is celebrated on Saturdays @ 2:00pm only, NO Friday nor Sunday weddings (nuptials) will be scheduled.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are celebrated on the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 1:30PM with the exception of Holy Days. **Pre-Baptism class**, will be at 2:00 pm every 2nd Saturday of the month in Church. Parents and Godparents must attend.

## **RITE of Christian Initiation for ADULTS (RCIA):**

The RCIA is the process the Church uses to form and inform those who want to “inquire” about the Catholic faith. This process is for those who have never been baptized, baptized adults needing Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, and those of other faiths who feel called to become Catholic. Is God calling you? If so, please call Deacon Serge Bernatchez at 732-721-0040

## **PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:** Call 732-721-0040

Arrangements for communion calls to the sick can be made by calling the Parish Office. Please notify the Parish Office when a parishioner is in the hospital. Emergency calls may be made at any time.

## **PARISH REGISTRATION:**

**All parishioners should be registered.**

Parishioners over the age of 18 should register independently of their parents. It is necessary to be a registered parishioner for at least 3 months in order for us to provide testimonial letters. Kindly notify the Parish Office of any changes, (732) 721-0040. Thank you.

*Please note Memorial Hall is no longer available as “hall for rent”—parish organizations will still be allowed usage.*

# Mass Intentions

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

### SATURDAY, February 23

- 4:00pm + Ray Ploskonka  
Req. by: Joan McCabe
- 5:30pm(P)+ Tadeusz Szłaba  
Req. by: Anna Szłaba & Family

### SUNDAY, February 24

*Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 7:00am + Jeanne McGlynn  
Req. by: Daughters, Kathy & Ellen
- 9:00am(P)+ Krystyna Szczygiel  
Req. by: Kucharczyk Family
- 10:30am + Fred J. Szczepanik  
Req. by: Wife, MaryAnn & Daughters
- 12:00pm Pro Populo/People of the Parish

### MONDAY, February 25

- 8:00am + Stanley, Pauline, Leonard & Louie Piskorski  
Req. by: Piskorski Family

### TUESDAY, February 26

- 8:00am + Julia Ferko  
Req. by: Kevin & Theresa Walsh

### WEDNESDAY, February 27

- 8:00am + Edward Robert Szatkowski  
Req. by: Eileen Szatkowski

### THURSDAY, February 28

- 8:00am + Edwin J. O'Connor  
Req. by: Joe & Mary Agnes Morris

### FRIDAY, March 1

*World Day of Prayer*

- 8:00am Happy 50th Birthday Blessings on Wendy Allgait  
Req. by: Kevin & Theresa Walsh
- 7:00pm(P) God's Blessings on Waldemar Kosinski  
Req. by: Family

### SATURDAY, March 2

- 8:00am Purgatorial Society
- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Rosary Society
- 5:30pm(P)+ Julia & Marian Drabik  
Req. by: Lenkiewicz Family

### SUNDAY, March 3

*Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 7:00am Pro Populo/The People of the Parish
- 9:00am + Jozef Maciag  
Req. by: Ela & Jurek Maciag
- 10:30am Happy Birthday Blessings on Deacon Serge  
Req. by: Sacred Heart Parish Office Staff
- 12:00pm + Edward C. Merski  
Req. by: Merski Family

*If any family member of those mentioned in the Mass intentions is present, please inform the ushers.*

*You may bring the gifts to the altar.*

### Saturday, February 23

- ◆ Rosary at 3:30pm
- ◆ CCW Water for Life Project ends 2/24/19
- ◆ Youth Ministry Bake Sale at all Masses
- ◆ Second Collection next weekend for Parish Repairs

### Sunday, February 24

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10 am
- ◆ CCW Water for Life Project ends 2/24/19
- ◆ Youth Ministry Bake Sale at all Masses
- ◆ Second Collection next weekend for Parish Repairs

### Monday, February 25

- ◆ SH Senior Meeting @ 12:00pm/Memorial Hall
- ◆ PREP classes / 5:00pm to 6:30pm

### Friday, March 1, 2019

- ◆ Holy Hour @ 3:00pm

### Saturday, March 2, 2019

- ◆ Rosary at 3:30 pm
- ◆ Second Collection for Parish Repairs

### Sunday, March 3, 2019

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10 am
- ◆ Second Collection for Parish Repairs



## **WEEK OF FEBRUARY 24, 2019 SUNDAY WINE AND HOSTS**

### **CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

#### **Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle ~ Church**

**+ Agnieszka Bronk**  
*Nicoletti Family*

#### **Blessed Mother's Altar Candles**

**+ Rose Marie Michalik**  
*Eileen and Michael Michalik*

**Happy 90th Birthday Blessings on Anna Leathers**  
*The Sacred Heart Parish Office Staff*

#### **Saint John Paul II Altar Candles**

**+ Ryan Jude Dineen**  
*Aunt Justine and Uncle Pat Dineen*

**The Health of Father Stanley**  
*Irene Jadwinski*

#### **Candle for The Sacred Heart of Jesus**

#### **Candle for Saint Joseph**

**+ Joseph Lacko**  
*Mr. & Mrs. Frank Starosciak*

#### **Candle for Jesus Crucified**

#### **Candle for Our Lady of Fatima**

**+ Gertrude B. Daire**  
*Elaine & Chet Zonak*

#### **Candle for Saint Anne**

**+ Ann McLaughlin**  
*Raymond and Antoinette Suchcicki*

**Candle for the Infant of Prague**

# Weekly Collection

## **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING February 17th/18th 2019**

Regular Collection: (Not available at press time)  
Fuel Collection:

**Our parish church** is totally dependent upon your financial support and generosity. Without your generosity we as a parish church could not function. Unfortunately it takes money and we must pay the bills like any other household, the only difference is that we are much, much bigger. Please be generous with your treasure in supporting your parish church. Please consider **tithing** if you have not done so in the past. May the Good Lord reward you for your generosity and sacrifice.

*Fr. Stanley*

### **~Please remember your Parish Church in Your Last Will & Testament~**

Sacred Heart parish church is the place where you so faithfully received God's Grace. God continues to bless you with His Holy Spirit. We owe God everything we are and everything we have, we can never repay Him. Hence, would you please consider sharing your treasure with your parish church before you enter your eternal reward, you will be glad that you did, and you will never regret it. God bless you and keep you in His care.

*Fr. Stanley*

### **Rosary Society**

3/4/19 Rosary Meeting @ 7:00pm/Memorial Hall

### **Love Life Group**

Please come Pray the Rosary @ American Wellness Ctr., 228 Main St., Woodbridge, where abortions are performed daily. Please pray for an end to abortions. Interested in joining? For more info, please call Anne at 732-721-7583.

### **Council of Catholic Women**

2/24/19 Water for Life Project ends  
3/09/19 Irish Soda Bread Sale at all Masses  
3/10/19 Irish Soda Bread Sale at all Masses  
3/12/19 Meeting @ 7:30pm / Memorial Hall / LL

### **Praise and Worship**

Come join Sacred Heart Praise & Worship group which meets on Mondays at 7:30pm in Convent. New members welcome.

### **SH CCD/PREP**

Contact Mrs. Liana at:  
**sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com**

2/25/19 PREP Classes / 5:00pm to 6:30pm

### **Youth Ministry**

2/23/19  
2/24/19 Bake Sale at all Masses

### **Sacred Heart Seniors**

2/25/19 Meeting @ 12:00pm/Memorial Hall  
5/29/19 Trip to Caesar's/Everly Brothers Show  
Cost: \$91.00 (\$25.00 slot dollars)  
9/12/19 The Staten/Fiesta DeSanGennaro/\$98.00  
11/6/19 Holiday Extravaganza/Lancaster County  
\$409.00/pp  
• For trip information, call Judy @732-727-0154.

Atlantic City trip to Golden Nugget on 2/21/19. Bus will leave from S.H. parking lot at 9:30am. Please call Lorraine at 732-721-6843 for information.

### **St. Vincent De Paul**

Food collection every 1st full weekend of the month. Please leave your food donation in front of Mem. Hall. Meetings every 2nd Saturday of the month, 9:00AM in the Convent. Food Pantry open to those in need immediately following  
**Thank you for your donations & continued support!**

### **Sacred Heart Holy Name Society**

To be announced

### **Sacred Heart Catholic War Veterans**

3/19/19 Bingo @ Veteran's Home, Menlo Park @ 2:00pm. Help is needed!

### **Sacred Heart Thrift Shop**

The Thrift Shop, located in the Convent, is now open Thursdays and Saturdays, from 9:30am to 12 noon. Browsers always welcomed!

### **CHILDREN / YOUTH MASS**

**MUSIC LED BY "ROGER'S PRAISE & WORSHIP CHILDREN'S GROUP" ~ Next Mass: March 2 @ 10:30am**

If your child is interested in joining the Children's Band or Chorus, come to practice Mondays @ 6:30pm in the Convent, call 732-721-0040.

### **Knights of Columbus Council #426**

**New members are always welcome!**

For info on joining, contact Jan Williams 732-553-9060. Hall rental available-For more info call 732-721-2025 or on Facebook @Council426

## The Sacred Heart Love Life Group

~ February 24th and 25th ~



will sponsor a "post card campaign" which will advise state representatives about our support of the "Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act" / Bill – A-1686/S-537. Please help support the passage of this bill by your cooperation in this campaign!

### **HEALING MASS**

**Monday, March 11, 2019 @ 11:00 am**

Saint Mary of Ostrabrama Church  
30 Jackson Street  
South River, NJ

Services begin with the Rosary at 10:15am, followed by the Chaplet of Divine Mercy and private meditation before the 11:00am Mass and Anointing.

**ALL ARE INVITED!**

### **2019 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL HELP BUILD A CIVILIZATION OF LOVE**

The Bishop's Annual Appeal will be conducted during Lent. Through your support, you help those in our Diocese who are homeless, poor, and those struggling with illness or grief. Your gift also supports our Cultural Diversity Ministries and works with youth formation.

The many pastoral, educational and charitable ministries would not be possible without your continuous support. Please be as generous as your means allow. This year's goal for Sacred Heart Church is **\$55,000.00**.

### **MONTHLY UTILITIES FOR JANUARY 2019**

Gas	\$6827.46
Electric	\$1242.96
Telephone	\$ 354.09
Water	\$ 290.94
Sewer	\$ 487.76

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING YOUR PARISH!**

### ***Altar Server Schedule***

#### **Saturday, March 2, 2019**

4:00pm: K & R DeSimon, S. Peel, G. Velez, P. Cleary  
A. Kubisiak

5:30pm N. Mroczkowska, D. Gawel, G. Trojanowski

#### **Sunday, March 3, 2019**

7:00am: R. Whalen, K & L & V Pesch

9:00am: M. Sliwowska, K. Garlak, E. Orzechowska

10:30am: A & D Pino, M. Wiszenko, J. Fernandez  
Z. O'Connor

12noon: J & J Tuquero, P. Grospin, K & R Gregory

**2019 Mass Book** is officially open. Visit the Parish Office, or fill out a Mass Intention Request form which are located at the entrances of Church. Please include your name, address & phone number, and please **print clearly**. Masses are taken on a first come first served basis, and the stipend is \$10 per Mass. In an effort to accommodate everyone's Mass Intentions, requests will be limited to 4 Masses per year for each registered parishioner household. (One Mass can be on a Sat. evening or Sunday and 3 weekday.) **Please note** if your requested date or time is not available, you will be given a date/time that is closest to your request.

### **† COMING SOON †**

Our annual "Soup Supper" will take place on Friday, March 29, 2019, in Memorial Hall. Further information will be in next week's bulletin!

### **SACRED HEART TRICKY TRAY**

Our 2nd Annual Tricky Tray will take place on Friday, April 26, 2019. Ticket information is in the bulletin, located in Church, or can be picked up at the Parish Office. Gift prize donations are greatly appreciated and can be dropped off at the Parish Office.

### **CEMETERY CORNER**

#### **Few General Cemetery Regulations Reminders:**

- Pets are prohibited on cemetery property.
- Cemetery dumpsters are for cemetery use ONLY, not for personal household trash.
- Fences, hedges, coping, edging, curbing, enclosures, ironwork, wires, seats, vases, urns, posts, steps are prohibited on cemetery plots/property.
- Articles such as shells, rocks, stone chips, bottles, cans, mulch, glass receptacles, Styrofoam crosses, statues & all other decorative non-religious objects will be removed from cemetery property without notice.
- Outlining of graves or memorials by stripping a border of sod or outlining the grave with metal frames, stones, concrete blocks, etc. is not permitted.
- The planting of evergreens, trees, shrubbery, rose bushes, large bushy flowers, vegetable plants, etc. of any kind is strictly prohibited and will be removed without notice by cemetery personnel.
- American flags with its holders must be placed next to the headstone of each grave and not by the VA marker with the exception of two weeks prior to and then two weeks after Memorial Day.

These rules among others are based on Diocesan Cemetery Rules. Please take a ride to Holy Cross or Resurrection Cemeteries to see the difference. Please adhere & respect these rules for the general order and cleanliness of our parish cemetery.

### **CEMETERY NOTICE**

- All dead flowers must be removed
- Please, no walls, rocks, boundaries, overgrown plants & bushes, etc.; they will be removed without notice.

**BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST  
THE LORD NEEDS YOU TO TAKE ACTION  
AND DEFEND THE DEFENSELESS UNBORN CHILDREN  
THE ELDERLY AND THE DYING**

Today, states are not just expanding abortion but allowing infanticide as well. The State of New York passed a drastic law that eliminated protections for babies who survive abortion attempts. And the Governor of Virginia has openly talked about denying care to babies born during a late-term abortion.

Abortion at any circumstance and at any time from conception to natural birth is gravely wrong and evil. This immoral action denies the child a chance of life, liberty and happiness that we all enjoy. Aren't we all created in the image and likeness of God? You believe, please take action and make your voice heard by contacting your Senators to support the "Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act" (S.311).

As to senior citizens, the Senate Health, Human Services, and the Senior Citizens Committee want to make it a LAW, seemingly under the veil of compassion and care, to enact a bill called the "Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act" (S1072). This bill allows physicians to prescribe drugs to end the lives of terminally ill individuals considered to have six months to live. It is really an "Assisted Suicide" bill. States of California, Oregon and Vermont have enacted this "law". In these states the insurance companies have denied individuals healthcare coverage but offered them the low cost drugs to end their life. Simply speaking, insurance companies branded terminally ill people as a "financial liability" for the insurance company, and this decision to encourage death is driven by simply reducing costs for insurance companies.

Please contact your state legislators and tell them that you oppose S1072/A1504. No one but the Almighty Himself, the Giver of all life, can take our lives. God is life. May the Divine Mercy engulf all who are Godless and have no fear of God and His judgment.

Sincerely,

*Father Stanley*

7 Niedziela Zwykła

24 Luty, 2019

Jednak we fragmencie Ewangelii św. Łukasza z dzisiejszej niedzieli znajdujemy coś niespotykanego. Chrystus zachęca do miłości nieprzyjaciół. Wyjątkowość tej nauki jest widoczna nie tylko w odniesieniu do Starego Testamentu, gdzie tak często spotykamy zasadę „oko za oko”, ale także w odniesieniu do współczesnego świata. Można zaryzykować twierdzenie, że Chrystusowe nawoływanie wyróżnia Jego orędzie. Żadna inna religia czy ideologia albo filozofia nie akcentowały miłości nieprzyjaciół tak bardzo i z takim powodzeniem.

„Miłujcie waszych nieprzyjaciół; dobrze czyńcie tym, którzy was nienawidzą; błogosławcie tym, którzy was przeklinają, i módlcie się za tych, którzy was oczerniają”.

Mogłoby się wydawać, że wystarczy pokornie znosić niesprawiedliwość. Jednak Chrystusowi chodzi o coś znacznie większego: dobrze czynić tym, którzy nas prześladują. Być może dotykamy tutaj sedna chrześcijańskiego powołania.

Mogłoby się także wydawać, że ciężar Bożych wymagań przerasta nasze siły. I na pewno w jakiś sposób nie jesteśmy w stanie sprostać im do końca. To prawda, że mamy świętych, tych wyniesionych i niewyniesionych na ołtarze. Możemy sobie przypomnieć ich heroizm i łatwiej znosić trudy codzienności. Ale żaden przykład nie ma takiej siły przekonywania jak ten, za którym stoi Autor pouczenia z dzisiejszej Ewangelii.

Szczęść Wam Boże

*Ks. Marian*