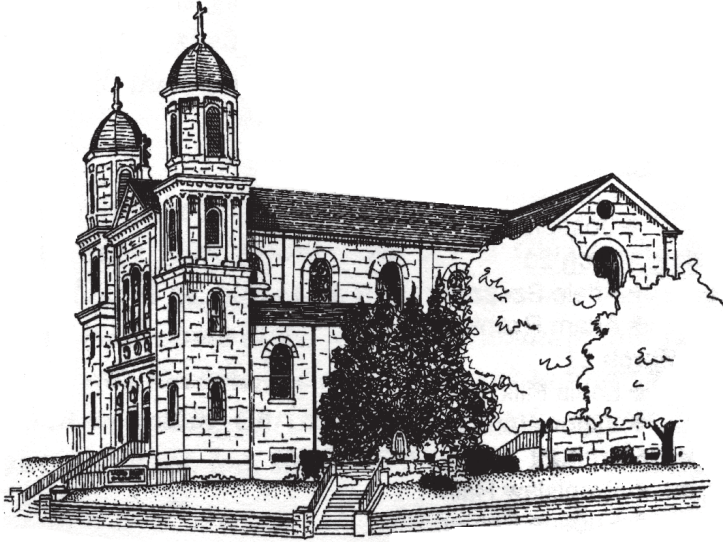


# Church of the Sacred Heart



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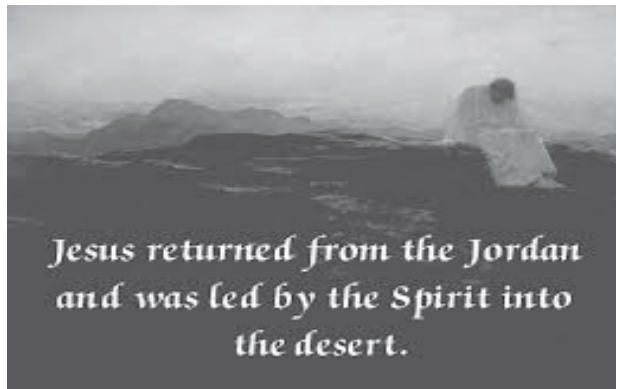
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**Prayer Chain:** SH Prayer Team is ready to pray for your special needs. You may email your prayer request to [shprayerchain@gmail.com](mailto:shprayerchain@gmail.com), or write your request in the binder located at the St. Jude statue in the back of the Church. 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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**March 10, 2019**  
**First Sunday of Lent**



Jesus returned from the Jordan  
and was led by the Spirit into  
the desert.

## **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

## **SATURDAY, March 9**

- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of  
Sacred Heart Holy Name Society  
5:30pm(P)+ Marianna Klein  
*Req. by: Daughter-in-law, Maria*

## **SUNDAY, March 10**

*First Sunday of Lent*

- 7:00am Pro Populo  
9:00am(P) + Wladyslaw Ciak  
*Req. by: K. Popielarczyk*  
10:30am + Frances Dembowski  
*Req. by: Dembowski Family*  
12:00pm + Timothy Kutz  
*Req. by: Lynette & Morgan Kutz*

## **MONDAY, March 11**

- 8:00am + Nick Weber  
*Req. by: Ann & Family*

## **TUESDAY, March 12**

- 8:00am God's Blessings on Father Stan  
*Req. by: Sacred Heart Parish Office Staff*

## **WEDNESDAY, March 13**

- 8:00am + Jack McCabe  
*Req. by: Joan McCabe*

## **THURSDAY, March 14**

- 8:00am + Dolores Golembiewski  
*Req. by: Steve & Carol Golembeski*

## **FRIDAY, March 15**

- 8:00am + James F. Checchio, Jr.  
*Req. by: Father Stanley*  
7:00pm(P) + Aniela Lentz  
*Req. by: Barbara & Yolanda Lentz*

## **SATURDAY, March 16**

- 8:00am + Frank Jarusiewicz, Jr.  
*Req. by: Eileen & Stanley Kucinski*  
4:00pm + Florence & Henry Bogush  
*Req. by: Bogush Family*  
5:30pm(P)+ Zdzislaw Lentz  
*Req. by: Barbara & Yolanda Lentz*

## **SUNDAY, March 17**

*Second Sunday of Lent*

- 7:00am + Kathleen Hicks  
*Req. by: Was Family*  
9:00am(P)+ Stanislaw Dziuba  
*Req. by: Ela & Jurek Maciag*  
10:30am + Scott Eberle  
*Req. by: Family*  
12:00pm Pro Populo/People of the Parish

*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.*

## **THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...**

### **Saturday, March 9**

- ◆ Rosary at 3:30pm
- ◆ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

### **Sunday, March 10**

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10 am
- ◆ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

### **Monday, March 11**

- ◆ PREP classes / 5:00pm to 6:30pm

### **Tuesday, March 12**

- ◆ SHCCW Meeting @ 7:30pm/Memorial Hall/LL

### **Wednesday, March 13**

- ◆ Stations of the Cross @ 7:00pm (English)
- ◆ SH Youth Ministry Meeting/7:00-8:30pm/SH Gym

### **Friday, March 15**

- ◆ Stations of the Cross @ 12:00 noon
- ◆ Holy Hour @ 3:00pm

### **Saturday, March 16, 2019**

- ◆ Rosary at 3:30 pm
- ◆ Youth Ministry Bake Sale at all Masses

### **Sunday, March 17, 2019**

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10 am
- ◆ Youth Ministry Bake Sale at all Masses

## **WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2019**

### **SUNDAY WINE AND HOSTS**

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

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

**Happy Birthday Blessings on Father Stan**  
*Karen Howarth*

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

**God's Blessings on Ann Weber**  
*Tracy & Chuck*

**Birthday Blessings on Father Stan**  
*Sacred Heart Rosary Society*

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

**Birthday Blessings on Father Stan**  
*John & Judy Maslowski*

**Birthday Blessings on Jadwiga Maslowski**  
*Children*

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

**Birthday Blessings on Deacon Serge**  
*Sacred Heart Rosary Society*

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

**+ Joseph Krygier ~ Wife, Children & Grandchildren**

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

**+ Arthur & Dolores Golembiewski**  
*Steve & Carol Golembeski*

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

**+ Ray Ploskonka ~ Lorraine Kennedy**

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

**+ Ramona Hranowski ~ Carl & Fran Kovach**

# Weekly Collection

## **GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING      March 2 / 3, 2019**

Regular Collection:                      \$ 8840.95  
Parish Repairs Collection:              \$ 4696.75

**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**

3/30-31 Palm Cross Sale at all Masses  
4/1/19 Meeting @ 7:00pm / Memorial Hall / LL  
4/ 6&7 Palm Cross Sale at all Masses  
4/27&28 Used "Clothing Drive"

## **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**

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**

3/11/19 PREP Classes / 5:00pm to 6:30pm

## **Youth Ministry**

3/13/19 Youth Ministry Meeting @ 7:00pm/8:30pm  
School Gym. New members Grades 7-12 are welcome!

## **Sacred Heart Seniors**

3/18/19 Executive Board Meeting:12pm / MHall  
3/25/19 Senior Meeting @ 12:00pm  
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 3/21/19. Bus will leave from S.H. parking lot at 9:30am. Please call

## **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 & support!**

## **Sacred Heart Holy Name Society**

3/21/19 Meeting @ 7:30 pm / Memorial Hall

## **Sacred Heart Catholic War Veterans**

3/26/19 Bingo @ Veteran's Home, Menlo Park  
@ 2:00pm. Volunteer 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: April 7 @ 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

### IRISH SODA BREAD SALE

Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women will sponsor an "*Irish Soda Bread Sale*" on the weekend of March 9th and 10th. The cost of each homemade bread is \$5.00.



### CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

South Amboy Knights of Columbus #426 will hold their annual "Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner" on Saturday March 16th, following the St. Patrick's Day Parade. Cost is \$10.00. Take-out and sandwiches available. For more information, call 732-721-2025.

### 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.

### 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!**

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During Lent the Stations will take place on:

Wednesdays @ 7:00pm (English)  
Fridays @ 12:00 noon (English)  
Fridays @ 7:30pm (Polish)



### QUARTERLY 50-50

Tickets for the March 17, 2019, Quarterly 50-50 Raffle have been mailed. If you do not receive your tickets or need extra tickets, please contact the Parish Office!

### Altar Server Schedule

#### Saturday, March 16, 2019

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

5:30pm: O. Plonski, J. Lupinski, A. Makowski

#### Sunday, March 17, 2019

7:00am: D. Nicoletti, R. Whelan, J & J Tuquero

9:00am: N. Mroczkowska, D. Gawel, G. Trojanowski

10:30am: A & D Pino, E. Smetana, M. Mieczkowski  
S. Parse, M. Wiszenko

12noon: Z. O'Connor, J. Fernandez, K & R Gregory,  
S. Peel, P. Grosplin



A special "thank you" to Father Marian who singlehandedly spearheaded his annual "*Valentine's Day Dinner Dance*." Father's hard work generated a \$9,768.00 profit that was donated to the Parish Repairs Fund. Thank you, Father Marian, for all that you do for us!

### MARCH IN THE ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

Please join our area Pro-Life organizations as they march to support life in the South Amboy St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 16th. The groups will gather @ 1:00/1:30pm on So. Pine Ave. near Portia Street. The more people who march—the stronger the

### IRISH MUSIC AT SAINT MARY'S

We hope you will join us this St. Patrick's Day for a celebration of Irish culture in story and song, on Sunday, March 17, 2019 @ 3:00pm at St. Mary's Church. Free Admission; (\$15 suggested donation). A wine and cheese reception will follow the concert!

### FREE CONCERT

There will be a free concert on Friday, March 15, featuring Seamus Kennedy, at the South Amboy HS Theatre. Show time is 7:00pm. On March 16th, a special Mass for parade honoree's will take place at St. Mary's Church, South Amboy, at 9:00am. All are welcome!

### CHAIRLIFT DEDICATION AND BLESSING

On Sunday, March 17th, the chairlift will be blessed and dedicated after the 12noon Mass. Refreshments will be served following dedication. Everyone is invited!

### KARAOKE NIGHT

South Amboy Knights of Columbus #426 will hold a Karaoke Night on Friday, March 22nd beginning at 8:00pm at the Council Hall, 308 Fourth Street. Anyone wishing to sing is invited; no cover charge. Refreshments will be available. The next Open-Mic night will take place on Friday, March 29th. For more info, call 732-721-2025.

**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.

**Sanctuary Candles and Altar Candles** are still available for purchase for various dates throughout the year. The cost is \$25.00 for the Sanctuary Candle and \$10.00 for each Altar Candle, a 5 day glass candle.

## 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal

### *Help Build a Civilization of Love*

By now, you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in Sacred Heart Church. Your gift provides formation opportunities for our catechists, youth and young adults. Among other important ministries, your sacrificial gift supports our renewed efforts in Evangelization and Communication.

If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so next weekend, March 16th and 17th, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Please prayerfully consider a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal to help our Parish reach its goal.

If we exceed our goal, 50% of the amount collected over goal will be returned to us in the form of a Parish rebate. Just as important as our financial goal is our goal of reaching 100% participation. Every gift, **no matter the size**, is important and greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

*Father Stanley*

### I niedziela Wielkiego Postu

10 Marzec, 2019

Opowiadanie o kuszeniu Pana Jezusa na pustyni jest ewangelią w miniaturze, w której są zdramatyzowane podstawowe, fundamentalne wybory Chrystusa.

W jakim duchu powinniśmy odczytać tę stronę Ewangelii? Wyjaśnia nam to sam Chrystus Pan w czasie ostatniej wieczerzy, kiedy odpowiada na pytanie Filipa: „Filipie, ja jestem Droga!”. To znaczy: ja jestem drogą, którą powinniście kroczyć. Tak więc musimy zgłębiać sens odpowiedzi Jezusa, wiedząc, że wybory Pana Jezusa powinny stać się naszymi wyborami.

Myślę, że byłoby zbyt długo, aby skomentować cały dzisiejszy, tak bogaty, urywek Ewangelii, dlatego też zastanówmy się tylko nad pierwszym jego zdaniem.

„Jezus ... czterdzieści dni przebywał w Duchu na pustyni, gdzie był kuszony przez diabła”.

Dlaczego pustynia? Pustynia to wolność, ponieważ jest tak surowa . Pustynia to cisza i spokój od wielu niepotrzebnych rzeczy. Pustynia to doświadczenie ubóstwa człowieka, który znajduje się przed Bogiem. Trzeba wiele odwagi aby wybrać pustynię. Dzisiejszy człowiek boi się pustyni, ponieważ boi się ciszy. Jeżeli dobrze się zastanowimy, to dojdziemy do wniosku, że potrzeba hałasu jest symptomem strachu, nie rozwiązanych problemów, niechęcią do zamyślenia, refleksji. Dlatego też dzisiejsza młodzież, i nie tylko, ucieka tak często do hałaśliwej i niezrozumiałej muzyki. Nie umie znaleźć się w oazie ciszy.

Chrystus Pan szuka pustyni: nikt, tak jak On nie mógł odczuwać ciężaru życia ludzkiego, zubożonego brakiem Boga. Jezus odczuwał dystans między człowiekiem i Bogiem, który został sprowokowany przez grzech. Dlatego też tak często Jezus szukał chwil ciszy i skupienia.

Ghandi pewnego dnia powiedział: Im więcej upływa czasu, tym bardziej przekonuję się, że nie umiem być szczęśliwy bez ciszy, bez modlitwy”.

Zróbmy dzisiaj rachunek sumienia: my i cisza; cisza w czasie modlitwy; chwile ciszy we Mszy św.

W każdy piątek Msza św. O godz. 7: 00 PM, a po Mszy św. Droga Krzyżowa .

Gorzkie Żale w każdą Niedzielę przed Mszą św. o godz. 8:40 AM

Serdecznie zapraszam.

Szczęść Wam Boże

Ks. Marian