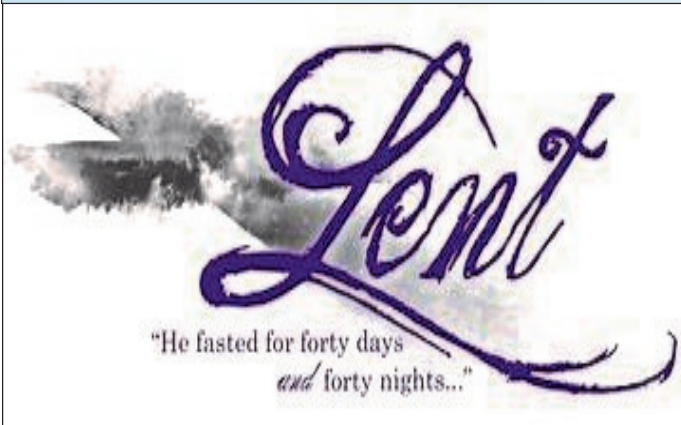


# CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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**Office Hours:**

Monday– Thursday	9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fridays	9:00 am to 12 noon
Evenings/Saturdays	By appointment

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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 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.

MARCH 8, 2020

## THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm (English), 5:30 pm (Polish)  
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am (Polish), 10:30am, 12:00 noon  
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Monday through Saturday)  
7:00 pm Friday (Polish)

**CONFESSIONS**

Before morning Mass except First Friday; Fridays at 6:30 pm (Polish); Saturdays: 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm.

**NOVENAS / DEVOTIONS**

**The Chaplet of Divine Mercy:** Daily after 8:00 am Mass.  
**Our Lady of Perpetual Help:** Wednesdays after 8:00am Mass.  
**Sacred Heart of Jesus:** (P) every Friday after 7:00pm Mass.  
**Holy Rosary:** After 8 am daily Mass & 10:30 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 Saturday at 11:30am with the exception of Holy Days. **Pre-Baptism class**, will be at 2:00 pm every 3rd 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 the Parish Office @ 732-721-0040.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK**

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. **Call 732-721-0040.**

**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. Thank you for kindly notifying the Parish Office of any changes @ 732-721-0040.

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

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### **SATURDAY, March 7**

- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Rosary Society
- 5:30pm(P) God's Blessings on the 72nd Birthday of Kazimierz Gajownik  
Req. by: Joanna Kalinowska

### **SUNDAY, March 8**

*The Second Sunday of Lent*

- 7:00am God's Blessings on the 70th Birthday of Aleksander Jozefara  
Req. by: Wife
- 9:00am(P)+ Edward & Genowefa Stajek  
Req. by: Zbigniew & Malgorzata Stajek
- 10:30am Pro Populo / People of the Parish
- 12:00pm + Mary Ann Smetana  
Req. by: Children & Grandchildren

### **MONDAY, March 9**

*Saint Frances of Rome*

- 8:00am + Pauline Tabaszewski  
Req. by: Jackie & Allen Bagwell

### **TUESDAY, March 10**

- 8:00am + Zdzislaw Skok  
Req. by: Maria & Aleksandra Jozefaca

### **WEDNESDAY, March 11**

- 8:00am + Frank Jedrusiak  
Req. by: Anna & Family

### **THURSDAY, March 12**

- 8:00am Happy Birthday Blessings on Father Stanley  
Req. by: Sacred Heart Parish Office Staff

### **FRIDAY, March 13**

- 8:00am + Jack McCabe  
Req. by: Joan McCabe
- 7:00pm(P)+ Maria Micula  
Req. by: Family

### **SATURDAY, March 14**

- 8:00am + Anna Leathers  
Req. by: Bob & MaryLou Curtis
- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society
- 5:30pm(P)+ Mildred & Steward Campbell  
Req. by: B. Osewski

### **SUNDAY, March 15**

*Third Sunday of Lent*

- 7:00am + Robert Nieltopp  
Req. by: Maryellen & John Dykeman
- 9:00am(P) Pro Populo
- 10:30am + Krystyna Fabiajska  
Req. by: Friend
- 12:00pm + Michael Seyglinski  
Req. by: Mema

ALTAR WINE AND HOSTS FOR THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES ARE DONATED IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

**+ Mary Ann Smetana**  
Children & Grandchildren



## HAPPENING THIS WEEK ...

### **Saturday, March 7**

- ◆ Second Collection for Parish Repairs

### **Sunday, March 8**

- ◆ Second Collection for Parish Repairs

### **Monday, March 9**

- ◆ CCD/PREP classes / 5:00pm-6:30pm

### **Tuesday, March 10**

- ◆ SH Council of Catholic Women Mtg./7:30pm/MHall LL

### **Wednesday, March 11**

- ◆ Love Life Meeting/12:30pm/Memorial Hall
- ◆ SH Rosary Society Stations of the Cross / 7:00pm
- ◆ Youth Ministry Executive Bd.Mtg./7:00pm/MHall

### **Friday, March 13**

- ◆ Stations of the Cross @ 12:00noon / Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

### **Saturday, March 14**

- ◆ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

### **Sunday, March 15**

- ◆ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

## WEEK OF MARCH 8, 2020

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



#### **Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle**

**Happy Birthday Blessings on Father Stanley**  
Sacred Heart Parish Office Staff

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

- + Pauline Tabaszewski  
Jackie & Allen Bagwell
- + Frances Dembowski  
Dembowski Family

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

- For My Grandchildren  
Grandma Anna
- + Eileen E. Fuller  
Justine & Patrick Dineen

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

**Birthday Blessings on Father Stanley**  
Justine & Patrick Dineen

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

- + Frank Weber  
Loving Sister, Connie

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

- + Alfred Prusakowski  
Catholic War Veterans Post #578

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

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

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

- + Ramona Hranowski  
Carl & Fran Kovach

#### **Candle for Infant of Prague**

- + Michael J. Seyglinski  
Mema

## GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

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

**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 God's given treasure in supporting your parish church. Please consider **tithing** (5% of your income) if you have not done so in the past. The Good Lord reward you for your generosity and sacrifice.

*~ Fr. Stanley*

## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

### **February 29 / March 1, 2020**

Regular Collection: \$ 8,875.00  
Ash Wednesday Collection: \$ 3,952.73

### **Regular Collection per Mass:**

**2/15/20**  
4:00pm \$ 2,886.00  
5:30pm \$ 761.00  
**2/16/20**  
7:00am \$ 1,044.00  
9:00am \$ 1,214.00  
10:30am \$ 1,892.00  
12:00pm \$ 1,078.00

## OUR PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

### **Sacred Heart Seniors**

5/31/20 Jamestown, NY Trip  
8/06/20 Lake Hopatcong Cruise  
9/23/20 Caesar's Casino/Atlantic City  
10/1/20 Octoberfest / Staten

- **For trip information, call Judy @732-727-0154**

Next trip to the Golden Nugget Casino in Atlantic City is on 3/19/20. Bus will leave from S.H. parking lot at 9:30am. Call Lorraine @ 732-721-6843 to register.

### **Youth Ministry**

3/11/20 Executive Board Meeting / 7:00pm / MHall  
3/18/20 Stations of the Cross @ 7:00 pm / Egg Hunt

### **Boy Scout Troop #95**

Meetings every Tuesday @ 7:00pm in the Convent  
Parent Meetings once per month on Monday @ 7:30pm

### **Rosary Society**

3/11/20 Stations of the Cross @ 7:00pm  
3/14/20 Lenten Retreat / St. John Paul II Parish  
3/21-22 Palm Cross Sale  
3/28-29 Palm Cross Sale

### **Council of Catholic Women**

3/10/20 Meeting @ 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL  
3/14-15 Irish Soda Bread Sale at all Masses

### **Catholic War Veterans**

3/10/20 Bingo @ NJ Veterans Home @ 2:00pm  
**Help is needed!**  
5/2-3/20 Poppy Sale after all Masses

### **Sacred Heart CCD/PREP**

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

### **Children / Youth Mass**

**"ROGER'S PRAISE & WORSHIP  
CHILDREN'S GROUP"**

**Next Mass @ 10:30am - April 5, 2020**



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

### **Sacred Heart Thrift Shop**

The Thrift Shop is now open every *Thursday and Saturday* from 9:30am to 12:00pm. Browsers welcome!

### **Love Life Group**

Please come and pray the Rosary @ American Wellness Ctr., 228 Main St., Woodbridge, where abortions are performed daily. Please pray for an end to abortions. Call Anne @ 732-721-7583 for more info.

### **Praise and Worship Group**

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

### **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 support!**

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

New members always welcomed! Call Jan Williams @ 732-553-9060. For Hall rental, please call 732-721-2025. or on Facebook @Council426.

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

### Saturday, March 7, 2020

4:00pm: M. Mieczkowski, R. DeSimon, P. Grosplin, G. Velez  
 5:30pm: O. Plonski, J. Lupinski, A. Makowski

### Sunday, March 8, 2020

7:00am: R. Whalen, L & V Pesch  
 9:00am: M. Mroczkowska, D. Gawel, G. Trojanowski  
 10:30am: A & D Pino, M. Wiszenko, P. Cleary, J. Fernandez  
 12:00pm: E. Smetana, S. Parse, J & J Tuquero

### **MONTHLY UTILITIES EXPENSE FOR JANUARY**

Gas	\$4,423.09
Electric	\$ 947.44
Telephone	\$ 265.22
Water	\$ 369.45
Sewer	\$ 220.45

Thank you for your continuous support!

### **CORNER BEEF & CABBAGE DINNER SUNDAY, MARCH 15, 2020**



South Amboy Knights of Columbus #426 will hold their annual "Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner" following the South Amboy St. Patrick's Day Parade. Cost is \$10.00. Take-out's & children's meals available. For more info, call 732-721-2025.

### **CATHOLIC SCHOOL TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Families interested in applying for tuition assistance to attend an eligible Diocese of Metuchen elementary or high school may apply online now through FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment at <https://online.factsmgmt.com/aid>. Online applications must be completed (including all required documentation) no later than March 13, 2020. Applications are available in English and Spanish.



### **PALM CROSS SALE CHEESECAKE SALE**

Sacred Heart Rosary Society will host a Palm Cross and Cheesecake Sale on March 21-22 and March 28-29, in front of Memorial Hall before and after all Masses. Crosses are \$8.00 for 1 or 2 for \$15.00. Orders for cheesecakes will be taken at this time!

### Saturday, March 14, 2020

4:00pm: E. Smetana, P. Grosplin, S. Parse, M. Mieczkowski  
 5:30pm: N. Mroczkowska, D. Gawel, G. Trojanowski

### Sunday, March 15, 2020

7:00am: R. Whalen, P. Cleary  
 9:00am: M. Sliwowska, K. Garlak, E. Orzechowska  
 10:30am: R. DeSimon, G. Matula, M. Wiszenko, S. Peel, J. Fernandez  
 12:00pm: J & J Tuquero, G. Velez



The South Amboy Knights of Columbus #426 cordially invites you to attend a **Lenten Night of Recollection** facilitated by Sister Hosea Rupprecht of the Pauline Center for Media Studies on Thursday, March 12th from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in Saint Mary Church, South Amboy. The event is open to all men and women of the community. For info, call John @ 732-721-1514.

### **IRISH SODA BREAD SALE MARCH 14—15, 2020**



Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women will hold an "Irish Soda Bread Bake Sale" on the weekend of March 14th & 15th, before and after all Masses. The bread is \$5.00 per loaf; all proceeds this year will benefit the Sacred Heart Parish Repairs Fund.

### **SCOUT DAY OF RECOLLECTION MARCH 21st ~ 11:00AM TO 2:00PM ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES CHURCH PHILLIPSBURG, NJ**

All Catholic Boy Scouts are invited, especially those working on their Ad Altare Dei and Pope Pius XII religious emblems. The day will include prayer, talks, adoration, confessions and Mass. Lunch is provided!



Tricky Tray request forms are located in Church and at the Parish Office. Donations are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the Office during business hours. We thank you for your ongoing support of this event!

## **2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL STEPPING FORWARD IN FAITH: GRACE IN ACTION**

Twenty-four percent - \$1.7 million dollars - of the funds raised by the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal is earmarked for Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen. Through more than 100 programs, Catholic Charities serves those most in need of our assistance. If you have yet to make your pledge to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal, you will have the opportunity to do so the weekend of March 21st / 22nd, which has been designated as **Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend**. Help us reach our target of 1000% participation. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated.

## MY DEAR PARISHIONERS



I'd just to keep you informed of what has been happening on the housekeeping front in our parish buildings:

Two (2) weeks ago, three (3) high pressure valves in the school bathroom on the second floor broke down and had to be replaced with new ones.

Last week, two (2) toilet pressure valves broke down on the first floor of the school and had to be replaced with new ones. Also, the toilet in the Nurse's office in the school had to be completely replaced. Also, last week in the ceiling of the lower Memorial Hall heating system, a return pipe broke and flooded two (2) rooms and the hallway, plus water damaged two (2) hanging ceilings in those rooms.

We are installing LED lighting in the lower Memorial Hall inside entrance, two (2) stairways and the hallway. Also, we are replacing with LED ceiling lights in both school hallways, upper and lower, and both stairways. We will be saving a lot of your generous money on electricity in both building.

We will also be replacing the old lighting with new LED lighting in our Church, main Memorial Hall and school cafeteria. I am convinced that these projects will save us some serious money in electricity usage.

I thank you for your generosity in the past and ask you to continue to be as generous as you can in helping with constant repairs and with the above-mentioned money saving projects.

As to pipe organ repairs, we have raised \$14,575.00, so far, of the \$21,000.00 needed. If anyone would like to add to this important and worthy project in memory of a loved one, it would be greatly appreciated. Once we achieve our goal of \$21,000.00, a plaque will be permanently installed near the entrance to the choir loft in the Church vestibule with names of all donors.

Last, but not least, we need to do four (4) major projects; replacement of the rectory roof, demolition of the old parish house, repair and secure the outside of the Church windows, and repair the interior of the Church tower.

If anyone would like to give a quote, or perhaps if you know anyone who can give us a quote on any or all of these necessary projects, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please know that you are always in my daily prayers ~

*Father Stanley*

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### **UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS**

**March 27, 2020**

***"Lenten Soup Supper"***

Flyers are located in Church and at the Parish Office. Donations are greatly appreciated! All proceeds will be donated to the Parish Repairs Fund.

**April 24, 2020**

***"Annual Tricky Tray"***

Flyers and ticket request forms are located in Church and at the Parish Office. You can also email us at: [secretary@sacredheartsa.org](mailto:secretary@sacredheartsa.org) for information and a copy of the flyer. Donations are greatly appreciated! All proceeds will be donated to the Parish Repair Fund.

**May 15, 2020**

***"All You Can Eat Steak Dinner"***

An "All You Can Eat Steak Dinner" to benefit the Parish Repairs Fund will be held in Memorial Hall. Information will follow in the next few weeks!