

# CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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**Office Hours:**

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

**Sacred Heart CCD/PREP 732-721-0040**

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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 15, 2020 THE THIRD 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 14**

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

**MONDAY, March 16**

8:00am God's Blessings on Gabrieli Regula  
Req. by: Izabela Regula

**TUESDAY, March 17**

*Saint Patrick*

8:00am + Franciszek & Antonina Jadach  
Req. by: Daughter & Family

**WEDNESDAY, March 18**

*Saint Cyril of Jerusalem*

8:00am + Barbara & Grzegorz Smieszek  
Req. by: Anna Smieszek

**THURSDAY, March 19**

*Saint Joseph*

7:00am + Edward & Genevieve Kwiecinski  
Req. by: Daughter, Janet

8:00am + Nicholas Weber  
Req. by: Ann & Family

**FRIDAY, March 20**

8:00am + Anna Leathers  
Req. by: Lorraine Kost

7:00pm(P)+ Mateusz Welna  
Req. by: Family

**SATURDAY, March 21**

8:00am God's Blessings on Gabrieli Regula  
Req. by: Izabela Regula

4:00pm + Casimir Ogorek  
Req. by: Fr. Stan, Fr. Marian & Office Staff

5:30pm(P)+ Jozef Osewski  
Req. by: E & B Osewski

**SUNDAY, March 22**

*The Fourth Sunday of Lent*

7:00am + Janine Bloom Donato  
Req. by: Janine & Robert Krzyzkowski

9:00am(P)+ Jozefa & Zdzislaw Drozd  
Req. by: Father Marian

10:30am + Helen & Joseph Lagoda  
Req. by: Daughter, Joan & Family

12:00pm Pro Populo / People of the Parish

ALTAR WINE AND HOSTS FOR THIS WEEK'S LITURGIES ARE DONATED FOR:

**Happy Birthday Blessings on Father Stanley**

SH Council of Catholic Women



**HAPPENING THIS WEEK....**

**Saturday, March 14**

♦ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

**Sunday, March 15**

♦ SHCCW "Irish Soda Bread Sale" at all Masses

**Monday, March 16**

♦ CCD/PREP classes / 5:00pm-6:30pm

**Tuesday, March 17**

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

**Wednesday, March 18**

♦ Youth Ministry Stations of the Cross / 7:00pm

**Friday, March 19**

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

**Saturday, March 21**

♦ Confirmation Retreat / 9:00am-1:00pm/School Cafeteria

♦ Rosary Society Palm Cross Sale at all Masses

**Sunday, March 22**

♦ Rosary Society Palm Cross Sale at all Masses

**WEEK OF MARCH 15, 2020**

**CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**



**Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle**

**God's Blessings on Father Marian**  
*Roger & Marlene Johnson*

**Blessed Mother's Altar Candles**

**Thank You for Prayers Answered**

**+ Albert Haklar**  
*Regina & Family*

**Saint John Paul II Altar Candles**

**Birthday Blessings on Father Stanley**  
*Roger & Marlene*

**Candle for The Sacred Heart of Jesus**

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

**Candle for Saint Joseph**

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

**Candle for Jesus Crucified**

**+ Nicholas Weber**  
*Loving Sister, Connie*

**Candle for Our Lady of Fatima**

**Anniversary Blessings on Ann & Bob Swank**  
*Mom & Dad*

**Candle for Saint Anne**

**Thank You for Prayers Answered**

**Candle for Infant of Prague**

**The Health of Myrna De Foe**  
*Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women*

**GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING****WEEKLY COLLECTIONS*****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*

**March 7 / March 8, 2020**

Regular Collection: \$ 7,336.00  
Parish Repairs Collection: \$ 4,413.00

**Regular Collection per Mass:**

**3/7/20**  
4:00pm \$ 2,378.00  
5:30pm \$ 365.00  
**3/8/20**  
7:00am \$ 1,238.00  
9:00am \$ 865.00  
10:30am \$ 1,366.00  
12:00pm \$ 1,124.00

**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**

3/18/20 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**

3/21-22 Palm Cross Sale at all Masses  
3/28-29 Palm Cross Sale at all Masses

**Council of Catholic Women**

3/14-15 Irish Soda Bread Sale at all Masses  
4/14/20 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

**Knights of Columbus Council #426**

3/15/20 Corned Beef & Cabbage Dinner  
3/27/20 Fish Fry (\$7.00) / 6:30pm / Open Mic Night

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

**Sacred Heart Thrift Shop**

The Thrift Shop is now open every *Thursday and Saturday* from 9:30am to 12:00pm. All proceeds go to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Browsers welcome!

**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

**Praise and Worship Group**

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

**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.

**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!**

**Holy Name Society**

3/24/20 Meeting @ 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL  
4/01/20 Holy Name Society Stations of the Cross @ 7:00pm

**Catholic War Veterans**

5/2-3/20 Poppy Sale after all Masses

## ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

### Saturday, March 14, 2020

4:00pm: E. Smetana, P. Gros-pin, 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

### Saturday, March 21, 2020

4:00pm: M. Mieczkowski, P. Gros-pin, L & V Pesch, P. Cleary

5:30pm: M. Sliwowska, K. Garlak, E. Orzechowska

### Sunday, March 22, 2020

7:00am: R. Whalen, J & J Tuquero

9:00am: O. Plonski, J. Lupinski, A. Makowski

10:30am: M. Wiszenko, A & D Pino, R. Gregory, G. Velez

12:00pm: R. DeSimon, S. Parse, E. Smetana, J. Fernandez,  
S. Peel

## LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

***We need your help! If anyone would be willing to help to clean the Church for Easter, we would greatly appreciate it! Light dusting, wiping down pews, etc. Please call the Parish Office to volunteer.***

### **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.

### **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!



### **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!

### **LENTEN SOUP SUPPER**



Our "Lenten Soup Supper" will take place on Friday, March 27th, from 5:00 to 8:00pm in Memorial Hall. Cost is \$12.00 per person and includes a variety of soups, salad, bread, dessert, coffee, water and soda. Flyers are located in Church and at the Parish Office.



Tricky Tray request forms are located in Church and at the Parish Office. Forms may also be emailed to you by contacting [sheart224@aol.com](mailto:sheart224@aol.com). Cost of admission is \$20.00 and includes coffee, tea, dessert & 6 small prize tickets; or purchase a pre-sale bundle (save \$15.00) Bring your own food and beverages & enjoy the evening with friends and family.

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!

## UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

### March 27, 2020

### **"Lenten Soup Supper"**

Flyers are located in Church and at the Parish Office. Cost is \$12.00 per person and includes a variety of soups, breads, dessert, coffee, tea, etc. All proceeds will be donated to the Parish Repairs Fund. Donations are greatly appreciated!

### 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: [sheart224@aol.com](mailto:sheart224@aol.com). for information and a copy of the flyer. Doors open @ 6:00pm; first drawing @ 7:30pm. All proceeds will be donated to the Parish Repairs Fund. Donations are greatly appreciated!

### May 15, 2020

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

An "All You Can Eat Steak Dinner" will be held in Memorial Hall from 6:00pm to 10:00pm, to benefit the Parish Repairs Fund. The menu includes sliced beef tenderloin in dipped sweet butter served on freshly sliced French bread, golden French fried potatoes, soda, coffee, tea and dessert. Tickets are \$40.00 per person.

## **DIOCESAN NEWS**

The Most Rev. James F. Checchio, Bishop of Metuchen, has issued the following directives on liturgical practices to be observed in all parishes, institutions and organizations within the Diocese of Metuchen, effective immediately until otherwise notified:

- As is practiced in so many of our parishes already, priests, deacons and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are urged to practice good hygiene, washing their hands and using anti-bacterial hand sanitizer before and after distributing Holy Communion.
- Any individual who is sick or has flu-like symptoms should not attend Mass or other Church gatherings. Mass is broadcast on several television channels and also livestreamed on the Cathedral's website: [stfranciscathedral.org](http://stfranciscathedral.org), so the sick can make a "spiritual communion" until they return to good health.
- The sign of peace should be exchanged without physical contact.
- Distribution of the Precious Blood of Christ from the chalice is to be suspended. Furthermore, no member of the faithful is obliged to receive the Body of Christ on the tongue; worthy, reverent reception by hand is preferred until otherwise notified.

We have been informed by Anthony P. Kearns III, Esq., spokesperson and chancellor for the Diocese of Metuchen that "any time there is a serious outbreak that poses a risk to the public health, pastors in the Diocese of Metuchen are asked to monitor the progression of the outbreak and take any and all necessary precautions in their own parishes to prevent the spread of infection". As Catholics, we believe that the true body and blood of our Lord, together with his soul and divinity, exist under the forms of bread and/or wine.

The general messages from the Centers for Disease Control and the National Institutes of Health is that all should be prepared, but not panicked. The diocese will continue to monitor advisories from Catholic and other organizations regarding precautions on the coronavirus and share any appropriate information with the faithful and the parishes.



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

By now, you have received a letter from Bishop Checchio inviting your participation in the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. The diocesan ministries supported by the Appeal directly impact many of the parishioners here in Sacred Heart Parish. Your gift provides information 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 21st and 22nd, 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 can 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.



### **FROM THE PASTOR**

Please seriously and prayerfully consider pledging and donating to this year's Bishop's Annual Appeal. I, myself, donate \$1,000.00 on my \$650.00 weekly salary.

Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated!