

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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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. 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 22, 2020

THE FOURTH 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 21

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

MONDAY, March 23

Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo
8:00am + Walter Hranowski
Req. by: Carl & Fran Kovach

TUESDAY, March 24

Saint Oscar Romero
8:00am + Helen Mroczkowski
Req. by: Daughter, Geraldine

WEDNESDAY, March 25

The Annunciation of the Lord
8:00am Birthday Blessings in Heaven on
+ Dorothy Jacobsen
Req. by: Marlene, Roger, Elsie & Ed

THURSDAY, March 26

8:00am + Anna Kujowski
Req. by: Thomas Kujowski

FRIDAY, March 27

8:00am + Joseph Seyglinski
Req. by: Joan & Family
7:00pm(P)+ Janina & Andrzej Pierwola
Req. by: Grandchildren

SATURDAY, March 28

8:00am Happy Birthday in Heaven
+ Terry Binkley
Req. by: Peter Prentkiewicz
4:00pm + John Brzezinski (Anniversary)
Req. by: Daughters
5:30pm(P) God's Blessings on the 70th Birthday
of Helena Gajownik
Req. by: Joanna Kalinowska

SUNDAY, March 29

Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:00am + Pro Populo / People of the Parish
9:00am(P) In Thanksgiving to all who attended
the Funeral of Zdislaw Skok
Req. by: Wanda Skok
10:30am + Jean Kakaryga
Req. by: Bruno & Anne Szatkowski
12:00pm + Edward C. Merski
Req. by: Merski Family

HAPPENING THIS WEEK....

ATTENTION

Due to the coronavirus, all Masses are suspended until April 3, 2020. The church will be open for private prayer:

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 7:00am to 3:00pm
Thursday & Friday, 7:00am to 12:00pm
Saturday, 7:00am to 4:00pm
Sunday, 6:30am to 3:00pm

Saturday, March 21

◆ Rosary Society Palm Cross Sale at all Masses

Sunday, March 22

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Monday, March 23

◆ SH Seniors Meeting (cancelled)
◆ CCD/PREP classes (cancelled)

Saturday, March 28

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Sunday, March 29

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

+ **Benny Piechocinski**

The Dembowski Family



WEEK OF MARCH 22, 2020

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle

God's Blessings on Father Stanley
Ed and Georgette Engelhardt

Blessed Mother's Altar Candles

+ **William Luke**

Donna Sloan

+ **Claire Kwiatkowski**

Daughter, Claire

Saint John Paul II Altar Candles

(no intentions taken)

Candle for The Sacred Heart of Jesus

+ **Casimir Ogorek**

Wanda Skok

Candle for Saint Joseph

Saint Joseph ~ Pray for Us

Anna

Candle for Jesus Crucified

+ **Arthur & Dolores Golembiewski**

Candle for Our Lady of Fatima

(no intention taken)

Candle for Saint Anne

+ **Anne C. Fiore**

Joan & Lorraine

Candle for Infant of Prague

(no intention taken)

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

March 14 / March 15, 2020

Regular Collection:	\$ 4,810.30
Easter Mass Remembrances	\$ 1,330.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 1,151.00

Regular Collection per Mass:

<u>3/14/20</u>	
4:00pm	\$ 1,496.05
5:30pm	\$ 245.00
<u>3/15/20</u>	
7:00am	\$ 749.00
9:00am	\$ 380.00
10:30am	\$ 1,104.25
12:00pm	\$ 836.00

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

4/18-19 Bake Sale before and after all Masses

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
4/18-19 Clothing Drive before and after all Masses

Council of Catholic Women

4/14/20 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

Knights of Columbus Council #426

3/27/20 Fish Fry & Open Mic Night (cancelled)

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 in the Convent. call 732-721-0040.

Praise and Worship Group

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

Holy Name Society

(to be announced)

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!**

Catholic War Veterans

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

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 21, 2020

4:00pm: M. Mieczkowski, P. Grosplin, 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

Saturday, March 28, 2020

4:00pm: M. Mieczkowski, P. Grosplin, R. DeSimon, S. Peel

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

Sunday, March 29, 2020

7:00am: R. Whalen, G. Velez

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

10:30am: M. Wiszenko, E. Smetana, S. Parse, J. Fernandez J & J Tuquero

12:00pm: L & V Pesch, P. Cleary, G. Matula

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart."

~ 1 Samuel 16:7

How often do we invest our time, talent, and treasure in creating an appearance that does not matter at all to God? We strive to impress with our clothing, home, career, possessions, car, and other marks of distinction. But none of these illusions of greatness will impress God. Instead, He will look into our hearts to see how much we loved Him, how much we loved others and how we showed that love by the way we used our time, talent, and treasure on earth.



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!

ROSARY SOCIETY CLOTHING DRIVE

The Sacred Heart Rosary Society will hold a "Clothing Drive" on the weekend of April 18-19, before and after all Masses.



Any parishioner who is home-bound or needs help in acquiring groceries, medicines, etc., can receive help by contacting the Parish Office @ 732-721-0040

As of this date, the Diocese of Metuchen Development Office has received from Sacred Heart Parish pledges totaling \$19,963.00 and payments totaling \$12,847.75 from 93 parishioners. This represents 36.3% of our \$55,000.00 goal.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE MARCH 15TH QUARTERLY 50-50 DRAWING

First Prize:	Sue Reszkowski	\$881.25
Second Prize:	Lorraine Vaglio	\$528.75
Third Prize:	Rita Christie	\$352.50

Thank you to everyone who participated!
Our next Quarterly 50-50 will take place on June 14th!

LENTEN SOUP SUPPER UPDATE

The Lenten Soup Supper originally planned for Friday, March 27th, has been cancelled and will be held at a later date!

Anyone who has reserved a ticket will be refunded!



SACRED HEART TRICKY TRAY FRIDAY, APRIL 24, 2020

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. 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.

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

This weekend, parishes throughout the Diocese of Metuchen are celebrating Bishop's Annual Appeal In-Pew Weekend. Our goal is for every family to participate. Every gift, no matter the size, is important and greatly appreciated. Together, we are working to become kindling that is set aflame by the Holy Spirit, allowing God's love and power to burn more brightly here in the Diocese of Metuchen.

Thank you for actively participating in this mission by your financial support!



CHRISM MASS

**MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2020 ~ 4:00PM
CATHEDRAL OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI
METUCHEN, NJ**

On Monday, April 6, 2020, Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless and consecrate the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing.

Saint Ambrose (340-397) began this custom which we now call the Chrism Mass, in his Cathedral in Milan. These Holy Oils, which are used to sanctify the Faithful, have been channels of holiness for centuries.

The ***Oil of Catechumens*** is used to anoint infants and adults before their Baptism; the ***Oil of the Sick*** is used on the forehead and hands of the infirm in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick; and ***Sacred Chrism*** is used to anoint the head of the newly baptized, the foreheads of confirmandi, the hands of a priest at his Ordination, the head of a bishop at his ordination, and the altar and walls of new churches.

At the Mass, all priests make a ***Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service***, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support.

All are strongly encouraged to join in the ancient, grace-filled Chrism Mass at the ***Cathedral of Saint Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 4:00pm!***



Prayer for the Sick

Loving God, you sent your son Jesus Christ to heal the sick. We ask you to come to our aid in the midst of the coronavirus crisis that we too may experience your healing love. We ask you to heal those who are sick. Calm those who are living in fear. Be with those who have died and comfort their families. Inspire health professionals to aid them in their healing work. Guide national leaders to lead and make decisions with wisdom. Help us to always be aware of your presence as we place our trust in you. We ask this in Jesus name. Amen.

Prayer for an End to the Coronavirus Crisis

Loving God, we come before you in our time of need. We lay before you our concerns and fears over the spread of the coronavirus. We know that you are mightier than all our fears and that the name of Jesus is the name above all other names. We ask, in the name of Jesus, that you stop the spread of the coronavirus. In your mercy, heal those who are sick and lead those who have died into your heavenly kingdom. We ask this in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.