

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday	9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Fridays	CLOSED
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 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.

THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 9, 2020

SUMMER MASS SCHEDULE 7/3/20 ~ 8/30/20

Saturday evening: 4:00 pm (English), 5:30 pm (Polish)
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am (Polish), 11:00am
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Monday through Saturday)

CONFESSIONS

Before morning Mass except First Friday; 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
Holy Rosary: After 8:00 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 12:00pm 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, August 8

- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society
5:30pm(P) Birthday Blessings on Chester Niedzwiecki
Req. by: Anna Makswiej

SUNDAY, August 9

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00am + Jesse Blajek
Req. by: Kenny Keich
9:00am(P) Anniversary Blessings on Ewa & Waldemar Mroczkowski and God's Blessings on their Children
Req. by: Ewa & Waldemar Mroczkowski
11:00am + Elizabeth Krzyzkowski (Anniversary)
Req. by: Parents

MONDAY, August 10

Saint Lawrence

- 8:00am + Anthony & Pauline Gorczyca
Req. by: Joan Gorczyca

TUESDAY, August 11

Saint Clare

- 8:00am + Joseph Sutkowski
Req. by: Daughter, Joan

WEDNESDAY, August 12

Saint Jane Frances de Chantal

- 8:00am + Frank Malpeta
Req. by: Joseph & Myrna DeFoe

THURSDAY, August 13

Saints Pontian and Hippolytus

- 8:00am + Lorraine Pachkowski
Req. by: Marie & Greg Kish

FRIDAY, August 14

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

- 8:00am + John Wilk
Req. by: Dolores Jaremba

SATURDAY, August 15

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 7:00am + Claire Kwiatkowski
Req. by: J. Harper, C. Gocher, C. Vargo
8:00am + Stanley Mroczkowski
Req. by: Daughter, Geraldine
4:00pm + Rosemary Tinker
Req. by: Kristen, John & Ryan Scarpa
5:30pm(P)+ Maria & Michal Jackow
Req. by: Wojciech & Anna Zeromski

SUNDAY, August 16

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:00am + Veronica Dobrinsky
Req. by: Husband, Alex
9:00am(P)+ Ann & Stella Seborowski
Req. by: Dorothy & Paul Mayer
11:00am + Margarita H. Kopko
Req. by: Husband, John

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Saturday, August 8

- ◆ Second Collection next weekend for Air Conditioning

Sunday, August 9

- ◆ Second Collection next weekend for Air Conditioning

Friday, August 14

- ◆ Parish Office **CLOSED**

Saturday, August 15

- ◆ Second Collection for Air Conditioning
- ◆ 2nd Collection next weekend for Mission CO-OP

Sunday, August 16

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WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2020

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle

(no intention taken)

Blessed Mother's Altar Candles

+ Claire Kwiatkowski

Daughter, Claire

+ Marie Falco

Justine Dineen

Saint John Paul II Altar Candles

+ Zbigniew Sobolewski

Rodzina

+ Zbigniew Sobolewski

Rodzina

Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle

Birthday Blessings on William J. Fuller

Justine & Pat

Saint Joseph Candle

(no intention taken)

Jesus Crucified Candle

God's Mercy on the Smieszek Family

Anna

Our Lady of Fatima Candle

(no intention taken)

Saint Anne Candle

(no intention taken)

Infant of Prague Candle

+ Arthur & Dolores Golembiewski

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.

~ Father Stanley

WEEKLY COLLECTION

August 1 / August 2, 2020

Regular Collection:	\$ 6,916.00
Parish Repairs Collection:	\$ 3,082.00
Online Giving:	\$ 1,035.00
Regular Collection per Mass:	
8/1/20	
4:00pm	\$ 2,172.00
5:30pm	\$ 310.00
8/2/20	
7:00am	\$ 971.00
9:00am	\$ 1,048.00
11:00am	\$ 2,415.00

OUR PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

SACRED HEART SENIORS

All upcoming trips to Lake Hopatcong, Caesar's and the Staten are cancelled.

Further information will follow when available!

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

Monthly trips to the Golden Nugget Casino in Atlantic City will resume in the near future. For more information, or to register, call Lorraine @ 732-721-6843.

ROSARY SOCIETY

(no meetings in July and August)

9/5/20 Corporate Communion @ 4:00pm Mass

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

9/8/20 Meeting / 7:30pm (tentative)

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

(to be announced)

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS

10/17-10/18 Poppy Sale before and after all Masses

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #426

(to be announced)

THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop is temporarily closed due to the restrictions imposed by the state regarding the pandemic.

SACRED HEART CCD / PREP

Contact Mrs. Shannon Liana @
sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S PRAISE & WORSHIP / YOUTH MASS

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

Youth Mass (temporarily suspended)

If your child is interested in joining the Children's Band or Chorus, please call 732-721-0040.

YOUTH MINISTRY

(to be announced)

BOY SCOUT TROOP #95

Meetings (temporarily suspended) are every
Tuesday @ 7:00pm in the Convent.

Parent meetings once per month on Monday @ 7:30pm

PRAISE AND WORSHIP GROUP

Sacred Heart Praise & Worship Group is temporarily suspended due to the pandemic. They normally meet on Mondays @ 7:30pm in the Convent. New members are always welcomed!

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Food collections are suspended until further notice.

LOVE LIFE GROUP

Please come and pray the Rosary @ American Wellness Center, 228 Main St., Woodbridge, where abortions are performed daily. Pray for an end to abortion! For more information, call Anne @ 732-721-7583.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9th

Monday:	2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9; Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8—3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22; Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6; Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
Sunday:	Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

AUGUST 9, 2020

THE EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*"He said, "Come. Peter got out of the boat and began
to walk on the water toward Jesus"*

~ Matthew 14:29

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say, "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

First Holy Communion for English CCD only will take place on Saturday, September 26, 2020 in two (2) sessions: 9:00 am and 11:00am

COMMUNION REHEARSAL:

9:00 am Session: 9/24/20 & 9/25/20 @ 4:00pm
11:00am Session: 9/24/20 & 9/25/20 @ 5:00pm

Sacrament of Confirmation will take place in three (3) Sessions:

Saturday, October 17, 2020 @ 10:00am
Saturday, October 24, 2020 @ 10:00am
Saturday, November 7, 2020 @ 10:00am

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL:

10/17/20 Session: Friday, October 16, 2020 @ 6:00pm
10/24/20 Session: Friday, October 23, 2020 @ 6:00pm
11/7/20 Session: Friday, November 6, 2020 @ 6:00pm

For additional information, please contact your
CCD/PREP director:

Shannon Liana ~ sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com (E)
Ania Halajko ~ ahalajko@gmail.com (P)

SACRED HEART CCD / PREP

Registrations for the upcoming 2020 / 2021 CCD/PREP classes are now being accepted. Forms can be found on the PREP website:

<https://sites.google.com/site/sacredheartccdprep/>
or on the parish website: sacredheartsa.org

If you are new to the program or have a child going into Level One, please contact Mrs. Liana at: sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com before registering. Registrations are due by August 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Liana.

SACRED HEART POLISH CCD

Katecheza na rok szkolny 2020/21 rozpocznie się w sobotę, 12 września. Ze względu na istniejącą sytuację związaną z pandemią, rejestracja odbędzie się drogą pocztową. Są dwa formularze. Dla powracających uczniów jak i dla nowych. Proszę wybrać odpowiedni dla siebie formularz, wypełnić i wraz z czekiem przesłać do biura parafialnego. Opłaty jak w zeszłym roku, 1 dziecko=\$75, 2 dzieci=\$125, 3+ dzieci \$150. Czek wystawiamy na Sacred Heart Church. Adres: 531 Washington Avenue, South Amboy, NJ 08879

<https://sites.google.com/site/religijsa1/>

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIROSHIMA & NAGASAKI

This week we marked the solemn 75th anniversary of the use of nuclear weapons on the cities of Hiroshima and Nagasaki in Japan. Nuclear weapons still pose a threat to our world. We are called to pray for peace and take action in solidarity with our brothers and sisters globally. The Catholic Church in Japan observes "Ten Days of Prayer for Peace" each year at this time. Let us pray, in the words of Pope Francis, "for the triumph of a culture of life, reconciliation and fraternity" (*Atomic Bomb Hypocenter Park, Nagasaki, November 24, 2019*).

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

As of July 30, 2020, the Development Office of the Diocese of Metuchen has received from Sacred Heart Parish, pledges totaling \$47,821.00 and payments totaling \$46,767.00 from 239 parishioners. This represents 86.9% of our \$55,000.00 goal. Thank you!

2020 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to all who have so generously given to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal. Your gift helps support initiatives, services and the spiritual needs of all, among them, the work of Catholic Charities and the needs of those impacted by COVID-19. All funds raised through the Appeal are used to support the ministries and programs of the Diocese. There is still an opportunity to participate by responding to the most recent mailing or making an online pledge at <https://diometuchen.org/ways-to-give>.

DIOCESAN NEWS

www.diometuchen.org

OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME TO A FOSTER CHILD

Catholic Charities, Diocese of Metuchen, is seeking loving families to foster children of all ages who have been abused, neglected or have had multiple out of home placements, through its Treatment Family Homes Program, contracted by New Jersey's Department of Children and Families. The goal for the children in this program is to leave foster care and achieve permanency through reunification with their families, adoption, or independent living. Catholic Charities provides these resilient children with individual and family therapy, assistance with educational and medical needs, and independent living skills to help them reach their full potential. All families receive initial and ongoing specialized training. For more information about the program, please visit www.ccdom.org or contact Miguelina @ 866-247-HOME or mnunez@ccdom.org

COMMUNITY HOUSE AT ST. THOMAS

Community House at St. Thomas, Old Bridge, NJ, is a program managed by Catholic Charities and provides accessible housing for adults of very low income who have physical disabilities. Up to eight (8) physically challenged adults live together as a group, functioning to their individual level of independence, and with professional management services provided. If you know of someone who needs this type of housing, please call Susan @ 732-251-0022 or visit www.communityhouse-sainthomas.org.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING AND WELLNESS SERVICES

Catholic Charities is offering Counseling and Wellness services. If you or someone you know needs counseling or is impacted by addiction, individual and family therapy for children and adults is available. For an appointment, call 1-800-655-9491. Please visit the website @ www.diometuchen.org.

DONATE YOUR VEHICLE TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Funds from the sale of donated vehicles support our programs for the poor in need across Middlesex, Somerset, Hunterdon and Warren counties. Donated vehicles are tax deductible. Free pick-up is available and vehicles do not need to be running! Please visit the website @ www.diometuchen.org.

ARE YOU SUFFERING AFTER AN ABORTION?

Non-judgmental help is available! Experience God's merciful love and begin the journey of healing:

Call Project Rachel's local toll-free helpline number @ 877-877-4300 or visit HopeAfterAbortion.org. Spanish speakers may visit EsperanzaPosaborto.org or call Sisters of Life @ 866-575-0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

HOW TO REPORT SEXUAL ABUSE

If you were sexually abused by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or you know of someone who was, you are encouraged to report that abuse to local law enforcement, the New Jersey Division of Child Protection and Permanency @ 1-877-NJ ABUSE and also the Diocesan Response Officer @ 908-930-4558 (24 hours / 7 days a week). For more information on how to report abuse, visit our diocesan website: www.diometuchen.org/healing