

# 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            | CLOSED             |
| Evenings/Saturdays | By appointment     |

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

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**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.

## TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 11, 2020

**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)

**CONFESSIONS**

Before morning Mass except First Friday; Saturdays: 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm. Every 1st Friday @ 6:00pm.

**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, October 10

- 4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society  
5:30pm(P)+ Eugenia & Eugemus Smolen  
Req. by: Zofia & Kazimierz Jamiolkowski

### SUNDAY, October 11

- Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
7:00am Pro Populo / People of the Parish  
9:00am(P)+ Wojciech Szymanski  
Req. by: Hanna Szymanski Zona  
10:30am + Olga & Charles Randazzo  
Req. by: Lenis Family  
12:00pm + Kathleen Bailey  
Req. by: Karen Bebert & Leanne Bailey

### MONDAY, October 12

- 8:00am + Eleonora Ciak  
Req. by: Krystyna & Stanisław Popielarczyk

### TUESDAY, October 13

- 8:00am + Sophie Oklamcak  
Req. by: Daughter, Lorraine Laubach

### WEDNESDAY, October 14

- Saint Callistus I*  
8:00am + Mary & Stephen Denarski  
Req. by: Barbara Zielinski

### THURSDAY, October 15

- Saint Teresa of Jesus*  
8:00am + Edward Norek  
Req. by: Loretta & Michelle Martin

### FRIDAY, October 16

- Saint Hedwig / Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque*  
8:00am + Arthur Golembiewski  
Req. by: Family

### SATURDAY, October 17

- Saint Ignatius of Antioch*  
8:00am + Władysława Gromadzki  
Req. by: Sons  
4:00pm + Stephen Makwinski  
Req. by: Irene Zakrzewski  
5:30pm(P)+ Anna Lietkiewicz  
Req. by: Ewa & John

### SUNDAY, October 18

- Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
7:00am Pro Populo / People of the Parish  
9:00am(P)+ Romuald Sicinski  
Req. by: Moczulski Family  
10:30am Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Rosary Society  
12:00pm + Jack McCabe  
Req. by: Joan McCabe

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.

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK . . . .

### Saturday, October 10

- ◆ next weekend

### Sunday, October 11

- ◆ World Mission Sunday next weekend

### Monday, October 12

- ◆ Parish Office **CLOSED**

### Tuesday, October 13

- ◆ Council of Catholic Women Meeting / 7:30pm / Mhall

### Wednesday, October 14

- ◆ Youth Ministry Exec. Bd. Mtg / 7:00pm / MHall

### Saturday, October 17

- ◆ Confirmation @ 10:00am (Polish)
- ◆ World Mission Sunday
- ◆ Catholic War Veterans Poppy Drive at all Masses
- ◆ Cemetery Collection next weekend

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## WEEK OF OCTOBER 11, 2020

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

#### Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle

+ Babies Lost to Abortion

#### Blessed Mother's Altar Candles

+ Mary Bouchard  
Kim Langella & Family

+ Virginia Duryna  
Steve & Cheryl Schmid

#### Saint John Paul II Altar Candles

God's Blessings on Father Wojciech

Columbiettes #426

+ Zofia Bartkiewicz  
Nicoletti Family

#### Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle

Sacred Heart of Jesus ~ Teach Us Your Love

Anna

#### Saint Joseph Candle

Kristen, John & Ryan Scarpa

#### Jesus Crucified Candle

+ Billy Chance

The Chance Family

#### Our Lady of Fatima Candle

Bernadette & Pat Basile

The Scarpa Family

#### Saint Anne Candle

(no intention taken)

#### Infant of Prague Candle

+ Rudolph & Frances Kopelock

The Scarpa Family

**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**

**October 3 / October 4, 2020**

Regular Collection: \$ 5,936.00  
Online Giving: \$ 1,120.00  
Parish Repairs Collection: \$ 2,429.00

**Regular Collection per Mass:**

**10/3/20**  
4:00pm \$ 1,468.00  
5:30pm \$ 347.00  
**10/4/20**  
7:00am \$ 1,059.00  
9:00am \$ 878.00  
10:30am \$ 1,388.00  
12:00pm \$ 796.00

**OUR PARISH ORGANIZATIONS**

**SACRED HEART SENIORS**

All upcoming trips and meetings are temporarily suspended.

Further information will follow when available!

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

Trips to Atlantic City are suspended until further notice. For more information, call Lorraine @ 732-721-6843.

**ROSARY SOCIETY**

10/18/20 Corporate Communion @ 10:30am Mass

**COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

10/13/20 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

**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**

10/12/20 Annual Columbus Day Mass @ 7:00pm  
Council Hall  
10/17/20 Pick-Up Roast Beef/Turkey Meal / 3:30-6:30pm, Council Hall  
10/24/20 Drive-Thru Pancake Breakfast / 9:30-11:00am  
Council Hall

**THRIFT SHOP**

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

**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 Masses (temporarily suspended)**

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

**YOUTH MINISTRY**

10/14/20 Executive Bd Meeting / 7:00pm / Memorial Hall

All Youth Ministry meetings are temporarily suspended. Please check your email or Youth Ministry website for updates and information.

**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.

**AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM FROM STANLEY**

My Dear Parishioners:

I am writing you to inform you and to make an appeal to you.

First of all, please know that our Parish financial report is ready for distribution to all parishioners; all I need to add is my letter and other important financial facts. Also, please know that the PPP loan in the amount of \$72,000.00 has ended, and all of it went toward salaries. For sure, it will be forgiven.

Additionally, please know that average weekend collections have dropped to around \$5,000.00 to \$6,000.00. That is about \$24,000.00 per month average, however, our normal monthly expenses and obligations are \$44,000.00 per month. That leaves us \$20,000.00 short per month to stay above water. I must inform you that we do have \$144,000.00 in our Operating Account. If the collections continue to be what they are, then we will have enough funds to last us seven months from now; then we are in grave trouble as a parish.

I ask you if you would please consider increasing donations as much as your means allow. I do know that many of our parish families are suffering financially, however, if you are able ~ please help! I greatly appreciate your current and past generosity and now, I must ask you to do more.

You are in my daily prayers! Please continue to pray for me.

God bless you ~

*Father Stanley*

**SACRED HEART CCD / PREP**

**SACRED HEART POLISH CCD**

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](http://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](mailto:sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com) before registering.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Liana.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, our Polish CCD Program is filled to capacity. We are not accepting any additional registrations for Polish CCD. Chciałam podziękować wszystkim za liczną frekwencję. Rejestrację na Katechezę na rok szkolny 2020/2021 uważam za zamkniętą. Z powodu obostrzeń jakie nas obowiązują, więcej dzieci nie zmieścimy, a wręcz potrzebujemy 2 Katechetów. Bardzo Was proszę o pomoc. Szczere Bóg zapłać za Wasze wsparcie.



**BANN 1 & BANN 2**

**Jared Kears and Justyna Szymanska**

**MONTHLY UTILITIES EXPENSE FOR AUGUST**

Gas           \$ 375.67  
Electric       \$1,424.42  
Telephone   \$ 276.77

◆◆◆◆ **IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM FATHER STANLEY** ◆◆◆◆

**PLEASE BE AWARE!**

There is an email scam going around using my name. Please know that I would not email any of my staff or parishioners asking them to contact another party or send gift cards or cash to me personally to help others who are in need. I know that you, my dear parishioners, are generous and caring people and I do not want any of you to accidentally become a victim of this scam. If you do receive a suspicious email or call from me - *do not respond!* I do ask that you immediately contact the Parish Office and let us know.

*~ Father Stanley*





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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

October 1, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We celebrate World Mission Sunday on October 18 this year. This annual, worldwide Eucharistic celebration emphasizes our shared baptismal call to be missionaries in our own right.

In his message for World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis implores us: "In this year marked by the suffering and challenges created by the COVID-19 pandemic, the missionary journey of the whole Church continues in light of the words found in the account of the calling of the prophet Isaiah, 'Here I am, send me' (6:8). This is the ever-new response to the Lord's question, 'Whom shall I send?' This invitation from God's merciful heart challenges both the Church and humanity, in the current world crisis."

Pope Francis reminds us during the Mission Month of October that, as baptized Christians, we are called personally to mission - especially at this time - to bring Christ's love to those most forgotten around the world. Jesus is God the Father's own Missionary; He asks us to respond to this call to mission, this invitation to "step out of ourselves for love of God and neighbor." What will your answer be? "Here I Am, Send Me" is the response we will all endeavor to live out this World Mission Sunday, through prayer, participation in the Eucharist, and generosity to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

You too can be sent out to all the ends of the earth - sent through your support of missionaries and those they serve. Your gifts sustain priests, consecrated religious and lay pastoral leaders in more than 1,100 mission dioceses in Asia, Africa, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America and Europe as they proclaim the Gospel, build the Church, and serve the poor. With them, you answer, "Here I Am, Send Me."

This year, in response to the challenges to the Mission Church from the pandemic, I invite all in the Diocese of Metuchen to respond in the most generous way you are able. As you do, I offer my sincere personal gratitude for your kind missionary heart, reaching out in love throughout the Mission Month of October.

With renewed best wishes, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

*+ James F. Checchio*

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