

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



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"Protecting God's Children"

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

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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.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 15, 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, November 14

4:00pm Living & Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society
5:30pm(P)+ Gertrude & Jan Urban
+ Marianna Klajn
Req. by: Maria Klein & Family

SUNDAY, November 15

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:00am + Pauline D'Amico
Req. by: Knights of Columbus Council #426
9:00am(P) Pro Populo / People of the Parish
10:30am + Helen Soluri
Req. by: Elizabeth & Matthew Crincoli
12:00pm + Cynthia Meyer
Req. by: Kristen, John & Ryan Scarpa

MONDAY, November 16

Saint Margaret of Scotland / Saint Gertrude
8:00am + Edward Kwiecinski
Req. by: Daughter, Janet

TUESDAY, November 17

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary
8:00am + Toni De Fillipis
Req. by: Anna Wilk & Family

WEDNESDAY, November 18

*Dedication of the Basilicas of Saint Peter and Paul
Saint Rose Philippine Duchesne*
8:00am + Credico Family
Req. by: Leon Credico

THURSDAY, November 19

8:00am + Claire Kwiatkowski
Req. by: Daughter, Claire

FRIDAY, November 20

8:00am + Helen & George Anderjack
Req. by: Karen Bebert & Leanne Bailey

SATURDAY, November 21

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
8:00am + Jeff Dumm
Req. by: Omar Chaudhery
4:00pm + William E. Jezewski
Req. by: MaryAnn & Jim Holovacko
5:30pm(P)+ Eugenia Wisniewska
Req. by: Tomaszewski Family

SUNDAY, November 22

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
7:00am + Walter Kisowski
Req. by: Family
9:00am(P)+ Msgr. Martin Komosinski
Req. by: Nephew, Blaise
10:30am + Kenneth Sloan, Jr.
Req. by: Donna Sloan
12:00pm Pro Populo / People of the Parish

*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, November 14

- ◆ Fuel Collection
- ◆ Works of Mercy Campaign Collection next weekend
- ◆ Love Life Avon Fundraiser

Sunday, November 15

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

+ **Raymond C. Adamecs**
Sister, Rita



WEEK OF NOVEMBER 15, 2020

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



Sanctuary / Tabernacle Candle

+ Deceased Members of the Sacred Heart Holy Name Society

Blessed Mother's Altar Candles

God's Blessings on Helen Kuc
Josephine Starosciak

Saint John Paul II Altar Candles

(no intentions taken)

Sacred Heart of Jesus Candle

90th Birthday Blessings on Marguerite Zielinski
Grandchildren

Saint Joseph Candle

Birthday Blessings on Steve Maslowski
Mom & Dad

Jesus Crucified Candle

+ Nicholas Weber
Ann & Family

Our Lady of Fatima Candle

God's Blessings on President Trump & Family
The Horezga Family

Saint Anne Candle

+ John & Rose Clark
Mark & Linda Clark

Infant of Prague Candle

90th Birthday Blessings on Marguerite Zielinski
Daughter, Kim Langella

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

November 7 / November 8, 2020

Regular Collection: \$ 6,363.00
Online Giving: \$ 810.00
Candles: \$ 168.69

Regular Collection per Mass:

11/7/20

4:00pm \$ 1,638.00
5:30pm \$ 313.00

11/8/20

7:00am \$ 1,017.00
9:00am \$ 949.00
10:30am \$ 1,676.00
12:00pm \$ 770.00

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

11/15/20 Christmas Cemetery Decoration Sale

COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

12/8/20 Meeting / 7:30pm / Memorial Hall LL

HOLY NAME SOCIETY

(to be announced)

CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS

(to be announced)

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 @South Amboy Knights of Columbus Council 426.

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

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

BOY SCOUT TROOP #95

Meetings are held every Tuesday @ 7:00pm

For information on joining Troop #95, please email:
t95bsanj@gmail.com

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 NOVEMBER 15th

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6;
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22; Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5;
Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11; Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b;
Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131;
Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12; Ps 144:1, 2, 9-10; Lk 20:27-40

Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6;
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



SACRED HEART ROSARY SOCIETY

CHRISTMAS CEMETERY DECORATIONS SALE

The Rosarians will offer two items for sale: Decorated Grave Blankets and White Wooden Crosses. **All items must be preordered and prepaid** by noon on Monday, November 23 for pickup of orders on Saturday, 11/28/20 from 2PM-5PM, and Sunday, 11/29/20 from 7:30AM-12Noon. Order forms are available in the Church, at the parish office and on-line at the parish website.

Please make checks payable to SH Rosary Society!
Proceeds will benefit Sacred Heart Church. We thank you, in advance, for your support!

**CONTACTLESS PAPER SHREDDING EVENT
NOVEMBER 21, 2020 / 12:00PM TO 2:00PM**

Do you have old taxes, paperwork, documents or files that can't be thrown away without risk of it falling into wrong hands? Join Spezzi & Maliszewski Funeral Homes for the 2020 Fall Paper Shredding Event at the Spezzi Funeral Home parking lot at 15 Cherry Lane, Parlin. Bring the documents that you need to dispose of properly at no cost and risk free!



Many thanks to the Sacred Heart Thrift Shop for their generous donation of \$200.00 to Sacred Heart Church. May God bless you and keep you in His care.

~ Father Stanley

JESSE TREE

Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women will once sponsor the "Jesse Tree" for the residents of the New Jersey Veterans Home in Menlo Park. This event will begin on November 21st and 22nd. All gifts must be returned by the weekend of December 5th and 6th.



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities." ~ Matthew 25:21

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, use them wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given us.

MONTHLY UTILITIES EXPENSE FOR SEPTEMBER

Gas	\$ 396.30
Electric	\$1,224.42
Telephone	\$ 276.09
Water	\$ 889.59

Thank you all for your continuous support of our parish!

ADVENT CANDLE SALE



Sacred Heart Council of Catholic Women will offer Advent Candles with appropriate prayers and activities on the weekend of November 21st & 22nd & November 28th & 29th. Cost of the candles is \$5.00 per set and will be in the rear of the church. Supply is limited!

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

Thank you to all who have so generously given to the 2020 Bishop's Annual Appeal! Your donations help 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. Through prayer and reflection, please consider a sacrificial gift to this year's appeal and give to the best of your means. With many people impacted by COVID-19, it is important to bring people the opportunity to grow closer to Christ and see the work of God in their midst. All funds raised are used to support ministries and programs of the Diocese. There is still an opportunity to participate by making an online pledge @ <https://diometuchen.org/ways-to-give>.

**SACRED HEART LOVE LIFE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER
NOVEMBER 14TH—15TH**



The Love Life Group will sponsor an Avon Products Fundraiser after the 4:00pm Saturday Mass and Sunday after the 10:30am and 12:00pm Masses in front of Memorial Hall. A full brochure of Avon products will be available on display near the Saint John Paul II Shrine. For more information, call Anne @ 732-721-7583.

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear Friends in Christ Jesus:

Last weekend, writing in the bulletin, I had certainly painted a grim picture about the financial situation of our parish. Although this reality is very sobering, I know for sure that as a parish family and faith community and with Our Lord's help and with your support, we will certainly triumph over any challenge and/or adversity we may be facing. It is you who make up the parish and it is you make up the Church. So many of you have been making so many sacrifices for the love of your parish church, and I thank you for that. Please know that you will not be left unrewarded by the Lord Jesus, Himself. Saint Paul tells us that you are the living stones making up the Temple of God and that you are the living members making up the Body of Christ which is the Church.

Please know that letters went out to registered parishioners who have not contributed anything for the support of the parish church for the past couple of years asking them to make their status known to me and if anyone is in any need of assistance and/or special prayers. Also, I am in the process of identifying areas in our day to day parish operations where we can be more frugal, and thus, save money. Some of them are as follows:

- Close the Convent so as to save on electric and natural gas
- Eliminate some extra and unnecessary lighting
- Install LED lighting in the areas that are used the most
- Review the current cost of all our office and maintenance supplies and search for the least expensive
- Switch from mailing parish support envelope packets to annual boxes to be picked up personally (this great convenience is a very expensive convenience)
- Wisely choose and prioritize any and all necessary improvement and repair projects

These are just some that come to mind; I'm sure that there are other areas we can save.

I have gone to the calculator and punched in $800 \times \$5.00 = \$4,000.00$. So, if 800 parishioners or families gave only \$5.00 more per week, we would collect \$4,000.00 more per week. What a great help that would be! But if we can go to \$10.00 more or even \$15.00 more per week, then many of our troubles would be solved and I would again be able to sleep through the night without waking up and worrying.

Now, I know that due to the pandemic, many families are hurting financially. You are in my prayers in the hope that things get better for you and your family. Also, I know that many of our good parishioners, great people who are of some means, but for some reason, have not been attending Mass (that I understand because of COVID-19), but also have ceased contributing from one reason or another. ***I need your help!***

So, to end on a good note, I am confident that together and with the Lord's help, nothing is impossible!

Know that all of you are in my daily prayers, mornings and evenings, and at every Mass I celebrate. May God bless you. May the Lord protect you and keep you well and healthy. May the Blessed Mother watch over you and your families and loved ones.

Sincerely in the Sacred Heart of Jesus,

~ Father Stanley