



Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Vigil
Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday
7:00 am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Saturday 3:00 – 3:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Second & Fourth Sunday
12:30 P.M.

RCIA and ADULT CONFIRMATION

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

One year prior notice required

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

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DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC,

Robert W. Blake, Jr

MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by the Spirit of God, the Roman Catholic parish family of Sacred Heart of Jesus celebrates a living faith in Jesus Christ. As a people of God we are committed to worship in the Eucharist, to prayer and to an awareness of the needs of local and global communities as the Gospel message instructs us. We direct our efforts to promote excellence in the Catholic tradition of education at all levels. We are diligent and responsible in maintaining sound financial and physical resources to meet current and future obligations. We strive to see the face of Jesus Christ in every person and to utilize the diversity of gifts present in our parish through collaborative ministries and apostolates.

Mass  for the
Intentions  for the
Week

December 2—December 8

Mon.	7:00 a.m.	For All Our Parishioners
Tues.	7:00 a.m.	Walter Talamini, Gene and Annette Carini by the family
Wed.	7:00 a.m.	Nicholas Mitides by his wife and children
Fri.	7:00 a.m.	Deacon Roland Rugoletti, Deacon Edward Richards, Deacon Roderick Cashesa and his wife Carol and Clara Leger by Deacon Pasquale Mussulli
Sat.	4:00 p.m.	the DelVecchio family by the family
Sun.	8:00 a.m.	Jenny Bonina by her daughter
	10:00 a.m.	All the Holy Souls in Purgatory, sponsored by the Helpers Of the Holy Souls



Robert Silva
Lorna Carrachino Beksha



Sunday, December 1st, we will celebrate the beginning of the Advent season as a CCD community during the 10:00 a.m. Mass. Light refreshments to follow in the Bell Tower Room. All families with children in grades 1-10 are invited to attend.

Monday, December 2nd, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available for students in grades 3-10 from 4-6 p.m. in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph. Please note that your child may arrive any time during the scheduled hours. The children will receive this important sacrament of healing in the order in which they arrive.

Saturday, December 7th, there will be a **MANDATORY** Reconciliation Retreat for all Grade 2 students in the Parish Center from 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Parents asked to return for a penance service in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph, which will begin at 11:15 a.m.

You're Invited!

**SOLEMN VESPERS FOR CHRIST THE KING
and the THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Robert Blake, Director of Liturgical Music, has composed and compiled music for the celebration of Solemn Vespers for the Feast of Christ the King on **Sunday, November 24th** at 4:00 p.m. and the Third Sunday of Advent, **December 15th** at 4:00 p.m. in our main church. These services are part of the prayers of the universal Church and are a fitting way to conclude the liturgical calendar year as well as to prepare spiritually for the Solemnity of the Incarnation of Christ. We invite our parishioners families, friends and visitors to these two evenings of prayer and reflection.



December 1, 12019
Service Music

Entrance: The King Shall Come When Morning Dawns **(45)**

Preparation: Wake, O Wake, and Sleep No Longer **(54)**

Communion: Christ, Be Our Light **(587)**

Recessional: Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates **(69)**

The rosary is prayed each weekday morning after the 7:00 a.m. Mass. All are welcome.

We're Collecting
Food for the Needy.
Can You Help?

DAILY BREAD FOOD PANTRY

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry collection items for the month of **December** are **hot chocolate coffee and tea**. If you wish to donate please bring the items to Mass.

Bell Tower Room Renovation
Members of the Renovation Committee will be selling raffle tickets after all Masses **THIS WEEKEND**. Raffles are for a wine basket or afghan.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR WOMEN'S CLUB

Sunday, December 1st, members will be Caroling and serving refreshments to all the residents at Countryside Nursing Home. Members will be selling Advent items in the Bell Tower Room after the **10:00 a.m. Mass.**

Saturday, December 7th, the annual Christmas party for members will be held at Restaurant 45 in Medway.



LIMITLESS MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY will meet on **Monday, December 2nd** from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the Parish Center. The topic "I Believe in the Holy Spirit!" All students in grades 6-8 are welcome to attend. Snacks will be provided.



Special Collection

SHARE IN THE CARE RETIREMENT FUND for RELIGIOUS

Next weekend, December 7th and 8th our parish will be conducting the collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. This annual collection benefits some 31,000 senior Catholic sisters, brothers and Religious order priests who have consecrated their lives to serving God and the Church. The sad reality is that only 23 of the 547 religious institutes throughout the country are adequately funded to care for their elderly and infirm members who have served God and the Church. Like many American religious communities they face the monumental challenge of funding eldercare. Rising costs are compounded by the fact that more than 1 out of 3 members of religious communities are over the age of 80! This need is still great. Please give to those who have given a lifetime by donating to the Retirement for Religious and by praying for God's continued blessing on our elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. **Please place your envelope in with the regular collection on this weekend.**



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN THE SERVICE. (THEY SERVE SO THAT WE CAN CELEBRATE OUR FREEDOM).



An envelope for Christmas flowers is in your December packet. Please return it at anytime. If you are donating in memory of a loved one, please write the name (names) on the envelope.



GIVING TREES

The Giving Tree is placed in the sanctuary of the upper church with gift tags containing this year's requests. Please take a tag, purchase the gift, attach the tag to the unwrapped gift and return it under the tree **no later than DECEMBER 7th and 8th**. It would be appreciated if you would provide a Christmas bag or wrapping paper with your gift. When purchasing gift cards **please include the activation receipt** with the card. Thank you so much for your continued support!!!!



Donations to the Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish Human Services Fund to aid the less fortunate in our community would be greatly appreciated. You may put your donation in the basket with your weekly collection and mark it Human Services. **We thank you for your support.**



BULLETIN NOTICES FOR CHRISTMAS SEASON

Bulletin articles for **December 8th MUST** be in the office no later than **Friday, November 29th**.

Bulletin articles for **December 15th MUST** be in the office no later than **Friday, December 6th**.

Bulletin articles for **December 29th MUST** be in the office no later than **Wednesday, December 18th**.

Bulletins for **January 5th, MUST** be in the office no later than **December 23rd**.

Please do not leave your bulletins in the pews. Take them home with you for easy reference during the week.

Parish Financials

Monthly Income (Oct.).....\$ 32,958.33

Ordinary Expenses: (Oct.).....\$ 36,714.56

Thank you for your continued support each week

DECEMBER 1, 2019

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6TH

“O Come, Let Us Adore Him!”



It is hard to believe that another 12 months has past and we are beginning the Advent Season once again. Advent is a very special time in the Liturgical Calendar. The beginning days of Advent remind us to be waiting in “Joyful Hope” for the second coming of Jesus. Not with fear but expectation of what we have been promised by Jesus for all those who are faithful to His teachings. On **Dec. 17th**, and the eight days following, we reflect on the events that bring us to the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. There is so much to reflect upon and yet we can lose out on this opportunity if we allow it not to happen. Take some time **this Friday, December 6th** to pray before the **REAL PRESENCE** of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament during our First Friday Adoration, honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Begin the Christmas Season in the right way with your attention focused on the true reason for celebrating Christmas. **Friday begins with Mass at 7 AM in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph, followed by Exposition and Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament until 12 Noon.** Come and visit **anytime** during these hours. The Rosary will be prayed each hour on the half hour starting at **7:30 AM.** **At 12 noon, The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will take place.** The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on weekdays following the 7 AM Mass, or during office hours at the rectory, or on Saturday afternoon at 3 PM in the upper church.

PRAYER TO PROTECT LIFE

Loving God, I thank you for the gift of life that you gave to each and every one of us, your children. Merciful God, I ask your pardon and forgiveness for my own failure to respect and foster all stages of life in the world. Gracious God, I pray that with your grace, I and all people will reverence, protect and promote all human life and that we will be especially sensitive to the life of the unborn, the abused, neglected, disabled and the elderly. I pray, too, that all who make decisions about life in any form will do so with wisdom, love and courage. Living God, I praise and glorify you as Father, our Creator and Source of Life. **Amen.**

We encourage all Altar Servers, Lectors and Ministers of the Eucharist to kindly get a replacement if you find that you are unable to fulfill your scheduled weekend obligation.