



# Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

## PARISH STAFF

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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

(508) 478-0139

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### Coordinators:

Amy Donahue and Andrew Tomaski

### SAFE ENVIRONMENT COORDINATORS:

Janet Morganelli, Ph. D. - Tara Ridolfi, M. Ed. -  
Tricia Ridolfi, M. Ed.

### 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 16—December 22**

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| Mon.  | 7:00 a.m.  | For All Our Parishioners                           |
| Tues. | 7:00 a.m.  | Frank and Betty Feccia by the family               |
| Wed.  | 7:00 a.m.  | Gayle Murphy by a friend                           |
| i.    | 7:00 a.m.  | Joseph and ChiChuan Lee by the Lee family          |
| Sat.  | 4:00 p.m.  | Jane Beaudoin by the family                        |
| Sun.  | 8:00 a.m.  | Donato and Pasqua DiLorenzo by their grandchildren |
|       | 10:00 a.m. | AnnMarie Luchini by the family                     |



**Patricia Marcolini  
Annerose Ferretti**



**Sunday, December 15th.** The year 2 Confirmation class “The Eucharist: Heart of the Church’s Life” will be held from **12:30—2:00 p.m.** in the Parish Center for all 10th grade students.

**Monday, December 16th,** Grade 2 students will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph at **4:00 p.m.** Please keep these children in your prayers.



**We welcome into our Community of Faith  
Callie Rose Wyman**

We ask that you pray for her and her family. May God continue to shower them with his love.



**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 and place them in the baskets provided at each entrance.

*You're Invited!*

**SOLEMN VESPERS  
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Robert Blake, Director of Liturgical Music, has composed and compiled music for the celebration of Solemn Vespers for 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 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 15, 12019  
Service Music**

**Entrance:** Comfort, Comfort, O My People **(58)**

**Preparation:** Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus **(39)**

**Communion:** Jesu, Joy of Our Desiring **(411)**

**Recessional:** O Come, Divine Messiah **(50)**



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

**THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Did you know that we have a **“PRAYER INTENTION BASKET”** located in the vestibule in the Chapel of the Holy Spouses, Mary and Joseph? Paper and pens are available for you to write out your particular prayer request (**no names please**), and each morning, Monday through Friday, your intention is prayed for by our Rosary Prayer Group after the 7:00 AM Mass. During the months and also the First Friday devotions the petitions are burned and new intentions are collected for the following month. If you have a special need to be prayed for please stop by the Chapel or call the rectory **(508)-634-5435** and they will pass it on to Deacon Pat.



**HOMEBOUND**

We ask that you let us know of any homebound parishioners who would appreciate the Eucharist brought to them. It is not infrequent when we visit someone in the hospital that we are told they have been homebound for a number of years. Occasionally families say they never thought of asking someone to bring Communion to them. Please call the rectory at (508) 634-5435 if you or a family member are not able to get to Mass and would be grateful to receive the Holy Eucharist.



**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.**

**Parish Financials**

**Monthly Income (Nov.).....\$ 47,433.83**

**Ordinary Expenses: (Nov.).....\$ 37,117.32**

**Thank you for your continued support each week**



**Jesus,** our brother, son of God and son of Mary, I thank you for the gift of life you have entrusted to my care. Help me be a parent both tender and wise, loving and forgiving, able both to discipline and to give freedom.

**Mary,** Mother of Jesus and our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

**Joseph,** Foster-Father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep this family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

**Holy Family of Nazareth,** make our family one with you. May we be peace loving and peace-giving. And may we always have God as the center of our hearts and our home. **AMEN.**

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word**

The Children’s Liturgy of the Word program has proven extremely successful and is enjoyed by over 20 children each time it is offered. We are in need of a volunteer o volunteers interested in helping coordinate and plan this enriching program. No prior teaching experience is necessary and you do not need to have a child in the religious education program to volunteer. Please contact Amy Donahue in the Religious Education Office at **(508)478-0139** if interested.



**UPDATE OUR PARISH RECORDS:** Is there any change that our parish should have to update our records? Have you moved or are you planning to move soon? Has your telephone number changed? Should we add or delete a name? If any of these questions can be answered with a “yes” we would appreciate your calling the rectory at (508) 634-5435 with the updated information. We are trying to keep our Parish records as up-to-date as possible. Please call the rectory office for any clarification.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

If you know of anyone who is ill, going to have surgery, depressed, in a nursing home or has lost a loved one please contact the rectory and a prayer shawl will be prepared. Anyone wishing to join this ministry may contact **Mary Maffia at (508) 473-8041 or Barbara Iwanow at (508) 381-1089.**

**DECEMBER 15, 2019**

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*Check*  
**THIS OUT!**

**Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest**

Valencia Council 80 Knights of Columbus with the assistance of our CCD teachers is sponsoring their "International Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest before Christmas, for boys and girls from **ages 5 through 14**. The contest is designed to encourage children to use their creativity and imagination, with the hope they will come to a deeper understanding of the true, spiritual meaning of Christmas. The posters are judged on clarity of theme, delivery of message and overall effectiveness. All participants receive participation certificates. The winners of each age group, **5-7, 8-10, and 11-14** receive \$25.00 Amazon gift cards. All entries are due not later than **Sunday December 22, 2019**.



**LET'S ALL PITCH IN, PLEASE:** We request that you try to take a moment to tidy up the Church before you leave.. Simply return the Missalettes to their racks and take home the Parish Bulletin or return it to the entrances. We are appreciative of your doing this so that we can be ready for those who come to the next Mass. **Thank you !!!**



**JUST A REMINDER**

If you or a loved one is sick, please call the rectory at (508) 634-5435 to have a priest anoint the sick with oil in the name of the Lord. Never hesitate to call the rectory to ask for a priest for prayer and the Sacrament of the Sick prior to surgery or when diagnosed with a serious illness. This Sacrament is not to be looked upon as the "Last Rites" but as a powerful instrument of God's healing presence. Please make use of this gift. Also, if anyone is dying or near death, please contact the rectory at (508) 634-5435.



All newly married couples who wish to remain parishioners at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church should register as new families in the Church. Please do this soon so you will still appear in our registry. To be listed as a parishioners of Sacred Heart, please call the rectory at (508) 634-5435 and ask to register.