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Prayer Chain! You may email your request to shprayerchain@gmail.com. Or write your request in the binder located at the St. Jude statue in the back of the Church. SH Prayer Team is ready to pray for your special needs. To become a member of Sacred Heart's Prayer Team please call.

732-721-0040

Pregnant—Need Help? 1-800-848-LOVE
Life Choices Resource Ctr. 732-499-8876

In case of emergency, when you need a Priest at any time, day or night please call 732-721-0040, answering service will pick up leave a message. A Priest will call back as soon as possible.

April 2, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Lent



**BELIEVE
IN ME AND
YOU WILL
NEVER DIE.**

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday evening: 4:30 pm (English), 6:00 pm (Polish)
Sunday: 7:00 am, 9:00 am (Polish), 10:30 am, 12 noon
Weekdays: 8:00 am (Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.)
7:00 pm Fri. (Polish)

CONFESSIONS: Following morning Mass except First Friday; Friday at 6:30 pm (Polish). Saturdays: 3:30 pm (English); 5:30 pm (Polish)

NOVENAS/DEVOTIONS:

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Daily after 8:00 am Mass.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday after 8:00 am Mass.

Sacred Heart of Jesus: In Polish every Friday following 7pm Mass.

Holy Rosary: Following 8 am morning Mass & 10:00 am on Sunday.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made by calling the Parish Office (732) 721-0040, or emailing SHeart224@aol.com; at least **one year** in advance. Absolutely **no social plans** are to be made before meeting with parish Priest or Deacon. Also, please note there are no Nuptial Masses celebrated on Sundays.

BAPTISMS: Baptisms will be held on the 2nd & 4th Sunday at 1:30PM with the exception of Holy Days. **Pre-Baptism class**, will be at 3:00 pm every 2nd Saturday of the month in Church.

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 Deacon Serge Bernatchez at 732-721-0040

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

Call 732-721-0040

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 are made at any time.

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. Kindly notify the Parish Office of any changes, (732) 721-0040. Thank you.

Please note Memorial Hall is no longer available as "hall for rent"—parish organizations will still be allowed usage.

Mass Intentions

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE...

SATURDAY, April 1

4:30pm Living & Deceased Members of SH Rosary Society

6:00pm (Polish) +Marian Klein (Anniv.)
Req. by: Wife & Children

SUNDAY, April 2

7:00am +Leonardo P. Sicurella
Req. by: Joseph & Marcella Bilicska

9:00am (Polish) +Zdzisław Orzechowski
10:30am Pro Populo/ For the People of the Parish
12:00pm +John Brzezinski
Req. by: Daughters

MONDAY, April 3

Lenten Weekday

8:00am +Jack Gatz
Req. by: Patricia Gatz

TUESDAY, April 4

Lenten Weekday / St. Isidore, Bishop & Dr. of the Church

8:00am +Charles B. Ruszczyk
Req. by: Margaret Harris

WEDNESDAY, April 5

Lenten Weekday / St. Vincent Ferrer, Priest

8:00am +Mary Schutsky
Req. by: Schutsky Family

THURSDAY, April 6

Lenten Weekday

8:00am +Lukasz i Regina Zambrzycki
Req. by: Son & Family

FRIDAY, April 7

Lenten Weekday / St. John the Baptist de la Salle, Priest

8:00am +Edmund Paczkowski
Req. by: Elizabeth Sobolewski & Family
7:00pm (Polish) +Zbigniew Fabijanski

SATURDAY, April 8

Lenten Weekday

8:00am +Anna Kujawski
Req. by: Thomas A. Kujawski
4:30pm Living & Deceased Members of SH Holy Name Society
6:00pm (Polish) +Ryszard Szot

SUNDAY, April 9~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:00am +Emil Stephen Malovetz
Req. by: Rev. Stanley Gromadzki
9:00am (Polish) Pro Populo/ For the People of the Parish
10:30am +Timothy Kutz
Req. by: Lynnette & Morgan Kutz
12:00pm +Sally Ambrose
Req. by: Sister, Joan

Saturday, April 1~

- ◆ Thrift Store open 10am-1pm
- ◆ Rosary 4pm
- ◆ SH Altar Rosary Soc. Palm Cross Sale
- ◆ 2nd collection for Parish Repairs

Sunday, April 2~

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10am
- ◆ SH Altar Rosary Soc. Palm Cross Sale
- ◆ 2nd collection for Parish Repairs

Monday, April 3~

- ◆ CCD/PREP—classes 5-6:30pm (6:15pm levels 1 & 2)
- ◆ SH Rosary Mtg. 7pm in Mem. Hall

Thursday, April 6~

- ◆ Thrift Store open 10am-12 noon

Friday, April 7~

- ◆ 6pm Stations hosted by SH Holy Name Society;
- 6:30pm Confessions; 7pm Mass (P);
- 7:30pm Polish Stations

Saturday, April 8~

- ◆ Thrift Store open 10am-1pm
- ◆ St. V de Paul Mtg. 9am in Convent. Food Pantry open at 10am for those in need
- ◆ 2nd collection for "Retirement for Diocesan Clergy"

Sunday, April 9~

- ◆ Rosary at 10:10am
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WEEK OF April 2, 2017

ALTAR WINE & HOSTS

(available)

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sanctuary/Tabernacle Candle ~ Church

+Eileen & Frank Jedrusiak— Anna Jedrusiak & Family

Blessed Mother's Altar Candles

+Stephen Sakalos Jr.— Helen Sakalos
For the Health of Debbie Jaremba—
Marian & Dolores Jaremba

St. John Paul II Altar Candles

+Marian Klein— Wife & Children
For the Health of Marian Jaremba— Wife Dolores

Candle for The Sacred Heart of Jesus

+Edward Mackiel— Omar Chaudhery

Candle for The St. Joseph Statue

For the Health of Ralph Szeszko— Phyllis, Penny & Janet Nowak

Candle for Jesus Crucified

+Nicholas Weber— Roger & Marlene Johnson

Candle for Our Lady of Fatima

(available)

Candle for St. Anne

(available)

Candle for the Infant of Prague

(available)

If any family member of those mentioned in the Mass Intentions are present, please tell the ushers so you can bring the gifts to the altar.

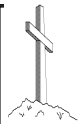
Weekly Collection

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING . . . March 25 & March 26

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|---------------------------|------------|
| Regular Collection: | \$9,088.84 |
| Diocesan Assessment: | \$1,449.00 |
| Easter Mass Remembrances: | \$108.00 |
| Easter Flowers: | \$89.00 |

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 your treasure in supporting your parish church. Please consider **tithing** if you have not done so in the past. May the Good Lord reward you for your generosity and sacrifice.

Fr. Stanley



~Please remember your Parish Church in Your Last Will & Testament~

-Sacred Heart parish church is the place where you so faithfully received God's Grace. God continues to bless you with His Holy Spirit. We owe God everything we are and everything we have, we can never repay Him. Hence, would you please consider sharing your treasure with your parish church before you enter your eternal reward, you will be glad that you did, and you will never regret it. God bless you and keep you in His care.

Fr. Stanley

Altar Rosary Society

Meeting 4/3/17 at 7pm in Mem. Hall.
Corp. Communion Mass on 5/6/17 @ 4:30pm
Used Clothing Collection 4/22 & 4/23
New members are always welcomed!

Love Life Group

Please come Pray the Rosary @ American Wellness Ctr., 228 Main St., Woodbridge, where abortions are performed daily. Please pray for an end to abortions.

For more info or anyone interested in joining, please call Anne 732-721-7583.

Knights of Columbus Council #426

New members are always welcome.
For info on joining, contact Jan Williams 732-553-9060.
Hall rental available-For more info call 732-721-2025 or on Facebook @Council426

Breakfast With the Easter Bunny 4/9 from 9am to 11:30am. Cost is \$8 Adults, \$3 Children ages 2-12. Children under 2 FREE. Easter egg hunt will also be held. Bring your camera.



Sacred Heart Seniors

Next general mtg. Monday, 4/24/17 @ 12n in upper Mem. Hall. Executive Board mtg. 4/17/17 @ 12n in Mem. Hall upper room. Atlantic City trip to *Golden Nugget*, April 20. Bus leaves 9:30am from SH parking lot. Call Lorraine 732-721-6843.

Upcoming trips:

6/6/17: Hunterdon Playhouse, Mahoney Bros.
8/22/17: Turkey Hill Ice Cream Plant in Pa, lunch at Shady Maple.
9/26/17: VillaRoma to see Jimmy Sturr. Call Judy 732-727-0154 for reservations or info.

St. Vincent De Paul

Meetings every 2nd Saturday of the month, 9:00AM in the Convent. Food Pantry open to those in need immediately following

Food collection for the poor every 1st weekend of the month. Please leave your food donation in front of Mem. Hall.

Please consider helping out, we need Volunteers!

Sacred Heart Holy Name Society

Holy Hour/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every 1st Friday of the month @8PM.

All parishioners are invited to the holy hour.

Next Monthly meeting 4/20/17 @7pm in Convent
Corporate Communion Mass, 4/8/17 @ 4:30PM Mass

* Please note that the 4/7/17 Holy Hour has been cancelled. Please join us at Stations that evening.



Sacred Heart Catholic War Veterans

4/19- 7pm, Bingo at Veterans Home, Menlo Park. Help is needed.

5/1/17- Membership Mtg. 1pm

5/6 & 5/7/17- Annual Poppy Drive at all Masses

Sponsor a Hymnal for a Loved One!

Please note that we are offering for purchase the sponsoring of the new **Hymnals** for the parish. You will find the forms in Church or at the Office. \$15 per hymnal.

CHILDREN'S MASS

MUSIC LED BY "ROGER'S PRAISE & WORSHIP CHILDREN'S GROUP" ~Next Mass **May 7 at 10:30am**

If your child is interested in joining the Children's Band or Chorus, come to practice Mondays @ 6:30pm in the Convent, call 732-721-0040.

Praise and Worship

Come join Sacred Heart Praise & Worship group which meets on Mondays at 7:30pm in Convent. New members welcome.

Council of Catholic Women

Meeting April 11 @ 7:30pm, Convent

Boy Scouts Troop 95

Tues. evenings at 7:30PM—in Convent



SH CCD/PREP

Contact Mrs. Liana at:
sacredheartsaprep@gmail.com

4/3/17-classes 5-6:30pm (6:15pm levels 1 & 2)
4/10/17- No CCD/PREP classes

“Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’” JOHN 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We go to church on Sunday. We volunteer for events at our parish. But when life gets hard, the pressure is on, things aren't going our way, do we really believe, do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, being thankful for the gifts we have been given, we really do see that God is providing all that we need.

Thank You... Karen Howarth & Donna Sloan would like to thank everyone who helped make our Soup Supper a success! Thanks to all who volunteered, donated, and to everyone that attended. Thanks Fr. Stan for your delicious pickle soup! A profit of \$1,091.10 was made and donated to the Parish Repairs Fund!

SA Columbiettes Spring Fling, a multi-vendor shopping night will be held on April 7 from 7pm-11pm at the K of C Council Hall, 308 4th., So. Amboy. Some vendors there are: LulaRoe, Thirty-One, Younique, Lipsense, Pampered Chef, Avon, and many more. Snacks & refreshments available. For more info contact Daniela Mieczkowski @Danielam2978@yahoo.com or cal 732-721-2025.

Let's Not Forget Annual Collection for Retired Priests

The second collection next weekend, Palm Sunday April 8/9, is for the Fund for our Retired Diocesan Priests. This collection is exclusively for the benefit of our 26 retired priests, as well as for our active priests upon their retirement. May your generosity to this collection reflect your gratitude and love for our retired priests who have been dedicated and faithful to their priesthood over the years. Let's not forget.

Altar Server Schedule

Friday, April 7, 2017

7:00 pm N. Mroczkowska; D. Gawel; T. Gracjan

Saturday April 8, 2017

4:30 pm Z. O'Connor; G. Velez; J. Fernandez

6:00 pm M. Sliwowski; K. Garlak; E. Orzechowski

Sunday, April 9, 2017

7:00 am P. Deegan; A. Kubisiak; K. Gregory

9:00 am O. Plonski; J. Lupinski; A. Makowski

10:30 am R. Suchcicki; K. DeSimon; S. Pabon; B. Ruiz;
A. Pino

12 noon D & D Nicoletti; K. Pesch; P. Gros-pin



Sanctuary Candles and Altar Candles are still available for purchase for various dates throughout the rest of the year. Cost is \$25 for the Sanctuary Candle and \$10 for each Altar, 5 day glass candle.

Mon., April 10, 2017 Bishop James F. Checchio will celebrate the Chrism Mass with the priests of the Diocese. At this Mass, the Bishop will bless the Holy Oils which each parish receives for the rites of anointing. St. Ambrose [340-397] began this custom-which we now call the Chrism Mass-in his Cathedral in Milan. These Holy Oils, which are used to sanctify the Faithful, have been channels of holiness for centuries! At the Mass, all priests make a Renewal of Commitment to Priestly Service, recommitting themselves to their Bishop and to their ministry to God and His People; the Bishop and all Priests then ask the people for a pledge of their prayerful support. All are strongly encouraged to join in the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral of St. Francis of Assisi in Metuchen at 7:30pm.

CEMETERY CORNER

Few General Cemetery Regulations Reminders:

- Pets are prohibited on cemetery property.
- Cemetery dumpsters are for cemetery use ONLY, not for personal household trash.
- Fences, hedges, coping, edging, curbing, enclosures, ironwork, wires, seats, vases, urns, posts, steps are prohibited on cemetery plots/property.
- Articles such as shells, rocks, stone chips, bottles, cans, mulch, glass receptacles, Styrofoam crosses, statues & all other decorative non-religious objects will be removed from cemetery property without notice.
- Outlining of graves or memorials by stripping a border of sod or outlining the grave with metal frames, stones, concrete blocks, etc. is not permitted.
- The planting of evergreens, trees, shrubbery, rose bushes, large bushy flowers, vegetable plants, etc. of any kind is strictly prohibited and will be removed without notice by cemetery personnel.
- American flags with its holders must be placed next to the headstone of each grave and not by the VA marker with the exception of two weeks prior to and then two weeks after Memorial Day.

These rules among others are based on Diocesan Cemetery Rules. Please take a ride to Holy Cross or Resurrection Cemeteries to see the difference. Please adhere & respect these rules for the general order and cleanliness of our parish cemetery.

CEMETERY NOTICE

- Spring cleaning begins
- Grave blankets will be removed
- All dead flowers will be removed
- Any walls, rocks, boundaries, overgrown plants & bushes, etc., will be removed

April 2017

Sacred Heart Church Calendar of Events

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 2 SH Rosary Palm Cross Sale | 3 PREP 5-6:30pm Children's Band 6:30pm Rosary Mtg. 7pm in MH Praise & Worship 7:30pm | 4 | 5 | 6 Parish Penance/ Confessions 6-8pm | 7 Stations 6pm— by HNS Confessions 6:30pm Mass (Polish) 7pm Stations (Polish) 7:30pm | 8 St. V de Paul Mtg. 9am in Convent Food Pantry 10am Confirm. Retreat 9am-1pm |
| 9 SH Rosary Palm Cross Sale | 10 No PREP classes Children's Band 6:30pm Praise & Worship 7:30pm | 11 CCW Mtg. 7:30pm in Convent | 12 Final Confessions 6pm Mary's Way of the Cross Stations at 7pm Final Confessions 7:30pm | 13 Holy Thursday Parish Office Closed Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm Adoration 8-10:45pm | 14 Good Friday Parish Office Closed Passion Service (E) 3pm Passion Service (P) 8pm | 15 Holy Saturday Easter Food Blessing each hour on hour 9am-2pm Easter Vigil (E) 7pm |
| 16 Easter Sunday | 17 Parish Office Closed No PREP classes | 18 | 19 | 20 HNS Mtg. 7pm Convent | 21 | 22 SH Rosary Used Clothing Drive at all Masses |
| 23 SH Rosary Used Clothing Drive at all Masses Exposition & Divine Mercy Chaplet 2:30pm Mass (P) 3pm | 24 SH Seniors Mtg. 12 noon MH Closing Mass for PREP Children's Band 6:30pm Praise & Worship 7:30pm | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 CCW Bake Sale at all Masses |
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