



SACRED HEART CHURCH

established 1914

First Holy Communion



Welcome To the Lord's Table

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Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday: 8:30 AM
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8,10,12, 6:30 PM

Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00-4:45

Parish Center

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**NEXT
SUNDAY'S
READINGS**

Reading 1, Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

Reading 2, First John 4:11-16

Gospel, John 17:11-19

Dear Friends,

I hope that in your lifetime you have experienced the gift of a good friend. With a good friend, we feel loved, accepted, chosen, forgiven, and cherished. We can unburden what lies heavily on our hearts. We can grieve our losses. We can share good times and important celebrations. We can disagree, but still respect each other as individuals. We have a past, present, and future together.

In today's Gospel, Jesus calls us his friends. How wonderful is that? He says, "As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love." (Jn. 15:9) As a present to us, Jesus wants to give us joy – a joy that no one can take away because his love and affection are unconditional.

The Gospel continues, "I have called you friends because I have told you everything I heard from my Father." (Jn. 15:15) Jesus has demonstrated this by his life, his teachings, his death, and resurrection. Just look at the Sermon on the Mount. (Matthew 5-7) Jesus tells us: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." (Mt. 5:3) "You are the salt of the earth." (Mt. 5:13) "You are the light of the world." (Mt. 5:14) Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you." (Mt. 5:44) "This is how you ought to pray, 'Our Father'." (Mt. 6:9) "Stop judging that you may not be judged." (Mt. 7:1) "This is my commandment: "Love one another as I have loved you." (Jn. 15:12)

Jesus' teachings are throughout the four Gospels. Of course, his heartfelt wish at the Last Supper was for all his disciples to love one another. This is easier said than done. Jesus tells us at his final meal that we do not choose him, but that Jesus chose us to go and bear fruit that will remain. Jesus sees someone unique and special in all of us – truly! He commands us to love, to break the cycle of evil. We live in a world suffering from prejudice, political and economic oppression, sexism, racism, violence, etc. It continues for generations. Love unites and heals. Perhaps we have seen it work in families, neighborhoods, churches (thank God for ecumenism), and nations. Our World War II vets see an America that is on good terms now with Germany and Japan. Our veterans also witness a United States trading with Vietnam. Once enemies, now friends!

Jesus says, "No one has greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends." (Jn. 15:13) So true! Jesus willingly lives, dies, and rises from death so that, in Him, we can do the same. I am so inspired by parents, teachers, doctors and nurses, police and fire fighters and so many others who give their lives each day in service of others. I am sure that there are other occupations in which people give "their blood, sweat, and tears" that no one may notice and acknowledge. We may not physically die, but may die by sacrificing our needs and wants to put others first.

You parishioners are such a model to me. Your faith and dedication make Sacred Heart a vibrant parish. The Spirit energizes us with gifts for the building up of the community. I applaud you. I also invite any parishioner who wishes to be more involved in parish life to look on our website for the many opportunities for ministry. Thank you for continuing to be the face of Christ to me, the church, the neighborhoods, and to the world.

God bless. Peace,

The Franciscan Sisters of Peace and I wish to thank you for your generosity in supporting the community. We had five winners of the raffle tickets from the parish. They are Bruce and Carol de Lyon, Perry Cavari, Theresa Ingannamorte, Kerry Kelly, and Robert Jarin. Be assured of our daily prayers for all of you. Sacred Heart Church is our biggest benefactor!! We so appreciate you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, May 7

8:30 Annette Falkowski

Tuesday, May 8

8:30 Bill Follis

Wednesday, May 9

8:30 The living intentions of Vineetha Martin

The Ascension of the Lord Thursday, May 10

8:30 Alison Verga

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7:00 Stanley Karachuk

Friday, May 11

8:30 Margaret Joseph

Saturday, May 12

5:00 Alexander Kamouh

Sunday, May 13

8:00 Rita Conner

10:00 Bill Follis

12:00 Annette Falkowski

6:30 Diane Mueller

May Donations:

The flowers, bread and wine are donated in memory of **Susan & Tom Walsh's 55th Wedding Anniversary** by dear friend Ellen Kozlowsky.

The sanctuary lamp burns in memory of **Mnsgr. James Bouffard** donated by the Molesphini Family.

We will be celebrating

CONFIRMATION

May 19 at the 5:00 Mass.
Cardinal Tobin will be the celebrant.



RCIA: Congratulations Lori on your confirmation last weekend!



NEWLY BAPTIZED

We warmly welcome the four babies who were baptized here last weekend.

- Bryce James Baldomero**
- Mason Perry DiPasquale**
- Carter Ross Kovall**
- Stella Rose Occhiuzzi**

The Ascension of the Lord—Thursday, May 10

Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 am, 4:00 & 7:00 pm.

COME AND JOIN FR. ASHLEY HARRINGTON for the May Session of IN THE NEWS. These gatherings review and discuss Catholicism as presented in the media the previous month. Our goal is to openly examine how our faith is communicated to the public. Tuesday, MAY 8th at 7:30PM Carmelite Spiritual Center, St. Cecilia’s Church, Englewood.

THE OFFICE OF FAMILY LIFE MINISTRIES of the Archdiocese of Newark invites all parents who have suffered the loss of a child to attend ‘A Day of Comfort and Hope’ on Saturday, June 2, 2018 at Notre Dame RC Church, 359 Central Avenue, North Caldwell. This full-day retreat affords bereaved parents the opportunity to join together in a caring, spiritual setting for prayer, meditation, discussion, presentations, fellowship and Holy Mass. Pre-registration is required by May 29th as space is limited. For information, please contact Lauren Egan at 973-497-4327 or Lauren.Egan@rcan.org.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS 98TH ANNUAL CHARITY FUNDRAISER PASTA DINNER is on May 11 at St. Anthony’s in Northvale. Tickets/reservations available at KOF9021@GMAIL.COM or by contacting the reservation coordinator at 201-666-7265. The menu includes a variety of pastas, legendary clam sauce, homemade meatballs, fresh Italian breads, dessert, coffee, beer, and wine. Price for an adult is \$15.00 and for kids under 13 is \$5.00. Family admission is \$40. Dinner will be served beginning at 6PM. Proceeds benefit the charitable efforts of our council, which include support for the Knights ‘Building Our Domestic Church’ initiative, Food for Families, Seminarian financial support, and many Culture of Life causes.

WEEKEND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES St. Lucy Shelter at 619 Grove Street in Jersey City needs volunteers to donate and prepare lunch for the hungry, homeless and their residents on weekends. Approximately 35-40 sandwiches are needed on Saturdays and Sundays. Waters and snacks would also be appreciated. Parishioner make sandwiches and deliver to the shelter. There are also an opportunity to stay and serve. Please contact Lynn Gully at 973-497-4589 or Laurie Cherry at 201-656-7201 ext 121205.

FAMILY PROMISE will be selling raffle tickets for its Super 50/50 Cash Raffle here at our Church on May 12 and May 13 Cash, credit cards and checks accepted. Grand Prize—25% of the proceeds (up to \$25,000), Second Prize—10% of the proceeds (up to \$10,000) - 15 Third Prizes 1% of proceeds (up to \$1,000 each) A maximum of 1,000 tickets will be sold for \$100.00 each. Drawing will be held on June 12, 2018. Family Promise of Bergen County is the only organization in the county providing shelter and services for working families who become homeless and helps them return to self-sufficiency. Please support this fundraiser.

FOOD DRIVE Please become an active donor in the food drive that happens year round in our church. All food is collected in the cabinet in the lobby of our church and delivered weekly to The Office of Concern’s Food Pantry in Englewood serving our neighbors in need.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS! You may remember that in January a test on basic Catholic Facts was given to grades 3 to 7 in our RE Program and those who received 100% had their names printed in the Bulletin. Recently, a similar re-test was given to those whose names were not printed in January. We now congratulate the following students who received 100% or 99% on the re-test. We are very proud of them!

- Grade 3** – Nicholas Bevilacqua, Sean Byrnes, Kara De Pasquale, Cecelia Flattery, Helen Flattery, Aldrin Flores, Matthew Galligan, Brooke Marchisio, Isabella, Merienthal, Maeve, Moorcroft, Elli, Ragusa, David Rodino, Idalia Sawicki, Olivia Sheridan.
- Grade 4** – Lauren Carey, Justin Finck, Anna Kuchar, Briana Ludwig, James Rodriquez, Luke Tsokanas
- Grade 5** – Maya Gueguen, Leann Speranza
- Grade 6** – Megan Boyes, Erin Fahy, Giana Fontanetta, Mary Kate Gamper, Tyler Green, Mary Hahn, Madeline Morgan, Gregory Papadopoulos, Marko, Radovich, Michael Rodino, Syrena Sayid, Hailey Schacht, Shane Wrightington, Conor Verdon.
- Grade 7** –Fred Cicoria, Katherina Doran, Kevin Dolan, Ava Ebnetter, Thomas Kelly, Kieran Laul, Lexi Lee, Jack Renke, Riley Renke, Emily Sinclair, Donald Wright.

We are very happy to welcome to the Lord's Table this Sunday, 28 of our second graders who are receiving Jesus for the first time at the 5:00 p.m., 10:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon Masses. We are very grateful for your support and many prayers. Thank you and may God bless you on their behalf.