

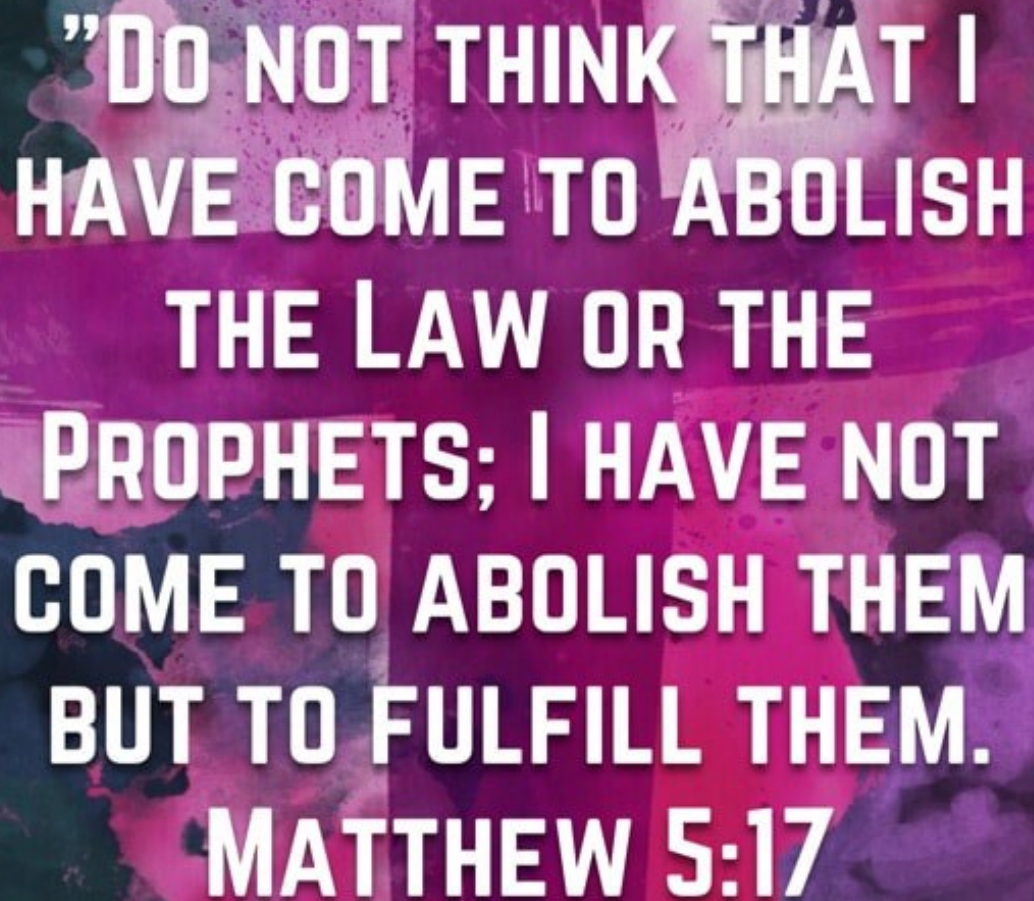
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THE LAW OR THE  
PROPHETS; I HAVE NOT  
COME TO ABOLISH THEM  
BUT TO FULFILL THEM.  
MATTHEW 5:17**

*February 12, 2023*

*Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**Pastoral Staff**

**Rev. Stephen Brigandi, Pastor**  
 Rev. Peter Sarpong, Associate Pastor  
 Deacon Charles Kammerer  
 Deacon John Heverin

**Parish Center****516-379-1356****Parish Center Hours:**

Mon.—Fri. 9am—12pm &amp; 1pm -4pm

**Parish Outreach**

**Mrs. Maureen Paladino**  
 Outreach Office: 516-379-6123  
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 parishoutreach@sacredheartnm.org

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Elizabeth Woods musicdirector@sacredheartnm.org

**Pastoral Associate/Faith Formation Coordinator Grades 6-8**

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**St. Vincent de Paul Society** SVDP@sacredheartnm.org

*We hope that all new residents will come to the Parish Center to register.*

***Adult Christian Initiation***

If you are interested in exploring the Catholic faith or completing your initiation into the Church please call the Parish Center.

***Infant Baptism Preparation*** If you wish to arrange a baptism at Sacred Heart Church, please contact the Parish Center at 516-379-1356 ext.10. One of our baptism coordinators will be happy to arrange a time to meet with you. Ideally, both Godparents should be practicing Catholics. We will review the procedures for the sacrament and you will be able to fill out all the necessary paperwork. Baptisms are held on the first and third Sunday of each month at 2pm in the church. First time parents need to attend a baptism class. They are held on the last Monday of each month in the church at 7:30pm. Crying babies welcome! Godparents are encouraged but not required to attend.

***Sacrament of Matrimony*** Please contact the Parish Center at least one year in advance of the intended date of the wedding. A priest or deacon of the parish will interview you, set the wedding date and help you register for the required marriage preparation program. Marriage Preparation is held in the parish three times a year. Please contact Deacon John: DeaconJohn@sacredheartnm.org for dates and times.

***Sacrament of Reconciliation*** A priest is available each Saturday at 4:00PM in the church. Please don't hesitate to call a priest at the Parish Center for an appointment for Confession at another time.

***Sacraments for the Homebound*** If you or a family member are not able to attend Mass and would like to receive the Sacraments of Communion, Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Center.

**February 5, 2023****Attendance:** 1240**Envelopes:** 388**Collection:** \$15,843.00**Year to Date:** \$1,181,929.00

**Monday, February 13, 2023**

9AM Rosa Marino (Living)

**Tuesday, February 14, 2023**

9AM Kathleen Keegan

**Wednesday, February 15, 2023**

9AM Jerry Catalano

**Thursday, February 16, 2023**

9AM Ruth Ann Blomberg

**Friday, February 17, 2023**

9AM Ida Guadagno

**Saturday, February 18, 2023**5PM Lester Smith  
Jeanette Buglione  
James Capuano  
Ida Guadagno**Sunday, February 19, 2023**8AM Irene VannCadd  
10AM Eileen Dever  
12PM John Fitzpatrick  
5PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
Robert Fleming  
Joseph Papa  
Diane LoRusso (Living)*In our thoughts and prayers.*

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Marco Ireland</i>
<i>Joanne Angelastro</i>	<i>Barbara Jenkins</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Norma Johnson</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Gail Kmitis</i>
<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Dan Macchia</i>
<i>Carol Byer</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Ed Beyer</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>John Brennan</i>	<i>John McMullin</i>
<i>Joanne Campbell</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Joan Cavanagh</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Dolores Costello</i>	<i>John Primavera</i>
<i>Evelio Del Campo</i>	<i>Flo Puff</i>
<i>Lisa DelCampo</i>	<i>Ginesia Reale</i>
<i>Anthony DeLuca</i>	<i>Tara C. Rebhan</i>
<i>AJ DeLuca</i>	<i>Ann Rhoads</i>
<i>John De Luca</i>	<i>John Rocco</i>
<i>DiMatteo Family</i>	<i>Benny Sarnelli</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</i>	<i>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Eileen Dobrinkat</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Robert Dolgos</i>	<i>Herb Staudter</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Theresa Vacchio</i>
<i>Richard Dziuba</i>	<i>Nelson Villafior</i>
<i>Harold Flay</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Robert Galvin</i>	<i>John Weber</i>
<i>Veronique Hall</i>	<i>Alyssa Zangari</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>Pat Hesse</i>	<i>Robert Ziminski</i>
<i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</i>	

**Prayers for the Sick**

In an effort to make sure parishioners who are ill are properly prayed for we would like to keep our Sick List as up to date as possible. Names will remain for one full month, but will be **removed at the end of every month**, unless there is a request by the family to extend the prayers for the following month.



If you or someone you know needs assistance with bills, rent, food, or other monetary help, please email

[SVDP@sacredheartnm.org](mailto:SVDP@sacredheartnm.org) or

call the Parish Center and someone from our St. Vincent de Paul Society will return your call.

In the Gospel Jesus says: "Whoever fulfills and teaches these commands shall be great in the kingdom of God." By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you fulfill the commands of Jesus.

### **The Promises of Our Lord to Saint Margaret Mary For Souls Devoted to His Sacred Heart**

I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.

I will give them peace in their families.

I will console them in all their troubles.

I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.

I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.

Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent.

Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.

I will bless those places wherein the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.

I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.

Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.

In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.



*Let us remember all our parishioners who have been called home to our Loving God. We especially remember*

*Rose Lucia  
Christina Oliveri  
Angela Valente*



*The Bread & Wine for the week of  
February 12, 2023  
have been donated in  
memory of  
Kathy Keegan  
From Parish Outreach*



### **Ministry of Praise Pope's Prayer Intention for February For Parishes**

**"We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need."**

## PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

**Sacred Heart Parish salutes and  
commends to prayer:**

Spc. John McCann, U.S. Army, Italy  
Sgt. Richard DeTommaso, U.S. Army, Korea  
PFC Kendrick McCann, U.S. Army, Korea  
Sgt. First Class Lee Ann Gouveia, U.S. Army  
L CPL Anthony Rusciano, U.S.M.C.  
L CPL Troy Grassi, U.S.M.C., Iraq  
SSgt. Edgar C. Francisco, U.S.M.C.  
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Pvt. Andrew Reynolds, U.S. Army  
3rd CS P.O. Joseph La Form, U.S. Navy  
L CPL Kevin P. Vaughan, U.S.M.C.  
Major Christopher Darconte, U.S. Air Force  
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Lt. James Corino, Army  
Lt. Commander William H. Mohr, Navy  
Amn. 1st Class Daniel Gilroy, U.S.A.F.  
Lt. Daniel T. Lopez, U.S. Air Force  
Captain Patrick O'Sullivan U.S.N.A. U.S.M.C.  
Lt. j. g. Michael Napolitano U.S. Navy  
John Devoti Lt. Col. U.S.M.C.  
2nd Lieutenant Jordan Paladino- US Army

### Prayer For The Safety of Our Service Men & Women

Almighty and Eternal God, protect these men and women as they discharge their duties. Protect them with the shield of your strength and keep them safe from all evil and harm. May the power of your love enable them to return home in safety to all who love them. May they ever praise you for your loving care. We ask this through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society

*Helen & Joseph Tatarka, Marianne Collins,  
Patricia A. Bove, Caroline & Francis Cacossa,  
Margaret E. Riordan, Joan Fisk, Everett Corum, Jr,  
James J. Stasi, Maureen & Robert Murphy,  
Ellen C. Rafter, Donald J. Johnson, Eileen Clarke,  
Dolores Kulich, Vera Farrell, James Tannehill,  
William G. Mohr, Shaun Hughes, Edward Walsh &  
Family, Frances Forgione, Lillian Milana, Randall  
Cordero, Edward Hesse, Regina Platt, James  
Artura, Edward A. Kennedy, Carolyn McDonough,  
Carmel L. Carleo, Raymond P. Carleo, James G.  
Dwyer, James P. Soldo, Robert Tom Riordan,  
Henry Darnaud, Stephen J. Brigandi, Sr., Ryan  
Palma, John Fitzpatrick, Amesse Furchak,  
Marlene Lawson, Richard Brazenor, Joseph &  
Dora Accurso, Mary & Frank Gandini, Pat  
Darienzo, Jr., Tom and Mary Carroll, Brother  
Hugh Patrick Turley, FMS, Michelle Palma  
Furchak, Charlotte & Joe Francomano, John  
Hursala, Mae & John Dugo, Ann Kelly, Margaret,  
Joseph, Jack & Catherine Eschmann, Kay Alida  
Eschmann, Joseph Sommer, Charles Vaccaro,  
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McLoone, Joseph Massaro, Daniel Contartesi,  
Catherine Contartesi, Teresa & Joseph Sullivan,  
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Frank, Eleanor & Jimmy Gill  
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Jerry Catalano, Ida Guadagno*



**The next Anointing of the Sick is  
Friday, March 3, 2023**

# FAMILY MASS

Join us each Sunday for our  
Family Mass at 10am.

**Children & Family Homily**

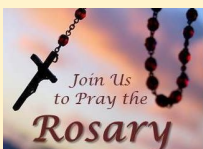


**The family that prays together,  
stays together!**

## SACRED HEART CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTERS

Tax letters for the 2022 tax year will be prepared upon request only. Requests can be made by calling the Parish Center: 516-379-1356.

The letters will be sent out every Monday.  
Thank you for your cooperation.



Every weekday  
morning at 8:30am



Congratulations to the following  
Kellenberg students who made the  
First Trimester Honor Roll.

Antonino Arrigo  
Valentino Arrigo  
Michael Bellocco  
Emily Corrigan  
Colleen Costello  
Abbygail Fenelon-Alty  
Jonathan Florita  
Kerrin Gallagher  
Kevin Keegan  
Alexa Kelly  
Bridget LaRosa  
Deidre Mastromarino  
Kevin Maywald  
Kevin McGrory  
Madeline McMahan  
Alison Nunez  
Ryan Nunez  
Gino Pascarella  
Kira Petrosky  
Ryan Pirozzi  
Philip Romanelli  
Vanessa Romanelli





Wednesday, February 22, 2023

**Ashes will be distributed at the following Masses & Services:**

**9am Mass**

**12pm Mass,**

**4pm Word Service**

**7:30pm Mass**



**Prayer:** More time given to prayer during Lent will draw us closer to the Lord. We might pray especially for the grace to live out our baptismal promises more fully.

**Fasting:** Fasting is one of the most ancient practices linked to Lent. Vatican II called us to renew the observance of the ancient paschal fast: Abstaining from meat traditionally linked us to the poor, who could seldom afford meat for their meals. That should be the goal we set for ourselves: a sparse and simple meal.

**Almsgiving:** Almsgiving is a sign of our care for those in need and an expression of our gratitude for all that God has given to us.



**SEAS 6th grade students helped the school and parish communities close out Catholic School's Week by leading us in Mass. Throats were also blessed as we celebrated the Feast of St. Blaise.**

BE SURE TO CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA!



# UPDATE

We have been given approval by the Diocese to sell the house on Old Mill Road and return the convent to its original state as a rectory.

I have met with the Finance Committee and the primary use of the money from the sale of the house will be to reduce the mortgage and make necessary parish repairs.

The parish has obtained a real estate agent and I will keep you updated on the sale.

*Fr. Stephen*

The Rosary Society will not meet during January and February. They will begin again the first Monday in March. Check the bulletin for time and place.

**DON'T MISS  
THE DEADLINE!**

Bulletin Deadline is **Tuesday, 12pm.** Please submit all bulletin information by noon the Tuesday prior to the weekend you'd like the information in the bulletin. Thank you.



As always, many thanks for all the donations!

Gift cards to ShopRite & Stop & Shop are always appreciated.

The Peanut Butter and Jelly Gang is in need of disposable tablecloths and sandwich bags.

*Psalm 41:1 Blessed is the one who considers the poor! In the day of trouble the Lord delivers him.*



Come visit the Sacred Heart Outreach Closet!

Did you know that we have a gently used and new clothes closet? We invite you to come in and take a look.

We have women's, men's and children's items. Monetary donations welcome but not necessary.

Drop by on Monday or Wednesday between 10am & 1pm. You'll be glad you did!

Maureen



# Sunday Gospel Activities

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Sunday, February 12, 2023**

**Worksheet for ages 7 to 10 years old**

1. Today is the \_\_\_\_\_ Sunday of \_\_\_\_\_.
2. From which book of the Bible is today's first reading?  
Habakkuk Sirach Joshua Isaiah
3. From which book of the Bible is today's second reading?  
Peter 1 Corinthians Hebrews Colossians Numbers
4. Finish the names of the Gospel writers. Circle who wrote today's Gospel.  
M\_\_\_\_\_ J\_\_\_\_\_ L\_\_\_\_\_ M\_\_\_\_\_
5. What is Jesus talking to the people about today?
  - a. how to do well in school
  - b. The Ten Commandments
  - c. directions to get to Jerusalem
6. What do you need to do if you want to be the greatest in God's Kingdom?  
(circle all that apply)
  - a. teach others how to follow Jesus
  - b. break all the Commandments
  - c. forgive others
  - d. follow only the important Commandments
7. How many Commandments are there?
8. What sacrament can help us if we break a commandment?
  - a. Marriage
  - b. Penance
  - c. Holy Orders

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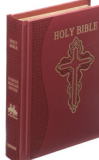
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