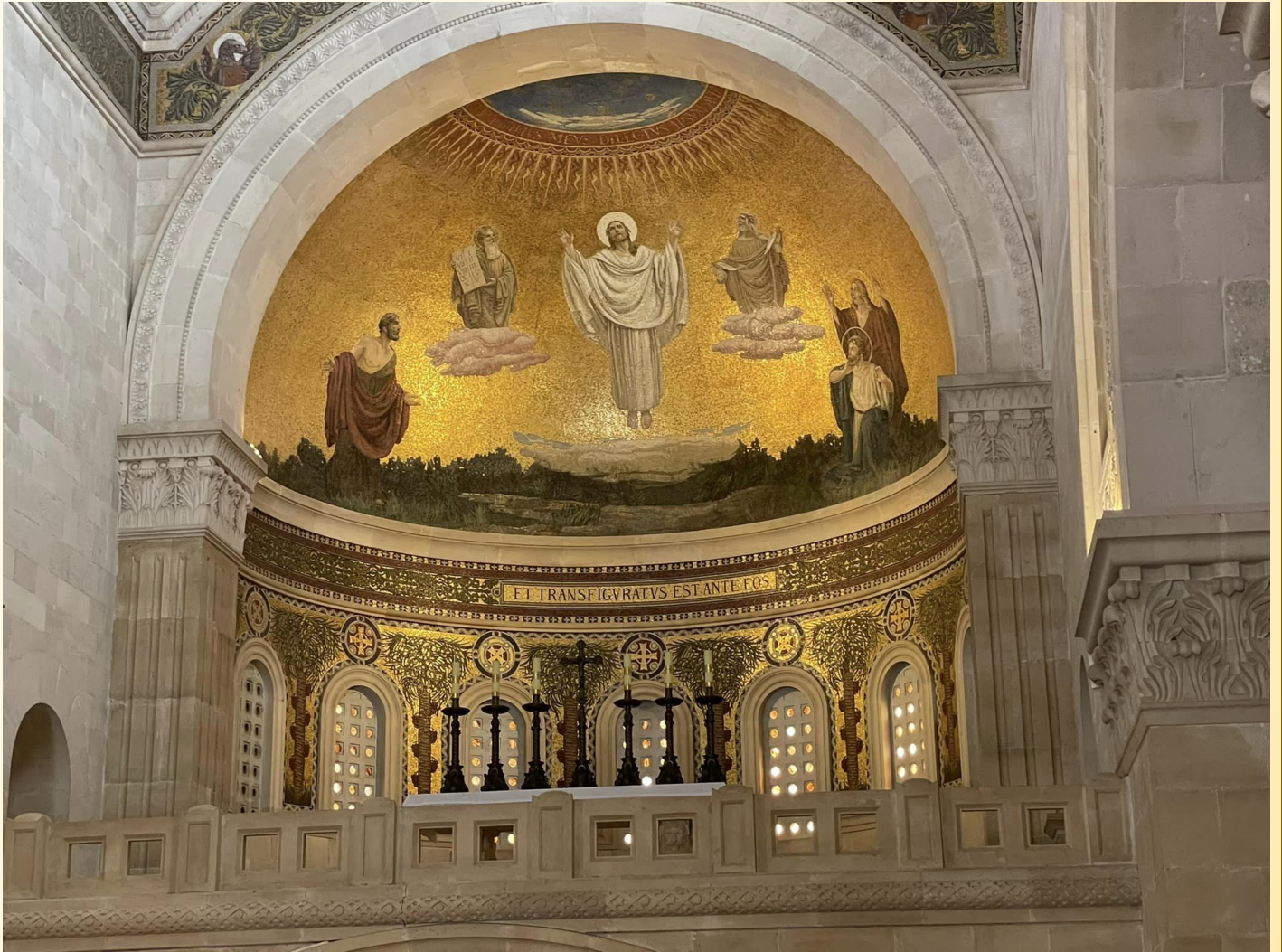


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*The Heart of Jesus in North Merrick*

March 5, 2023—Second Sunday of Lent



*Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother,  
and led them up a high mountain by themselves.  
And he was transfigured before them;  
his face shone like the sun  
and his clothes became white as light.*

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

Miss Carol Tannehill ctannehillshc@gmail.com

**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 26, 2023**

**Attendance:** 1230  
**Envelopes:** 380  
**Collection:** \$14,734.00  
**Year to Date:** \$1,230,148.36



**Monday, March 6, 2023**

9AM Virginia Marquardt

**Tuesday, March 7, 2023**

9AM Gerardo & Matilde Franzese

**Wednesday, March 8, 2023**

9AM Eileen Andrus

**Thursday, March 9, 2023**

9AM Alfred Flowers

**Friday, March 10, 2023**

9AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Saturday, March 11, 2023**

5PM Edward Kennedy  
 Ronald Munson  
 Joanne Zabatta Kreegan  
 Patricia LeBon

**Sunday, March 12, 2023**

8AM Carmen Valentin  
 10AM Patty Joyner  
 12PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 5PM Debbie Ryan  
 Theresa & Fred Peruggia  
 Josephine & Leo Scotto  
 Cecilia & Edward Eighmey

*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>Gail Kmitis</i>
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<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Carol Byer</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>Ed Beyer</i>	<i>John McMullin</i>
<i>John Brennan</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Dylan Buckley</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Joan Cavanagh</i>	<i>John Primavera</i>
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<i>Anthony DeLuca</i>	<i>Ann Rhoads</i>
<i>AJ DeLuca</i>	<i>John Rocco</i>
<i>John De Luca</i>	<i>Benny Sarnelli</i>
<i>DiMatteo Family</i>	<i>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Eileen Dobrinkat</i>	<i>Herb Staudter</i>
<i>Christopher Duignan</i>	<i>Theresa Vacchio</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Nelson Villaflor</i>
<i>Richard Dziuba</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Harold Flay</i>	<i>John Weber</i>
<i>Robert Galvin</i>	<i>Alyssa Zangari</i>
<i>Veronique Hall</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Robert Ziminski</i>
<i>Pat Hesse</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.

Lent is a call to “give alms for the poor.” Wherever you live in the parish, there are poor families within walking distance of your home. When in need, they ring the rectory bell. They are, in effect, ringing your doorbell.

### **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*  
**Irene Grove**  
**Celia O'Callaghan**

### RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you have questions about your faith? Are you someone who would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation? (Communion or Confirmation) Someone who is seeking to become a Catholic? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please consider calling our Parish Center or emailing: [ctannehillshc@gmail.com](mailto:ctannehillshc@gmail.com)



### **Ministry of Praise Pope's Prayer Intention for March**

#### **For victims of abuse**

We pray for those who have suffered harm from members of the Church; may they find within the Church herself a concrete response to their pain and suffering.

**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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- L CPL Kevin P. Vaughan, U.S.M.C.
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- Sgt. Brandon Furia, U.S.M.C.
- PFC Matthew Macario, U.S. Army, Afghanistan
- 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, Epifania Napit, Nancy DeStefano, Lester Smith, Camille and George Pashalides, Patrick M. Darienzo, Thomas J. Maloney, Jack Faust, Theresa Reilly Fred J. Cardinale, Thomas McLoone, Joseph Massaro, Daniel Contartesi, Catherine Contartesi, Teresa & Joseph Sullivan, Helen & Joseph Tatarka, Fred & Theresa Peruggia, Josephine and Leo Scotto, Virginia Marquardt, Michael & Philomena Peruggia Ronald Gandini, Clare Shorak, Edward J. Lunden, Elizabeth & John Chambers, Frank, Eleanor & Jimmy Gill Helen & Joseph Tartarka, Teresa & Joseph Sullivan Jerry Catalano, Ida Guadagno*



**The next Anointing of the Sick is Friday, May 5, 2023**  
**There is NO anointing on Friday, April 7th.**

## JERRY CATALANO STOCK MARKET SWEEPS

Dear Brothers & Sisters,

Here is your chance to participate in raising funds for Fr. Reilly Council Knights of Columbus of the Merrick's and win money in the bargain. We are asking you to buy (OR SELL) for \$10 each. Each "TICKET" has a stamped number from 000-999. The numbers are only valid if they have been paid for prior to each Friday's weekly closing.

Each number is good for 26 weeks (only .38 per week) from March 3, 2023, through August 25, 2023. The weekly winner of \$100 will be determined by the last 3 digits of the weekly closing of DOW-JONES 30 Industrial Stock Average.

(For example: if the DOW-JONES weekly closing was 2347.62, the winner that week would be the holder of ticket 762). Since the DOW-JONES moves up or down each day, the winning number may vary each week. Look in the newspaper or TV news for the closing average each Friday. You will be notified if you are a WINNER. Don't forget, you can win more than one week and 'SELLERS' of winning tickets receive \$10.00.

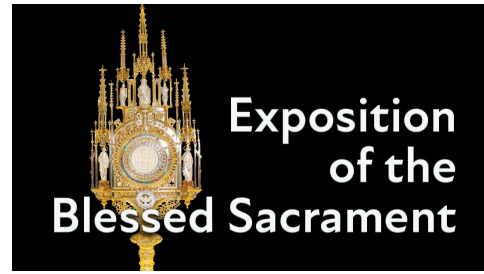
For tickets please contact

Lou Otarola, PGK

516-375-1581

## *Anointing of the Sick*

*Sunday, April 23, 2023,  
immediately following the  
12pm Mass.*



Every Wednesday from  
12pm-4pm.

Our Lady's Rosary Makers  
Ministry will meet on Saturday,  
March 25th from 1-2:00 p.m. at  
the North Merrick Public  
Library Conference Room.

Congratulations to all the winners of the second half of January's St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Christmas Card Raffle. We are so thankful for all of the support we received from the parishioners to make this fundraiser a success. Thank you!

1. Mr. Larke (\$100)
2. Eveline Market (\$25)
3. Elizabeth Pena (\$75)
4. Roseanne Barile (\$100)
5. Bob Buoneto (\$50)
6. Kent (\$200)
7. Stephen Deere (\$75)
8. Ms. Donohue (\$25)
9. Elizabeth Carlson (\$75)
10. Neil Dubon (\$50)
11. Jerald Drewes (\$100)
12. Joan Moore (\$50)
13. Alicia McManus (\$75)
14. Jeaninie Martines (\$25)
15. George E. Ruggi (\$100)
16. Jeanne Blanchard (\$200)



**CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS**

Now is the time to **JOIN** the **Frances Blake 300 Club** or to renew your membership!

Twice a year—in February and August—one lucky winner receives a check for \$1,000. This February’s winners are **MR. & MRS. GEORGE KNAPP**. Congratulations!

Additionally, in each of the other 10 months of the year, Club Members have 13 chances to win a cash prize ranging from \$15 to \$300!

**A 6-month membership is only \$30.** That’s just \$5 a month. We have many numbers available.

Why not take a number for yourself?

Or as a gift for someone you love?

Who knows? Yours may be the next winning number drawn.

Call the Parish Center (516-379-1356) for information, or email Kathy at [kammirati@sacredheartnm.org](mailto:kammirati@sacredheartnm.org).

**Payment should be received by MARCH 27, 2023.**

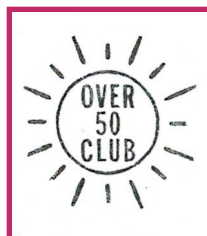


At this time we are especially in need of:  
 peanut butter (creamy), jelly  
 hand soap (pump), dish soap  
 tissues, spaghetti sauce (jar)  
 canned spaghetti/ravioli, ketchup, mustard,  
 mayo, pancake mix, syrup  
 sugar (small), juice boxes,  
 canned chicken, laundry detergent  
 small bottles of olive oil, granola bars

We also accept perishable items:  
 milk, eggs, cheese, butter, fresh fruit,  
 bread and fresh or frozen vegetables

(Try and bring these items in on Mondays or Tuesdays between 10am and 1pm)

Your donations are deeply appreciated.



Over 50 Club

The next meeting is Tuesday, March 21, 2023, at 1:30pm in the school cafeteria.

We will begin collecting the final payment for our May overnight trip, as well as the second payment for our Woodloch trip at this meeting. If you have any questions, please call Mary @ (516) 378-1335. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Happy St. Patrick's and St. Joseph's Day to all.

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Practices begin in April and are held  
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Coaches are needed for the boys K – 3  
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For more information contact:  
Coordinator – Susan Carroll  
(516)236-1573  
or [shcyogirlstrack@gmail.com](mailto:shcyogirlstrack@gmail.com)



### Lent: A Time For Giving

This year Sacred Heart Parish invites all our  
children to participate in our  
Lenten Activity:

#### KIDS HELPING KIDS

Each week during Lent we are asking the  
children to bring an item to be donated to  
Parish Outreach.

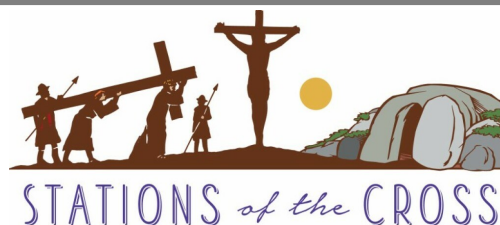
**Week 3 (3/12)**  
syrup

**Week 4 (3/19)**  
pancake mix

**Week 5 (3/26)**  
your favorite snack

**Week 6 (4/2)**  
Easter basket treats

Please put your donations in the box in the  
church lobby each week  
when you come to Mass.



Each Friday in Lent, a different Parish  
Ministry will lead the Stations of the  
Cross at 7:30pm in the church.  
All are invited to attend.

**March 10th:** Faith Formation  
**March 17th:** Choir/Rosary Society/  
Catholic Daughters  
**March 24th:** 8pm Journey, Cross &  
Crucifixion  
**March 31st:** Confirmation Students

## SACRED HEART PARISH MINISTRIES



<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
Altar Linens	Ingrid Samperi	frontdesk@sacredheartnm.org
Altar Servers	Fr. Peter	Parish Center: 516-379-1356
Baptism Preparation	Deacon Charlie	deaconcharles@sacredheartnm.org
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Scripture Study	Shirley Douglas	shirdoug530@yahoo.com
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