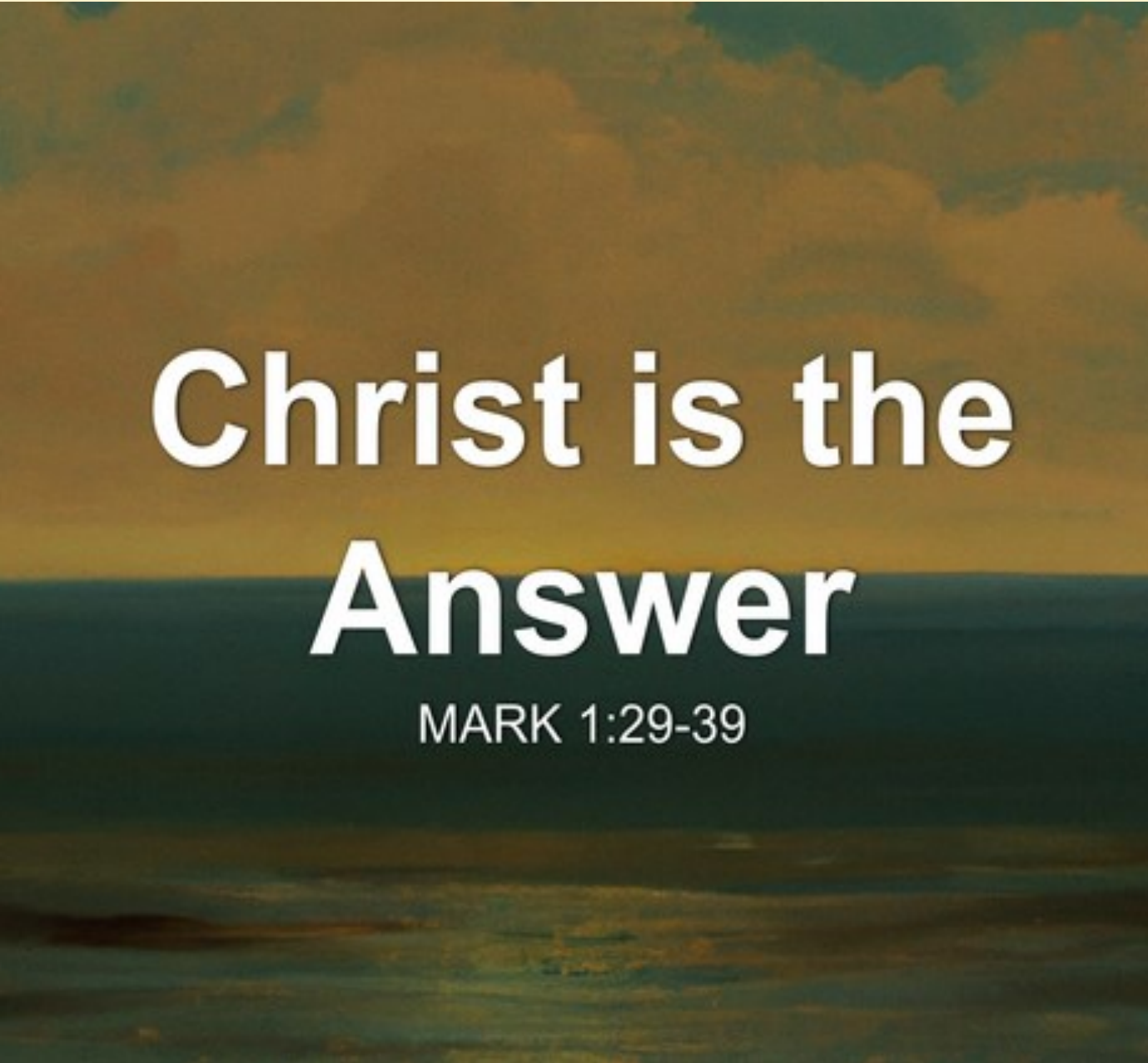


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*We hope that all new residents will come to the Parish Center to register.*

***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. First time parents need to attend a baptism class. They are held on the last Monday of each month in the Parish Center 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.

**January 28, 2024**

<b>Envelopes</b>	339
<b>Attendance</b>	1151
<b>Mail Ins</b>	\$888.06
<b>Collection</b>	\$12,468.00
<b>Year to Date</b>	\$400,510.34

**Monday, February 5, 2024**

9AM Christina Oliveri

**Tuesday, February 6, 2024**

9AM Daniel F. Sullivan

**Wednesday, February 7, 2024**

9AM Michael Lamacchia

**Thursday, February 8, 2024**

9AM Rafaela &amp; Ramon DeJesus

**Friday, February 9, 2024**

9AM Beth Campbell (Living)

**Saturday, February 10, 2024**5PM Monica & Ryder Cooke  
Walter Schoendorf**Sunday, February 11, 2024**8AM Dina Pataky  
10AM Lucy Walter  
12PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
5PM Cecilia Bardwil*In our thoughts and prayers.*

<i>John Ackerman</i>	<i>Murray Family</i>
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<i>Johanna Amador</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
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<i>Richard Dziuba</i>	<i>Robert Stanco</i>
<i>AJ Eletto</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>William Fife</i>	<i>Herb Staudter</i>
<i>Deepa Gupta</i>	<i>Clark Sun</i>
<i>Veronique Hall</i>	<i>Christopher Vaccacio</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Vacchio Family</i>
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<i>Gail Kmitis</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Victoria LaMaina</i>	<i>John Witzenbocker</i>
<i>Theresa LaMaina</i>	<i>Alyssa Zangari</i>
<i>William Maroney</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>John McMullin</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.

## Ministry of Praise Pope's Prayer Intention for February

### For The Terminally Ill

February's prayer intention is that the sick, "who are in the final stages of life, and their families receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment."

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

*Cecilia Bardwil  
John Aschettino  
Anthony Santangelo*



Dinty Moore beef stew  
corned beef hash  
pancake mix  
syrup  
Fresh fruit  
Boost (vanilla or chocolate)  
tuna (solid white, oil or water)  
canned chicken  
canned salmon  
chicken noodle soup  
peanut butter  
children's cereal  
Honey Nut Cheerios  
tissues  
laundry detergent (small)



*The Bread & Wine for the week of February 4, 2024 is donated by*

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Rosary Makers Meeting is Saturday, February 10, 2024 from 1pm-2:00pm at the N. Merrick Library on Meadowbrook Road, Merrick.

## SACRED HEART CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTERS

Tax letters for the 2023 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 the week of February 5th. Thank you for your cooperation.



Donations of peanut butter and jelly are needed and appreciated.

## PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

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

Lt. Jack Tariche USMC, Okinawa  
 Sgt. John McCann, U.S. Army, Italy  
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 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  
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 3rd CS P.O. Joseph La Form, U.S. Navy  
 L CPL Kevin P. Vaughan, U.S.M.C.  
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 Lt. Michael Napolitano U.S. Navy  
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 Pvt. Frank DeTrano, U.S.M.C.

### 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

## Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society

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**Anointing of the Sick will take place**

**Friday, March 1, 2024**

# Lenten Day of Prayer



**Presenter: S. Mumbi Kigutha, CPPS**

Lenten practices invite us to slow down, take stock and be more mindful. Lent is a time of reparation, repentance, and repair. Our day of prayer will focus on reconciliation with self, others, and God.

**Saturday, February 17, 2024**

9:30 am Arrival

2:30 pm Closing

Lunch is provided

S. Mumbi has served diverse and vulnerable populations across cultures. Her theological interests center around Womanist and Africana interpretations, reconciliation, racial and gender equity, and their intersection with other areas of social justice.

Use the QR Code to Register or contact the Office of Spirituality at [spirituality@csjbrentwood.org](mailto:spirituality@csjbrentwood.org)

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**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.



**Wednesday, February 14, 2024**

Ashes will be distributed at the following Masses & Services:

**9am Mass**

**12pm Mass**

**4pm Word Service**

**7:00pm Mass**

There are no Faith Formation classes on Ash Wednesday. Students should go to church with an adult for ashes at their scheduled class time.

We are all familiar with the practice of receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday, which this year is February 14th. The ashes are a sign of the public penance to which we are all called during the Lenten season.

As we promise to repent and believe in the Gospel, the ashes are a sign of our commitment to the journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, a journey which ends with the new life of baptism and baptismal renewal during Easter Time. Penitential acts are undertaken as a community, as together we journey to the cross and resurrection.

The ashes used on Ash Wednesday are the ashes from palms saved from Palm Sunday the previous year, which have been burned.

We ask you to bring old palms from your home and deposit them in the baskets which will be available in the church next weekend. These palms will then be burned and used as ashes on Ash Wednesday.



**Congratulations to the following  
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Connell Faver  
Abbygail Fenelon-Alty  
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Kevin Keegan  
Alexa Kelly  
Sophia Kelly  
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Have you considered answering the call to serve the poor by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul?

**Bereavement Support Groups—St. Bernard Parish (Levittown)**

Saturday, April 6, 2024—June 1, 2024, weekly support group for the newly bereaved. Facilitated by Dr. Lou Sabatini. Group meets in the Parish center from 11:00am—12:15pm

Monday, March 18, 2024 (continuing the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month), support for bereaved parents. The group will meet in the Parish Center from 7:00pm-8:15pm

There is a one time registration fee of \$25 for each group. Please contact Sister Christine Sammons @ 516-731-6074 to register.

April 13, 2024—May 18, 2024—**TRAINING GROUP FOR BEREAVEMENT**. Those who attend the six meetings and do observation of the support group receive a certificate. Please contact dr. Sabatini directly to register: 516-660-1352. There is a \$75 fee and you will receive a training manual.



**Friday, March 8, 2024**  
**5:30pm in the school cafeteria.**  
**(Soup, Pretzels, Bread and Mac & Cheese)**

All are invited to a Soup Supper, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7pm in the church. Free will offering at the door for Outreach appreciated. Please use the form below to RSVP.

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Lenten Soup Supper—Friday, March 8, 2024

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of adults: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children under 12: \_\_\_\_\_

## SACRED HEART PARISH MINISTRIES



<b>Ministry</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Contact Information</b>
Altar Linens	Ingrid Samperi	frontdesk@sacredheartnm.org
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Baptism Preparation	Deacon Charlie	deaconcharles@sacredheartnm.org
	Deacon John	deaconjohn@sacredheartnm.org
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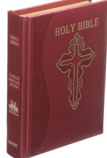
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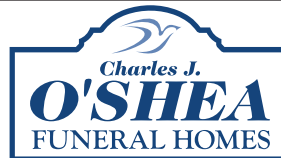
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