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**Parish Website:
Sacredheartnm.org****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.

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesday, 12pm-4pm



Monday, April 21, 2025

9AM Michael Staudter
Easter Novena

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

9AM Kaye DeLeyes
Easter Novena

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

9AM Herb Staudter
Easter Novena

Thursday, April 24, 2025

9AM Kevin Eriksen
Easter Novena

Friday, April 25, 2025

9AM Herb Staudter
Easter Novena

Saturday, April 26, 2025

5PM John McManus, Jr.
Judith Rawdon
Edward Kennedy
Grace Pirozzi
Herb Staudter

Sunday, April 27, 2025

8AM Ida Guadagno
10AM Anna, John & Michael DeRamo
12PM Thomas Carpenito
5pm Parishioners of Sacred Heart
Marie Funk
Easter Novena

In our thoughts and prayers.

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Murray Family</i>
<i>Joanne Angelastro</i>	<i>Violeta Quiskamp</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Mary Ann Barone</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
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<i>John Brennan</i>	<i>Tara C. Rebhan</i>
<i>Richard Bustamante</i>	<i>Vincenza Rini</i>
<i>Elizabeth Campbell</i>	<i>Tess Rivera</i>
<i>Stan Cadet</i>	<i>Anthony Roman</i>
<i>Matthew Cavanagh</i>	<i>Michael Ryan</i>
<i>Joan Cavanagh</i>	<i>Benny Sarnelli</i>
<i>Gloria Chirico</i>	<i>Elizabeth Sheehan Bourke</i>
<i>Carmine Colasanto</i>	<i>Julian Sherman</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Lisa DelCampo</i>	<i>Madeline Soregaroli</i>
<i>Eddie DelCampo</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Yolanda DeLustro</i>	<i>Clark Sun</i>
<i>Melvin Douglas</i>	<i>Joanne Turnbull</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Robbie Urban</i>
<i>Helen Dresner</i>	<i>Christopher Vaccacio</i>
<i>Gerardo Franzese</i>	<i>Anthony Villarreal</i>
<i>Rosalie Freese</i>	<i>Mariah Villarreal</i>
<i>Veronique Hall</i>	<i>Nelson Villaflor</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Carl Hetzel</i>	<i>Kewnneth White</i>
<i>Alex Hubiera</i>	<i>Christine Weigand</i>
<i>Robert Ziminski</i>	<i>John Witzenbocker</i>
<i>William Maroney</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>Richard McCoy</i>	<i>Robert Ziminski</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.

**Pope's Prayer Intention: April
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Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.



There is no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, April 23, 2025

Anointing of the Sick
Friday, May 2, 2025

First Saturday Mass
9am, May 3, 2025
Rosary at 8:30am



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

**WEEKLY COLLECTION
INFORMATION
April 6, 2025**

Attendance	1159
Envelopes	410
Collection	\$13,603.00
Online Giving	\$2300.69
YTD	\$ 569,709.28

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Filomena Laino
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Edward Crowley
Melacci Family
Ermak Family
John Bisignani
Tracey Family
Ida Luberto
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PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

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

Captain Dennis Tariche, US Army, Germany
Lt. Jack Tariche USMC, Okinawa
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Sgt. Richard DeTommaso, U.S. Army, Korea
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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.
Lt. Colonel Christopher Darconte,
U.S. Air Force
U.S.M.C. Deployed Aircraft Carrier Iwo Jima
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Amn. 1st Class Daniel Gilroy, U.S.A.F.
Lt. Daniel T. Lopez, U.S. Air Force
Lt. Michael Napolitano U.S. Navy
John Devoti Lt. Col. U.S.M.C.
2nd Lieutenant Jordan Paladino- US Army
L CPL 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 through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*


Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society

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, Jennie & Christopher Maniscalco, 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, Andy Marincsak, Cecelia & Albert Bardwil, Virginia Marquardt, Michael & Philomena, Peruggia Ronald Gandini, Edward J. Lunden, Elizabeth & John Chambers, Ann & Steve Petroglia, Frank, Eleanor & Jimmy Gill, Jerry Catalano, Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher, Ida Guadagno, Catherine Darienzo Clare & Walter Shorak, Sr. Adeline Haig, Ginesia Reale, John D. Maxworthy, Patricia Grecco, Larry Gray, Jim Artura, Jim Vaccacio, Anne Rogan, Rev. Joseph D'Angelo Rosemarie Pergolizzi, Antonio Rosselli, Sal Napolitano Joe & Charlotte Francomano, Thomas Gallagher, Emma Gallagher, Mary Jane Palma, Brian Anthony Tavoulaareas

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*Come join us after the 10am Family Mass
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Easter 2025

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Happy Easter to you and your families in this Jubilee Year of Hope!

Our celebration of Easter rekindles our hope each year.

The Tomb is empty! Jesus is Risen!

A wealthy man and a member of the Sanhedrin, St. Joseph of Arimathea is one of those Gospel characters with a very brief but very important role.

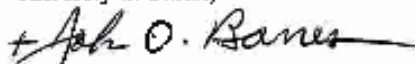
In John 19:38-42, we see that after Jesus' Crucifixion, Joseph of Arimathea asks Pilate for permission to take away Our Lord's Body. This was a bold and courageous act of faith from a man "seeking the Kingdom of God." (Mark 15:43)

Joseph and Nicodemus together place our Lord's Body reverently in linen cloths prepared with myrrh, aloes and spices: "Now in the place where he was crucified there was a garden, a new tomb where no one had ever been laid. So because of the Jewish day of Preparation, as the tomb was close at hand, they laid Jesus there."

In his commentary on the Gospel of Matthew, Fr. Simono Leiva-Merikakis gives tribute to Joseph of Arimathea. He writes: "And how can we fail to do homage to Joseph of Arimathea? In performing a very humane corporal work of mercy by seeking out and burying the corpse of his beloved Teacher, Joseph becomes for all time a living icon of the eternal Father himself, stooping with compassion to enfold within his throbbing breast the mangled body of his beloved Son, whom he himself handed over to sinners out of love for mankind. At long last, the Son of God on earth has fallen into the hands, not of a sinner, but of a just and compassionate man! Joseph of Arimathea enacts the justice and love of God himself."¹

As we celebrate Easter Sunday, the Easter Octave, Divine Mercy Sunday and the Easter Season, let us remember and ask the intercession of the great Joseph of Arimathea who prepared the Tomb of Christ and the Body of Christ with such sensitive care and compassion, such faith, courage and reverence. The Tomb is Empty! He is Risen!

Sincerely in Christ,


Most Reverend John O. Barros
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¹ Simono Leiva-Merikakis, 564. *Fire of Mercy. Heart of the Word: Meditations on the Gospel According to St. Matthew.*



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We also help the youngest in our community,. Often our donations are the necessities, which is wonderful, but we don't always receive the cookies & chips children love. Because Sacred Heart is such a giving parish, your monetary donations help fill in those gaps and allow us to purchase some treats for the children.

We cannot do what we do in Outreach without your support. If you have the means and would like to make a donation, please use the QR code below. No amount is too small. Please know every penny donated will go directly to feeding and helping our friends in the Merrick/ North Merrick area.

If you are unable to help financially, please pray for us. We have wonderful volunteers who donate their time and energy to Outreach. Please pray for them and the friends we serve.



As we celebrate Jesus' Resurrection, let us share His love for us with those in need.

With gratitude,
Ann
Ann Heverin, Parish Outreach Coordinator

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