

Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart
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The Heart of Jesus in North Merrick

October 19, 2025—Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

A decorative border of pink cherry blossoms with dark red centers and green stems, framing the central text.

pray
and never
give up
luke 18:1

Pastoral Staff**Rev. Stephen Brigandi, Pastor**Deacon Charles Kammerer
Deacon John Heverin**Coordinator of Parish Social Ministry**Mrs. Ann Heverin
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Miss Carol Tannehill cтанnehillshc@gmail.com

Director of Liturgical Music

Mrs. Jeanne Nunez musiccoordinator@sacredheartnm.org

Parish Center**516-379-1356****Parish Center Hours:**Mon.—Fri. 9am—12pm & 1pm—4pm
(June/July/ August: Friday 9am—12pm)Mrs. Mary Katz—Parish Business Manager
Mr. Matthew O'Brien—Maintenance Director
St. Vincent de Paul Society: 516-379-1376
SVDP@sacredheartnm.org**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, October 20, 2025**

9AM Sandi Perri

Tuesday, October 21, 2025

9AM Lucienne Todman

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

9AM Raymond O'Keefe

Thursday, October 23, 2025

9AM Marie Faust

Friday, October 24, 2025

9AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Saturday, October 25, 20255PM Katherine Notaro
Edward Fitzpatrick
Rose DeCristofaro
Paul & Anna Ciulla**Sunday, October 26, 2025**8AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
10AM Mary Doley
12PM Joan Kennedy
5PM Maureen Alterson*In our thoughts and prayers.**Brenda Andujar**Taylor Agurto**Milan Baranek**Kerri Bennett**Rich Best**Rafael Bosch**Victoria Bosch**Joanne Brazenor**John Brennan**Richard Bustamante**Elizabeth Campbell**Stan Cadet**Matthew Cavanagh**Joan Cavanagh**Gloria Chirico**Carmine Colasanto**Baby Kaylee**Lisa DelCampo**Eddie DelCampo**Yolanda DeLustro**Melvin Douglas**Matthew Dwyer**Helen Dresner**Derrick Edwin**Gloria Hannifin**Carl Hetzel**Alex Hubiera**Phil Lattanzio**Justin Maciorowski**William Maroney**Ginger Marzano**Murray Family**Jack Palamaro**Peter Palamaro, Jr.**Eileen Pio**Carl & Joanna Pope**Tara C. Rebhan**Vincenza Rini**Tess Rivera**Anthony Roman**Michael Ryan**Benny Sarnelli**Elizabeth Sheehan Bourke**Julian Sherman**Randall Sinz**Madeline Soregaroli**Mary Sweeney**MaryJane Steinberg**Paul Stern**Cathy Turbek**Robbie Urban**Christopher Vaccacio**Anthony Villarreal**Mariah Villarreal**Aidan Walden**Kewnneth White**Christine Weigand**John Witzzenbocker**Rosemarie Ziminski**Robert Ziminski***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.

WEEKLY COLLECTION INFORMATION

October 12, 2025

Attendance	1108
Envelopes	354
Collection	\$10,903.00
Online Giving	\$2,999.66
YTD	\$96,523.52

Thank you for your generosity.



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

Prayer Shawl Ministry

New members welcome
Learn to crochet or knit.



Meeting dates:

October 29th, January 28th
February 25th, March 25th
April 29th, May 27th
June 24th
2pm-3pm in the Parish Center



*The Bread & Wine for the week
of October 19, 2025*

*Have been donated by
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*in memory of
Lois Michalesky*



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the Gospel today Jesus tells his disciples to pray always without becoming weary., indeed our prayer must always be an expression of our love for God, our family, our world, and especially for the suffering poor.

When you give your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please say a special prayer for the poor who have no one to pray for them.

If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call 516-379-1376 or email us at SVDP@sacredheartnm.org

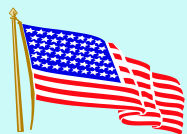


Anointing of the Sick
Friday, November 7, 2025

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



Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament on Wednesdays
from 12pm-4pm



PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

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

Captain Dennis Tariche, US Army, Germany
Lt. Jack Tariche USMC, Okinawa
Sgt. 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.
Col. James K. Lavine, U.S.M.C.
Lt. Col. Timothy W. Schnelle, U.S.M.C.
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
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
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, Anna Carotenuto, Lucy DeRose, Sheila Hackett Alma Boursiquot Joan Kennedy, Edward Kennedy

Pope's Prayer Intention: October

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Sacred Heart Church Holiday Market
Sunday November 23, 2025
 720 Merrick Ave, North Merrick, NY 11566

8:30AM – 3:00 PM

1. The price for an 8 foot by 4 foot spot is \$70 **(THE FEE IS NONREFUNDABLE)** (TABLE IS PROVIDED)
2. This is **NOT** a flea market. All items to be sold must be **new and unused**.
3. Sacred Heart reserves the right to limit the amount of vendors selling the same type of items.
4. Electricity is provided free of charge
5. Set up begins at 7:30AM and must be completed by 8:15AM
6. This is an indoor craft fair in the school gym, ground floor.

If you are interested in being a vendor, please complete the following registration form and return to:
 Sacred Heart Church, Attn: Holiday Market
 720 Merrick Ave
 North Merrick, NY 11566
 516-379-1356

Please return all checks/credit card information and applications no later than November 1, 2024

Please make all checks payable to Sacred Heart Church
 (PLEASE PRINT ALL VENDOR INFORMATION)

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Items to be sold _____

Name of Direct Sales Company Representing : _____

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Sacred Hearts Children's Christmas Choir

Students in Grades 2 or higher are invited to join

The choir will sing at the 4:00 pm Family Mass
(in the church) on Christmas Eve

Practice will take place on Tuesday afternoons
in the Church from 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm

To sign your child up or for additional information, please
contact our Music Coordinator, Jeanne Nunez at:
musiccoordinator@sacredheartnm.org

Practice Dates:

October - 21 & 28

November - 4, 11, 18 & 25

December - 2, 9, 16 & 23





Holy Hour for Life

Wednesday,
October 22, 2025

7pm in the church

Sacred Heart parishioners who are new volunteers and ministers of faith are required by the Diocese to take Virtus and complete a Background Check. You can do this by going online to [Virtus.org](https://www.virtus.org) and scroll down to new registration and follow the instructions.

Existing Sacred Heart volunteers and ministers of faith are required to have a Background Check every 5 years. To accomplish this, go to [Virtus.org](https://www.virtus.org), sign in with your user name and password and scroll down to the Background Check.

Below are the Virtus Sessions scheduled for Sacred Heart

November 8th—10am-1pm

November 15th—10am-1pm

All Virtus sessions will be held in the school building, room 108. Thank you all for your dedication of your time and service to our parish

Rosalie Persico
Virtus Facilitator

**Fr. Jeremiah J. Reilly Council #6561
Knights of Columbus
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Annual Thanksgiving and Christmas Basket Drive**



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

A family of five, a senior couple, a single parent; these are some of the families you generously helped last year when our Council provided Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners for over 50 Curé of Ars and Sacred Heart families. Once again, in the True Spirit of Thanksgiving and Christmas, we invite you to reach out to those most in need in our two parish communities. We are totally committed to helping our neediest neighbors through our Parish Outreaches.

**Our 2025 Goal Again: Thanksgiving and Christmas Dinners for
50+ Families at Each Holiday**

The Need This Year Is as Great as Ever!

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Our Donation Deadline Is November 1st, 2025

**On Behalf of the Reilly Pilgrim Team:
Lou Otarola, PGK 516-375-1581
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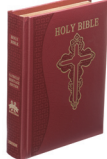
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