

Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart  
720 Merrick Ave  
North Merrick, NY 11566  
Phone: 516-379-1356  
*The Heart of Jesus in North Merrick*  
July 18, 2021



*When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.*

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**Parish Center  
Fax**

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

Mon.—Fri. 9am—12pm & 1pm -4pm

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\*\* Please visit our Parish Facebook Page: ***Roman Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart***\*\*

*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 of the parish will interview you, set the wedding date and help you register for the required marriage preparation program (Pre-Cana).

***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 due to temporary or chronic illness, and would like to receive the Sacraments of Communion, Reconciliation and/or Anointing of the Sick, please call the Parish Center.

**Sunday, July 11, 2021**

<b>Mass Attendance:</b>	701
<b>Envelopes used:</b>	309
<b>Collection:</b>	\$12,352.00
<b>(Fiscal) Year to Date:</b>	\$642,099.00



**Monday, July 19, 2021**

9 AM John P. Hill

**Tuesday, July 20, 2021**

9 AM Andrew Moreno

**Wednesday, July 21, 2021**

9 AM Margaret Villano

**Thursday, July 22, 2021**

9AM Stephen & Marie Brigandi

**Friday, July 23, 2021**

9AM Zita Acas

**Saturday, July 24, 2021**

5PM Eileen Borman  
Special Intention

**Sunday, July 18, 2021**

8AM Theresa Horsting  
10AM Dora Accurso  
12PM Millie Torchia  
5PM Gracie Oddo  
Nino Cicchiello

*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Brian Katz</i>
<i>Joyce Baranek</i>	<i>Ellen Martin</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Kathy Keegan</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Jackie Kraemer</i>
<i>Shannon Costello</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Yolanda DeLustro</i>	<i>Joseph Massaro</i>
<i>Frank DiLello</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Katherine McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Elise</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Baby Carleigh Feaser</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Harry Fryer</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Baby Madison</i>	<i>Flo Puff</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Ginesia Reale</i>
<i>Baby John</i>	<i>John John Gabriel Rivera</i>
<i>Marjorie Cardinale</i>	<i>Christine Rizzaiti</i>
<i>Marjorie Cirello</i>	<i>Debbie Ryan</i>
<i>Bob Cruickshank</i>	<i>Alex Salvaggio</i>
<i>Julio Curra</i>	<i>Christina Scelfo</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</i>	<i>Ann M. Sullivan</i>
<i>Nora Galazka</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Frank Godla</i>	<i>Joan Tamburello</i>
<i>Marta Godla</i>	<i>John Tamburello</i>
<i>Annmarie Guertin</i>	<i>Ashley Towers</i>
<i>Frank Guertin</i>	<i>Lara Traum</i>
<i>Veronique Hall</i>	<i>Danielle Valerioti</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Pat Hesse</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</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 next month.



## Ministry of Praise

### Pope's Prayer Intention July 2021

#### Social Friendship

We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.



#### PARISHIONERS IN ARMED FORCES

Sacred Heart Parish salutes and commends to prayer:

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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 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  
 U.S.M.C. Deployed Aircraft Carrier Iwo Jima  
 Sgt. Brandon Furia, U.S.M.C.  
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 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.

#### 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.*

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



If you would like to memorialize a Mass or the Altar Flowers or Bread & Wine, please contact the Parish Center: 379-1356

#### ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

#### SOBRIETY WITH HOPE

If you think you may have a drinking problem The Sobriety with Hope Group meets Mondays at 7pm for a Step meeting as well as Thursdays at 7pm for a Beginners meeting. We meet in the basement of the school cafeteria. Entrance is thru the back parking lot. It works if you work it so work it you're worth it!!

**Mass Intentions for last week. These were inadvertently left out of the bulletin.**

**Monday, July 12, 2021**

9 AM Jacqueline Kelly

**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

9 AM Carmel L. Carleo

**Wednesday, July 14, 2021**

9 AM Christine Houlihan-Ramos

**Thursday, July 15, 2021**

9AM Raymond O'Keefe

**Friday, July 16, 2021**

9AM Stan & Carmel Paola

**Saturday, July 17, 2021**

5PM Norma Defrisco  
Margaret Wolynski  
Dr. Foo Guey Louie

**Sunday, July 18, 2021**

8AM Katherine & Vincent Sorrentino  
10AM Grace M. Crosby  
12PM Frances Grecco  
5PM Brian Blomquist  
Frank Loglinci  
Mary Marzano  
Filippa Verde

We're Back!  
Altar Servers  
Needed!

Please join us in assisting  
the priest at Mass.

\*students entering grade  
four through high school

\*one hour training  
at your convenience

\*choose to serve at one or

two Masses per month

\*birthday Club

\*mini-retreats



Sound interesting? Contact the Parish  
Center at 379-1356 for more information.

*Sacred Heart's  
Bereavement Ministry  
Invites you and your family  
To a Candle Lighting Service*

*Tuesday, July 20th at 7 pm  
Sacred Heart Church  
720 Merrick Avenue  
Merrick, NY*

*Please join us for this beautiful evening  
prayer service. You will be welcomed to  
write your deceased loved ones' names  
in the Book of Remembrance and light  
a candle in their memory.*

*Light Refreshments to follow.*

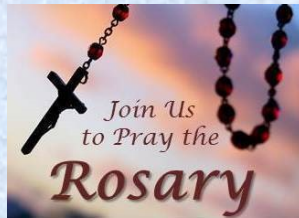
*RSVP to Outreach by July 19th*

*(516) 379-1356 ext. 19*



*Prayer Shawl  
Ministry*

Prayer Shawl Ministry  
will meet in the Parish  
Center at 7 o'clock on  
Monday, July 26th. New  
members welcome. Call  
Marie 485-3284 for  
more info.



All are invited to pray the Rosary each morning at 8:30am. Each day will end with a different Litany or Novena.

Monday: Litany to Mary  
 Tuesday: Litany to St. Anthony  
 Wednesday: Litany to St. Joseph  
 Thursday: St. Jude Novena  
 Friday: Sacred Heart



### The Next Pantry Sunday is the weekend of July 24th & 25th

Currently we need- rice, snack food and juice boxes for children, pasta sauce, instant potatoes, small containers of cooking oil, grape jelly, mac and cheese, coffee and tea

### Meet the Need Monday is July 26th

whole milk, eggs, bread, chopped meat, chicken, frankfurters, etc. are most appreciated!

**Thank you for contributing to our community of "Salt & Light" and making our Food Pantry possible!**

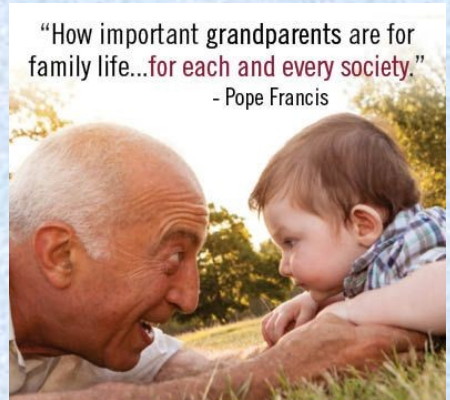
### Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society

*Teresa & Joseph Sullivan, 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, Fred Peruggia, Josephine Valenti, 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, Teresa Sullivan, Joseph Sullivan, 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, Dora Accurso, Pat Darienzo, Jr., Tom and Mary Carroll, Michelle Palma Furchak, Charlotte & Joe Francomano, John Hursala, Mae & John Dugo, Ann Kelly, Margaret, Joseph, Jack & Catherine Eschmanns, Charles Vaccaro, Epifania Napit, Nancy DeStefano, Lester Smith, Camille and George Pashalides, Patrick M. Darienzo, Thomas J. Maloney, Jack Faust*

*If you would like to enroll someone in our Purgatorial Society, please*



The new Bulletin Deadline is **Monday**. Please submit all bulletin information by noon the Monday prior to the weekend you'd like the information in the bulletin. Thank you.



"How important grandparents are for family life...for each and every society."  
- Pope Francis

## World Day for Grandparents

Sunday, 25 July 2021, has been designated by Pope Francis, as the First World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly (Ord Time 17). It coincides with the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus, on July 26.

Please send in photos of you and your grandchildren/  
grandparents for our television display.  
[ctannehillshc@gmail.com](mailto:ctannehillshc@gmail.com)



## Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

- You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
- Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
- Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
- Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to encounter good role models of faith.
- You have much to share with those you'll teach, and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
- Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.
- You'll be challenged, you'll have fun, and you'll make new friends.
- You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus. *(You'll be evangelizing!)*
- You'll be handing on a 2000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.
- It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations."

## Catechists are Needed!



Catechists are needed in Grades 1 through 6 especially this year as we are trying to limit class sizes. Please consider volunteering. We will train you and assist you in this especially important ministry. Parent volunteers are essential to the success of the program.

Catechists who volunteer do not have to pay a registration fee!

Classes will take place from the week of September 21, 2021 and will end the week of April 5, 2022.

Grades 1, 3, 4, 5 will have their class on either a Tuesday or Wednesday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Grades 2 & 6 meet on a Thursday from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.

We encourage all parishioners, as well as the parents of children in our program to be a part of the faith formation process.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Cecilia (grades 1-5) at [cbradleyshrep@gmail.com](mailto:cbradleyshrep@gmail.com) or Carol (grades 6-8) [ctannehillshc@gmail.com](mailto:ctannehillshc@gmail.com)

Thank you for your consideration.

**SUNDAY CONNECTION—LOYOLA PRESS****First Reading***Jeremiah 23:1-6*

The Lord promises to shepherd his people Israel.

**Responsorial Psalm***Psalm 23:1-3,3-4,5,6*

The Lord is our shepherd.

**Second Reading***Ephesians 2:13-18*

Christ has reconciled us with God and united us in peace.

**Gospel Reading***Mark 6:30-34*

Jesus invites his disciples to rest after their ministry, and Jesus is moved with pity for the crowds who pursue them.

**Background on the Gospel Reading**

In this today's Gospel, we read the report of the return of the Twelve, who were sent by Jesus to preach repentance, heal the sick, and drive out demons. When the Twelve return to Jesus, he invites them to come away from the crowds and rest. But the crowds will not give them peace. As the Twelve have shared in Jesus' ministry, they now appear to share in his popularity. The crowds continue to approach them, and Mark reports that the disciples don't even have time to eat. In an effort to get away, Jesus and his disciples board a boat in hopes of finding a deserted place. But the crowds notice this and arrive ahead of them. The crowds are so persistent that Jesus and his disciples cannot find a place to be alone. Mark's Gospel tells us that Jesus is moved with pity and begins to teach the crowds.

Our Gospel for today stops here, but Mark's report of the unyielding demands of the crowd continues in the verses that follow. If we were to continue reading from Mark's Gospel, we would hear Jesus instruct his disciples to feed the crowd in the familiar miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. The work of Jesus and his disciples appears to be a round-the-clock job. In the next few weeks, we will hear the story of Jesus' feeding of the multitude, but our Lectionary will turn to the sixth chapter of the Gospel of John to report and reflect on this story.

In today's Gospel, we hear the Twelve referred to as "apostles." The word *apostle* is a Greek word meaning "one who is sent." Jesus chose twelve men from among his disciples whom he sent to share in his ministry of preaching and healing. The first report of this is found in the third chapter of Mark's Gospel, where the Twelve are also called apostles and the names of this select group are listed.

We who are Jesus' disciples today have also been sent to share the Gospel with others. Perhaps our commitment to following Jesus as his disciple leaves us feeling tired and overwhelmed. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus affirm the importance of times of rest and renewal. Jesus wanted his disciples to come away and spend time alone with him. This is what we seek and find in our life of prayer and in our celebration of the Eucharist.

Sunday July 25

## I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS

Pope Francis has declared the fourth Sunday of July to be **World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly**. Near the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus, the announcement of this celebration coincides with the celebration of the Year of Amoris Laetitia Family, which began on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph on March 19, 2021.

The celebration will conclude at the World Meeting of Families in Rome June 2022. The theme for this year is “I Am With You Always”.



In honor of this celebration, the Diocese of Rockville Centre’s Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics has asked Catholics to donate gift bags filled with personal and practical items to be delivered to the elderly of our communities.

With this in mind, Outreach is requesting small gift bags with a few of the items below and perhaps a note or card of friendly encouragement for seniors. These bags will be given to Catholic Charities for distribution in their programs that serve the poor, debilitated and lonely seniors on Long Island.

The gift bags are intended to let them know they are not forgotten, especially since many experienced unprecedented isolation in the past year.

Suggested items to put in gifts bags-

Postage stamps, pens, puzzle books, moisturizing cream, pill organizers, tissue packs, magnifying glasses, hand sanitizers, jar openers or whatever you think the recipients would like.

Please bring all bags to Mass (to be left in the kitchen) or to Outreach by the weekend of July 31-August 1. Any children who would participate will get community service credit. Please contact Tanya with any questions. Thank you.

**God bless all who contribute to our community of “Salt and Light”!**

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