

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



NO ONE CAN COME TO ME  
UNLESS THE FATHER WHO SENT  
ME DRAWS HIM. AND I WILL  
RAISE HIM UP ON THE LAST DAY.  
JOHN 6:44

August 8, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Pastoral Staff**

**Rev. Stephen Brigandi, Pastor**  
 Rev. Peter Sarpong, Associate Pastor  
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 Deacon John Heverin

**Parish Outreach**

Mrs. Tanya Kasprzyk, Coordinator  
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 Monday —Thursday 10am-1:30pm

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Mrs. Cecilia Bradley  
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Mrs. Jeanne Nuñez jeannenunezshc@gmail.com

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Miss Carol Tannehill ctannehillshc@gmail.com

**Parish Center  
Fax**

**516-379-1356**  
**516-379-1610**

**Parish Center Hours:**

Mon.—Fri. 9am—12pm & 1pm -4pm

Website: sacredheartnm.org

Mrs. Kathy Ammirati—Volunteer Coordinator ext. 22  
 Mrs. Jean Buonocore - Admin. Assistant ext. 21  
 Ms. Maryse Haig - Finance Assistant ext. 17  
 Mrs. Mary Katz - Finance Administrator ext. 16  
 Mrs. Ingrid Samperi Receptionist ext. 10  
 Mr. Matt O'Brien - Maintenance Director ext. 14

\*\* 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, August 1, 2021**

<b>Mass Attendance:</b>	667
<b>Envelopes used:</b>	293
<b>Collection:</b>	\$13,959.00
<b>(Fiscal) Year to Date:</b>	\$677,424.00

**Monday, August 9, 2021**

9 AM Patricia Johnson

**Tuesday, August 10, 2021**

9 AM Nicholas Bianco

**Wednesday, August 11, 2021**

9 AM Vito &amp; Josephine Barretta

**Thursday, August 12, 2021**

9AM Stan Paola

**Friday, August 13, 2021**

9AM Mary Meyer

**Saturday, August 14, 2021**5PM Francesco Durso  
June Forcina**Sunday, August 15, 2021**8AM John Ibarra  
10AM Vivian Doyle  
12PM Geraldine Cullinan  
5PM George Bornschein  
Shaun Hughes  
Mariella Dileo Winowsky*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Brian Katz</i>
<i>Joyce Baranek</i>	<i>Ellen Martin</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Kathy Keegan</i>
<i>Shannon Costello</i>	<i>Jackie Kraemer</i>
<i>Yolanda DeLustro</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Frank DiLello</i>	<i>Joseph Massaro</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Elise</i>	<i>Katherine McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Carleigh Feaser</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Harry Fryer</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Baby Madison</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Flo Puff</i>
<i>Baby John</i>	<i>Ginesia Reale</i>
<i>Marjorie Cardinale</i>	<i>John Gabriel Rivera</i>
<i>Marjorie Cirello</i>	<i>Christine Rizzaiti</i>
<i>Bob Cruickshank</i>	<i>Debbie Ryan</i>
<i>Julio Curra</i>	<i>Alex Salvaggio</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</i>	<i>Christina Scelfo</i>
<i>Nora Galazka</i>	<i>Ann M. Sullivan</i>
<i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</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 following month.



## Ministry of Praise

### Pope's Prayer Intention August 2021

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.



### 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.  
 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.  
 Major 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  
 Captain Patrick O'Sullivan U.S.N.A. U.S.M.C.  
 Lt. j. g. Michael Napolitano U.S. Navy  
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### 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  
 June Forcina  
 Mary Madigan*



*The Bread & Wine for the week of August 8, 2021 has been donated by  
 Morning Mass Friends  
 in memory of  
 Br. Hugh P. Turley, F.M.S.*

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!!

## *Our Lady's Shrine of Hope and Healing*



### **PURCHASE A COMMEMORATIVE BRICK TO BECOME PART OF SACRED HEART'S HISTORY AND TO HELP ENSURE ITS FUTURE.**

Sacred Heart Church is happy to announce the building of this beautiful shrine on the south side of the front doors as a gathering space where our community can come together during special events in the life of our parish, as well as find hope and healing in the presence of Our Lady.

By purchasing a brick, you can ensure the success of this project. Your personalized brick will be part of the new plaza. You can commemorate events in the life of your family and community such as baptisms, communions, confirmations, marriages, graduations, birthdays, and certainly, to memorialize a loved one.

As we join together as a parish family, let us build a place of reflection, contemplation, prayer, hope, and healing with the intercession of our Blessed Mother. Our Lady of Hope, Pray for us.

Please contact Kathy Ammirati at the Parish Center for additional information.

## Obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Mass

The Bishop has announced that the dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Day Masses which was granted because of the pandemic ends as of the Sunday Masses August 14-15.

So, the obligation to attend Mass will again be in effect as of Sunday Mass August 14-15, 2021, and as of that date it will once again be considered a sin to miss Mass without a just cause.

However, if you are fully vaccinated and feel comfortable going out—please come back before then.



We meet on Saturday mornings from 7:30-9:00. Prayer, scripture study of Sunday readings and camaraderie. All are invited! The remaining dates for 2021 are as follows; 8/14 & 28, 9/11 & 25, 10/ 9 & 23, 11/6 & 20, 12/4 & 18.

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

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.



**The next Anointing of the Sick is Friday, September 3, 2021**

Anyone in need of being anointed is invited to receive the Sacrament when it is offered.

This Sacrament brings the blessings of God's comfort, peace and grace, offering strength and the assurance that one is facing the illness in union with Christ. Who should be anointed?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is for baptized Christians whose health is seriously impaired by sickness or old age.

"Through this holy anointing may the Lord in his love and mercy help you with the grace of the Holy Spirit."  
 —Rite of Anointing of the Sick

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It's time to renew your membership in the Frances Blake 300 Club.

Twice a year, in February and August, one lucky winner will receive a check for \$1,000. In each of the other ten months of the year, club members have 13 chances to win a cash prize ranging from \$15.00 to \$300.00.

We welcome new members. Membership is only \$30 for 6 months. That's just \$5 a month!

To participate, please call the Pastoral Center (379-1356 ext. 21) for more information.



**FRANCES BLAKE 300 CLUB  
JUNE 2021 WINNERS**

	<b>\$300 Winner</b>	
Sharon Byrne		#175
	<b>\$100 Winner</b>	
Susan Carroll		#043
	<b>\$75 Winner</b>	
Diane Hinners		#083
	<b>\$50 Winner</b>	
Sr. Constance Kennedy		#146
	<b>\$25 Winners</b>	
Ursula Radtke		#006
M/M Frank Torres		#260
Dorothy Alvarez		#081
Jerry Catalano		#179
	<b>\$15 Winners</b>	
Lorraine Davis		#287
M/M Thomas DeMicco		#129
James McCauley		#074
Isabelle Cappuzzo		#209
Robert McGill		#299

The August 2021 drawing of the Frances Blake 300 Club will be held on Monday, August 30, 2021.

*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, Brother Hugh Patrick Turley, FMS, 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, Theresa Reilly*

*If you would like to enroll someone in our Purgatorial Society, please call the Parish Center.  
The offering is \$50 per person per year.*

*...from Outreach*

*Dear Good Folks,  
The gift bags for World  
Day for Grandparents and  
the Elderly were so  
thoughtfully put together.*

*Thank you for bringing  
cheer and love into the  
home of a senior! Thank  
you always for your  
kindness and generosity.*

*Hugs,  
Tanya*

*Prayer Shawl  
Ministry*



Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Monday August 30 at 7 o'clock in the Parish Center. We meet for an hour and a half. Please join us. Call Marie 485-3284 for further information.



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.



### THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

We find homilies on the Assumption going back to the sixth century. In following centuries, the Eastern Churches held steadily to the doctrine, but some authors in the West were hesitant. However by the 13th century there was universal agreement. The feast was celebrated under various names—Commemoration, Dormition, Passing, Assumption—from at least the fifth or sixth century. Today it is celebrated as a solemnity.

Scripture does not give an account of Mary's Assumption into heaven. Nevertheless, Revelation 12 speaks of a woman who is caught up in the battle between good and evil. Many see this woman as God's people. Since Mary best embodies the people of both Old and New Testaments, her Assumption can be seen as an exemplification of the woman's victory.

Furthermore, in 1 Corinthians 15:20, Paul speaks of Christ's resurrection as the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Since Mary is closely associated with all the mysteries of Jesus' life, it is not surprising that the Holy Spirit has led the Church to believe in Mary's share in his glorification. So close was she to Jesus on earth, she must be with him body and soul in heaven.



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