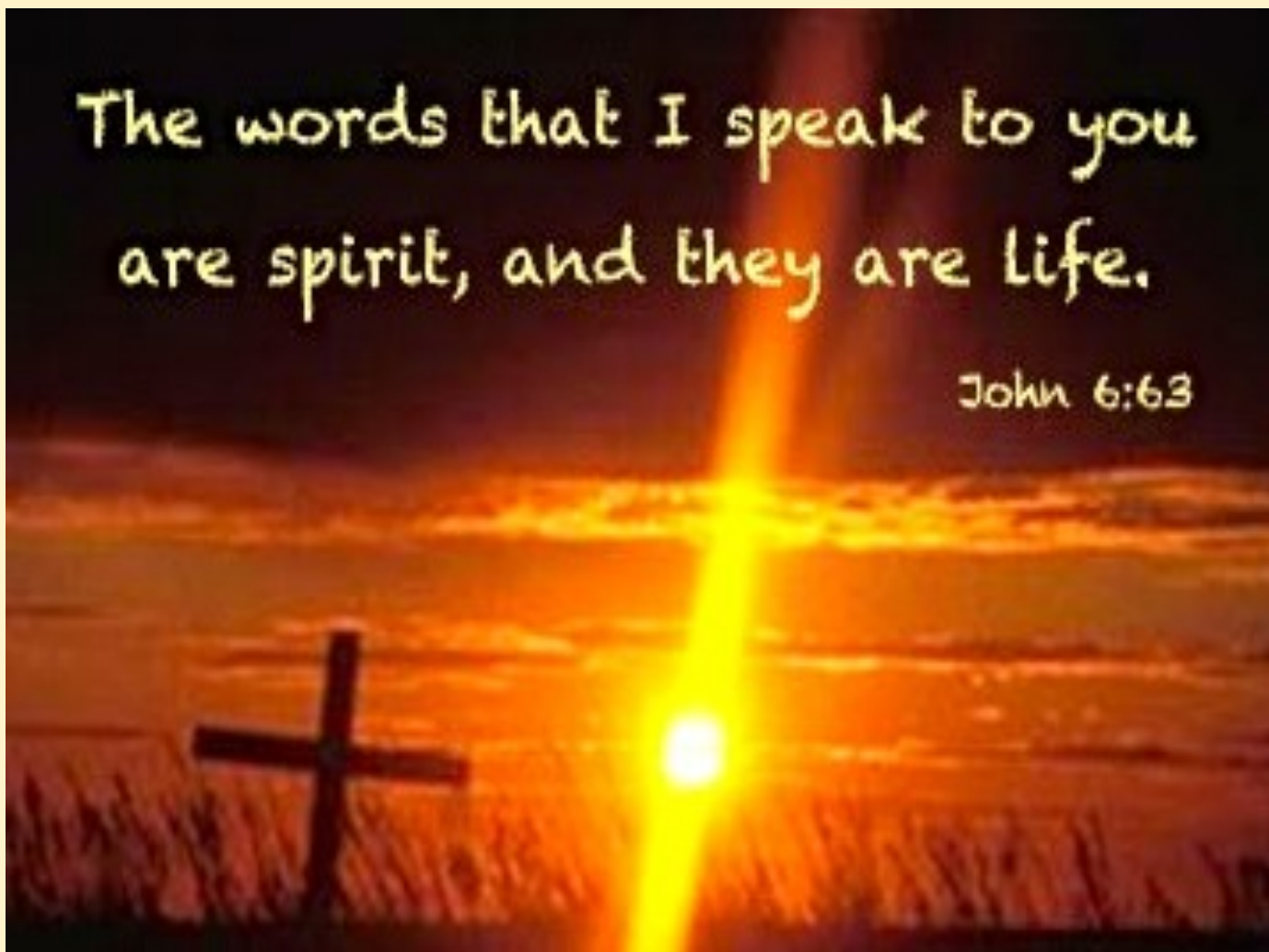


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John 6:63



August 22, 2021

Twenty—First Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Fax**

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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 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 @ [DunmoreDoc@gmail.com](mailto:DunmoreDoc@gmail.com) 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 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 15, 2021**

<b>Mass Attendance:</b>	749
<b>Envelopes used:</b>	302
<b>Collection:</b>	\$13,784.00
<b>(Fiscal) Year to Date:</b>	\$702,166.00



*In Our Thoughts and Prayers*

**Monday, August 23, 2021**

9 AM Brother Hugh P. Turley

**Tuesday, August 24, 2021**

9 AM June Forcina

**Wednesday, August 25, 2021**

9 AM Maria Raia

**Thursday, August 26, 2021**

9AM Louis V. Vaccacio

**Friday, August 27, 2021**

9AM Ann Kelly

**Saturday, August 28, 2021**

5PM Anna McManus  
 Msgr. James B. Richter  
 Josephine Richter

**Sunday, August 29, 2021**

8AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart  
 10AM Patricia Costigan  
 12PM John Hasselberger  
 5PM Dr. Rebecca Guerrero  
 Angelina Castellano (Living)

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| <i>Taylor Agurto</i>               | <i>Jeff Kravitz</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 Carleigh Feaser</i>        | <i>Katherine McGreevy</i>  |
| <i>Harry Fryer</i>                 | <i>Taylor Oshan</i>        |
| <i>Baby Jack</i>                   | <i>Jack Palamaro</i>       |
| <i>Baby Madison</i>                | <i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i> |
| <i>Baby Kaylee</i>                 | <i>Eileen Pio</i>          |
| <i>Marjorie Cardinale</i>          | <i>Flo Puff</i>            |
| <i>Marjorie Cirello</i>            | <i>Ginesia Reale</i>       |
| <i>Bob Cruickshank</i>             | <i>John Gabriel Rivera</i> |
| <i>Julio Curra</i>                 | <i>Christine Rizzaiti</i>  |
| <i>Betty DiNicola</i>              | <i>Debbie Ryan</i>         |
| <i>Robert Galvin</i>               | <i>Alex Salvaggio</i>      |
| <i>Nora Galazka</i>                | <i>Christina Scelfo</i>    |
| <i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</i> | <i>Ann M. Sullivan</i>     |
| <i>Frank Godla</i>                 | <i>Mary Sweeney</i>        |
| <i>Marta Godla</i>                 | <i>Joan Tamburello</i>     |
| <i>Annmarie Guertin</i>            | <i>John Tamburello</i>     |
| <i>Frank Guertin</i>               | <i>Ashley Towers</i>       |
| <i>Veronique Hall</i>              | <i>Lara Traum</i>          |
| <i>Gloria Hannifin</i>             | <i>Danielle Valerioti</i>  |
| <i>Pat Hesse</i>                   | <i>Aidan Walden</i>        |
| <i>Robert Ziminski</i>             | <i>Rosemarie 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.

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## 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.

### Ministry of Praise

**We cannot know all the crosses each person carries,**

**but we can like Simon, help carry them by our prayers.**

**We cannot heal every ill, or solve every problem, but we can minister to those suffering like Veronica, with our petitions.**

**We can weep with the women who wept.**

**We can stay awake in the garden with the one who feels alone.**

**Prayer for others is the gift of time, it is the gift of love.**

**It is always an offering of self, willing the good, willing**

**God's will for someone else.**

**If you feel called to join a group of faithful people offering daily prayers for the monthly intentions of our Holy Father and those of others in need, please contact Tanya at Outreach.**

**Once a month a mailing goes out to our Ministers of Praise with news from our parish as well as the monthly prayer requests and intentions. It is a wonderful Ministry that you can participate in from your home and on your own schedule. Prayerful folks needed.**



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

*We especially remember  
Karen Miller*



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.



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; 8/28, 9/11 & 25, 10/9 & 23, 11/6 & 20, 12/4 & 18.



**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?

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

**The deadline for the  
September 5th & 12th  
bulletins is August  
30th. Thank you for  
your cooperation.**



**From the desk of Fr. Joe D'Angelo:  
9/11/01  
20th Anniversary Commemoration**

I am pleased to announce that Father Brigandi has invited me to return to Sacred Heart to offer our Annual 9/11 Memorial Mass on Sunday, **September 12, 2021** at 12 noon.

We invite our parishioners to join us in celebrating this special Mass commemorating the 20th Anniversary of 9/11/01.

The names of those among our Parish Family who perished will be read during this liturgy. We encourage any surviving family members to attend as well.

In our prayers we will also remember all those who lost their lives on that tragic day. We will remember the firefighters, police officers, and emergency rescue personnel who were killed in the line of duty on that day.

We would also like to encourage any of our parishioners who are active or retired firefighters, police officers, or emergency rescue personnel to attend "*in uniform*" as a way of showing their pride, support, and acknowledgement of their service to the community.

If you have any further questions you may contact Father D'Angelo at: [jjdangelo@optonline.net](mailto:jjdangelo@optonline.net)



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A Word from

## The Pastor

Due to the Delta variant surge, thousands of hospitals and other businesses across the country are requiring staff and volunteer vaccinations. For the health and safety of all, Sacred Heart has implemented a 100% employee/volunteer vaccination policy effective September 9th.

Also, the dispensation to attend Mass has been lifted, however, it is still your choice as to whether or not you feel comfortable attending Mass. Your health and safety should always be your first priority.

Furthermore, it is not mandatory but I am strongly encouraging all parishioners (vaccinated or not) to wear a face covering in church and to be considerate of those around you.

For those of you who do not feel comfortable attending Mass in person, we will continue to livestream the 5pm Mass on Saturday and 12pm Mass on Sunday.

Let us continue to pray for one another.

*Fr. Stephen*



**Feeding the Community**

### The Next Pantry Sunday is the weekend of August 28-29th

Currently we need- bags of rice, crackers, syrup, pancake mix, pasta sauce, instant potatoes, small containers of cooking oil, coffee, tea Or anything you would like to donate.

### Meat the Need Monday is August 30th.

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, 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 Eschmanns, Joseph Sommer, 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.*



Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Monday August 30th 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.

**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
- 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.*



**Outreach** will be collecting lunch boxes and freezer packs for our clients' children. Please bring donations to Mass by August 29th (to be left in the kitchen area) or to Outreach during the week. We have boys and girls in grades K through 5, Middle and High School. Extra donations will be shared with other parishes. Be safe and thank you for your support and generosity always-  
Tanya



**Little Hearts Prayer Garden**  
Thanks to our young volunteer, Patrick, Sacred Heart has a children's prayer garden alongside Outreach. Please stop by with your children or grandchildren to pray and stay a while. We need help creating a border for our garden and would love for your children to bring painted rocks which they can place in the garden themselves. Looking forward to seeing what artistic pieces appear and watching our garden grow in love and faith!



## EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER *of* HOLY COMMUNION

### Training Opportunities—Fall 2021

This training is required for **all** those who are beginning as Ministers. This “BASIC” training is required for **all** Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Those who wish to minister in hospitals, nursing homes and to the homebound are required to attend “SPECIALIZED” training in addition to BASIC training. One **must** attend BASIC training prior to SPECIALIZED training. Plans for SPECIALIZED training will be communicated in a separate memo.

### Dates and Locations for Ministry Training

**Nassau County:** St. Paul the Apostle / Brookville: Saturday, September 25, 2021  
9:00 am—12 noon (Meeting Room)

St. Christopher / Baldwin: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 7:00 pm—10:00 pm  
(Lower Hall)

**Suffolk County:** St. Elizabeth of Hungary / Melville: Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021  
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm (Msgr. Kane Hall)

St. Rosalie / Hampton Bays: Saturday, October 30, 2021 9:00 am—12 noon  
(Community Center)

Doors will open one half hour prior to start time so that attendees can check-in and pick up materials.

Those 18 years and above, interested in serving the parish as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion should request to be registered for this training.

Please call the Parish Center for more information.

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