

*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*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 13, 2022



*“Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.
Blessed are you who are now weeping, for you will laugh.
Blessed are you when people hate you,
and when they exclude and insult you,
and denounce your name as evil
on account of the Son of Man.
Rejoice and leap for joy on that day!
Behold, your reward will be great in heaven.*

Pastoral Staff

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 Deacon John Heverin

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**Parish Center
 Fax**

**516-379-1356
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Parish Center Hours:

Mon.—Fri. 9am—12pm & 1pm -4pm
 Website: sacredheartnm.org

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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 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, February 6, 2022

Mass Attendance: 1,113
Envelopes used: 454
Collection: \$18,137.00
(Fiscal) Year to Date: \$383,758.00

**Monday, February 14, 2022**

9AM William P. Connor

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

9AM Vocations to the Priesthood

Wednesday, February 16, 2022

9AM Nichola Capozzo

Thursday, February 17, 2022

9AM Gerardo Franzese

Friday, February 18, 2022

9AM Lester Smith

Saturday, February 19, 20225PM Philip DiPietro
Jim Carstens
John Fitzpatrick
Rose DeCristofaro**Sunday, February 20, 2022**8AM Nancy DeStefano
10AM Ralph Messana
12PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
5PM Marie Ernst
Mary Lou Simeone
Sean Hughes*In our thoughts and prayers.*

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Barbara Jenkins</i>
<i>Joanne Angelaastro</i>	<i>Gail Kmitis</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Jeff Kravitz</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Jackie Kraemer</i>
<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Christine Kropp</i>
<i>John Brennan</i>	<i>Virginia Marquardt</i>
<i>Richard Bustamante</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Joanne Campbell</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Katherine McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Paul McMullin</i>
<i>Marjorie Cirello</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Dolores Costello</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Julio Curra</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</i>	<i>Louise Paofillo</i>
<i>Yolanda DeLustro</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Eileen Dobrinkat</i>	<i>Flo Puff</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>Ginesia Reale</i>
<i>Bill Fife</i>	<i>John Rocco</i>
<i>Gerardo Franzese</i>	<i>Debbie Ryan</i>
<i>Matilde Franzese</i>	<i>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Robert Galvin</i>	<i>Maria Sposato</i>
<i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</i>	<i>Ann M. Sullivan</i>
<i>Annmarie Guertin</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Frank Guertin</i>	<i>Theresa Vacchio</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Nelson Villaflor</i>
<i>Elena Heil</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.

**The Promises of Our Lord
to Saint Margaret Mary
For Souls Devoted to His Sacred Heart**

I will give them all the graces necessary for
their state of life.

I will give them peace in their families.

I will console them in all their troubles.

I will be their refuge in life and especially in
death.

I will abundantly bless all their
undertakings.

Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and
infinite ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent.

Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great
perfection.

I will bless those places wherein the image of
My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and
venerated.

I will give to priests the power to touch the
most hardened hearts.

Persons who propagate this devotion shall
have their names eternally written in my Heart.

In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I
promise you that my all powerful love will
grant to all those who receive Communion on
the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months,
the grace of final repentance: they will not die
in my displeasure, nor without receiving the
sacraments and my Heart will be their secure
refuge in that last hour.



*Let us remember all our
parishioners who have been called
home to our Loving God. We
especially remember
Patricia O'Boyle*



*The Bread & Wine for the week of
February 13, 2022 has been
donated by
Marie & Frank Gandini
in gratitude
for our parishioners.*

If you would like to donate the
Altar Flowers or Bread and Wine in
memory of a loved one, please contact
Ingrid at the Parish Center: 379-1356



We meet every Tuesday
at 9:30 in the cafeteria of
the school building.

Please bring 2 loaves of
bread. We are in need of PEANUT BUTTER,
jelly and sandwich bags.

We can also use boxes and disposable table
cloths. Many thanks to all that donate their
time and energy. Volunteers are always
welcome. Please bring a copy of your Covid
immunization record as this is a Parish
requirement. Maureen Paladino
516-984-8419

Ministry of Praise

Pope's Prayer Intention February 2022

For religious sisters and consecrated women

We pray for religious sisters and consecrated
women; thanking them for their mission and
their courage; may they continue to find new
responses to the challenges of our times.

*Prayer Shawl
Ministry*



We are NOT meeting until March 28th. Be safe and stay healthy.

*Our Lady's Rosary
Makers Ministry*



Please join us on
Saturday, February 19, 2022
12:45pm-2:00pm
North Merrick Library Community Room
1691 Meadowbrook Road, N. Merrick
All supplies will be provided.
No experience required.

ANY QUESTIONS?

Please call Jane @ 516-771-8469



**The next Anointing of the Sick is
Friday, March 4, 2022**

**SACRED HEART
CONTRIBUTION TAX LETTERS**

Tax letters for the 2021 tax year will be prepared upon request only. Requests can be made by calling the Parish Center: 516-379-1356.

The letters will be sent out, beginning February 7th. Thank you for your cooperation.



Over 50 Club

The Woodloch Pines trip for April **has been rescheduled** to October 17-21. It is now a five day, four night trip with added Halloween festivities. We still have openings and cordially invite parishioners who are interested to join us.

Please contact Mary at 516-378-1335 for further information.



Congratulations to all winners of the second half of January's St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Christmas Card Raffle. We are so thankful for all of the support we received from the parishioners to make this fundraiser a success. Thank you!

16. John Tomitz (\$100)
17. Matthew Carvajal (\$25)
18. Anthony LaMania (\$75)
19. John Giannasca (\$100)
20. EvaMarie Wilson (\$50)
21. Tara O'Callaghan (\$200)
22. Audrey Sala (\$75)
23. Peter Caso (\$25)
24. Mirjana Vidas (\$75)
25. Patricia Livingstone (\$50)
26. Lorraine Failla (\$100)
27. Stephen Faulkner (\$50)
28. Barbara Creegan (\$75)
29. Bruce Edelman, Jr (\$25)
30. Anthony Cassone (\$100)
31. Michael Albaranes (\$200)

PARISHIONERS IN THE ARMED FORCES

Sacred Heart Parish salutes and commends to prayer:

Spc. 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.
 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.*

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 Fred J. Cardinale, Thomas McLoone, Joseph Massaro, Daniel Contartesi, Catherine Contartesi, Teresa & Joseph Sullivan, Helen & Joseph Tatarka, Fred & Theresa Peruggia, Josephine and Leo Scotto, Michael & Philomena Peruggia

*Dear Parishioners,
Sister Liz came to see me and let me know the Sisters have decided to leave Sacred Heart Convent to find residences that would better suit their ministries and lifestyle.*

While this was a complete surprise to me I understand and will fully support whatever decision they feel is best for them.

I am meeting with the Pastoral Council in the coming weeks to get their input on how we can recognize and celebrate the Sisters of St. Joseph's dedication to and all they have done for our parish the past seventy plus years.

I will let you know what the Pastoral Council decides and when the celebration of the Sisters will be.

Our Sisters of Saint Joseph have long been a part of the Sacred Heart family and their presence will be missed.

Fr. Stephen

Thank you so much to the Faith Formation Students in grades 1 through 4 who made such beautiful, thoughtful Valentine's Day Cards for our homebound parishioners and retired clergy.

**Your cards are sure to bring smiles and serve to remind someone who may be feeling lonely that they are loved! Many thanks to Cecilia Bradley and all the FF catechists who set aside some time to make this program happen!
Love and Hugs from Outreach**

Contemplative Prayer Retreat April 1-3 Marianist Family Retreat Center

www.capemaymarianist.org
417 Yale Ave
Cape May, NJ 08212
609-884-3829

This retreat is intended for those interested in a contemplative prayer experience, whether a first-timer or those who are familiar and experienced with this type of retreat are all welcome! Our time will be filled with prayer experiences, quiet personal time, special liturgies and daily Mass.

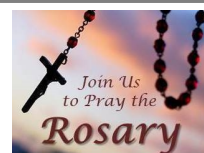
Cost: \$145 p/p (single rooms only)

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.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Do you have questions about your faith?
Are you someone who would like to complete the Sacraments of Initiation? (Communion or Confirmation) Someone who is seeking to become a Catholic? If you answered yes to any of these questions, please consider calling our Parish Center or emailing: ctannehillshc@gmail.com



Every weekday morning
at 8:30am



Boys

- 9 Years Old: Demir Deljanin
- 10 Years Old: Bennett Shasta
- 11 Years Old: Brody Myers
- 12 Years Old: Brandon Seeman
- 13 Years Old: Chase Troiano

Girls

- 10 Years Old: Casey Dowling
- 13 Years Old: Mia Troiano

Winners will be competing at the district level on 2/13/22 at 1 pm hosted by St. Raphael's in East Meadow.

Holy Hoops Challenge



Bring your A game!

CYO is looking for 7th & 8th grade boys & girls to participate in a basketball challenge against local priests, women religious, brothers & seminarians.

This is a timed competition in the following events:

- **3 point shots**
- **Free-throws**
- **Lay-ups**

Prizes will be awarded to the winners.

If you are interested, please contact Carol@cyoli.org





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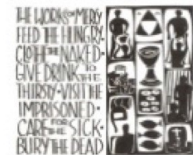
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