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Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time—February 20, 2022

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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 13, 2022

Mass Attendance: 850
Envelopes used: 294
Collection: \$13,155.00
(Fiscal) Year to Date: \$396,913.00

**Monday, February 21, 2022**

9AM Vocations to the Priesthood

Tuesday, February 22, 2022

9AM Donna Rogers

Wednesday, February 23, 2022

9AM Joseph Armienti

Thursday, February 24, 2022

9AM Ursula Messina

Friday, February 25, 2022

9AM David Padro

Saturday, February 26, 2022

5PM Jim Carstens
 Angelo Cucuzzo
 Ryan Weiss (Living)
 Grace Weiss (Living)
 Patricia McCutchan

Sunday, February 27, 2022

8AM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 10AM John Hasselberger
 12PM Luja Mozolewska
 5PM Mrs. Sullivan

In our thoughts and prayers.

<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Gail Kmitis</i>
<i>Joanne Angelaastro</i>	<i>Jeff Kravitz</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Jackie Kraemer</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Christine Kropp</i>
<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Deborah Kruse</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>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Yolanda DeLustro</i>	<i>Flo Puff</i>
<i>Eileen Dobrinkat</i>	<i>Ginesia Reale</i>
<i>Matthew Dwyer</i>	<i>John Rocco</i>
<i>Bill Fife</i>	<i>Debbie Ryan</i>
<i>Gerardo Franzese</i>	<i>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Matilde Franzese</i>	<i>Maria Sposato</i>
<i>Robert Galvin</i>	<i>Ann M. Sullivan</i>
<i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Annmarie Guertin</i>	<i>Theresa Vacchio</i>
<i>Frank Guertin</i>	<i>Nelson Villaflor</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Elena Heil</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>Pat Hesse</i>	<i>Robert Ziminski</i>
<i>Barbara Jenkins</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.



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



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

Vito Cataldo

Louise Paolillio

Patricia O'Boyle

James Capuano



The St. Vincent de Paul Society is a Catholic lay organization that directly helps our neighbors in need.

It is a person-to-person ministry of encounter that tries to see the face of Christ in the faces of those who are suffering financial hardship.

It is a Gospel response to assist our brothers and sisters through the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy.

Volunteers from the Society will be speaking at our Masses **the weekend of March 5th and 6th**, inviting you to consider joining their efforts during the Season of Lent.



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

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



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.

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
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 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
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 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.

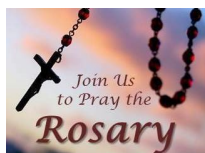
I am meeting with the Pastoral Council in the coming weeks to get their input on how we can recognize and celebrate the Sisters of St. Joseph's dedication to and all they have done for our parish the past seventy plus years.

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

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.



Every weekday morning
at 8:30am



**Feeding the
Community**

**February 26-27th
Next weekend is Pantry
Sunday**

Currently we need:
cold cereal, pasta sauce, coffee, syrup,
pancake mix, small bottles of cooking oil,
grape jelly & juice boxes
Or anything you would like to donate.

Meat the Need Monday is February 28th.
whole milk, eggs, bread, butter, chopped
meat, chicken, frankfurters, etc. are most
appreciated!

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



The Parish Center is closed on Monday, February 21st. The church will be closed after the 9am Mass.

FRANCES BLAKE 300 CLUB

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.



Preparing for Palm Sunday

We are all familiar with the practice of receiving ashes on Ash Wednesday, which this year is March 2, 2022. However, you may not know where the ashes come from. The ashes used on Ash Wednesday are the ashes from palms saved from the previous Palm Sunday. The ashes are a sign of the public penance to which we are all called during the Lenten season.

As we promise to repent and believe in the Gospel, the ashes brand us with the sign of the cross — a sign of our commitment to the journey of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, a journey which ends with the new life of baptism and baptismal renewal during the Easter season.

This year we invite you to share in our communal celebration of Ash Wednesday in a special way. We ask you to bring old palms from your home on **February 26th & 27th** and deposit them in the baskets which will be available. These palms will then be burned and used as ashes on Ash Wednesday.



March 2, 2022

Ashes will be distributed at the following Masses & Services:
9am Mass, 12pm Mass, 4pm Word Service
and 7:30pm Mass

Lent: A Time For Giving

This year Sacred Heart invites all our children to participate in our Lenten Activity:

KIDS HELPING KIDS

Each week during Lent we are asking the children to bring an item to be donated to Parish Outreach.

These 'kid friendly' items are a great way for families to talk about how even the youngest parishioners can make a difference to someone in need in our very own neighborhood.

Week 1 (3/6): lunch box snacks

Week 2; (3/13): fruit gummies

Week 3 (3/20): juice boxes

Week 4 (3/27): pancake mix

Week 5 (4/3): syrup

Week 6 (April 10th):
Easter Basket treats

Please put your donations in the box each week when you come to Mass.





Please enjoy some photos from our Middle School Winter Woodland Dance!

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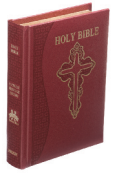


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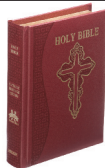
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