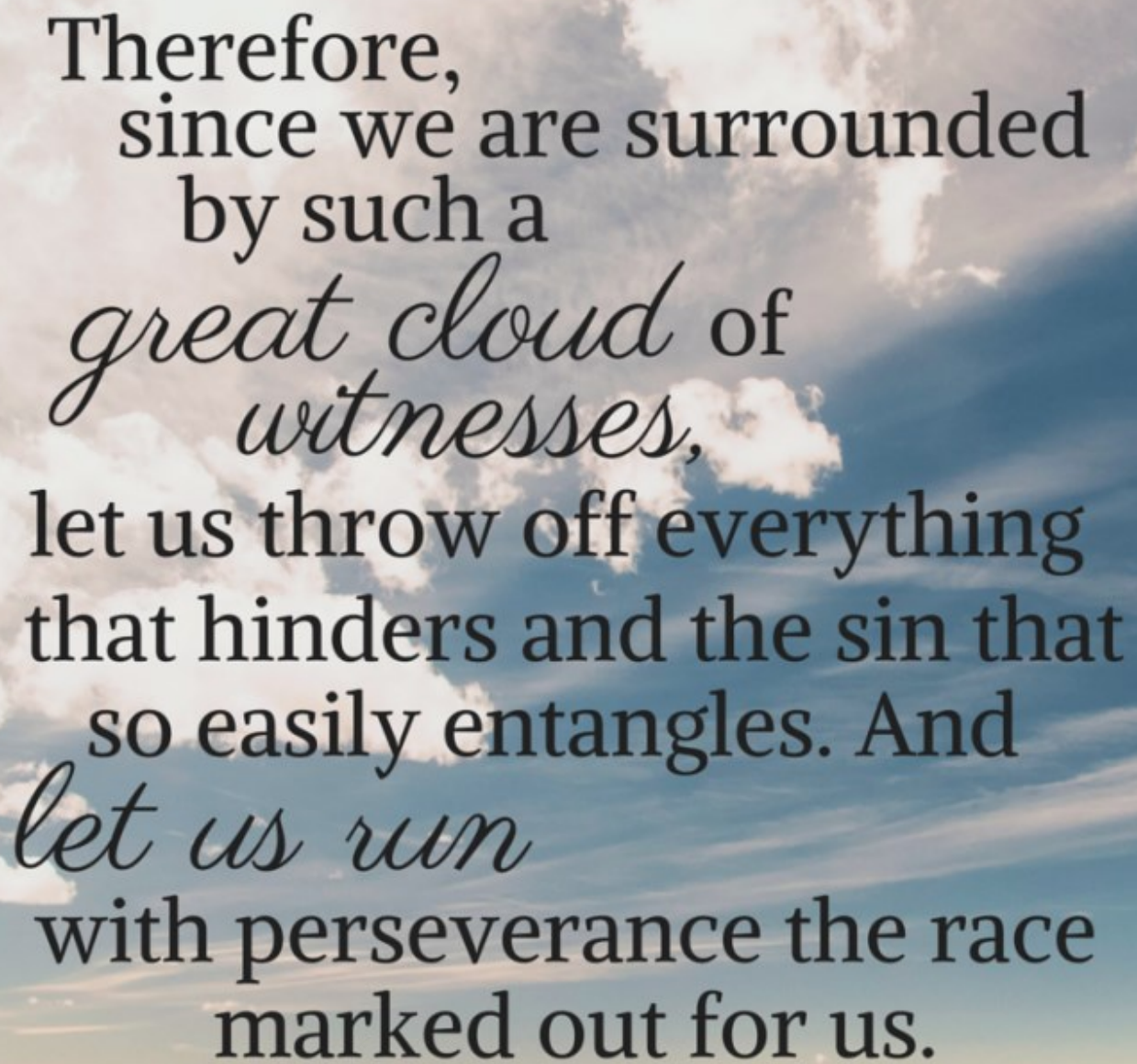


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Therefore,
since we are surrounded
by such a
*great cloud of
witnesses,*
let us throw off everything
that hinders and the sin that
so easily entangles. And
let us run
with perseverance the race
marked out for us.

Hebrews 12:1

August 14, 2022—Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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 Rev. Peter Sarpong, Associate Pastor
 Deacon Charles Kammerer
 Deacon John Heverin

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Mrs. Tanya Kasprzyk, Coordinator
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Parish Center**516-379-1356****Parish Center Hours:**

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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 3:45PM 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 7, 2022

Mass Attendance: 810
Envelopes used: 293
Collection: \$12,679.00
(Fiscal) Year to Date: \$771,477.00

**Monday, August 15, 2022****THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

9AM Vivian Doyle
 12PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 7:30PM Alma Boursiquot

Tuesday, August 16, 2022

9AM Ruth Blomberg

Wednesday, August 17, 2022

9AM Dorothy DeLouker-Jay

Thursday, August 18, 2022

9AM Josephine Balestrieri

Friday, August 19, 2022

9AM Barbara Logan

Saturday, August 20, 2022

5PM Vincent Keeney
 Robert DiMonda

Sunday, August 21, 2022

8AM Eric & Brian Hansen
 10AM Matilde Franzese
 12PM Parishioners of Sacred Heart
 5PM Matthew L. Bosco, Jr.
 Neil Esposito
 Barbara Patton

In our thoughts and prayers.

<i>Nancy Abbandola</i>	<i>Jackie Kraemer</i>
<i>Taylor Agurto</i>	<i>Christine Kropp</i>
<i>Joanne Angelastro</i>	<i>Phoenix Link</i>
<i>Milan Baranek</i>	<i>Virginia Marquardt</i>
<i>Edward Bennett</i>	<i>Brian Mohr</i>
<i>Mary Berberich</i>	<i>Josephine MacDougall</i>
<i>John Brennan</i>	<i>Jack McGreevy</i>
<i>Joanne Campbell</i>	<i>Katherine McGreevy</i>
<i>Baby Jack</i>	<i>Paul McMullin</i>
<i>Baby Kaylee</i>	<i>Taylor Oshan</i>
<i>Marjorie Cirello</i>	<i>Jack Palamaro</i>
<i>Dolores Costello</i>	<i>Peter Palamaro, Jr.</i>
<i>Julio Curra</i>	<i>Eileen Pio</i>
<i>Betty DiNicola</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>Randall Sinz</i>
<i>Gerardo Franzese</i>	<i>Mary Sweeney</i>
<i>Robert Galvin</i>	<i>Theresa Vacchio</i>
<i>Annmarie Guertin</i>	<i>Nelson Villaflor</i>
<i>Frank Guertin</i>	<i>Aidan Walden</i>
<i>Gloria Hannifin</i>	<i>Peggy Watts</i>
<i>Pat Hesse</i>	<i>Alyssa Zangari</i>
<i>Barbara Jenkins</i>	<i>Rosemarie Ziminski</i>
<i>Gail Kmitis</i>	<i>Robert Ziminski</i>
<i>Sr. Marie Vianney Gallagher</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.



Sacred Heart **Weekly Eucharistic Adoration on Wednesday's from 12pm to 4pm** (12:30 if there is a funeral).

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 Ruth-Ann Blomberg Sabino Bianco

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



The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is on Monday, August 15th. While not obligatory, it is still a Holy Day. Mass will be celebrated at 9am, 12pm and 7:30pm



Outreach is closed for vacation Monday August 22nd through Thursday the 25th. Reopening Monday, August 29th

Word of Life August 14th

“Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

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.
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SSgt. Edgar C. Francisco, U.S.M.C.
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Pvt. Andrew Reynolds, U.S. Army
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U.S.M.C. Deployed Aircraft Carrier Iwo Jima
Sgt. Brandon Furia, U.S.M.C.
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Afghanistan
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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.
2nd Lieutenant Jordan Paladino- US Army

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.*



**The next Anointing of the Sick is
Friday, September 2, 2022**

Sacred Heart Purgatorial Society

*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, Josephine Valenti,
Ellen C. Rafter, Donald J. Johnson, Eileen
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Tannehill, William G. Mohr, Shaun Hughes,
Edward Walsh & Family, Frances Forgione,
Lillian Milana, Randall Cordero, 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,
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Ministry of Praise Pope's Prayer Intention August 2022

Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

SUNDAY CONNECTION—LOYOLA PRESS

First Reading*Jeremiah 38:4-6,8-10***Second Reading***Hebrews 12:1-4***Gospel Reading***Luke 12:49-53***Background on the Gospel Reading**

Having reminded the apostles and the crowd that facing the coming judgment takes patience, Jesus now goes on to speak of how difficult it will be to wait. He tells them that he has come to set the earth on fire. Recall that in chapter 3 of Luke's Gospel, John the Baptist tells the crowd that he is baptizing with water, but someone mightier is coming who will baptize with the Holy Spirit and fire. The fire Jesus speaks of here is the distress caused by the coming judgment. It is also the fire of the Spirit that Luke, in the Acts of the Apostles, will describe descending on the disciples on Pentecost. That fire will strengthen them to go out to the whole world to preach the good news of Jesus' Resurrection.

Jesus will be the first to experience the distress of the coming judgment. His baptism will be the conflict into which he will be immersed as he approaches Jerusalem and his death on the cross. His followers will not be spared that distress. The angels at Jesus' birth proclaimed peace on earth, and Simeon, holding the baby Jesus in the Temple, said to God: "Master, now you may let your servant go in peace." Here Jesus tells the crowd not to think he has come to bring peace; he has come to bring division. Simeon said as much when he turned to Mary and said that the child was destined for the rise and fall of many and to be a sign that will be contradicted. Peace is the ultimate end of the Kingdom of God, but peace has a price. Jesus is warning the crowd that wherever the Word of God is heard and acted upon, division occurs. Fathers will be divided against sons and mothers against daughters.

The coming judgment forces us to look at the implications of our commitments. As Jesus warned in last Sunday's Gospel, a commitment of faith requires us to change our attitude toward material possessions and to take even more seriously our moral responsibilities. Here he reminds the crowd that those who commit to him will find it affects the way they relate to friends and family members. The angel who announced the birth of John the Baptist to Zechariah said John would go before Jesus to turn the hearts of fathers toward their children. But a commitment to Jesus forces us to change the way we live our lives, and this can put strains on relationships.

We don't expect to hear such difficult words from Jesus in the Gospel. But it is good to be reminded once in a while that the decision to do the right thing, the good thing, is not always easy and without conflict. Jesus himself did not make easy decisions and avoid conflict. In today's reading, he reminds his followers to be prepared for difficult decisions and conflict as well.



Sacred Heart Parish now has a texting app so you can receive messages from the parish. Use the link below to join.

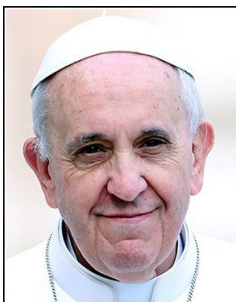
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Or text @abf43hg to 81010

WeShare Information

WeShare, our online giving provider, was upgraded on June 15th. When you login, using your current email address and password, you will see the new landing page. Improvements to the platform include:

- Ability to donate to multiple collections at once.
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It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions.

— Pope Francis —

SACRED HEART CYO GIRL'S BASKETBALL EARLY REGISTRATION 2022

Sacred Heart CYO Basketball registration for the 2022-2023 Girls season began Monday, July 18th.

ALL registration will be conducted on-line through the Sacred Heart Parish portal: <https://www.wesharegiving.org/App/Form/ee113b89-3268-49ed-856e-b14c8e1ad743>.

NO CHILD will be placed on a team unless they have registered through the portal.

Registration fee is \$175 per child. A \$10 discount will be provided for each additional child registered in the program. Maximum family registration fee is \$400.

The following guidelines apply to all registrants:

- * All registrants must be either a member of SH Parish or reside within the SH Parish boundaries
- * Maximum number of players, per team, is targeted at 12 players. Teams will be based on the number of registrants, player's ability, and available coaches for that grade
- * Tryouts may be necessary based on the number of registrants and available coaches

Anyone interested in volunteering as either coach, assistant coach, scorekeeper or helping with building security are always welcome.

Questions? Please feel free to contact the Parish Center: 516-379-1356 or email: cyosports@sacredheartnm.org



**Sacred Heart CYO
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MONDAY-FRIDAY
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8/15/22-8/19

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or email hannahmillervb@gmail.com
Camp will be run by hitting specialist, Hannah Miller, and defensive specialist, Olivia D'Antonio. Collegiate D3 athletes with NCAA division tournament experience. Campers need to bring knee pads, water and a snack.



Our parish is pleased to announce that we now have our own St. Vincent de Paul Conference.

The mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is "a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with and service to people in need."

New members will be commissioned at the 5pm Mass on August 20th.

Please consider joining this worthwhile ministry. For additional information please email:
SVDP@sacredheartnm.org

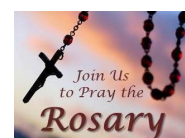


We meet every Tuesday at 9:30 in the cafeteria of the school building. Please bring 2 loaves of bread. We are in need of PEANUT BUTTER, jelly and sandwich bags. We can also use boxes and disposable table cloths. Many thanks to all that donate their time and energy. Volunteers are always welcome.
Maureen Paladino 516-984-8419



Faith Formation

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