



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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JANUARY 5TH AND JANUARY 6TH, 2008

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

MASS: MON.TUES.WED. FRI.:12:10 P.M.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:15 P.M.
SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

HOLY DAY VIGIL: - 5:15 P.M.
HOLY DAY MASS: - 12:10 P.M.

ROSARY: WEDNESDAY - 12:30 P.M.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:
FRIDAY: 12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

RECONCILIATION: FRIDAY: 12:30 P.M.
SATURDAY: 4:30 P.M.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Whatever your present status in the Catholic Church, whatever your current family or marital situation, whatever your past or present religious affiliation, whatever your personal history, age, background, race or color, whatever your own self-image or esteem, you are invited, welcomed, accepted, loved and respected at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

EPIPHANY – JANUARY 6, 2008

“Use your eyes and look about; they all gather and come to you. Then you shall be radiant and what you see, your heart shall throb... All from Sheba shall come bearing gold and frankincense, and proclaiming the praises of God... There they opened their coffers and presented Him with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.”

For the past few weeks it has been easy to focus on the historical coming of Christ. The stable scene, with familiar figures and persons is easy to recognize, and their songs of praise or humble veneration, calling us to do the same. Today’s visitors, coming perhaps from Persia or Iraq, represent the gentile world seeking salvation, as did the expectant people of Israel. Known for their extraordinary gifts, they bow before the new-born king.

We, who gather today, are not to be spectators, but additional visitors. We come from near and far, searching for a Savior, with His saving grace, in a seemingly lost and confused world. We are people asking for the Prince of Peace, the light of revelation, the Savior, the glory of your people, the Christ.

My desire is that Christ becomes real in my life. In my search I ask like the drummer boy, what gift do I bring to lay before Him? Some say the biblical gifts speak of the royal, priestly and prophetic roles of the King. My gift is to return to the Lord some of the riches He has given me, my talents, my enthusiasm as a member of the church. The incense represents my burning desire, ardor, to bring the gospel to others. The myrrh speaks of some of the sacrifices I am willing to make so that others may come to or return to the life of the church.

Remember the famous story of the fourth Wise Man? Maybe the Lord is asking me to be that person with the gifts I bring. Pope John Paul II told us to evangelize with new ardor, new methods and new expressions. On this first Sunday of the year consider your gift to the Lord and His Church, and give the present He needs and wishes.

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Jerusalem is extolled as a place of glory and splendor because the Lord has come to His own city.

Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Paul tells the Ephesians that his special mission is to make the Gentiles co-heirs with the Jews in Christ — “members of the same body and sharers of the promise.”

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Herod learns that Wise Men from the East are searching for the newly born Christ Child. He instructs them to find the Child and to report His whereabouts to him. The Wise Men follow a star to the place where Mary and Jesus are and offer the Child gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They do not return to Herod but follow another route to their own country.

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60, 1-6; Eph 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2: 1-12

Monday – Raymond of Penyaford, presb.

1 Jn 3: 22—4: 6; Mt 4: 12-17, 23-25

Tuesday

1 Jn 4: 7-10; Mk 6: 34-44

Wednesday

1 Jn, 4: 11-18; Mk 6: 45-52

Thursday

1 Jn 4: 19—5: 4; Lk 4: 14-22a

Friday

1 Jn 5: 5-13; Lk 5: 12-16

Saturday

1 Jn 5: 14-21; Jn 3: 22-30

MEMORIAL CANDLES

You may memorialize one of the candles in the Prayer Chapel adjacent to the vestibule of the Church for one year. The one year memorial Candle costs \$100. The Candle will remain on for 1 year and a small plaque with the name of the person or persons will be placed near the candle. For further information, please contact the Parish Office at (609) 393-2801 Ext 109.

MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Let us pray for all soldiers, especially:

First Lieutenant Brian S. Williams, USMC
First Lieutenant Derrick Syed, US Army
First Lieutenant Will Applegate, USMC
Staff Sergeant Raymond Housal, US Army
Sergeant Robert Colella, 1st Class, US Army
Sergeant Gared Housal, US Army
Sergeant Ryan Mc Sorley, USMC
Seaman Carlos Molina, US Navy
Lance Corporal William Sinnett, USMC
Lance Corporal Christopher Poinsett, USMC
Private First Class Ryan Sharkey, USMC
Private First Class Jay Waalkens, US Army
Private First Class Matthew Conyers, US Army
MU3 Daniel Fitzsimons, US Navy
Private Keith Buzinski, US Army
Lieutenant Kristen P. Domboski, USAR
25TH Infantry Division – Alpha Company 127
Sergeant Alberto Rosario, US Army
Sergeant Ivan Cosme, US Air Force
LCPL John Tambourakis, USMC
Private Aimee Figueroa, US Air Force
Lance Corporal Brett R. Flavin, USMC
Hospital Corpsman, Thomas J. Douglas, US Navy
Colonel Lars Braun, U Army

If you know of someone that you would like to place on the military prayer list, please e-mail name to lteresky@trentonsacredheart.org

WE ARE CALLED TO PRAY

For all who are seriously ill, especially for: Kerekes Family (4), Teresa Colon (4), Tom Allen (4), Jim O'Rourke (4), and our friends at South Village: Dot Persichetti (4), Tirado Family (4), Rosalie Davis (3), Tom Jones (3), A. Mantuano (3), Wayne Smith (3), Margaret Fennimore (3), Agnes Cartlidge (3), Connie Peroni (3), Elaine Mantuano (3), Nora Sierillo (1), that they would be comforted in their suffering we pray to the Lord.

For all of those who have gone before us in death especially: A. Marie Larkin (3), Mary Stansley (3), Warren Dohn (3), Jim O'Rourke (3), that they may be embraced by the love of our Lord for all eternity we pray to the Lord.

**Our Weekly collection for the weekend of
December 23rd 2007
\$5,811.50**

`Thank You` MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

5:15 P.M.

- Jimmy Pawliski (L) r/o Abreu Family
- Frank Sherratt r/o Abreu Family

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

9:00 A.M.

- Lucille A. Fisher r/o Family
- Gasson Family r/o Family

11:15 A.M.

- Michael & Kathleen Boyle r/o Evelyn Quinn
- Patrick & Kathleen Grant r/o Evelyn Quinn

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

12:10 P.M.

- Catherine & Thomas Smith r/o Family
- Ed Bulger r/o Diane & Richard Sabourin

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

12:10 P.M.

- Meghan Olivia Norris, Jenna Carroll & Dana Irvin r/o their parent's co-workers

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

12:10 P.M.

- Rosemarie & Bob McLaughlin r/o R. Brian McLaughlin
- Antonette DiVeronica r/o Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

No Mass

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

12:10 P.M.

- Diana Amoroso r/o Carl Amoroso
- A. Marie Larkin r/o Jack & Marie Milazzo

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

5:15 P.M.

- Patrick Sheehan r/o wife & daughter
- Dec. Mem. Of the Judge Family r/o M/M William O'Brien

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

9:00 A.M.

- Veronica Shurgala r/o Children, Grandchildren & Great grandchildren
- Daniel & Jean Ridorfino r/o Family

11:15 A.M.

- Annie McFadgien & Rose Boyle r/o Evelyn Quinn
- Stephen O'Kane & Jack Gordon r/o Evelyn Quinn

**ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE
SACRED HEART**



CONGRATULATIONS FR. DENNIS!

We officially welcome Fr. Dennis as he begins his journey with us as Pastor of our Sacred Heart Parish Family. This past weekend Bishop John M. Smith was with us for the Installation. May our Lord guide and lead him as he leads and guides us! God bless you, Fr. Dennis!

FLOWER DONATION MEMORIALS

The envelopes with the names of your loved ones are on the altar and will be remembered in prayer throughout the month of January.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2008

Reminder for all who have specific mass intention dates for year 2008. Please have them written down and handed in to the office via mail or collection basket marked to the attention of Helen Smith or hsmith@trentonsacredheart.org.

Thank you!

Divine Mercy Cenacle
Wed. Jan. 9th – 4:30 p.m.

“Eddie B” A.A.
7:30 p.m. every Wed.

Religious Ed classes
resume - January 6th

10 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Food collection

Weekend of January 19th & 20th

Food distribution

Tuesday, Jan. 22nd set up 2 p.m.

Lord’s Table

Sunday, Jan. 27th at 1 p.m.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

**MARCH FOR LIFE WITNESS
WASHINGTON, D.C.**

Please join Bishop John M. Smith on **Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008** for the **March for Life Rally in Washington, DC**. Buses will be going to represent the Diocese of Trenton. Please contact **Donna Goodwin at the Office of Family Life/Respect Life for more information** at 609-406-7400 ext. 5592 or go to the website www.respectlifetoday.org.

**Praying in a Relational Way: Communing
with God in the Gift of Relational Prayer**

God is closer to us than we are to ourselves! However, often God seems distant & beyond our reach. We will explore & experience a concrete way to enter into a personal relationship with God. Come enjoy a quiet evening of reflection & prayer!
Speaker: Sr. Trudy Ahem. Date/Time: Friday, February 29, 2008, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. - Church of St. Ann, Lawrenceville, NJ. (Office of Catechesis 609-406-7400 ext. 5554) sdrago@dioceseoftrenton.org for info.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
DAY OF SERVICE**

Since 1994, cities across the nation have participated in volunteer activities to commemorate the life and teachings of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Office of Black Apostolate of the Diocese of Trenton will sponsor a Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service on **January 21, 2008**.

Several agencies & organizations have asked for our assistance on this day including Anchor House, Trenton Area Soup Kitchen, Mt. Carmel Guild, Mercer Co. C.Y.O. & the Office of Prison Ministry.

What can you do???

- Help Tidy up at Anchor House (10 Volunteers)
- Prepare Meals at the Trenton area soup kitchen
- Join us at the Pastoral Center from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. & participate in the following activities:
 - Make Hygiene Bags for Local Agencies
 - Make School Supply Bags for Anchor House
 - Bring 2008 Calendars to the Pastoral Center for Prisoners
 - Make bag lunches for Trenton area Soup Kitchen
 - Make a donation – The Office of Black Apostolate

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 5

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Suzanne Carpenter, Emily & Matt Franko, Maggie Marchok

Eucharistic Minister: Jim Dougherty, Karen & Sam Farruggio, Christine Franko, Tom Glover

Lector: Margot Rick

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, January 6

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Bridget & Kelly Malloy, Ryan Rizzuto, Kate, Sam & Mary Webb

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Hoch, Maria Salamandra, Carmella Staub, Maureen Zuech

Lector: Robin Haynes

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, January 6

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Ryan Allaire, Anthony Milazzo, Brigid Quinn-Gordon, Celines Rivera

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Lindner, Carmen Milazzo, Colette Royal, Jeanne Scarpato

Lector: Catie Royal

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Saturday, January 12

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Will & Caroline Royal, Jayson Yurcho

Eucharistic Minister: Tom Glover, Patricia Hartanowic, Teddi Hines, Bob Hoyer

Lector: Llew Royal

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Sunday, January 13

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Matt & Patrick Gibbons, Elizabeth Kitts, Tom Zamerowski

Eucharistic Minister: Carol McDonough, David & Susan Rimili, Linda Teresky, Judy Vernon

Lector: Jack McDonough

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, January 13

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Loughery DeMille, Angelina & Liz Ferrara, Tara Law

Eucharistic Minister: Ann Barbadore, Anne DeMille, Maria Milazzo, Nancy Rhodes

Lector: Michael Rhodes

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Our History

New Jersey's first Catholic Church, dedicated to St. John the Baptist on June 12, 1814, and was built at Market and Lamberton Streets in Trenton. A small simple brick building 30 feet wide by 50 feet deep, St. John's drew a congregation of 30 families from both sides of the Delaware River, who continued to depend on traveling Philadelphia priests until 1837 when Rev. Daniel Magorien, was appointed the first resident pastor.

Fourteen years later, Irish immigrants fleeing the potato famine, had begun to swell the ranks of a congregation of German, French and Irish origin. The cornerstone for a new, much larger St. John's Church was laid that year at Broad and Centre Streets. Completed and dedicated on August 27, 1848, the new church was classical in design, built of stucco brick with a three-story bell tower. The growth of the parish of St. John was so rapid that wing was added in 1856.

On Sunday night, September 30, 1883, fire destroyed St. John's Church, leaving only the exterior walls, belfry with its bell and cupola standing. Undaunted, Pastor Rev. Thaddeus Hogan inspired his congregation of St. John's Parish and plans were drawn up for a new church building slated to be dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

On August 3rd, 1884 Bishop Jeremiah Shanahan of Harrisburg laid the cornerstone for a new church. On June 12th, 1885 the surviving St. John's bell, rang out again to signal the partial completion of the new church as Mass was celebrated for the first time in the basement chapel. The basement chapel was designed to seat 1,300, although the pews hadn't arrived and parishioners stood.

Sacred Heart was dedicated on June 30th, 1889 by the Most Rev. Michael S. O'Farrell, first Bishop of Trenton. On the north side of the church a rectory was built and on the south side a Catholic club house was built, both matching in design of the new Church of the Sacred Heart. The Catholic Club where gentlemen could be molded according to the highest standards was dear to the heart of Msgr. Hogan and he achieved his ambition so successfully that it was a cultural center for the men of Trenton for many years.

Romanesque Revival in style, Sacred Heart Church was designed by Patrick Charles Keely (1816-1896), himself an Irish immigrant. He was 19th century America's most prominent and prolific Catholic architect - the designer of many cathedrals in Boston, Hartford, Buffalo, Albany and Chicago, as well as some 150 churches, including ones in New Brunswick, Jersey City, Mount Holly and Newark.

In 1918, Msgr. Hogan's successor, Rev. Peter J. Hart built a modern school and convent adjacent to the rectory. On June 17, 1966 Msgr. Leonard R. Toomey was appointed the thirteenth pastor of the Church of the Sacred Heart (formerly known as St. John). In 1972 the stores, houses and a tavern adjacent to the Catholic Club were purchased from the City of Trenton through an Urban Renewal Program and transformed into a landscaped parking yard for the parish, thus completing the current Parish Campus.

Still attracting parishioners from surrounding areas of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the Church of the Sacred Heart continues its mission to be a source of help and education, a place of vibrant worship, and the security of being a solid Catholic Christian community for all who come. Having been listed on the National Historic Registry for the United States Department of Parks and Wildlife, The Church of the Sacred Heart, moves into the new millennium anticipating the 200th celebration of the Parish in 2014.