



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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JANUARY 12TH AND 13TH, 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.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD
JANUARY 13, 2008

"I begin to see how true it is that God shows no partiality. Rather the man of any nation who fears God and acts uprightly is acceptable to Him. This is the message that He has sent to the sons of Israel, the 'good news of peace' proclaimed by Jesus Christ who is Lord of all... I take it you know what has been reported all over Judea about Jesus of Nazareth. He went about doing good works and healing all who were in the grip of the devil, and God was with him."

In his sermon Peter taught about his experience of Jesus "beginning with his baptism at the Jordan." His sermon touched the lives of many, as he told about the words, the deeds and his personal relationship with Jesus.

As the spirit came and the voice spoke, we find Jesus identifying totally with humankind. He submits to John's baptism, teaching us of His total oneness with us. It was a moment of change, as disciples of John began to follow Jesus. His words had new meaning. His deeds changed people's lives.

We too have experienced that change in our baptism, as we became children of the Lord, able to call God Abba, Father, and entered into the life of the church. We too are called to focus on our relationship with Jesus. My works can bring healing. My deeds can make Jesus present to others. My baptism brings me into a new relationship with God and others. That is what it means to "fear God and act uprightly". Am I acceptable to Him?



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UP and COMING

"Eddie B" A.A.
7:30 p.m. every Wed.

Religious Ed classes
10 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Finance Council
January 15th -7:00 p.m. Rectory

Parish Council
January 22nd – 7:00 p.m. Rectory

Food collection/distribution
January 19/20 - collection
January 22 – distribution

Lord's Table
January 27 – 1 p.m.
Help is always welcomed!

FR. MICK'S ADDRESSES

If you would like to send Fr. Mick a get well card, he can receive them at:

Villa Vianney,
2301 Lawrenceville Rd.
Lawrenceville, NJ 08648.

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Fr. Mick also has a 60<sup>th</sup> birthday coming up on January 30<sup>th</sup>! Please remember him with a kind wish as he arrives at his new assignment:

St. Theresa  
222 E. Main St.  
Tuckerton, NJ 08087

**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, 1<sup>st</sup> 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  
25<sup>TH</sup> 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 sick, especially for: Dick Burns, Bob Hoch, Fr. Mick (1), Nicie Smith (1), Joe Hovanec (1), and our friends at South Village: Tom Allen, Rosalie Davis, Margaret Fennimore, Rose Barclay, Dot Persiketti, Maria & Elaine Mantuana, Gloria McGuire, Ramond Tirado 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: Cecelia Fitzgibbon Pacera (1), Kathleen Ritz (1), John Riccitiello (1), Margaret Grant (1), A. Marie Larkin (4), Mary Stansley (4), Warren Dohn (4), that they may be embraced by the love of our Lord for all eternity we pray to the Lord.

**Our Weekly collection for the weekends of  
December 30<sup>th</sup> - \$5,195.00  
January 6<sup>th</sup> - \$5,569.50  
` Thank You `**

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 12**

**5:15 P.M.**

- Patrick Sheehan r/o Wife & Daughter
- Deceased members of the Judge Family r/o M/M William O'Brien

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 13**

**9:00 A.M.**

- Veronica Shurgala r/o grandchildren & great grandchildren
- Daniel 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

#### **MONDAY, JANUARY 14**

**12:10 P.M.**

- Anna C. Karamarz r/o Friend
- Evelyn Gallagher r/o Arlene, Carol & Shirley

#### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 15**

**12:10 P.M.**

- JoAnne & Dave Wilson, Jr. (L) r/o Family
- Madeline Larkin r/o Helen Smith

#### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16**

**12:10 P.M.**

- Jose George Quiros r/o Carrubba Family
- Dot Mather (L) r/o Friend

#### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 17**

**No Mass**

#### **FRIDAY, JANUARY 18**

**12:10 P.M.**

- Diana L. Amoroso r/o husband, Carl
- J. Ferd Convery r/o Family

#### **SATURDAY, JANUARY 19**

**5:15 P.M.**

- Maria & Carmela Imbalzano r/o Family
- Deceased members of the O'Brien Family r/o M/M William OBrien

#### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 20**

**9:00 A.M.**

- Edward Gasson r/o Family
- Jean Colwell Personette Parish Family of Sacred Heart

**11:15 A.M.**

- Henry & Alice Lee r/o daughter, Donna
- Domingo Diaz r/o Rosalina Diaz

## THANK YOU

This weekend, the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord is celebrated and the Church calendar officially ends the Christmas Season. Truly, this has been a holy season for all of us at Sacred Heart Parish. The true meaning and spirit of Christmas is alive in your hearts. There were so many areas of parish life where these sentiments are made visible and I offer my gratitude to all of you. In particular, I am grateful to those who coordinated this year's Giving Tree, including the set up and distribution of the gifts. So many of you responded to this year's Giving Tree project and through your generosity many smiles were made possible on Christmas morning in Mercer County. I am grateful to those who decorated our church and grounds so beautifully; and to all those who participated in our Liturgies: Msgr. Toomey, Deacon Pat, our seminarians, Kelly Dunn and our Choir, the Ushers, Servers, Special Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors. I offer my sincere and prayerful gratitude to all of you for making this year's Christmas Season a season of peace and love. A special thank you to all those who contributed to the Christmas Flower Collection and those who shared their generosity in their Christmas gift to Sacred Heart Church which amounted to \$35,635.00. Thank you for your commitment to our parish. May God's blessing be with you throughout the New Year. Fr. Dennis

## VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord as well as the beginning of National Vocation Awareness Week. It is a special time of year in which the church prays for the renewal and strengthening of vocations of dedicated people as married and single people, men to serve as priests, deacons, and religious brothers and women to serve in consecrated life. Here at Sacred Heart, let us focus our prayers for the Seminarians of the Diocese of Trenton. We have had the great experience of getting to know these men in our parish life and in our own individual lives. Let us support them in our prayers especially this week.

~ **FOOD COLLECTION** ~  
**NEXT WEEKEND**

## BISHOP'S APPEAL 2008 NEXT WEEKEND

The Annual Bishop's Appeal Pledge Weekend is set for next weekend, January 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Our parish goal is \$20,000.00, which is \$2,000.00 more than last year. Together as a parish family let us show our support of this year's Appeal with our generosity. Please take time this week to prayerfully consider your contribution to the wonderful work that has been accomplished because of the Bishop's Appeal in our Diocese of Trenton. This year's Appeal will support the following areas: Through Evangelization: the Office of Family Life/Respect Life; Ministry to the Aging; Marriage and Family; Office of Worship; Office of Parish Life and Pastoral Care; Institute for Lay Ecclesial Ministries; Ethnic Ministries; Francis House of Prayer and Upper Room Spiritual Center. Apostolic Ministries & Priestly Support: Continuing Formation of Priests; Seminarian Tuition and Support; Office of the Diaconate, Office of Vocations, Office for Religious Priests and Sisters; Priest Personnel and Retired Clergy. Charitable Works: Catholic Charities, Office of Pastoral Care; Migration and Refugee Services; Martin House; Jail and Prison Ministry; and Office of Social Concerns. Education: Offices of Catholic Education & Catechesis; Youth and Young Adult Office; Campus Ministry; and Office of Communication. Parish Needs: Once again, individual parishes will share 15% of the funds contributed, providing that parish reaches its goal and 50% of the funds donated above the set goal.

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Those interested in receiving a tax statement documenting donations made in 2007, please contact the Parish Office weekdays between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM at 393-2801 or email [hsmith@trentonsacredheart.org](mailto:hsmith@trentonsacredheart.org).

## 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](mailto:hsmith@trentonsacredheart.org).

## OUR MINISTRIES

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### 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

### Saturday, January 19

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Suzanne Carpenter, Emily & Matt Franko, Katelyn Reilly

Eucharistic Minister: Christine Franko, Bill & Joan Kearney, Mary Komjathy

Lector: Dan Kungl

Presider: Fr. Dennis

### Sunday, January 20

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Bridget, Jack & Kristina Congdon Olivia Kylander

Eucharistic Minister: Maribeth Hardiman, Mary Ann Hoch, Maria Salamandra, Judy Vernon

Lector: "Q" Kuser

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

### Sunday, January 20

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Kate Hickey, Catherine, Daniel & Timothy Silvernail

Eucharistic Minister: Aggie Green, Donna Lee Kuebler, Helen Smith, Carmella Staub,

Lector: Ricardo Rodriguez

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.