

THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

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

ROSARY: WEDNESDAY - 12:30 P.M.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:15 P.M.

SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

FRIDAY: 12:30 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

HOLY DAY VIGIL: - 5:15 P.M.

HOLY DAY MASS: - 12:10 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.

LENTEN REGULATIONS

The entire season of Lent, from Ash Wednesday, February 6th, to Holy Thursday, March 20th, is a penitential season, a time for self-denial, prayer and Christian Charity. During this season, you are strongly encouraged to participate in Mass and receive Holy Communion daily, to receive the Sacrament of Penance, to attend Lenten devotions and the Stations of the Cross, to read the Scriptures prayerfully, and to perform acts of self-denial and works of mercy.

The specific discipline of the Church in the United States regarding penitential days is as follows:

1. The days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
2. The other Fridays of Lent are Days of Abstinence.
3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designed as Days of Penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat, some others practice acts of voluntary self-denial as penance. This may be physical mortification or acts of religion, charity or Christian witness.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. By this obligation, the individual is permitted only one full meal a day.

At the age of 14, people are obliged to abstain. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

The obligation to observe the laws of fast and abstinence "substantially" or as a whole is a serious obligation.

Failure to observe one penitential day in itself is not considered serious. It is the failure to observe any penitential days at all, or a substantial number of days, which must be considered serious.

The obligation of receiving the Eucharist at least once a year should still be fulfilled during the period from the First Sunday of Lent, February 10th to Trinity Sunday, May 18th. However, the Code of Canon Law does permit this precept to be fulfilled at another time during the year when there is a just cause.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 6th, is Ash Wednesday. Mass will be celebrated at 12:10 Noon and 5:15 PM. Ashes will be blessed and distributed at all the masses. Ash Wednesday is a day of fast and abstinence.

DAILY MASS

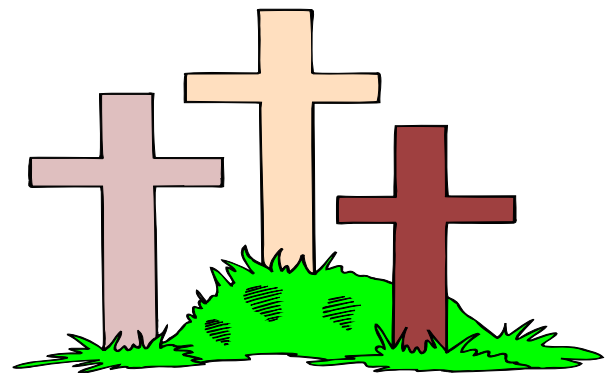
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday we will celebrate our daily Liturgy at 12:10 PM.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross will be prayed every Sunday during Lent following the 9:00 Mass. Please try to attend the stations during this holy season.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be offered at the usual Saturday afternoon time, from 4:30 to 5:00 PM. On Friday's during Lent the Sacrament is offer following the daily mass. Also on Monday of Holy Week, March 17th, a Community Penance Service will be offered at Immaculate Conception Church, on Chestnut avenue, Trenton at 7:00 PM. And on Holy Saturday, Reconciliation will be offered from 9:00 to 10:00 am. There will be no afternoon confession time on Holy Saturday.



*Loving Father, Let me live this
Lent in a spirit of true and deep
conversion.*

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 sick, especially for: Brian Bennet (1), Edward Smith (2), Dick Burns (4), Bob Hoch (4), Fr. Mick (4), Nicie Smith (4), Joe Hovanec (2), David Hart (3), Aline Orpen (3), Michael Mills (2), and our friends at South Village: Tom Allen, Rosalie Davis, Margaret Fennimore, Rose Barclay, Dot Persiketti, Maria & Elaine Mantuana, Gloria McGuire, Ramond Tirado, Ruth Krukowski, Wayne Smith 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: Dolores Britton Paul (1), Vincent DeBronzo (1), Mark Dromboski (1), Margaret Grant (4), Elsie Glover Smith (3), Ann Horan (4), Herminia Zapata (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 weekend of
January 26th & 27th
\$5,023.50
`Thank you`**

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2

5:15 P.M.

- Helen Getz r/o Joseph P. Horan
- Geraldine Kemler r/o Kim Reid

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 A.M.

- People of the Parish
- Herminia Zapata r/o Fr. Mick

11:15 A.M.

- Frank Ricketti r/o Doris Feehan
- Veronica Shurgala r/o Children, Grand-children, and Great Grandchildren

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4

12:10 P.M.

- Charles Buddy Maguire r/o Family
- Catherine Cunningham r/o Mrs. Julia Gallo

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

12:10 P.M.

- Deacon Edwin Cook r/o Council of Deacons, Diocese of Trenton
- Herminia Zapata r/o Third Order Carmelites

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

12:10 P.M.

- Meghan Olivia Norris, Jenna Carroll, Dana Irwin, Evan Riley Catana r/o Their co-workers

5:15 P.M.

Special Intention

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7

No Mass

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 8

12:10 P.M.

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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

5:15 P.M.

- Dec. members of the Judge Family r/o M/M William O'Brien
- People of the Parish

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 10

9:00 A.M.

- Lucille A. Fisher r/o Family
- A. Marie Larkin r/o Marie & Bob Murphy

11:15 A.M.

- Geraldine Kemler r/o Helen Woodhead
- Thomas Brett r/o Kevin & Tamara Williams

ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

THANK YOU

This weekend we offer our words of deep appreciation and gratitude to Maureen Sano, who has been on our administrative staff for our parish and for the Office of Vocations. Maureen will be leaving us to continue her work with the Vocation Office at the Pastoral Center in Lawrenceville. This will complete the revamping of the Vocation Office and House of Formation. We at Sacred Heart are grateful for the many years of faithful service and dedication to our parish. We will miss you but please know that our prayerful good wishes go with you, Maureen, and know that you are always welcome here at Sacred Heart. Thank you.

ST. BLASÉ BLESSING OF THROATS

In his earlier life, St. Blasé was a physician. Later he became a priest and was appointed bishop of Sebaste in Armenia. During the persecution of Diocletian he hid in a cave. Taken from his hiding-place by soldiers, he was cast into prison. Here he healed many sick by his prayers. Among the diseased was a youth in whose throat a fish-bone had lodged. The boy's life had been despaired of by physicians, but he was cured through the intercession of the Saint. Firm in faith, Blasé, having been torn with hooks, was beheaded in the year 316, and his feast day is February 3rd. In keeping with the tradition of the Church, we will bless throats after all the masses this weekend.



ASH WEDNESDAY – Feb. 6th Mass will be celebrated and ashes distributed at 12:10 pm & 5:15 pm Masses.

CONFESSIONS – Every Friday at 12:30 pm after the 12:10 Mass and on Saturdays at 4:30 pm.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Sundays leading up to Easter after the 9:00 am Mass.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER CENACLE – Wednesday, February 6th at 4:30 pm. – Msgr. Toomey Hall

EDDIE B – A.A. – meeting – 7:30 pm – every Wednesday

AROUND THE DIOCESE

THE CROSS IN THEOLOGY AND ART

Monday, March 10, 2008, 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Presenters: Deacon Ed Hoag and Regina Hoag
(Iconographer)

The Church of Saint Ann Faith Development Center
The cross stands at the very heart of the Christian faith. It is Christianity's most important and powerful symbol. St. Paul recognized the cross as a sign of contradiction to the world. Writing to the Church at Corinth, he calls the cross, "the foolishness of God." Like all true symbols, it evokes more than can be explained in words. Over the centuries, the cross has been artistically depicted in various ways, at times, standing by itself and other times bearing the image of the dead or suffering Christ. This adult faith enrichment session gives a brief historical survey of the cross in Christian thought and life from the Early Church to present day. We'll take a look at some art forms the cross has taken over the centuries, with special attention to the cross in iconography, and how these images have inspired Christian faith and enriched Christian spirituality. This session would be a good preparation for Holy Week. The Church of Saint Ann is located on 1253 Lawrence Road, Lawrenceville, NJ, (one mile south of Rider University). For more information, contact Gary Macaroni, Church of Saint Ann, (609) 359-9966.

NOTRE DAME PERFORMING ARTS

The musical, *Beauty & the Beast* will be presented on February 22, 23, 29 & March 1, 2008 at 7:30 pm in the auditorium. Tickets can be purchased by calling 609-882-7900 during school hours, or at the door. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults & \$7 for seniors, students & children. Join us for a powerful evening of theater!

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

Looking for a fun evening out? Join us for a night of gaming fun! "**Casino Carnevale 2008**" The entertainment lineup includes blackjack, poker, roulette, 50/50, silent auction & balloon raffle. A light buffet catered by Chiarello's. Doors open 6:30 pm. Proceeds benefit the school. For ticket information call 609-587-1131 ext. 2, during school hours.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, February 2

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Loughery DeMille, Maggie Marchok, Brigid Quinn-Gordon, Katelyn Reilly

Eucharistic Minister: Anne DeMille, Patricia Hartanowicz, Mary Ann Lindner, Jeanne Scarpato

Lector: Michelle Jablonski

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Sunday, February 3

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Kate Hickey, Elizabeth Kitts, Ryan Rizzuto, Tom Zamerowski

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

Lector: Sean O'Grady

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, February 3

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Angelina & Liz Ferrara, Jayson Yurcho

Eucharistic Minister: Maria Milazzo, Helen Smith, Carmella Staub, Linda Teresky

Lector: Jeffrey Laurenti

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Saturday, February 9

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Anella, Mark & Torey Anderson, Kate, Sam & Mary Webb

Eucharistic Minister: Jim Dougherty, Tom Glover, Bill & Joan Kearney

Lector: Beverly Anderson

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, February 10

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Bridget, Jack & Kristina Congdon Olivia Kylander

Eucharistic Minister: David & Susan Rimili, Maria Salamandra, Susan Smith

Lector: Denning Smith

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, February 10

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Tara Law, Catherine, Daniel & Timothy Silvernail

Eucharistic Minister: Ann Barbadore, Aggie Green, Donna Lee Kuebler, Jeanne Scarpato

Lector: Michael Glass

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.