



# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,  
Established in 1814

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**FEBRUARY 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2008**

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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.

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**  
**FEBRUARY 10, 2008**

"If death began its reign through one man because of his offense, much more shall those who receive the overflowing grace and gift of justice live and reign through the one man Jesus Christ. To sum up, then, just as a single offense brought condemnation to all men, a single righteous act brought acquittal and life."

Lent is all about dying and rising. We begin a time period leading to the Paschal Mystery, the dying and rising of Jesus. We wish to die to many things – sin and selfishness expressed through our pride, lust, evil desires, anger, gluttony, envy and sloth. These sins are real in our world and unfortunately in our lives. Maybe it's been a time since we saw a list of the capital sins. Lent is the proper time to stop, look and listen and root them out of our lives.

As we do so we rise to a new life of grace in the Lord. The gift of justice speaks of my right relationship with God and with others. Jesus offers me this grace and invites me to accept this gift. The second beatitude "Blessed are the sorrowing; they shall be consoled" is directed to me, I ask forgiveness for my sins, for which I am truly sorry. I realize that they cause a separation from God and cause me great harm.

Beginning this first week of Lent I ask the grace of repentance for my sins and those of humankind and resolve to use the gift Jesus gives me for forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

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**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**First Reading: Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7**

This passage from Genesis narrates the creation of man, the temptation by the serpent, and the fall of Adam and Eve.

**Second Reading: Romans 5:12-19**

Paul tells the Romans that Adam's disobedience brought sin and death to the world, but Christ's dying on the cross for us will bring us salvation and life.

**Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11**

In preparation for His ministry, Jesus goes into the desert to fast and pray for 40 days. There He is tempted by the devil to give evidence of His miraculous powers, but Jesus resists the devil saying, "Away with you Satan! You shall do homage to the Lord your God; Him alone shall you adore."

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday**

Lv 19: 1-2, 11-18; Mt 25: 31-46  
(President's Day)

**Tuesday**

Is 55: 10-11; Mt 6: 7-15

**Wednesday**

Jon 3: 1-10; Lk 11: 29-32

**Thursday – Peter Damian, bishop, doctor**

Est C: 12, 14-16, 23-25; Mt 7: 7-12

**Friday – Chair of Peter, apostle**

Ez 18: 21-28; Mt 5: 20-26

**Saturday – Polycarp, bishop, martyr**

Dt 26: 16-19; Mt 5: 43-48

**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: Maria Rodriguez (1), Fred Hillman (1), Joanne Zak (1), Brian Bennet (2), Edward Smith (4), Joe Hovanec (3), David Hart (4), Aline Orpen (4), Michael Mills (3), 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: Angelo Gibilisco, Dolores Britton Paul (1), Vincent DeBronzo (1), Mark Dromboski (1), Margaret Grant (4), Elsie Glover Smith (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  
February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008  
\$5,620  
`Thank You`**

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 9

**5:15 P.M.**

- Deceased members of the Judge Family r/o M/M Wm. 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

### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

**12:10 P.M.**

- Dave Wilson, Jr. (L) r/o Family
- Fortunata M. Costa r/o Mary Halasz

### TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**12:10 P.M.**

- Lois Gerard r/o Council of Deacons – Diocese of Trenton
- Tom & Anne Flynn r/o Michael Glass

### WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**12:10 P.M.**

- Jose George Quiros r/o Carrubba Family
- Rosella Kidwell r/o R. Brian McLaughlin

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**No Mass**

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 15

**12:10 P.M.**

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

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 16

**5:15 P.M.**

- Frank Czap r/o McIntyre Family
- Mary Stansley r/o Office of Vocations

### SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

**9:00 A.M.**

- Gasson Family r/o Family
- Pearl & Anthony Lee r/o The Schusters

**11:15 A.M.**

- John A. Estrella, Jr. r/o Family
- John Shurgala r/o Children, Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren
- John M. Holliday, Sr. r/o Family

## ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

### RIGHT OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (RCIA)

Today at the 9:00 Mass we will be recognizing two of our Catechumens (unbaptized) who have faithfully attended RCIA classes on Sundays to learn about our Catholic Faith. They will then go to St. Mary Cathedral for the Rite of Election at 3 pm where Bishop Smith will welcome them formally. Their names are Rachel Cachola and Ronald Malloy.

We also will be welcoming our three Candidates for Full Communion (those who have been baptized) who will begin their final preparation for the sacraments of confirmation & eucharist and reception into the full communion of the Catholic Church. Their names are Jodi Litus, Melanie Stillwell, and Jocelyn Ortiz.

Let us welcome them and pray for them as they continue their journey toward the Easter Vigil when they will complete their sacraments and join our community of faith.

### OPERATION RICE BOWL

Operation Rice Bowl is Catholic Relief Services Lenten solidarity program that calls all participants to pray, fast, learn & give to and for those who are in need around the world. 75% of your contributions go to Catholic Relief Services & help support communities around the world and 25% remain in our diocese to fund local poverty & hunger alleviation efforts.

Please pick up a rice bowl located in the vestibule of the church. Let this be a way of being mindful of those who are in need during Lent. God bless you!



### 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

Every Saturday from 4:30 – 5:00 pm  
Every Friday following the 12:10 pm Mass  
Holy Saturday 9:00 – 10:00 am (*no 4:30 pm confession*)  
(Community Penance Service – Immaculate Conception Church, Chestnut Ave., Trenton at 7:00 PM)

### DAILY MASS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday – 12:10 pm

## AROUND THE DIOCESE

### 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!

### BISHOP'S APPEAL – IN ACTION!

#### Office of Pastoral Care

When a Catholic becomes hospitalized, homebound, or a resident in a healthcare facility, it becomes our joyful responsibility to coordinate the pastoral presence of the Church for them. For those who are unable to 'come to church'; 'church comes to them!' With the generous support of God's people, through the Bishop's annual appeal, the Office of Pastoral Care can continue to offer spiritual and sacramental support to those who might otherwise be alone in their illness, recovery, or as they prepare to make that final journey home to God. We pray that 'no one might die alone.'

### CATHOLIC MEN FOR JESUS RALLY

Men, set aside Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 8:30 am until 3:00 pm, and come to the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Spiritual Rally for Men held this year at St. Veronica's Gym, on Rte. 9 North in Howell.

This year, pro-life Congressman Chris Smith and former NFL player Kevin O'Brien, will provide uplifting and inspiring presentations. Bishop John Smith will celebrate our closing Mass & Fr. Scott Shaffer will emcee the day. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available.

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$5 students, Priests, Deacons and Seminarians are free. Breakfast & lunch are provided. For more information, call 732-845-2999 press#1 to speak to Bill Marshall or go to [www.CatholicMenforJesus.com](http://www.CatholicMenforJesus.com)

**Save the date! Trenton Thunder Game:  
June 6, 2008**

## OUR MINISTRIES

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## MASS SCHEDULE

### 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, Patricia  
Hartanowicz

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, Carol McDonough, Linda  
Teresky

Lector: Jack McDonough

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

### Sunday, February 10

11:15 AM

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

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

Lector: Michael Glass

Presider: Fr. Dennis

### Saturday, February 16

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Suzanne Carpenter, Loughery  
DeMille, Emily & Matt Franko

Eucharistic Minister: Anne DeMille, Christine  
Franko, Teddi Hines, Mary Komjathy, Tom  
Glover

Lector: Margot Rick

Presider: Fr. Dennis

### Sunday, February 17

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Matt & Patrick Gibbons, Bridget  
& Kelly Malloy

Eucharistic Minister: Maribeth Hardiman, Mary  
Ann Hoch, Jeanne Scarpato, Judy Vernon

Lector: Robin Haynes

Presider: Fr. Dennis

### Sunday, February 17

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Ryan Allaire, Kate Hickey,  
Anthony Milazzo, Celines Rivera

Eucharistic Minister: Carmen & Maria Milazzo,  
Colette Royal, Maureen Zuech

Lector: Catie Royal

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

# 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.