

THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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MARCH 8TH & 9TH, 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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT –
10:00 A.M. EVERY SUNDAY

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

HOLY DAY MASS: - 12:10 P.M.

RECONCILIATION: FRIDAY - 12:30 P.M. &
SATURDAY: 4:30 – 5:00 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

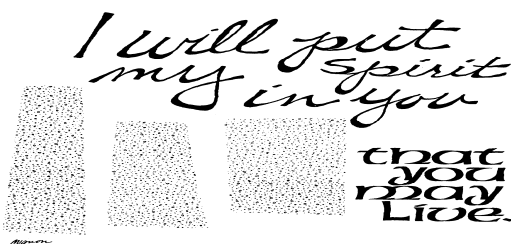
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“O my people! I will put my Spirit in you that you may live, and I will settle you upon your land; thus you will know that I am the Lord. I have promised, and I will do it, says the Lord ... If the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, then He who raised Christ from the dead will bring your mortal bodies to life also through His Spirit dwelling in you ... Father thank you for having heard me. I know that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd that they may believe that you sent me.”

The words of the prophets are sometimes threatening, sometimes affirming, and sometimes offering great hope. The promise of the Lord spoken through Ezekiel offers encouragement and stirs up my heart to say “Give me Your Spirit Lord.” Looking to the Pentecost event and the promise of Jesus to be with us throughout all time, we are encouraged to ask for the Spirit over and over again.

A danger lurks. The Spirit of God living in us can call us to do outstanding things we might have thought were never possible. The Spirit of God removes timidity and gives us courage. The Spirit of God allows us to see with new eyes where the kingdom is to grow and finds us working to make it happen. The Spirit of God dwells in us and moves us to recognize His Spirit in others. The Spirit of God wants to bring our “mortal bodies to life” animated to do something for the Lord. We are accustomed to see signs “Danger, people at work.” Watch out, we wear signs which say “Danger, the Spirit at work!” I fix my eyes on Jesus for I wish to see Him and His work being done in my life.

“Blessed are the single-hearted, for they shall see God.”



FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

First Reading: Ezekiel 37:12-14

This reading is a loving promise that the Lord will put His spirit into his people and will let them live.

Second Reading: Romans 8:8-11

Paul reminds the Romans that they are not people of the flesh but people of the Spirit because the Spirit of God dwells in them.

Gospel: John 11:1-45

In great detail, John tells the story of the raising of Lazarus to life. Upon learning of the death of Lazarus, his dear friend, Jesus goes to comfort Martha and Mary. After proclaiming, “I am the Resurrection and the Life,” Jesus goes to the tomb of Lazarus and restores him to life.

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Ez 37, 12-14; Rom 8, 8-11; Jn 11, 1-45 or 11, 3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
(St. Patrick's Day)

Monday – Cyril of Jerusalem

Dn 13: 1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13: 41c-62; Jn 8: 1-11

Tuesday – Joseph husband of the Virgin Mary

Nm 21: 4-9; Jn 8: 21-30

Wednesday

Dn 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95; Jn 8: 31-42

Thursday

Gn 17: 3-9; Jn 8: 51-59

Friday

Jer 20: 10-13; Jn 10: 31-42

Saturday – Turibius of Mogrovejo

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:
Lt. James. Wesley Green, US Military
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
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: Camilleri Family (1), Dante Marasco (2), JoAnne Distasio (1), Maria Rodriguez (3), Fred Hillman (3), Brian Bennet (4), Denise Flagg (1), 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: JoAnne Zak (2), Arturo Medina (2), Josephine Tulli (2), Joe Hovanec (3), Dolores Britton Paul (2), Vincent DeBronzo (2), Mark Dromboski (2), Carl Strock (2), William Parent (2), Vincenza Ferrara (1), Marian Boardman (1), Lawrence Graiver (1), John Masiello (1) 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
March 1st & 2nd, 2008
\$5,314.00**

`Thank You` MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

5:15 P.M.

- Francis R. Garofalo r/o M/M Shannon
- Doris A. Brown r/o Family

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

9:00 A.M.

- John & Elizabeth Bodnar, Sr. r/o John T. Bodnar, Jr. & Family
- Charles Ragazzo r/o Family

11:15 A.M.

- Oliver A. Holliday r/o Family
- People of the Parish

MONDAY, MARCH 10

12:10 P.M.

- David Connor r/o Friends
- Joseph Hovanec r/o Phyllis Acadia

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

12:10 P.M.

- James Crowley r/o Council of Deacons
- JoAnn Zak r/o Allaire Family

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 12

12:10 P.M.

- Josephine Tulli r/o John & Cathy Migut
- Denise Flagg (L) r/o Friend

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

No Mass

FRIDAY, MARCH 14

12:10 P.M.

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

5:15 P.M.

- Deceased members of the Judge Family
M/M William O'Brien
- People of the Parish

SUNDAY, MARCH 16

9:00 A.M.

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

11:15 A.M.

- John M. Holliday, Sr. r/o Family
- Mary Alice Hiatt r/o Donna, Ken & Aunt Doris



ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART



HOLY SPIRIT RADIO

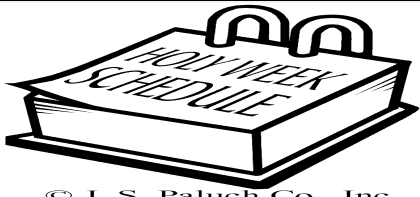
Please pick up the schedule for Holy Spirit Radio WISP 1570 AM in the vestibule of the church. H.S.R. is a local Catholic Radio station that provides educational, devotional programs that inform & enrich your Catholic faith. **Tune in!**

FOOD COLLECTION

Our next food collection will be the weekend of March 15th & 16th. Food distribution will be held on the 18th.

"EDDIE B" A.A. MEETINGS

The meetings held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. will **no longer** be meeting in Msgr. Toomey Hall. Meetings were moved to the location at 761 Cass St. Please call 392-9131 for meeting times.



- March 15 - Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
(Palms will be blessed & distributed)
- March 16 - Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
(Palms will be blessed & distributed)
- March 17 - Penance Service - Immaculate Conception Church, 540 Chestnut Ave., Trenton, NJ - 7:00 p.m.
- March 18 - Chrism Mass - 7:00 p.m. - St. Mary Cathedral, 151 South Warren St., Trenton, N.J.
- March 19 - Tenebrae Service - 7:00 p.m.
- March 20 - Holy Thursday - 7:00 p.m.
(Liturgy of the Lord's Supper)
Church will stay open until 10 p.m.
- March 21 - Good Friday - 3:00 p.m.
- March 22 - Holy Saturday - Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m.
Confession - 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.
(No 4:30 p.m. confession)
Blessing of Food - 12:00 noon
- March 23 - Easter Sunday
9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Mass

AROUND THE DIOCESE

MOUNT CARMEL GUILD NEEDS HELP

The Trenton Rotary Foundation will be sponsoring a Monte Carlo Night on Friday, April 18th at 7:00 p.m. at the West Trenton Ball Room, 40 West Upper Ferry Road, Ewing, to benefit the Mount Carmel Guild. The purpose of the event is to raise funds in order to purchase a cargo van for use in the Guild's Emergency Assistance program. Tickets for the event are \$55 per person, which includes hot and cold buffet and \$50 in gaming chips. To purchase tickets or to make a donation to the event please contact Mary Inkrot or Russ Hansel at 392-5159.

GOD IS CALLING YOU!

If you are a single Roman Catholic man between the ages of 18 and 40 and would like to know more about this exciting and powerful approach to life in the Lord, join us for this month's Vocation Discernment Meeting.

This month we will meet on Sunday, March 16, 2008, from 5:00 p.m. to approximately 8:00 p.m. at The Catholic Centre at Monmouth University in West Long Branch, N.J. Join Rev. Brian Woodrow, as he shares with us his ministry in the priesthood, Mass attended by the students of the centre, followed by great fellowship and a meal.

For further information concerning the directions, or any other details, please contact us at the Office of Vocations at (609) 406-7400x5698 or by contacting us at www.GodisCallingYou.com.

THE IRISH TENORS

Georgian Court University presents the 27th Annual Irish Afternoon featuring The Irish Tenors to be held on the 16th of March at 2:00 pm at the Strand Theater in Lakewood, NJ. Tickets are \$35 - \$75 and must be purchased in advance. To order tickets, visit www.strand.org or 732-367-7789.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS

The Mercer County chapter of the Widows & Widowers will hold its monthly dance social on March 28th, 2008 at 7:30 PM, Knights of Columbus, 1451 Klockner Rd., Hamilton, NJ. For more information call Marilyn 609-587-8959 or Regina 609-585-3453. Refreshments will be served. All widows & widowers are invited.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 8

5:15 PM

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

Eucharistic Minister: Karen & Sam Farruggio, Christine Franko, Mary Komjathy

Lector: Michelle Jablonski

Presider: Msgr. Vaughan

Sunday, March 9

9:00 AM

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

Eucharistic Minister: Maria Salamandra, Mary Ann Hoch, Judy Vernon, Jeanne Scarpato, Carmella Staub

Lector: Mary Ann Lindner

Presider: Msgr. Vaughan

Sunday, March 9

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Ryan Allaire, Anthony Milazzo, Celines Rivera

Eucharistic Minister: Carmen Milazzo & Helen Smith, Carmella Staub, Aggie Green, Linda Teresky

Lector: Jeffrey Laurenti

Presider: Msgr. Vaughan

Saturday, March 15 – Palm Sunday Vigil

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Matt & Emily Franko

Eucharistic Minister: Bill & Joan Kearney, Loretta Hovanec, Tom Glover, Mary Komjathy

Lector: Christine Franko & Michelle Jablonski

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, March 16 - Palm Sunday

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Maggie Marchok

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

Lector: "Q" Kuser

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, March 16 – Palm Sunday

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Catherine, Daniel & Timothy Silvernail

Eucharistic Minister: Helen Smith, Donna Lee Kuebler, Nancy Rhodes

Lector: Michael Rhodes

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.