



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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March 15th AND 16th, 2008

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL MASS: 7:00 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.

DAILY WEEKDAY MASS: MON.TUES.WED.
12:10 P.M. (NO MASS 12:10 ON THUR/FRI.)

RECONCILIATION: HOLY SATURDAY: 9:00 –
10:00 A.M. (NO 4:30 P.M. SAT. - 12:30 FRI.)

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.

PALM SUNDAY – MARCH 16TH

“The Lord God is my help, therefore I am not disgraced. I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame... Your attitude must be Christ’s: though He was in the form of God He did not deem equality with God something to be grasped at. Rather, He emptied Himself...”

We come to Holy Week. As people of the beatitudes we have walked the road of Lent, as Jesus walked the streets of Jerusalem. Some accepted Him, many remained indifferent, others turned away. Where am I? Today is “D-day”, to make my personal decision to continue to walk through the days of the Passion, not just recalling or remembering, but reliving the cost of Jesus’ Paschal Mystery and the promised glory which is to come.

Maybe my promise of Lent was easy. Maybe I found it difficult and wavered or fell. But this week, I am not disgraced or put to shame, but alive to the loving God who did what He did for me. I want to live this week, not distracted by the peripheral or artificial, but prayerfully enter into the full meaning of Jesus’ sacrifice on my behalf.

I realize that Jesus had me in mind when He accepted the challenge of the cross? Do I believe that through His saving action, I have been freed from bondage and have the gift of new life? Do I understand that without the saving action of Jesus which we embrace these days, my life has no meaning and my future would be lost? Does Holy Week 2008 offer me the gifts of grace Jesus wants me to enjoy? Jesus’ Easter message was one of peace.

Blessed are the peacemakers; they shall be called children of God.”



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD’S PASSION

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

In a tone of quiet sadness, Isaiah describes the buffets and insults given to the Suffering Servant. The passage ends on a note of hope.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

In exultant tones, Paul tells the Philippians to rejoice because Christ became man, died on the cross, rose from the dead, and sits triumphantly at the right hand of the Father.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27, 66

This is the solemn narrative of the passion and death of our Lord Jesus Christ. Matthew recounts the treachery and betrayal of Judas and then describes the events of the Last Supper, culminating in the institution of the Eucharist. Jesus endures the Agony in the Garden; he is then brought before Caiaphas and Pilate and condemned to death. After His resurrection, the centurions shouted, “Clearly this was the Son of God!”

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Lord’s Passion

Procession Mt 21, 1-11; Mass Is 50, 4-7; Phil 2, 6-11;
Mt 26, 14—27, 66 or 27, 11-54

Monday

Is 42: 1-7; Jn 12: 1-11

Tuesday

Is 49: 1-6; Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Is 50: 4-9a; Mt 26: 14-25

Holy Thursday – Mass of the Lord’s Supper

Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Jn 13: 1-15

Good Friday

Is 52: 13-53: 12; Heb 4: 14-16, 5: 7-9; Jn 18: 1-19: 42

Holy Saturday

Readings as in Lectionary

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, US 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: Jean Marhta Dorn (1), Imelda Wollert (1), Camilleri Family (3), Dante Marasco (4), JoAnne Distasio (3), Denise Flagg (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: JoAnne Zak (3), Arturo Medina (3), Josephine Tulli (3), Joe Hovanec (4), Dolores Britton Paul (3), Vincent DeBronzo (3), Mark Dromboski (3), Carl Strock (3), William Parent (3), Vincenza Ferrara (2), Marian Boardman (2), Lawrence Graiver (2), John Masiello (2) 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 8th & 9th, 2008
\$4,140.00
` Thank You `**

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MARCH 15

5:15 P.M.

- Deceased members of the Judge Family r/o 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

MONDAY, MARCH 17

12:10 P.M.

- Walter Vincent Clark r/o Friends
- Anne M. Horan r/o Friends

TUESDAY, MARCH 18

12:10 P.M.

- Joseph Hovanec r/o Theresa & Tom Keuper
- Beatrice & Teddy Movan r/o Teddi & Stan Hines

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19

12:10 P.M.

- Jose George Quiros r/o Carrubba Family
- Joseph V. Esposito r/o Friend

THURSDAY, MARCH 20

Holy Thursday Mass – 7:00 P.M.

- The R.C.I.A. Elect & Candidates

FRIDAY, MARCH 21

**3:00 P.M. - Good Friday Service
(No Mass)**

SATURDAY, MARCH 22

5:15 P.M.

- Deceased members of the O'Brien Family r/o M/M William O'Brien
- Anne Horan r/o Charles & Mary Halloran

SUNDAY, MARCH 23

9:00 A.M.

- Diana L. Amoroso, husband Carl
- Daniel & Jean Ridorino r/o Family

11:15 A.M.

- Ann Marie Dickson r/o Friend
- People of the Parish

ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

HOLY THURSDAY ADORATION

The following is a list of area parishes that will be open for Adoration on Holy Thursday:

St. Joseph, Trenton	12:30 a.m.
St. Mary Cathedral	12:00 a.m.
St. Raphael-Holy Angels, at St Raphael	12:00 a.m.
St. Vincent de Paul, Yardville	12:00 a.m.
St. John, Allentown	12:00 a.m.
Divine Mercy, at Holy Cross, Trenton	11:00 p.m.
Our Lady of the Angels, at St. Joachim	11:00 p.m.
Incarnation at St. James, Ewing	11:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart, Trenton	10:00 p.m.
Blessed Sacrament, Trenton	10:00 p.m.
St. Hedwig, Trenton	10:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Divine Shepherd, Trenton	8:30 p.m.

FOOD BLESSING

Please bring your baskets filled with your favorite foods to Msgr. Toomey Hall on Holy Saturday at 12 noon. Fr. Dennis will bless the food that will be set aside & enjoyed on Easter Sunday. Kids can bring colored eggs to be shared at the Easter table!

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER CENACLE

The meeting will be held on March 19th at 4:30 p.m.



- 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 North 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. for Adoration*
- March 21 - Good Friday Service- 3:00 p.m.
- March 22 - Holy Saturday Vigil Mass - 7:00 p.m.
Reconciliation - 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.
(No 4:30 p.m. Saturday Reconciliation)
Blessing of Food - 12:00 noon
- March 23 - Easter Sunday
9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Mass

AROUND THE DIOCESE

DIVINE MERCY PARISH NOVENA & DIVINE MERCY CELEBRATION

The Novena will begin on Good Friday along with the Passion of Our Lord at 3:00 p.m. The Novena will be recited at the conclusion of the Easter Vigil and at the conclusion of Mass on Easter Sunday. Mass will be celebrated Monday through Friday at 7:00 p.m., March 24 - 28, with the novena Prayer & Chaplet recited after Mass. Confessions will be heard on Thursday evening at 7:45 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on Friday, March 28. We will conclude the Novena on Divine Mercy, Sunday at 2:00 with Mass and prayers. Divine Mercy medals & rosaries will be provided at the conclusion of the novena on Sunday.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, April 13, 2008 at the Lawrenceville National Guard Armory, 151 Eggert Crossing Road, Lawrenceville, N.J. Donation \$7.00 Adult - \$5.00 children 10 years & under. 7:00 a.m. till 1:00 p.m. For tickets call 882-2675 or 771-4143

MC CORRISTIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1983 - WHERE ARE YOU?

We are in search of our fellow classmates. Our 25th reunion will be held this November. Please visit our website www.mccorristin83.com to register and get more information.

Celebrating Music and the Arts: Violin Virtuosi Katarzyna and Jaroslaw Powichrowski In Concert

On Sunday, April 6, 2008 at 3:30 P.M., the Church of Saint Ann, located at 1253 Lawrence Road in Lawrenceville, NJ, will continue its Sacred Arts Series with a concert featuring -- back by popular demand -- the internationally renowned violin virtuosi Katarzyna and Jaroslaw Powichrowski.

For further information on the program, contact Teresa Lim, Director of Music Ministries, at tlim@churchofsaintann.net or 609-882-6491.

"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

OUR MINISTRIES

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, March 15

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Matt & Emily Franko
Eucharistic Minister: Bill & Joan Kearney, Tom
Glover, Loretta Hovanec, Mary Komjathy
Lector: Christine Franko & Michelle Jablonski
Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, March 16

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

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Catherine, Daniel & Timothy
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Eucharistic Minister: Helen Smith, Donna Lee
Kuebler, Nancy Rhodes, Aggie Green
Lector: Michael Rhodes
Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Saturday, March 22

7:00 PM – Easter Vigil

Altar Server: Ryan Allaire
Eucharistic Minister: Jim Dougherty, Tom
Glover, Teddi Hines, Bob Hoyer
Lector: Jeff & Mario Laurenti
Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, March 23

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Ryan Rizzuto
Eucharistic Minister: David & Susan Rimili,
Maria Salamandra, Linda Teresky
Lector: Patrick Rizzuto
Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Sunday, March 23

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Celines Rivera
Eucharistic Minister: Dolores Lemole, Colette
Royal, Ann Barbadore
Lector: Catie Royal
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.