



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,
Established in 1814

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MAY 3RD & 4TH, 2008

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS: MONDAY, TUESDAY,
WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY - 12:10 P.M.
(NO MASS THURSDAY - 12:10 P.M.)

HOLY DAY VIGIL: - 5:15 P.M.
HOLY DAY MASS: - 12:10 P.M.

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 5:15 P.M.
SUNDAY MASSES: 9:00 A.M. & 11:15 A.M.

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

ROSARY: WEDNESDAY - 12:30 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.

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 4, 2008**

“Now this is eternal life, that they should know You, the only true God, and the One whom You sent, Jesus Christ ... I pray for them. I do not pray for the world but for the ones You have given Me, because they are Yours and everything of Yours is Mine, and I have been glorified in them.”

The priestly prayer of Jesus reveals His union with the Father and His concern for us. The words of St. John summon us to ask “How well do I know Jesus?” I know a lot about Jesus through the gospels and my history as a disciple. Jesus is not telling us to know about Him, but to experience Him in the depths of our hearts. Eternal life began for me at my Baptism. I have been called to grow in that life, through my celebration of the sacraments, my life of prayer, and my study of the Scriptures. My goal, to repeat with St. Paul: “I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me.” That is eternal life. How well do I know Him?

I also learn today that I am the object of Jesus’ prayer. The many times I have seen Him at prayer in the gospel accounts – before His public ministry began, before selecting the apostles, before suffering the passion – I find one absorbed in prayer. Today I discover Him praying for me. He discloses His reason, because we belong to Him. Because we are one with Jesus, our prayer for others takes on new significance.

How often we find people saying “I will pray for you.” How frequently people ask “Please pray for me.” We might seem surprised at such a request, but all of us are the instruments God uses to reveal eternal life to others and to pray for others as Jesus prayed for us, who read these words at this very moment.



SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading: Acts 1:12-14

After Jesus ascended into heaven, the eleven apostles returned to Jerusalem and prayed in the upstairs room. With them were some women and Mary, the mother of Jesus.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 4:13-16

Christians are exhorted to rejoice in suffering because through suffering, they share in the life of Christ.

Gospel: John 17:1-11a

This is a continuation of Jesus’ prayer at the Last Supper. He tells the Father that he has made his name known, that he has finished the work his Father has given him, and that he wishes now to share in the glory at his side.

READINGS AND CELEBRATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1, 12-14; 1 Pt 4, 13-16; Jn 17, 1-11a

Monday

Acts 19, 1-8; Jn 16, 29-33

Tuesday

Acts 20: 17-27; Jn 17, 1-11a

Wednesday

Acts 20, 28-38; Jn 17, 11b-19

Thursday

Acts 22, 30; 23, 6-11; Jn 17, 20-26

Friday

Acts 25, 13b-21; Jn 21, 15-19

Saturday

Acts 28, 16-20. 30-31; Jn 21, 20-25

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
Lance Corporal 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: Gerri Nabinger (4), Susan McLuckie (3), Maria Rodriguez (3), Helen Smith (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, and Ann Emmons 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: Tom Walter (1), Joseph Colombo (2), Marie Vernon (2), Carla Diaz (2), Deacon Joseph Malloy (3), Maurice Rizziello (4), Pamela Vallimont (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
April 26th & 27th
\$5,794.00
` Thank You `**

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, MAY 3

5:15 P.M.

- Margaret Persichetti r/o Nicholas & Ann Persichetti
- Catherine Glass r/o Michael Glass

SUNDAY, MAY 4

9:00 A.M.

- Diana L. Amoroso r/o husband, Carl
- Diana L. Amoroso r/o Sheila Allen

11:15 A.M.

- People of the Parish
- Ann Kostura r/o Anna Maria Kostura

MONDAY, MAY 5

12:10 P.M.

- Andrew Hritzko r/o Gasson Family
- Helen Medwick r/o Civil Practice Division

TUESDAY, MAY 6

12:10 P.M.

- Joseph Hovanec r/o Elaine & Stuart Davis
- Terrence Davidson r/o Quinn-Gordon Family

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7

12:10 P.M.

- Edward Gasson r/o Gasson Family
- Marion Boardman r/o Family

THURSDAY, MAY 8

No Mass

FRIDAY, MAY 9

12:10 P.M.

- Diana L. Amoroso r/o husband, Carl
- Anastasi Ellis r/o Olivia, Dolores & Martin Tinson & Nort

SATURDAY, MAY 10

5:15 P.M.

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

SUNDAY, MAY 11

9:00 A.M.

- Diana L. Amoroso r/o husband, Carl
- Anne Hritzko r/o Gasson Family

11:15 A.M.

- Lucy Diaz r/o Carmen Solano
- Ann Kostura r/o Anna Marie Kosturo

ACTIVITIES AT THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Dear Family of Sacred Heart~

Please accept my heartfelt thanks to our Pastor, Fr. Dennis and to each and every one of you whose presence, prayers and gracious thoughtfulness made Sunday's Anniversary Celebration so special, so meaningful.

Your most generous gifts are being donated to Sacred Heart's Lord's Table and Food Distribution ministries. Thank you ~ Thank you!

Most of all and always my prayerful gratitude and appreciation for the loving friendship we share together here in our beloved Sacred Heart. This I truly treasure.

*In Christ's Love,
Father Toomey*

To the Parishioners of Sacred Heart,

You are all cordially invited to attend my Diaconate Ordination Mass at 10 a.m. on May 24th, 2008 at Our Lady Star of the Sea in Long Branch, N.J. I will be ordained a transitional Deacon along with Tom Vala & Joel Wilson.

Because of your prayerful support and God's grace I will enter my final year of seminary studies this fall before Ordination to the Priesthood in the Spring of 2009. I am grateful for the many blessings bestowed upon me while serving at Sacred Heart in the summer of 2006. You continue to remain dear to me and in my prayers as well.

With heartfelt thanks & praise,
Jack Bogacz

AROUND THE DIOCESE

Notre Dame High School

Hoop Stars Basketball Camp for boys of ages 8-14 will be held at Notre Dame High School this summer. Camp weeks include July 7-11 (ages 8-13); July 21-25 (ages 8-14); June 25-27 (clinic, ages 8-14). For more information, call 609-332-1505 or visit www.hoopstarscamp.com.

St. Raphael-Holy Angels Parish

"Transformation in the Holy Spirit"
A Charismatic Prayer Meeting will be held at St. Raphael Parish in Hamilton on May 4th – 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

**Our Lady of Sorrows School
Vendor Craft Fair**

Saturday, May 31st from 9 am – 2 pm
Approximately 50 vendors
No Admission fee
Food, beverages, Kettle Corn, Handmade Chocolates, Face Painting, Airbrush Tattoos, Door Prizes and fun for all!

CONGRATULATIONS

Our prayerful congratulations to the children of our parish who will receive their First Eucharist this weekend at the 11:15 mass. We welcome you to the Table of the Lord, as we share in the unity of Communion.

THANK YOU

As our Religious Education Program come to an end for this academic year, we wish to express our sincere gratitude to all our catechist and classroom helper throughout the year. You have shared your wisdom and knowledge with the children of our parish and more importantly your Faith. Our special thanks to Linda Teresky and Donna Lee-Kuebler, our program coordinators for their countless hours of dedication to the children.

THANK YOU

Thank you to all participated in the Anniversary Liturgy and social last weekend. It was a wonderful experience for all of us and certainly a great display of Family here at Sacred Heart.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 3

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Anella, Mark & Torey Anderson,
Loughery DeMille

Eucharistic Minister: Anne DeMille, Karen &
Sam Farruggio, Patricia Hartanowicz,

Lector: Tom Glover

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, May 4

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Suzanne Carpenter, Emily Franko
Kate Hickey

Eucharistic Minister: Christine Franko, Maribeth
Hardiman, Susan Smith, Judy Vernon

Lector: Denning Smith

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, May 4

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Ryan Allaire, Anthony Milazzo,
Brigid Quinn-Gordon, Celines Rivera

Eucharistic Minister: Maria Milazzo, Aggie
Green, Carmen Milazzo, Teddi Hines

Lector: Catie Royal

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Saturday, May 10

5:15 PM

Altar Server: Maggie Marchok, Kate, Sam &
Mary Webb, Daniel & Jayson Yurcho

Eucharistic Minister: Jim Dougherty, Tom
Glover, Teddi Hines, Bob Hoyer

Lector: Margot Rick

Presider: Fr. Dennis

Sunday, May 11

9:00 AM

Altar Server: Matt & Patrick Gibbons, Tom
Zamerowski

Eucharistic Minister: Mary Ann Hoch, Maria
Salamandra, Carmella Staub, Maureen
Zuech, Maribeth Hardiman

Lector: Robin Haynes

Presider: Msgr. Toomey

Sunday, May 11

11:15 AM

Altar Server: Angelina & Liz Ferrara, Tara Law
Ryan Rizzuto

Eucharistic Minister: Linda Teresky, Maria
Milazzo, Colette Royal, Jeanne Scarpato

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.