

# THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

*Oldest Catholic Parish in New Jersey,  
Established in 1814*

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**DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2006**

## STAFF

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**Ms. Helen Smith**  
PARISH RECEPTIONIST

## LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass: Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. - 12:10 p.m.

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:15 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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday: 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 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, loved at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

## My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

### FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

“The days are coming says the Lord ... May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we have for you, so as to strengthen your hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His holy ones. Amen.”

How many Christmas cards will you receive this year? How many are you prepared to send? Whatever the greeting, whether secular or spiritual, none can match the words Paul wrote to his friends. Advent is such a brief period, spent with much rushing and not enough anticipation, filled with activity with little time to rest and reflect.

Do yourself a favor. Reread the message of Paul. Allow it to be more than a greeting. May it be the prescription you use to live these few weeks of prayerful expectation. Certainly you love those to whom you send greetings. May it increase and be expressed in your prayer for them. You are generous toward others, may this generosity abound in your concern for those who need to know Christ's love.

May you be strong in carrying out your plans for Advent, to be blameless in holiness. May these plans include time for prayer, for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, to be spotless in His sight. May you look for oneness with others to share the coming of Christ this December 2006.

Jeremiah said the “days are coming” and now they are upon us. It is the season of Advent. Three simple words, the closing words of the Bible can be the mantra we use each day during this season to fulfill Paul's greeting to his friends “Come Lord Jesus.” How anxious am I to have Him come with His grace, His presence, His peace? “Yes, Come Lord Jesus!” What plan do I have to spiritually live this Advent? At what time each day do I expect to be at prayer?

May the Lord continue to bless us all as we begin a fervent preparation for the coming of the Christ Child.

*Fr. Mick*

Fr. Mick Lambeth  
Pastor

### FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### First Reading: Jeremiah 33: 14-16

The Lord tells of fulfilling the promise he had made to Israel. He will send a replacement for David, someone who "shall do what is right and just in the land," believed by most to mean Jesus.

#### Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2

Paul encourages the Thessalonians to be ready for the coming of the Lord. He explains that although they are conducting themselves in a way that would please God, they should always strive to do even better.

#### Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Jesus warns his followers to be prepared for the end of the world. He reminds them not to be preoccupied with unimportant events, or they will be caught unaware rather than being on watch as they should.



Pray for all who are seriously ill, especially for Charles and Betty Funk, Mary Louise Chatten, Winona McCool, Eleanor Wiles, Baby Julian Stefanics, Baby Ryan C. Forester, and our brothers and sisters at South Village: Romano Tirali, Harley Green, Agnes Carlidge, Nora Surillo, Cora Barnes, Sherry Steller, Rosalee Davis, Ann Newton, Debbie Yash, Paula Bennett, Chaqui Candelario, Margarita Rivera, Christopher Drombuski, Constance Peroni, Elaine Mantuano, Helen Jones, Katie LaSala, that they will receive hope and health and be comforted in their suffering by our Lord, we pray to the Lord.

For all those who have gone before us in death, especially, for Michael Gibbons, Sr. Doris Viola Besch, Eliseo Castro, Rev. Ernest Siska, Richard S. Hawes, Ann Marie Dickson, Ann Feher, Ned Willever, Robert Bolge, Steve Bolge, Hank Casey, Elenor Reilly, Dick Riley, Dick Wendlet, Adele Forte, Elaorie Kvieling, Bob Anderson, and deceased members of Bentz and Casey Families, that they will be embraced in the love of the Lord for all eternity, we pray to the Lord.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2006

#### VIGIL: 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF ADVENT

- 5:15 P.M.** – People of the Parish  
- Karl O. Krueger & all Living and Deceased  
members of the Krueger Family  
r/o Eileen A. Krueger

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2006

#### 1<sup>ST</sup> WEEK OF ADVENT

- 9:00 A.M.** – Antolino Vasquez r/o Manuela Ortiz  
- Jean Bartolomei Manfredi  
r/o Joe & Doris Horan
- 11:15 A.M.** – Gerald Rhodes r/o Michael Rhodes  
- Dorothy Gomeringer r/o Daughter, Joy  
Wilson

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2006

#### JOHN OF DAMASCUS, PRIEST

- 12:10 P.M.** – John Stephen Callery r/o John Callery  
- James J. Tierney r/o Joe & Doris Horan

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2006

- 12:10 P.M.** – Lionel Augustus Ellis, Sr.  
r/o Augustine Ellis  
- Betty Palmisano r/o Rev. Mick Lambeth  
& the Church of the Sacred Heart Family

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2006

#### ST. NICHOLAS, BISHOP

- 12:10 P.M.** – Hustak & Debnarik Families r/o Family  
- Holy Souls in Purgatory r/o Linda Teresky

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2006

#### VIGIL: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

- 5:15 P.M.** - Peter Kochis r/o Anna Sujanski & Family  
- James Tierney r/o Bob Costantini

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2006

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

- 12:10 P.M.** – Terry & Patricia Applegate  
r/o Marie & Bob Murphy  
- Alice Greb r/o Alan & Robin Anspaugh

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2006

#### VIGIL: 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 5:15 P.M.** – Helen & George Cook  
r/o Vera & Ed Cuskley  
- Francis Gomeringer r/o Daughter, Joy Wilson

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2006

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

- 9:00 A.M.** – Lucille A. Fisher r/o Family  
- Frank & Mary Bruno r/o Family
- 11:15 A.M.** – Gerald V. Rhodes r/o Michael Rhodes  
- John & Ann Feehan r/o Doris Feehan

## INFORMATION

Dear Sacred Heart Family

Here is an update on the activities our CCD programs are working on as projects for this year. All are acts of mercy:

Grades K-3 are collecting pennies for the Trenton ASPCA, which will deliver at the end of the CCD year in May 2007

Grades 4th, 5th and the Confirmation Classes are collecting food and items for the Popcorn Park Zoo, which we will deliver the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

The entire Confirmation Class will be working a Lord's Table as a community service project.

All of the children will help in some way with the Christmas pageant this year, which will be held on January 7, 2007 during the 11:15 AM Mass.

All of the children are doing very well and I think enjoying their classes. If anyone would like to visit our classes, please contact Wanda or myself to set up the Sunday.

Thanks to all, especially all of our teachers and of course Father Mick and Wanda.

Thank you,  
Donna Lee- Kuebler, DRE



*Congratulation to the Family, Godparents  
and the Newly Baptized*

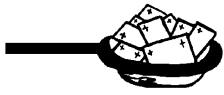
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### THE GIVING TREE

Last chance to share your Christmas spirit with members of our local community who will have a nicer holiday because of your generosity! Add a Christmas wish from the Giving Tree to your shopping list this week. Next weekend, return the gift wrapped with the paper ornament securely attached.

### CHRISTMAS LUMINARIES

Half Gallon plastic containers are needed for our Christmas Eve luminaries. We are in need of 100 or more half gallon plastic milk or clear plastic juice containers to be used as lanterns along the sidewalks outside our church. (Paper bags were found to be hard to manage in the wind last year!) Please bring your rinsed half gallon containers and place them in the box in the vestibule of the church. Thanks so much!



## Church of the Sacred Heart

Weekly Collection

\$ 6,150.50

### MILITARY PRAYER LIST

*Pray for our brothers and sisters that our Lord gives them strength and love to serve and protect. Amen.*

*Especially for:*

Lieutenant Colonel Race Roberson, USMC  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Will Applegate, USMC  
 Sgt. Robert W. Stolz, USMC  
 Sgt. Ryan Mc Sorley, USMC  
 Sgt. Gared Housal, USA  
 Staff Sgt. Raymond Housal, USA  
 Staff Sgt. Mirta Sanchez, ROTC  
 Sgt. Robert Colella, 1<sup>st</sup> Class, USA  
 Lance Corporal William Sinnett, USMC  
 Private Robert A Costantini Jr., USA  
 Private Christopher Poinsett, USMC  
 Private Ryan Scharky PFC, USMC

If you know of someone that you would like to place on the military prayer list, please e-mail to [wreyes@trentonsacredheart.org](mailto:wreyes@trentonsacredheart.org).

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Have you seen our Christmas Cards? Samples are located in the vestibule and you can purchase a box of 16 for only \$15.00. Sacred Heart Christmas Cards are being sold in the Vestibule. For further information, please contact the Parish Office at (609) 393-2801 at ext. 1.

### CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART ADVENT CONCERT

You are cordially invited to the Advent Concert here at the Church of the Sacred Heart on December 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. Performers will be many. Free will offering will be accepted for the Food Pantry.

*Come, all ye faithful, as we begin our Advent Season.*

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We will have sign up sheets at the door for volunteers who will be needed for the Parish Mission. We will need ushers, escorts and greeters. There will be a sign up sheet in the Vestibule. Please sign up and help. If you are able to help, please contact the Parish Office at (609) 393-2801 at extension 1.

### PARISH ADVENT MISSION

#### SPIRITUAL MEDITATION

Sat., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2006 at 5:15 p.m. Mass

Sun., Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 2006

9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Mass

Daily Mass

Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> to Wed., Dec 13<sup>th</sup>.

12:10 p.m.

#### EVENING MISSION

7:00 p.m.

Mon., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> thru Wed., Dec 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Should you need assistance in the parking lot, escorts will be available during our evening retreat.**

**Mission will end on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> with a Mass at 7:00 p.m.**

### YEARLY CANDLES

Just a reminder for 2006, all parishioners who would like to continue to have their memorial candles for the coming year, please contact the Parish Office for your renewal.

### AROUND THE DIOCESE

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Boys and Girls Club of Trenton, located at 212 Centre Street (near Sacred Heart), are in need of volunteers to assist children in their after school program with their homework.

If you are interested in volunteering or are looking for more information about this outreach program, please contact Chris Franko at 215-428-1245 or email at [cfranko@trentonsacredheart.org](mailto:cfranko@trentonsacredheart.org).

### ST. PETER BY THE SEA 2006 CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Tour of the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea  
 Priest-Conductor: Rev. Alphonse Stephenson and his Full Symphony Orchestra featuring the Three Tenors.  
 Sponsored by the St. Francis Medical Center Foundation will be on December 5<sup>th</sup>, beginning with a dinner in Msgr. Toomey Hall at 5:00 P.M. and Concert following at 7:30 P.M. here at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Trenton, NJ. Price for concert ticket is \$40.00; for dinner and concert ticket will be \$100.00. For tickets and further information, please contact Cherrie at (690) 599-5659.

## OUR MINISTRIES

### Pastor and Vocation Director

Rev. Mick Lambeth (609) 393-2801  
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### Seminarians (609) 393-2801

Mr. Chris Bardsley Mr. Ed Bulger  
Mr. Joseph DiGianni Mr. Matt Riedlinger

### Religious Education

Mrs. Donna Lee Kuebler (609) 971-0185  
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### The Lord's Table:

Food Pantry and Monthly Meals  
Joe and Loretta Hovanec (215) 295-6902

### Director of Music

Ms. Kelly Dunn (609) 558-1966

### RCIA

Wanda Reyes (609) 393- 2801  
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### Parish Council

Mr. David J. Rimili (609) 468-7805  
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Mr. Michael Rhodes (609) 671-0539  
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### Ministry Coordinator: Altar Servers, Readers, & Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Rev. Mick Lambeth (609) 393-2801  
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### Ministry Schedule Coordinator:

Mrs. Johanna Schino (609) 585-3168

### Pre-Baptism Coordinator

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### Parish Receptionist

Helen Smith (609) 393-2801

### Parish Administrative Assistant

Wanda Reyes (609) 393-2801 Fax (609) 989-8997  
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### Vocations Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Maureen Sano (609) 393-2801  
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## MASS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2006

**5:15 P.M.** Rev. Msgr. Leonard Toomey  
**Altar:** Olivia Kylander, Brigid Quinn-Gordon  
**Server:** Katelyn Reilly  
**E.M.:** Jim Dougherty, Rosanne Hirsch  
**Lector:** Tom Glover

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2006

**9:00 A.M.** Rev. Mick Lambeth  
**Altar** Elizabeth Kitts  
**Server:** Tom Zamerowsk  
**E.M.:** Linda Teresky, Mary Ann Hoch  
**Lector:** Robin Haynes

**11:15 A.M.** Rev. Mick Lambeth  
**Altar** Ryan Allaire, Selene Rivera  
**Server:** Will Royal  
**E.M.:** Maria Milazzo, Helen Smith  
**Lector:** Bo Royal

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2006

**5:15 P.M.** Rev. Mick Lambeth  
**Altar** Loughery DeMille, Daniel Yurcho  
**Server:** Jayson Yurcho  
**E.M.:** Rosanne Hirsch, Susan Smith  
**Lector:** Denning Smith

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2006

**12:10 P.M.** Rev. Msgr. Leonard Toomey  
**Altar Server:** Seminarians  
**E.M.:** Helen Smith  
**Lector:** Linda Teresky

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2006

**5:15 P.M.** Rev. Mick Lambeth  
**Altar:** Emily Franko, Matt Franko,  
**Server:** Kate Webb  
**E.M.:** Karen Farruggio, Sam Farruggio  
**Lector:** Christine Franko

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2006

**9:00 A.M.** Rev. Msgr. Leonard Toomey  
**Altar** Catherine Silvermail, Daniel Silvermail  
**Server:** Timothy Silvermail  
**E.M.:** Carol McDonough, Judy Vernon  
**Lector:** Jack McDonough

**11:15 A.M.** Rev. Mick Lambeth  
**Altar** Angelina Ferrara, Liz Ferrara  
**Server:** Caroline Royal  
**E.M.:** Ann Barbadore, Jose R. Diaz  
**Lector:** Llew Royal

# *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.

Today, Rev. Mick Lambeth, the sixteenth pastor of the Parish, celebrates with a vibrant and growing community. Still attracting parishioners from surrounding areas of New Jersey and Pennsylvania, the Church of the Sacred Heart still has as 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.