SACRED HEART OF JESUS PARISH

63 East Main Street - Rockaway, New Jersey 07866

PARISH OFFICE

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Leave a message and your call will be returned promptly.

Email: SHRectory@gmail.com

Website: sacredheartrockaway.org

Hours: Monday - Thursday, 2:00 - 5:00 pm

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NEW PARISHIONERS

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish welcomes new parishioners to register at any time.

Please call the Rectory, or stop by Monday - Thursday, 2:00 - 5:00 pm.

EUCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday Evening: 5:00 pm
Sunday Morning: 8:30 & 10:00 am
Weekday Mass: Monday - Friday, 12:00 noon
1st Friday Devotion at 6:30 pm *(No noon Mass)*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 4:15 - 4:45 pm

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is administered weekly at the 10:00 am Mass and a Baptismal Ceremony at 11:15 am. To schedule a Baptism, please call the Rectory at 973-627-0422. Families are required to be active, contributing parishioners of Sacred Heart Parish for two months prior to the child's baptism date.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

All couples preparing for marriage should make arrangements one year in advance. The date should not be set until the priest has been consulted.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Urgent calls will be attended to at any time of the day or night. If there is anyone at home or in the hospital who cannot get to Mass and the Sacraments because of illness or old age, please inform one of the priests or call the rectory. EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER (862) 251-3914

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, or any baptized Catholic who would like to prepare for Eucharist, Confirmation or desire full initiation into the Roman Catholic Church should contact the Rectory.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Parishioners are welcomed, encouraged, and needed to fulfill any of the Liturgical Ministries: Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Usher, Cantor and Musician, contact the rectory office at 973-627-0422.

SACRED HEART WOMEN'S SOCIETY

All women of the parish are welcomed to join! For more information, please call the rectory office at 973-627-0422.

It is the mission of the women of faith of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church to assist in strengthening the spiritual growth of all parishioners by creating a spirit of friendship, hospitality and community service.

The Baptism of the Lord
January 9, 2022
LITURGY SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sunday, January 9– Baptism of the Lord
5:00 p.m. – Mary Polinak req. by Ralph J. & Laura M. Polinak
8:30 a.m. – Joe Acree Jr. req. by the Maulbeck family
10:00 a.m. –Cynthia Connington req. by her family
11:30 a.m. – Polish Mass
Monday, January 10- Weekday
12:00 p.m. – For the Intention of healing for Mary Teller req. by the Nelson family
Tuesday, January 11- Weekday
12:00 p.m. – For the Intention of protection of our healthcare workers
Wednesday, January 12– Weekday
12:00 p.m. – For the People of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish
Thursday, January 13–Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
12:00 p.m. –James & Ethel Gorman
Friday, January 14– Weekday
12:00 p.m. – Ronnie Abrams
Sunday, January 15– Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
5:00 p.m. – Anne Nazarro req. by Michele & Alison Suto
8:30 a.m. – Tom Skutka req. by Bob & Lucy Rovegno
10:00 a.m. – Steve Di Gregorio req. by the Rosati family
12:00 p.m. – Latin Mass

Joe Acree Jr.
Requested by: The Maulbeck family

Sacred Heart Church
Collection Goals - 2021/2022

Christmas:		**$5470.00**
Week Ending	**12/26/2021:**	**$1,626.50**
Week Ending	**1/2/2022:**	
Collection - Cash & Checks:		$1,594.00
WeShare - Electronic Giving:		$ 878.00
Total Weekly Collection:		$ 2,472.00
Yearly Collection Goal (Budget):		**$203,500.00**
Weekly Goal:		**$ 3,676.47**
Weekly Collection Surplus (Deficit)		**($1,204.47)**
Year To Date Surplus (Deficit)		**($30,330.71)**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS IN THE MILITARY:
Nicholas DelCore, Air Force Captain Jessica L. Rotile-Rudo, Kenneth Rudo: Warrant Officer 1, Justin D. Gosden PVT 2 PFC,

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: *Doug Bansch, Maria Acevedo, TJ Schoudel, Capt. Adam Cowan, USA, Julio Soto, Ben Marvilla, Michelle Monslave, Amelia Marie Cayea, Mary Therese Loftus, Sharon Bauer, Jose Prado, Arlene Berlin, Marge Vogel, Efrain Gonzalez, Amanda Villarubia, Mary & Pat Skelly, John Skutka, William McBurney Anne& Richard Riordan, Linda Hoffman,, Mike Izzo, Edward Frame, Adam Hayward, Carol Centonze, Carol Ann Boyle, Jessica Gorman, John Krause, Ethan Chandra, Dorothy Murray, Carlos Carbajal, Miguel Fojas, Mary Merz, Joe Maulbeck, Ariel, James DiStaiso, Robyne LaGrotta, MaryAnn Eleuteri, Andrea Najduch, Martha Salvesen, Jimmy Buckley, Craig Huffman, Lucy Rovegno, William Doyle, Msgr. George Dudak, Mario Dugonjic, Elmer Maximo, Andrea Jones, Keith Newman, Sue Fuco, Bob Nielsen.*

PARISH POLICY –PLEASE NOTE: All Catholic families living within the parish boundaries are encouraged to register as members. Registration has many benefits, and in particular facilitates any arrangements for baptisms, marriages, sponsors, etc. Please contact the rectory at 973-627-0422

Divine Mercy Academy: Divine Mercy Academy in Rockaway is a Catholic elementary school offering a comprehensive Pre-K through 8th grade faith-based education. We offer full-day Kindergarten; full & half day Pre-K; after-care; STEM-based education; School Counselor; foreign language; music programs; extracurricular activities; and are AdvancED accredited. We are currently providing full-day, in-person instruction, with a livestreamed remote learning option.
Our mission is to provide an academically excellent Catholic education, and to instill within our students the virtues of mercy and compassion, forming them as true disciples of Jesus Christ. If you would like more information, please call 973-627-6003 or email office@dmarockaway.org.

Gift Cards are available for purchase through the school, after the masses, or the rectory office. Please help support this painless fund-raiser for our school, Divine Mercy Academy! Thank you

Men's Cornerstone XXII Retreat **"Come Follow Me "Come Follow Me**!" on a 24-hour experience that brings our faith to life. Come listen to and reflect upon experiences that demonstrate how God is present in our lives, how Christ is calling you, and how He is the Cornerstone. Come join us in this great opportunity to meet other men who seek a conversion of the heart and strengthening through the Holy Spirit. This will be one of the most rewarding investments that you will ever make! Just ask any man that has attended. **January 21 & 22, 2022 at Notre Dame of Mt. Carmel Church, Cedar Knolls, NJ** (Begins 5:30pm Friday evening and culminates at the Saturday 5pm Holy Mass)
Registration online: www.ndcarmel.com
or contact: Charles Malaniak: cemalaniak@gmail.com
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Food Collection: next weekend January 15 & 16. The food collected goes to the Rockaway Food Pantry which is located in the Presbyterian Church in Rockaway. Non- perishable foods such as cereal, tuna, rice, etc. Thank you for helping your neighbors in need.

Renovation Fund: Thank you to all that have donated towards the beautification of our church. The total collected to date is $13,267.00

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Baptism of Our Lord. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred on the occasion of His baptism in the Jordan.

The baptism of Jesus is reported in each of the three Synoptic Gospels—Matthew, Mark, and Luke. Clearly, it was an event of great significance for Jesus and for the early Christian community. The Evangelists Mark and Luke report the story from Jesus' perspective; the voice from heaven is addressed to Jesus. Compare this to Matthew's Gospel in which the voice from heaven speaks to everyone. In Luke, however, the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism. Through his Gospel, Luke will show Jesus to be a person of prayer who withdraws from the crowds and his disciples to pray to his Father. We need to know that Jesus did not need the baptism of John. John was baptizing as a call for repentance. Jesus had no need to repent. "The baptism of Jesus is on his part the acceptance and inauguration of his mission as God's suffering Servant. He allows himself to be numbered among sinners; he is already "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world." Already he is anticipating the "baptism" of his bloody death. Already he is coming to "fulfill all righteousness," that is, he is submitting himself entirely to his Father's will: out of love he consents to this baptism of death for the remission of our sins. The Father's voice responds to the Son's acceptance, proclaiming his entire delight in his Son. The Spirit whom Jesus possessed in fullness from his conception comes to "rest on him." Jesus will be the source of the Spirit for all mankind. At his baptism "the heavens were opened"—the heavens that Adam's sin had closed—and the waters were sanctified by the descent of Jesus and the Spirit, a prelude to the new creation." (CCC 536)

In His Baptism, the Lord openly accepted His mission to redeem mankind through His suffering. Let us recommit ourselves to our mission that the Lord gave to us at our own baptisms: To live and die for Jesus who lived and died for us.

Fr. Pawel

Knights of Columbus Council #514 will be distributing roses after masses on January 8 & 9. Donations received will go to Right to Life and other Pro-Life Organizations.

Respect Life Corner: We ask for your prayers and support as we mark the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, 49 years ago: A Rally for Life will take place on Friday, Jan. 14th at the State House Annex (outside) 145 West State St., Trenton Rally at 11:00 am with a March for Life immediately following through the streets of Trenton. Please e-mail NJRTL if you plan to attend at feedback@njrtl.org or call 732-562-0562. A Holy Hour for Life will take place at St. Mary's Church, Denville, from 12:30 – 1:30pm on Friday, Jan. 21st the 49th Anniversary of the Roe v. Wade decision as a day of prayer to end abortion.

ROCKAWAY RIGHT TO LIFE MARCH – The annual Rockaway Right to Life March will take place on Saturday, January 29th. The event begins with the celebration of the Holy Mass in St. Cecilia's Church at 8 o'clock in the morning followed by coffee and a brief program in Hayes Hall. Participant will then walk around Park Lake praying the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary and return to Hayes hall for a final prayer. Each year this event grows with young people, families and people of good will from other communities. Please join us in promoting the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death by participating in this local event.

The Compassionate Friends-Parsippany Chapter; A Self-Help group for bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents, will be meeting on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at St. Christopher Church, 1050 Littleton Road (Route 202), Parsippany @ 7:30 pm in Room 101. Program for January 13, 2022: "Learning To Cope In The New Year". For more information please call Lily Capriglione at: 973-568-4164 or email: lilycap1972@gmail.com

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Isaiah tells of the Lord's Servant, who will be inconspicuous, but will not rest until justice is established. The Lord then tells his servant that he was formed to be "a light for the nations."

Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38

Peter speaks to a group of pagans for the first time. He explains to them that any person who follows God's will is acceptable to God, regardless of nationality.

Gospel: Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

John the Baptist had claimed one would come far more powerful than himself, one who would baptize with the Holy Spirit rather than water. When Jesus came to John and was baptized, the Spirit descended on him and a voice said, "You are my beloved Son. On you my favor rests."

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