

Sacred Heart Church



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Parish Office Hours: Monday through Friday 9am to 4pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 7:30am, 9:30am Live Stream, 11:30am

Weekday: Mon.-Fri. 7:00am & 8:30am

Saturday: 8:30am

Confessions

Saturday: After 8:30am Mass

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Parish Registration

Our Parish family gladly welcomes new members. Please register at your earliest convenience by filling out a blue Registration Form located on the rack near the Altar Servers Sacristy in the vestibule of the Church or contacting Michele O'Toole, the Parish Secretary, by phone or [email](#) to have a Form sent to you.

The Sacrament of Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is usually celebrated on Sunday at 1PM but other times and days are possible. We encourage parents who wish to have their child baptized to contact Michele by phone or [email](#) to have a Baptism Information packet mailed to you.

Once the Baptism Preparation session is attended, the Baptism Request Form completed and the Godparent Eligibility Certificates sent to the Parish House, a date for your child's Baptism can be set.

Baptismal Preparation

Catholic Godparents are required to complete an Eligibility Certificate and have the Certificate signed and sealed by the Pastor of the parish where they are currently registered and practicing their faith.

Sacred Heart offers a Baptismal Preparation Session required for all parents preparing for their child's Baptism. The date and time for this Session is arranged at the convenience of the parents and the Priest or Deacon who will minister the Sacrament.

Sacramental Sponsorship Letter

This is a form required to be a Godparent or Sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. To receive this form from the Pastor of their parish, the Church requires the following:

- Must be at least 16 years of age.
- Received the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation.
- If married, be in a valid sacramental marriage according to the laws of the Catholic Church.
- Be a registered and practicing member of a Catholic Parish.

The Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples who wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony at our Parish are asked to contact Michele O'Toole, the Parish Secretary by phone or [email](#). Arrangements are to be made at a meeting with the Pastor at least a year in advance of the requested date.

At least one person should be a registered member of the parish. All couples are required to attend Pre-Cana Sessions and a number of meetings with the priest or Deacon who will preside at the Wedding Mass/Ceremony

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Any Catholic who is seriously ill, advanced in age or wishes to receive the comfort and grace provided by this Sacrament may contact Michele O'Toole by phone or [email](#). In case of an urgent need for this sacrament please call our emergency number at 609-267-8940.

Care of the Sick, Homebound and Elderly:

The sick, the homebound and the elderly are valued members of our Parish. Please contact Merry Marcellino, our Coordinator of Ministries by phone or [email](#) to see how we may be of assistance.

Funerals

In all cases, the family of the deceased parishioner should contact the Funeral Home. They, in turn, will contact the Church to make further arrangements. Normally, a member of our Parish Staff will then contact the family to plan the Liturgy and provide any other assistance.

For information regarding our Parish Cemetery, please contact Paula Powell our Cemetery Manager by phone or [email](#).

Bulletin Articles

Articles for the Bulletin need to be submitted **No Later than Friday (9 days prior)** to appear the next weekend.

Please email bulletin

bulletins@sacredheartmh.org

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Masses for the Week
October 6th – October 13th

MONDAY

7:00am **Matthew J. Norton** Req. By Deacon Bill Rowley

8:30am **The Special Intentions of Elvira Palmer** Req. By Sacred Heart Altar Rosary

TUESDAY

7:00am **Matthew J. Norton** Req. By Linda Wolfram

8:30am **Vincent Caruso, Sr.** Req. By Donna Guyre

WEDNESDAY

7:00am **Bret Smith** Req. By Tommy Faherty

8:30am **Vincent Caruso, Sr.** Req. By Michelle Schultz

THURSDAY

7:00am **Inez Makara** Req. By Pepita Mercado

8:30am **Nyda Rodriguez** Req. By Simon Family

FRIDAY

7:00am **Daniel Sewnig** Req. By Joanna Barlow & Family

8:30am **Vince Caruso, Sr.** Req. By Pat Budd

SATURDAY

8:30am **Clara Hansel** Req. By The Hansel Family

Helen Essex Req. By Jim & Dottie Westlake

4:30pm **Jon Hall** Req. By The Lomax Family

SUNDAY

7:30am **Michael O’Leary** Req. By John Berkes & Karen Wajda

And **The People of the Parish**

9:30am **Margaret Farkas** Req. By Alice Farkas

11:30am **Gisele Mea** Req. By The Lomax Family

*The Devotional Candle in the
 Chapel of the Two Hearts*



*Will Light in Loving Memory of
 Clarence Williams*

Be one with Jesus in
Eucharistic Adoration



The Eucharistic Adoration – Come and spend time in the quiet with Our Lord in the Chapel of the Two Hearts located next to the Parish House.
 Our Chapel is open for you and Jesus to spend some time during the following hours:
Monday through Thursday
9:00am to 4:00pm
Friday 9am to 1pm

**READINGS FOR THE
 WEEK**



Monday Gal 1:6-12 Lk 10:25-37
Tuesday Gal 1:13-24 Lk 10:38-42
Wednesday Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 Lk 11:1-4
Thursday Gal 3:1-5 Lk 11:5-13
Friday Gal 3:7-14 Lk 11:15-26
Saturday Gal 3:22-29 Lk 11:27-28
Sunday Wis 7:7-11 Heb 4:12-13 Mk 10:17-30
 or 10:17-27

Children’s Worship Bulletins

Ages 3
https://sacredheartmh.org/documents/2024/9/pwb_gospel_bw_20241006.pdf

Ages 7
https://sacredheartmh.org/documents/2024/9/cwb_gospel_bw_20241006.pdf

GRATITUDE
 Your Parish Community is

GRATEFUL
 for your consistent contributions.

Dear Parishioners,
 The Parish Offerings for the weekends of

September 28th – 29th \$ 10, 943.28

Your generosity helps to support and sustain our Parish in so many ways.
 May God bless you for your thoughtfulness.

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Please remember in your prayers:

Dawn Panzitta, John Mehling, Aimee Buck,
Meghan Ivory, Sharon Astorino, Vickie Robles,
Aiden & Brady Scannell, Nayda Ramos,
Bob McDonald, Sharon Straehle,
Marcus & Carmen Vidal, Faith MacDonald,
Josephine Dwyer, Bobby Sumanga,
Martin & Diana Wintczak, Mary Barber,
Stephen Carbone, Tammy Rogers,
Richard & Janice Riehle, Tonya DeMaio,
Charles & Nancy Beckett, Connie Krzywicki
Sandy & Michael Grant, Brian Burgos,
Maureen Sampson, Irene & Richard Moken,
Barbara Hyer, Marianne O'Rourke, Clare Faber,
Ed White, Rose & Vincent LoCascio,
Dennis O'Donnell, Peggy Mahan, Lea Hodge,
Lloyd Shanahan, Pete Giambalvo, Josephine Nast,
Mary Sconza, Hank Hess, Madeleine Loffredo,
Dorothy Valeri, Catherine Verme, Bob Laraia,
Joan Cole, Liz Finn, Monica Fredrick,
Don Hartman, Noel M. Long, David Michael Benn,
Tammy Witt, Richard Dow, Frank Danley,
Ann Graff, Clarence Pugh, III, Theresa Matrisciano,
Jeanette McGhee, Frank Anton, Crystal Faber,
Carlyle Clark, Margaret Jeffers,

As a parish family, we remember all who are struggling or suffering in mind, body, or spirit, especially those who have requested our prayers.

Please pray for the men and women now serving in the military, especially the loved ones of our parishioners who are serving overseas:

Mason Alderman, FM Coast Guard
2nd Lt. Dennison Kelly, U. S. Army
Sgt. Vincent Paul Curcio, NJ Rev. Iraq
Capt. Chaplain Roberto Padilla U.S.A.F.
Sgt. Jason Brenner- U.S. Army
Anthony Dickenson, FCA3
Lt. Kurt Malinoski US Navy
LtCol Travis Aiello, USMC
Corporal Noah Stimiloski, U.S.M.C.
Maj. Karen Quintana, Army Reserve
Patrick Arpaia, TSgt. Paul J. Stoshak U.S.A.F.
Capt. Robert J. Boccio, U.S.A.F.
Douglas Schwenck, Army Reserve
Richard DeLorge U.S.M.C.
Peter Liedman, Dorinia Dibuono
Capt. James Rankin U.S.M.C.
SSgt. Daniel E. Naro, Sgt. Alison Lyport
Capt. Matthew Carr, U.S.M.C.
GySgt Sean Curran U.S.M.C

Wednesday October 8th the

2025 PARISH MASS BOOK will open

Our Mass Intentions Book for next year 2025, Mass Intentions can still be emailed to Michele at secretary@sacredheartmh.org

Any emailed intentions sent before the 8th will be placed in the book on the 8th, in the order they are received.

Remembering our deceased loved ones in a special way at Mass is a beautiful expression of faith in eternal life.

As you bring your intentions to the Parish Office please be mindful that there will be other parishioners who, throughout the year, may wish to remember their deceased loved ones and the special intentions of the living in the same way. Your understanding will be greatly appreciated.

Friends of Sacred Heart School

Country Line Dancing is coming up! Join us on Saturday, October 19th from 7 pm - 10 pm in the Sacred Heart Auditorium for a fun night of country line dancing with our friends from Delco Line Dancing! No experience and no partners needed - must be 21 or over to attend. To purchase tickets, go to our website at www.sacredheartmh.org/foshs. As always, all proceeds benefit Sacred Heart School!

Fall Fundraisers

Our Memorial Brick initiative is returning - you can find our hard copy forms with information in the church, and our online form on our website (above). All orders must be received by November 29th.

New for this year - Fritz's Sticky Buns sale - Choose from 5 delicious flavors and get 6 for \$13 or a dozen for \$25. Orders must be placed by November 10th, and pick-up is Wednesday, November 26th (just in time for Thanksgiving breakfast or dessert!). Hard copies of the order forms can be found in the church, and our online form can be found on our website.

Thank you for supporting SHS!

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Religious Education News!

The Diocese of Trenton has partnered with NCCL's Parents and Families at the Center of Faith Formation Project, and we are excited to be able to participate. It is a five-year grant-funded project that will work directly with 200 Catholic parishes in 20 cohorts across the United States and engage over 30,000 Catholic parents and their families by exploring how to strengthen faith transmission at home in the first two decades of life, and create parish communities that intentionally accompany and support parents and the whole family. [Click here for a full description.](#)

We invite our parish families to complete the Catholic Family Survey which will help our parish better understand your family and your life as a parent. The survey results are very important and will be used to create a parish plan for supporting parents of children and young people, and for engaging the whole family in faith formation - from birth through high school graduation. The survey will only take 8-10 minutes to complete. We appreciate your time and contribution! Please use this link or scan the code below:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/TrentonParentSurvey>

Survey QR Code



Are you interested in becoming a Santa Maria Columbiette?
We are a small group of friendly, hard-working women who support our Knights of Columbus and give support to our church and community. We also manage to have some fun! We meet monthly, the second Tuesday in the school library, at 7PM. If you are 18 or older and want to learn more:
CONTACT: JOANNE DAYWALT
215-206-9906 JMDAYWALT@COMCAST.NET

BIBLE STUDY CLASSES

We invite you to join us in our Little Rock Bible Study class this fall as we take up *Women in the Old Testament- Part One* The course runs for five weeks: Mondays from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. beginning October 7, in the Parish House Conference Room. There will not be class on October 14th or November 11th. A textbook with study guide will be distributed at the first class. There is a charge of \$13 for the material, payable at the first class. Please contact Merry Marcellino at (609) 267-0209 ext. 305 if you plan to attend

VOCATION PRAYER

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Lord Jesus, as you broke bread with your apostles you said, "Do this in memory of me." Lead young men to hear and respond to the call to speak these holy words at our Masses. Allow them to understand the importance of their answering your invitation to serve the Church here on earth. Open their minds to the necessity of offering their lives in service to you and your people. Guide your young people to a priest who may be able to show them true dedication to your Holy Word and Eucharist. We ask this through the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.
*Thank you
for praying for vocations.*
Thank you for praying for vocations.

OUR PROMISE TO PROTECT

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishops' Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors. If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who was, you can report that abuse through the diocesan Abuse Hotline: 1-888-296-2965 or via e-mail at abuseline@dioceseoftrenton.org The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with an allegation is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement authorities.

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Saint Vincent de Paul Society
 15th Annual

The Friends of the Poor Walk/Run
Saturday, October 19, 2024
 (Rain or Shine)

9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Location: Hainesport Walking Trail, Marne Highway, Hainesport

The Friends of the Poor Walk/Run began as a national program with the purpose of providing local Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) Conferences the additional funds to help support their special works projects. Today, that philosophy continues, with Conferences using the funds from this event to help local people living in poverty.

To register online as a walker and/or to make a donation, follow this link:

<https://events.idonate.com/fopwalk-sacred-heart-conference>

Click on the "Register to Walk" button and then click "Add" to register for a ticket. There is no cost to register. You may donate within the same screen by filling in the desired amount under "Donation." Note: Registration must be done on-line.

Donations can also be mailed directly to: St. Vincent de Paul, 260 High Street, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060. Checks should be made payable to St. Vincent de Paul. Please indicate "FOP Walk" on the check!

Please contact Kathy Weilbacher at 609-847-9885 (kweilbac@yahoo.com) or Lorraine DiGiacomo at 609-351-0047 (lud1956@yahoo.com) for more information. We invite you to join us in helping our local people living in poverty. Thank you!

spaghetti sauce, tuna, ramen, peas & Peanut Butter

Thank you for your continued support.

If you would like to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to: Society of St. Vincent de Paul
 Or scan our QR code for PayPal.

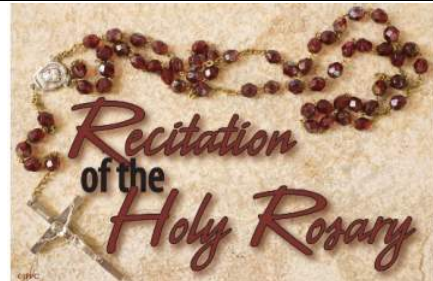


Donate to SVdP Mt. Holly

Right-To-Life Baby Shower



The Knights of Columbus, Santa Maria Council 1179, will be hosting their annual Right-To-Life Baby Shower after all masses the weekend of Oct 26th – Oct 27th. We will be graciously collecting all gifts for new babies and expectant mothers. Diapers, formula, new clothing, blankets, etc. Monetary donations are always welcome. Checks can be made payable to Knights of Columbus Council 1179. Thank you for your continued support to this wonderful program.



INVITATION FROM OUR LEGION OF MARY PRAYER GROUP

Every other Friday and every other Wednesday, the Legion of Mary hosts four decades of the rosary and Divine Mercy novena. All prayer gatherings will be after the 8:30am Mass in the Chapel of the Two Hearts located in the front of the parish house. There is an access door in the front of the building. The gatherings are as follows:

Wednesdays October 9, 23, November 6,20
Friday October 18, November 1, 15
 It will continue following the same schedule. All are welcome.

Please direct questions to Adele
 609-668-8664 or Maridel 609-871-0222

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VOLUNTEER CHAPLAIN AIDES and EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION are needed throughout the Virtua Health hospitals in Burlington and Camden Counties. There are openings for trained lay visitors every day of the week. Following a training and orientation process, an Aide may donate two to four hours each week to visit patients, offering them friendship and spiritual comfort, prayer and Holy Communion. Our next Chaplaincy orientation class is October 16th and October 18th from 8:00am to 5:00pm. To find out if volunteering is for you, please call or email for an information package with details of the training and the process to become a volunteer. For information in regards to volunteering at Virtua Burlington, Virtua Marlton, Virtua Mt. Holly and Virtua Voorhees, please contact Chaplain Janet Doyle, at 856-247-2729 or email jdoyle3@virtua.org



The Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary gave service to our school for many, many years. The Sisters are now inviting us to assist them by contributing \$25.00 and purchasing a chance to be entered in many drawings from October 2024 through June 2025, 300 drawings \$50 to \$1000. You will also be remembered in a monthly Mass for benefactors and in the prayers of the IHM Sisters. If you have not received your ticket in the mail, please contact Barb Stellwag, one of the faithful members of the Silver Circle, will be selling tickets from **now until October 7th**. Please call Barb if you would like to support this cause. Barb's phone number is **609-330-5304 or 609-702-1146**
Thank you for your kind support of the IHM Sisters

November 2, 2024
Living Rosary



Join us for an interactive LIVING ROSARY
 After the 8:30 am Mass at Sacred Heart
 Church, Mount Holly
 Nov. 2 is a DAY OF REMEMBRANCE for the
 faithful departed. Be a living bead as we recite
 the rosary.
ALL ARE WELCOME.



Travel Group News:
 Join us for inspiring information on our currently planned trips with our representative from Collette Tours. Do not miss out, join us October 17th at 6 PM in the Library to hear about the amazing trips we have planned and so much more. We have a great group of travelers that inspire us.. to keep exploring! Hope you will join in too.
 See you there!
 Any questions? Please call Terry Rensman
 609-284-2517

Offerings at Francis House of Prayer
 Trenton Diocesan Spiritual Center and Retreat House
 84 Walnford Road • Allentown, NJ 08501
 609-877-0509 or FHOP@verizon.net
 Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions and for our other offerings!
 All programs will be offered online and in-person unless otherwise indicated.

A SIMPLE LIFE-CHANGING PRAYER
 Tuesday, October 8 9:30 AM –1:00 PM
 Examen is a daily prayer practice designed to help you notice and enjoy God's presence in your everyday life. As you grow in its daily practice you will begin to be aware of God's presence everywhere. If you would like to end every day with gratitude and hope, please come to this one-day presentation on Ignatian Examen. It's no exaggeration to say that Examen changes everything. Donation: \$35 includes lunch/book. Zoom: \$20

HOLY TRINITY IS A COMMUNION OF LOVE
 Friday, October 11 9:30 AM –1:00 PM
 Together we delight in God's invitation "that all may be one" (John 17:21) in the communion and love of the Holy Trinity. Passages of the Gospel of St. John and Michael Gaitley's *The One Thing Is Three: How The Most Holy Trinity Explains Everything* will be used. Donation: \$25, includes lunch. Zoom: \$20

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Living the Good News Today

“All have one origin.”

While driving home last week, I passed the historic John Woolman house on Branch Street, where a large sign on their picket fence announced that the first Sunday of October was World Quaker Day. Knowing the history of the Quakers in our town and the annual celebration of this event, I checked the internet to see what the 2024 theme was. For their global celebration, the Society of Friends had chosen *“Living the Spirit of Ubuntu.”* The Zulu word *“Ubuntu”* declares *“I am one because we are one.”*

In their weaving document (tapestry) for the celebration, the Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) wrote, *“Ubuntu is about unity in our diversity. Our diversity is what makes us rich and vibrant: **we are all equal and beloved in Christ Jesus.**”* This keen focus on community was a compelling call to work for justice, finding peace through listening to the stories of others and healing for past injustices.

In his letter to the Hebrews, St. Paul describes the humility of Jesus in taking our human nature, with His willingness to suffer, so that we might learn the way of salvation: *“He who consecrates and those who are being consecrated **all have one origin.** Therefore, He is not ashamed to call them ‘brothers’ [and ‘sisters’].”* On this first Sunday of October, we Catholics can also appreciate the meaning of *“Ubuntu”* with our Quaker friends, because we all share one origin in God, who made us in the Divine image and loves us unconditionally. This openness to others is the very work of the Holy Spirit in making us one.

Ordinarily, the Church would joyfully celebrate the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary on October 7th. Sadly, though, this is the second year that this feast day is marred by the ongoing violence in the Holy Land where the Blessed Mother was born and gave birth to our Savior, Jesus Christ. The violence began with an unsuspecting terror attack on Jewish villages that led to death, destruction, and kidnapping of hostages. The war then continued to escalate, as well as in other parts of the world where people long to live *“ubuntu.”*

The Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem is Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa, a Franciscan friar who has ministered in the Holy Land for many years. In his September 26th letter to the faithful of his diocese, the Patriarch made this appeal for unified prayer, knowing that faithful Christians in Gaza and the West Bank have suffered greatly during the difficult months of war and deprivation:

“We too have a duty to commit ourselves to peace, first by preserving our hearts from all feelings of hatred, and instead cherishing the desire for good for everyone. By committing ourselves, each in our own community contexts and in the

forms we can, we should support those in need, help those who are personally invested to alleviate the suffering caused by this war, and promote every action of peace, reconciliation, and encounter. Yet we also need to pray, to bring our pain and our desire for peace to God. We need to convert, to do penance, and to implore forgiveness. Therefore, I invite you to a day of prayer, fasting, and penance on October 7th, a date that has become symbolic of the drama that we are experiencing.”



In our daily prayers, we should strive to practice the *“Little Way”* of St. Thérèse of Lisieux, who taught us to be childlike in our relationship with God. Through humility, we open ourselves to trust more fully in God and to allow His grace to penetrate our innermost being. As the Patriarch said so well, we do need to be converted from our self-centered focus and to imagine what God has planned for those who love Him. Just imagine the power of this prayer when people of good will throughout the world put their hearts, minds, and spirits behind the words...

Prayer for peace

Lord our God, Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, and Father of all mankind, Who in the cross of Your Son and through the gift of His own life, at great cost You wished to destroy the wall of enmity and hostility that separates peoples and makes us enemies:

Send into our hearts the gift of the Holy Spirit, that He may purify us from every feeling of violence, hatred and revenge, enlighten us to understand the irrepressible dignity of every human person, and inflame us to the point of consumption for a peaceful and reconciled world in truth and justice, in love and freedom.

Almighty and eternal God, in Your hands are the hopes of all and the rights of every people: Assist with Your wisdom those who govern us, so that, with Your help, they will become sensitive to the sufferings of the poor and of those who suffer the consequences of violence and war; may they promote the common good and lasting peace in our region and throughout the earth.

Virgin Mary, Mother of Hope, obtain the gift of peace for the Holy Land that gave birth to you and for the whole world. Amen.

During this month of the Holy Rosary, let us take time to pray for all those throughout the world who are suffering because of unjust wars, indifference, fear-filled evacuations for their safety, gross human indignities, and senseless loss of loved ones:

“May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives!”

Teresa S. Redder, OFS

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Good News Reflection

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 6, 2024

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Gn 2:18-24

Ps 128:1-6

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16

Supernatural Love in Marriage

Do you love someone who isn't loving you back?

Have you experienced God's supernatural love helping you love those who are difficult to love?

Those of us who are married expect to be loved by our spouses as much as we need to be loved. And we assume that it's always going to be mutual: We will always be loved with the same passion as we love them.

However, most marriages enter difficulties that require supernatural love as well as supernatural persistence. That's why we need the Sacrament of Matrimony instead of just a civil ceremony at the courthouse or beach. Marriages need divine grace to endure with the permanence that God provides.

Jesus explained that the law of Moses permitted divorce because of the hardness of people's hearts. This is not an approval of divorce. He wants us to have hearts like his own, which never stops loving anyone.

In the days of Moses, when a marriage became difficult or unsatisfying, many men abandoned their wives. Although marriage was, from the beginning (Genesis Chapter 1) supposed to be a permanent covenant that united one man with one woman, a bill of divorce would allow an abandoned or rejected woman to remarry for her protection. It was never intended to be an approval of divorce.

Marriage is a reflection of God's faithful union with us. Permanence in marriage is a divine gift from God so that we can reflect him well. If we don't believe in the permanence of love within marriage, how can we believe that God is always in love with us – including when we don't deserve it? And how can children who watch us believe?

Remember, sometimes the lover goes to the Cross for the beloved. The vocation of marriage ordains the spouses to be a reflection of Christ's passion for all.

God never forces us to stay "married" to him. He loves us even when we turn away from him. Likewise, an unloved spouse is called by God to continue loving the one who abandons the marriage, even if only from afar. This is also true in any God-ordained friendships, and between priests and the laity they serve, and parents with their children.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Have you ever quit a relationship because it was too hard? Did you really stop loving that person? How is the way you handled it like or unlike the heart of Christ?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

How has God helped you love someone who quit loving you? How did you open yourself to receive his divine help? Describe how this reveals to others what God's love is really like.

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WEEKLY PLANNER

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY October 6th
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am Mass, 9:30am Mass Live Stream
11:30am

SUNDAY October 13th
Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
7:30am Mass, 9:30am Mass Live Stream
11:30am

Altar Rosary Soft Pretzel Sale 
PARISH HOUSE AND CHAPEL CLOSED

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MONDAY October 7th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Bible Study 9:30am PHCR
PTA Mtg 6:30pm LIB

MONDAY October 14th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Parish Office, Chapel and School Closed



TUESDAY October 8th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Religious Education 5:30pm
SVDP Mtg. 7:15pm PHCR
Columbiettes 7:15pm LIB
Knights of Columbus 7:15pm

TUESDAY October 15th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Religious Education 5:30pm
SVDP Mtg. 7:15pm PHCR
Knights of Columbus Basketball 7:15pm AUD

WEDNESDAY October 9th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am Live Stream
Legion of Mary Prayer in the Chapel 9:00am
Bible Study 9:30am PHCR
Daisy Troop 6pm PHMR
Basketball 6:30pm
Bible Study 7:30pm PHCR

WEDNESDAY October 16th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am Live Stream
Bible Study 9:30am PHCR
Basketball 6:30pm
Bible Study 7:30pm PHCR

THURSDAY October 10th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Legion of Mary Meeting 3:30pm PHCR
Music Practice 5:30pm
Basketball 6:30pm AUD
Boy Scouts 7pm to 8:30pm PHMR
Adult Choir 7:00pm

THURSDAY October 17th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Legion of Mary Meeting 3:30pm PHCR
Music Practice 5:30pm
Terry Rensman Travel Meeting 6pm LIB
Basketball 6:30pm AUD
Boy Scouts 7pm to 8:30pm PHMR
Adult Choir 7:00pm

FRIDAY October 11th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Right of Acceptance Practice 6:30pm in Church
Basketball 6:30pm AUD

FRIDAY October 18th
Daily Mass
7:00am, 8:30am
Legion of Mary Prayer in the Chapel 9:00am

SATURDAY October 12th
Daily Mass
8:30am
Ministry Volunteer Appreciation 8:30 Mass then
breakfast in the Parish House
4:30pm Vigil Mass

SATURDAY October 19th
Daily Mass
8:30am
4:30pm Vigil Mass
Country Line Dance 7pm AUD

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