

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

FROM OUR PRIESTS' DESKS:

Dear brothers and sisters of Sacred Heart,

One of the reasons we know why the Church celebrates the lives of the saints, as we do in a special way during this month of November, is in part to provide positive role models, examples to encourage and inspire us to believe in the power of goodness and the power of holiness to transform lives and ultimately to transform our world. That we need such role models and such positive reassurance is only too clear in a world where violence, injustice, and crimes of all kinds seem so prevalent. The saints remind us that integrity of life is possible; they challenge us to be diligent in our own efforts to resist all that is evil and to embrace all that is good. Confirming this, Jesus says at the end of today's Gospel: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives."

If the possibility of disaster always seems to be just around the corner—as today's Gospel affirms—then we must know that the possibility of salvation is also present and, as our faith assures us, is something infinitely more powerful. St. Augustine says that we must entrust the past to God's mercy and the future to God's providence. Certainly, in making that statement Augustine did not mean that we have no role in our own destiny, but rather that God is on our side, and will most assuredly sustain us in our efforts to turn away from sin and be faithful to the Gospel. It is from the perspective of a good conscience that we can accept and place our hope in Jesus' words, spoken in the midst of this very imperfect and dangerous world: "It is I. Do not be afraid." . . . Fear is not an easy emotion to dismiss from our lives. All of us live in fear of something, and the only emotion strong enough to displace fear is love. If, as St. John tells us, God *is* love—that love is God's very essence—then our union with God will certainly reorient and transform our lives, enabling us to affirm the Communion of Saints and to make holiness our own greatest goal in life. In the birth of Jesus, which we will be anticipate in the upcoming season of Advent, God reveals to us once again His wish not to destroy our world but to save it.

Fr. John Gruben, OAR

Fr. Eric Crelencia, OAR
Fr. Michael Rafferty, OAR

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

The Lord said: I think thoughts of peace and not of affliction. You will call upon me, and I will answer you, and I will lead back your captives from every place.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing praise to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and melodious song. With trumpets and the sound of the horn sing joyfully before the King, the Lord.

The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy swelling of the Most High!

Before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to rule the earth; he will rule the world with justice and the peoples with equity.

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 16

Monday, November 17

Novena Our Lady of Miraculous Medal after 9am Mass
Grupo Carismático-Cafeteria 7:30pm

Rel Ed. Gr 6 4:30 to 6

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Tuesday, November 18

Rel Ed. – Grs 3-5 – 4:30pm

Rel Ed. Grs 7 & 8 – 7:00pm-

CYO – CLOSED

Wednesday, November 19

Immaculate Heart Prayer Group – 7:30pm Church

Grupo Estudio Biblico – 8pm in the cafeteria

Thursday, November 20

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Friday, November 21

CYO – 5 to 9 gym

Saturday, November 22

Rel Ed. Grs 1 & 2 – 9:30am

7:30am – St. Joseph's men's Bible Discussion- pre-k

OUR LADY'S GUILD

"Our Lady's Guild Christmas Luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 7, 2025 at 2:30 pm in the gym. There will be catered food; however, feel free to bring a special holiday dish. Prizes awarded for the ugliest holiday sweater and Christmas bingo winners. We ask that you please bring unwrapped baby gifts and or diapers for Birthright. And a contribution of food for the St. Vincent de Paul food pantry if you are able. We look forward to sharing a special afternoon with our members."

SHARING WHAT WE HAVE IN JESUS'
NAME

32nd Sunday – \$13,484
Last Year's – \$12,579.
Arch of the Military - \$4,108

THE GIVING TREE
WILL BE HERE SOON

Trees and Tags will be available November 30th
In the back of the Church

The Giving Tree is an Advent fixture here at Sacred Heart and many other parishes. This effort highlights the generosity of our parishioners towards those who can use some help. Please take one (or more) of the *ornaments* (Tags) and give them a gift from your heart. Your thoughtfulness will bring great joy to our brothers and sisters in Christ. The Giving Tree donations go to Good Counsel Homes, Sister of Life Homes, The Willows, needy and homeless in need in our community. Please look for the Giving Tree set up in the back of the Church beginning Sunday, November 30th. **Gifts are due by Sunday, December 14th.** P.S. We are putting the tree out a week early.

CHRISTMAS PARADE
WITH THE
VILLAGE OF SUFFERN
DECEMBER 6 AT 6:30PM

Once again, this year Sacred Heart will be a part of the parade with 2 floats. We are looking for Volunteers to get the floats up and making them beautiful. If you would like to help and or if you would like to march with the Sacred Heart Floats, please know you are welcome and give us a call at the rectory office at 845-357-0035 to let us know you would like to join us whether helping or marching.

SACRED HEART CHURCH
\$10,000.00 RAFFLE

OUR BIGGEST MOST IMPORTANT FUNDRAISER
OF THE YEAR!

TICKETS \$100 EACH (1 IN 250 CHANCE TO WIN)
PLEASE CONSIDER PURCHASING A TICKET
WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION

Available at the Rectory
Monday to Friday - 9am to 4pm

1ST PRIZE - \$10,000.00
2ND PRIZE - \$1,000.00
3RD PRIZE - \$500.00

Winning tickets will be drawn at 1:00pm in the school gymnasium on Sunday, November 30.

**CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT
FUNDRAISER**

Each donation of \$25 dollars or more will be honored with a family ornament displayed on the property. The ornament will be on display beginning on Sunday, November 30th, for the Vigil Mass for the First Sunday of Advent **and stay up for the Christmas Season.**

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
THANKSGIVING BASKETS**

We are asking for donations of turkeys and trimmings for Thanksgiving Baskets.

We will have drive in donations of food on the following dates:

Saturday, November 15th – 10:00am to 1:00pm
Sunday, November 16th – 12:00pm to 3:00pm
Saturday, November 22nd – 10:00am to 1:00pm

The baskets will be distributed on Monday, **November 24 from 10am until 12:00pm** in the parking lot (drive through). Please contribute if possible. This is St. Vincent DePaul Society's Annual Thanksgiving event to help the needy in our midst and this year with the help and support of the Suffern Community Foundation. Thank you for your help!

SISTERS OF LIFE

Providing Life-affirming choices for women: If you know someone who is struggling, please urge them to contact: www.visitationcenterus.org or call (877)777-1277. **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org.

For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org **Have you suffered an abortion?** Experience God's love and mercy and begin the journey of healing. Please call the Sisters of Life: 866-575-0075 or e-mail: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org. For men, call Theresa Bonopartis at Lumina: 877-586-4621 or e-mail: Lumina@postabortionhelp.org

**CRISIS PREGNANCY HOTLINE
GOOD COUNSEL HOMES**

For Pregnancy emergencies call
Any time of day: 1-800-723-8331
www.goodcounselhomes.org

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our Parish Community the following children who were recently baptized at Sacred Heart:

ALEJANDRO JACE OJEDA

Child of Alex & Claudia



Please pray for those who are ill and have asked us to pray for them: Helene Marie Biby, Andrew Bylec, Elantoniette Camagong, Ronald Carlucci, Siobhan Casey, Ramon Noel Crelencia, Angie Clifford, Joseph Collins Jr., Robert Conly, Comerford Family, Gina Conklin, Teresa & Tom Consolo, Laudelina Crowley, Eileen Caulin, Janet Curcione, Joe Davey, William Daniels, Alice Diebner, Carol Deery, Dominick DelDuca, Anthony DeFrancesco III, Cledha Desir, Phyllis Domino, Marge Diebner, Karen DeJoie, Mary Discini, John Duffy, Jacqui Elder, Doris Fina, Ginny & Sonny Figula, , Teddy Girvan, Joseph Gilson, Spiros Grmmenos, Gail Griggs, Mary Guarnieri, Senan Halpin, Maureen Hayes, Catherine Howard, John Hughes, Rev. Charles Huse OAR, Domenic & Anthony Iannaccone, Rob Incognoli, Yvonne Gangone Ingui, Bob Janson, Fran Janson, Thomas Kelly, Eileen Kennedy, Rick Konrad, Steven C. Klumpp, Fred Lemoine, Elizabeth Lempka, Robert Liggio, Ginger Listwan, Vasily Lockhart, Laura Mack, Matthew Luludis, Thomas Mathai, Jeanne Matera, Chris Mayorga, Richard McCarthy, Thomas McGrath, Catherine McMenamin, John McLoughlin, Leonor Medranda, Jacob Mendelsohn, Joyce Miller, Iraida Molina, Aida Morales, Vanessa Morales, John Murphy, Thomas O'Connor, Jennifer O'Hara, Nancy Overend, Leona Overend, Nolita Padilla, Joseph Payne, Shace Paljusevic, Noreen Pidgeon, Barbara Procopio, James Procopio, Kathleen Rafferty (Fr. Michael's sister), Danny Ranke, Tony Ramos, Milton Ramos, Jerry Reilly Sr., Rose Romeo, Della Russell, Claudia Spallanzani, Joseph Pasculli, Abdul Shakur, Michael Shumway, Jean Simons, Thomas Sullivan, Grace & Patrick Sullivan, Rose Stark, Maureen Starke, Lindsey Sterling, Shaun Stein, Patricia Steiper, Barbara Veraldo Strano, Lissette Taylor, Gary W., Elisa Greco Wegman, Phyllis Varacalli, Kali Villela, and Yolanda Yarleque.

ALTAR MEMORIALS

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

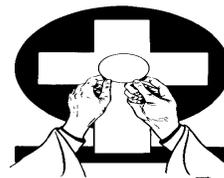
The Sanctuary Lamp
In Memory of

PALMA & HENRY HECK



Patrick Brady

Let us pray for our deceased parishioners, and family members and loved ones, especially: **Firefighter,**



SCHEDULE OF MASSES

7AM & 9:00AM DAILY – (MONDAY – FRIDAY)

SATURDAY – 9AM (FOLLOWED BY THE ROSARY)

SATURDAY VIGILS – 5:30PM AND 7:15PM
SUNDAYS

8:30AM, 10:00AM, 11:30AM 4:00PM (S)
AND 5:30PM

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

9:00am – † Ching Liu

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

5:30pm – † Louis Diamond

7:15pm – † Alejandro Carreño

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

8:30am – † Martin J. Brennan

10:00am – † Robert Byrne

11:30am – † Nicholas LaBruna

4:00pm – † Flavio & Odilon Morales

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17

7:00am – †

9:00am – † Palma & Henry Heck

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18

7:00am – † Fr. Javier Esquirez Azpiroz, OAR

9:00am – † Dennis O'Connell

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

7:00am – †

9:00am – † Marguerite Oceania Pierre-Louis

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7:00am – † Felix Herrera

9:00am – † Antonio Medranda (2 años)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:00am – †

9:00am – † Pete Sullivan

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

9:00am - † Alfred Dolce

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

5:30pm – † Patricia & Louis Diamond

7:15pm – Andrea Pacheco – Accion de Gracias

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8:30am – † Pat Grillo

10:00am – † Joseph Weis Sr.

11:30am – † Knights of Columbus

4:00pm – Matthew Pacheco - Cumpleaños

5:30pm – All Parishioners / Parish Memorial

**BOOSTER CLUB
WEEK 9
AMY PICARELLI**