

# Church of the Sacred Heart



## **PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

***Together we foster a welcoming spirit of unity while honoring our diversity which leads to a graced harmony among us since Christ is the center of all we are and do.***

### **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 14, 2019**

#### **A SAMARITAN TRAVELER WHO CAME UPON HIM WAS MOVED WITH COMPASSION**

Have you ever listened to someone giving a specific person a dose of reality and realized that you were also intended to “get it”? In today’s Gospel, Jesus is speaking to a know-it-all who seems to be baiting him, trying to see if Jesus has the theological wherewithal to be the great teacher he was said to be, asking about the requirements in the Law to gain eternal life. Jesus turns the tables and asks this lawyer, this expert, how he himself would answer the question. The lawyer states the obvious answer from the Law about loving God and one’s neighbor. But Jesus asks for more: Who is my neighbor? Does the Law answer this question? In Deuteronomy, Moses spoke to the Israelites about the new Law, the Ten Commandments. At the time of Jesus, those ten “laws” had bloated into more than six hundred, requiring interpretation so that people could be obedient but unencumbered by the inevitable inconsistencies of such a vast set of regulations. Instead of the Law, Jesus answers with one of the most famous stories of all time: the “god” Samaritan. Here is where the plot thickens.

#### **CAN YOU HEAR ME NOW?**

On his way to Jerusalem, to the cross, Jesus and his disciples had recently passed through Samaria and found no welcome there, due to animosity between the two peoples. Jesus’ disciples wanted vengeance. So Jesus tells the story of how two strict adherents to the Law ignored the man who needed help, probably because of a slavish interpretation of the Law. A stranger from Samaria, who was seemingly little more than a heathen, treated the man with kindness and compassion. (Hey, disciples, did you hear *that*?) Moses tried to tell the Israelites that the Law was already in their hearts. Jesus wanted the lawyer and the disciples—and us—to realize that the heart of the Law is a matter of our own hearts. That is where we know our neighbor—everyone.

#### **PRIESTS**

Rev. Charles M. Schwartz  
Pastor, ext. 11  
Rev. Roberto Ignacio, Assistant, ext. 21

#### **DEACONS**

Rev. Mr. Robert Bednarek  
Rev. Mr. Joseph Donadieu  
Rev. Mr. Kenneth Heilig  
Rev. Mr. Michael Stinsman  
All Deacons — ext. 10

#### **PARISH OFFICE**

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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**102 Fourth Street - Family Center**  
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Patricia Hutchinson, Director  
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856-829-1836  
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856-786-5380  
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856-829-0090  
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**SACRED HEART CHURCH  
PARISH INFORMATION**

**PARISH OFFICE**

103 Fourth Street, Riverton, NJ 08077-1205

Monday through Friday

8:30 am — 12:00 noon & 1:00 pm — 4:00 pm

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

Family Center, 102 Fourth Street, Riverton, NJ 08077-1206

Tuesday through Friday

12:30 pm — 4:30 pm

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays

3:30 pm — 4:15 pm

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**NEW PARISHIONERS**

Are always welcome, please register at the parish office.

**MOVING?**

Please notify us if you are moving out of the parish or changing your address or telephone number.

**BAPTISMS**

Please call the rectory as soon as possible to make arrangements. Parish registration must be confirmed and eligibility certificates for Catholic Godparents must be presented. Godparent and sponsor certificates may be obtained by those who have received all Sacraments in the Catholic Church. **CALL JOANNE MOORE AT 829-0090 x 24.**

**MARRIAGE**

Arrangements should be made at the rectory at least **ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE**. Please contact us to receive guidelines for the celebration of marriage.



**PLEASE PRAY  
FOR OUR DEARLY DEPARTED  
AND THEIR FAMILIES**

Mitchell Rabil, Evangeline Maher, Eleanor Moore, Patricia Stanley, Michelle Cirillo, Frederick Boheim, Joseph Garant, Elaine McPartland, Elizabeth Cleveland, Jesse Frank, Robert Clauss, Francis O'Brien, David Stahl, William McMullen III, Loretta Sommer, Lynne Turley, Eleanor Mortiz, Mildred Dyer, Mia Mobertz, Shirley Siemien, Martin 'Chuck' Mufalli, Ann Marie McCarty, Esther Lane, John Paul Berkley, Kevin White, Robert Thomson, Virginia Evers, John Wallace, Judy Keesler, Robert Smith, Sarah Collazo, Eleanor Conway, Kenneth E. Smith, John Williams Sr, Mary Jane Angeli, Thomas Laverty, Michael O'Connor, Margaret Strenski, John Wisotzkey, Anthony Colkers, William McMahan, Francis Zeisweiss, Nicolette Russo, Charlyne McGill, Mary Owens, Russ Lucas, Gladys Sauls, Joseph DeStasio, Kim Dorety, Frances Miersch, Patricia Weick, Albert Romer, Stephanie Grady, John Schwartz, Joanne Brady, Joseph & Kathleen Creighton, Bess Cascio, Terre Walsh, Dillan Hardt, Bishop John M. Smith, Maryann Tillger, Daniel DeFrank, Regina Huber, Mary Monsulick, Alfred Shinn, Peg McGhee, Tom Cimino, James DePietro, Robert Piech, Loretta Gibson, Joseph Brennan, Steve Lucasi, Richard Heeter, James Mulvihill, Lisa O'Malley, Stanley Ozalis, Betty Jane Tees, Elaine Cox, Bernice Cipoletti, Frank Salvino, Edward Knicley, Eugene Lorincz, Joachim Jung and Alonzo Bonsal



**Monday, July 15, 2019**

8:00 am **John McFadden**  
r/o David Cross & Family

**Tuesday, July 16, 2019**

8:00 am **Joe Boyle**  
r/o The Gennello Family

**Wednesday, July 17, 2019**

8:00 am **Helen M. Sadow**  
r/o Her Daughter, Genevieve Newton  
**Liana Raday**  
r/o Her Family

**Thursday, July 18, 2019**

8:00 am **Lucy Mary Sico**  
r/o Donald & Joyce Sico  
**Gertrude Getz**  
r/o Her Family  
**Eric Wilkes**  
r/o His Family

**Friday, July 19, 2019**

8:00 am **Albert Horn**  
r/o Rich Rickus

**Saturday, July 20, 2019**

8:00 am **For the Holy Souls in Purgatory**  
4:30 pm **Carmello & Matteo Mufalli**  
r/o Their Family  
**Eleanor T. Moore**  
r/o Ken Heilig

**Sunday, July 21, 2019**

7:30 am **Matthew Basara**  
r/o His Children  
**Claire Marron**  
r/o Bill & Nancy DeVece  
9:30 am **James McCarthy**  
r/o Mike & Denise Guglielmucci  
11:30 am **Mario Fumo**  
r/o His Family  
**Patrick McGee**  
r/o Helen McGee

**MEMORIALS**

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
*JAMES V. HALL*  
AT THE REQUEST OF  
*HIS WIFE, JUDY & FAMILY*





**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Bobby Barnett, David Beers, Desmond Bruce, Doug Budroe, Debra Burns, Billy Byrem, Lewis Byzewski, Tom Cairns III, Anna Catanzariti, Sharon Christenson, Patricia Clarkson, Dorothy Clinton, Diana Comerford, Karyn Cook, Paul Daly, Tanya DiMaio, John Doherty, Ruth Donadieu, Diane Donnelly, Fr. Michael Doyle, Mark Edwards, Elizabeth Falkiewicz, Marianne Ford, Pat Franeki, Dot Fries, Marlie & Megan Guicheteau, Jamie Hall, Dave Hartman, Maddie Harris, Catherine Healy, Thomas Heliger Sr, Carol Hosey, John Jordan, Phyllis Jung, Matthew Laverty, Willow Laverty, Joe Leahy, Joyce Macke, Molly Maerten, Lisa Mara, Travis Martin, Joseph Massaro, Benjamin McClintic, William McGonigal, Mary Meeks, Louis Merget, Amanda Milewski, Melissa Milewski, Mary Moynahan, Shawn Mulvihill, Rick Muraresku, Angela Pflugfelder, Anthony Pignatelli, Betty Pollis, Anthony Portella, Kate Salamon, Michael Stanley Schneider, Dorothy Serfilippi, Charles & Susan Sharpe, Ed Siemietkoski, Joe Sileo, Joan Siperavage, Gwen Smith, Terry Smith, Joanne Soden, Nicole Stavely, Paul Sullivan, James Sutton, Judy Tamagno, Eleanor Tilmont, Amy Tuccillo, Mary Vandy, Rick Van Glahn, Bob Venango, Patrick White, Barbara Wilson, and Bill Wilson

*If you or a family member would like to be prayed for at Mass and listed in the bulletin, please call 856-829-0090.*



**Care of the sick:** If a family member is sick or homebound and would like to receive Communion please contact Dawn Vermes at 856-979-5107.

**Please remember to be reverent  
in Church before the Blessed  
Sacrament.**

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

Weekend of July 6 & 7, 2019

\$9,937.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$11,480.00

Weekend of June 29 & 30, 2019

\$8,723.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$8,690.00

Average needed for weekly expenses

\$14,950.00

***Thank you very much for your generosity.  
Please remember Sacred Heart  
in your Last Will and Testament***

**THIS WEEK AT SACRED HEART PARISH**

NOTE: Please remember all announcements to be placed in the bulletin should be brought to the Parish Office by Friday, one week prior to the weekend the bulletin will be published.

**Monday, July 15**

6:00 pm — Legion of Mary  
Family Center

**Tuesday, July 16**

Miraculous Medal Novena  
Following 8:00 am Mass

Willing and Able will be back in September

**Thursday, July 18**

6:00 pm — Mary's Rosary Guild  
Lower Church Rosary Room

**Friday, July 19**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Following 8:00 am Mass

**Sunday, July 21**

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
12:45 pm — Celebration of Baptisms  
Church

**Mission Appeal July 27th & 28th  
Hospitaler Sisters of Mercy**

**Our History:** We the Hospitaler Sisters of Mercy are a religious congregation of sisters founded in 1821 in Rome, Italy. In these 198 years we have grown in numbers and reached out our missionary services to 13 countries - Italy, India, Philippines, Madagascar, Nigeria, Poland, Switzerland, Timor Lester, Cameroon, Rwanda and USA

We dedicate our lives to Jesus through our work in the service of seniors, the sick, the poor & destitute children, adults and seniors as well. All our ministries are carried-out with religious faith and professional commitment.

**Our missionary works include:**

- Care for the sick and the elderly in Hospitals, Medical Clinics, Assisted Living Centers and Home Health services. Provide education and shelter for orphaned and homeless children
- Organize empowerment programs for women and families
- Operate rehabilitation Centers for those affected by drugs, alcohol and other social addictions.
- Provide medical care to patients affected with leprosy. Offering food, clothing to families in need
- Giving a loving and safe home to juvenile victims of human trafficking
- In all our religious communities we regularly organize Faith Formation and Re-Evangelization programs, and giving thorough knowledge on the teachings, traditions and practices of the Holy Catholic Church.

We do welcome you to support any of these areas of our missionary services. Your support to our missions is greatly appreciated and we pray God to bless you with good health, long life, peace and happiness.

Thank you and God bless

Sr. Theresina Thadathil, SOM

Mission Director

Hospitaler Sisters of Mercy, USA

**There will be a second collection that weekend.** Thank you for your generosity.



## Don't Get Robbed!



The Lord has given us such a great gift of mercy. I ponder and overflow with amazement at how God has blessed me. How easy it would have been for my life to take another direction. I clung to the Lord and as scripture tells us, "Lean not on your own understanding and He will make your path straight." Aw, but isn't hind sight wonderful!

God reassures us in Deuteronomy that the commandments he gives us are not too far off for us to follow. They are not too mysterious for us to grasp, but instead they are in our hearts. Of course we have to listen and in a busy world that is always a challenge.

But in the challenges of our live we need remember that all things have been created through Him, with Him, and in Him, as our liturgy echoes. We have been reconciled, brought into relationship of unity with God through Christ by the cross. Have you ever thought, "Who am I that the Lord of All would choose to reconcile me to Himself?"

We are all familiar with the story of the Good Samaritan. It is so much more than a little story Jesus tells to encourage us to be good neighbors, or even good to all humanity. Although He is calling us to both.

While we were in the Holy Land, we were made aware of where Jericho was located. It is literally the lowest city on earth, being over 200 feet below sea level. The Jews of Jesus time would have understood the traveler to have turned away from God and traveling to a very low point in his life. He was in the need of repentance and reconciliation.

This is true of each of us when we turn from God in the small or not so small ways, we are stripped and robbed like the traveler, of the grace to recognize our true identity as children of God and members of His royal priesthood. The band of robbers is satan and his gang.

He is the father of lies and tries to steal us from the treasures that God has given us. His lies will leave us lifeless and empty.

The priest and Levite who came across the traveler were not doing so great either, because they were going down the same road. Spiritually speaking, not headed in the right and godly direction. Possibly their preconceived judgements led them not to stop to aid the traveler. Therefore, holding true to the letter of the law, took precedence over the heart of the matter and giving compassion.

As for the Good Samaritan, we can find the love of God in our most difficult situations. Jesus is the Good Samaritan, He will come to our aid and bind up our wounds, He reconciles us to himself. We in return are called to follow His example of love.

We have all been on both sides of this story. We all at one time or another have judged or stayed away from those who have fallen to the lowest point in their lives. We also all have fallen ourselves and have missed the glory that God has in mind for us. It is worth pondering. Where am I now? Am I traveling toward God or away from God? Have I been stripped and robbed of my identity as a Child of God? What is God saying to me personally in the Good Samaritan Story?

*Blessings,  
Fran Stinsman*

**Attention All Catechist:  
Save The Date  
Catechist Spirituality Day  
Saturday, August 24th  
(More information  
to follow)**

**We Got Game  
Girl's and Boy's Basketball Camp**

July 22nd to 26th from 9:00 to 11:30 am  
Sacred Heart Gym  
Cost \$125, sibling discount available

Please contact Aly Flanagan for more information at 856-607-1004 or [mrsaly73@yahoo.com](mailto:mrsaly73@yahoo.com)

## **BURLINGTON COUNTY DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE NEWS**

The NJ Assembly has passed healthcare bill (A5508/S3804) which is now in the Senate and could become law in a short time if signed by the Governor. The law would have a grave impact on religious liberty if enacted. This law would expand insurance coverage for abortion inducing drugs and eliminate the religious employers' exemption contained in New Jersey public law. By removing the religious employers' exemption, Catholic parishes, schools and other religious institutions would be forced to provide insurance coverage for abortion inducing drugs.

**As Catholic citizens we cannot permit this to happen without a response. Please go to the NJ Catholic Bishops web site at [www.njcatholic.org](http://www.njcatholic.org) . Open the web site and click TAKE ACTION NOW. Then click ASK THE LEGISLATORS TO PROTECT EMPLOYERS EXEMPTION. Fill out your information and then click SEND MESSAGE.**

If you want to contact your legislative member directly, in your parish the members are listed below:

**Senator Troy Singleton; 856-234-2790**  
400 North Church St. Suite 260  
Moorestown, NJ 08057  
[SenSingleton@njleg.org](mailto:SenSingleton@njleg.org)

**Assemblyman Herb Conway, Jr.; 856-461-3997**  
Delran Professional Center,  
8008 Rt. 130 North, Bldg. C Suite 450  
Delran, NJ 08075  
[AsmConaway@njleg.org](mailto:AsmConaway@njleg.org)

**Assemblywoman Carol A. Murphy; 856-735-5334**  
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Cinnaminson NJ 08077  
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Thank you for your action in defending our Catholic principles.

Burlington County Diocesan Respect Life Committee

We're fighting to defeat extreme abortion laws and defund Planned Parenthood, and we're winning.

We just scored a major victory as the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals just sided with our amicus brief – temporarily allowing the defunding of millions from Planned Parenthood.

Now Planned Parenthood is fighting back. But we are not helpless. The ACLJ is dramatically expanding our efforts to defend unborn babies.

In TWO DAYS, we're filing a major amicus brief at the Supreme Court to overturn a decades-old pro-abortion precedent. In this case, it's actually illegal to try to save unborn babies near Planned Parenthood and other abortion clinics.

Our Supreme Court deadline is in TWO DAYS. We need you to help us save babies.

We just launched our July Matching Challenge. We urgently need your Tax-Deductible support to defeat the abortion industry. Every gift will be DOUBLED.

Also in two days is a key oral argument on appeal in a case we filed an amicus brief in to challenge ObamaCare.

**[Sign Our Petition: Challenge Pro-Abortion ObamaCare.](https://aclj.org/obamacare/defeat-unconstitutional-obamacare-now)**  
<https://aclj.org/obamacare/defeat-unconstitutional-obamacare-now>

After denying the crisis at the border, the U.S. House has finally approved a \$4.6 billion humanitarian aid package. This is a big step in the right direction. This Independence Day, pray for the persecuted church and the defenseless unborn we defend, that they will get to enjoy life and liberty.

**[Read Jay's Message: This July 4th, Pray for Freedom for All.](https://aclj.org/american-heritage/independence-day-2019-fighting-for-all-life-and-liberty?)** <https://aclj.org/american-heritage/independence-day-2019-fighting-for-all-life-and-liberty?>

We've just launched our Matching Challenge. Every gift is DOUBLED as we fight to defeat the abortion industry. Donate today.

God Bless,  
The ACLJ Team  
American Center for Law and Justice

### **Becoming Catholic**

**RCIA** - the **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation for **A**dults - is the process through which the Church welcomes new adult members. It is a journey that involves a conversion of the heart and becoming a disciple of Jesus within the Catholic community. These newcomers to our faith family may be unbaptized persons, persons who have been baptized in another Christian tradition or baptized Catholics who have neither received their First Communion nor the Sacrament of Confirmation. Come learn more at one of our open house inquiry nights listed below. Location for all dates will be in the Family Center.

Monday, July 22nd, 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Wednesday, July 31st, 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Tuesday, August 13th, 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Thursday, August 22nd, 6:30 to 8:00 pm

### Return of the Super 50/50



The Super 50/50 is off to a good start. We hope you will be generous again this year. Last year the drawing brought in a pot of over \$27,000. With your help and generosity we can get the pot up to \$30,000 or over this year.

**Total thus far: \$10,910.**

### Catholic Daughters Trips

Catholic Daughters is sponsoring a Christmas Holiday trip to Dover Downs casino in Dover Delaware on Thursday, December 5th, featuring the "Temptations Revue Holiday Show", trip includes transportation, show, buffet and \$25 slot play and all tips and gratuities including the driver. Cost \$95 pp. \$25 reserves your seat, for information please call Marie Russo at 856-829-1999.

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The Catholic Daughters is now taking reservations for the next show at Sight and Sound on March 24, 2020. The next presentation is "Queen Esther". The trip will include: Show ticket, with preferred seats, transportation, Family style luncheon at Good and Plenty, snacks and all tips and gratuities. **\$25 deposit by early December.** Cost pp \$130.

Call Marie Russo to reserve your seat at 856-829-1999.

### WISDOM

Wisdom has been defined as knowing the difference between pulling your weight and throwing it around. — Anonymous

### NEED A MIRACLE?



Our Lady of Grace Statue is available to visit in your home for a week at a time. She has been known to bring peace and healing when she visits. The Legion of Mary representative will bring the statue to your home and lead a brief prayer. Then Legion of Mary (Mary Mother of Divine Mercy group) will continue to pray for your intentions and your family while the statue remains in your home. To schedule a visit please call Angel Sauro at 856-461-3873.

**Our Lady looks forward to visiting you.**

### WEEKEND MUSIC – JULY 14TH

- 313 Gather Your People
- 386 The Servant Song
- 593 Your Words Are Spirit and Life
- 377 The Spirit Sends Us Forth



### Senior Spirituality and So Much More Day 2019! Wednesday, July 24th, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**Cost is \$20 (includes: Coffee/Snack/Box Lunch/ Drinks)**

The Diocese of Trenton Department of Pastoral Care invites all Seniors 55+ to join us for a day filled with inspiration, information, entertainment, food and fellowship.

Seniors, it's that time again! *The Senior Spirituality and So Much More Day!* Featuring: Rev. Thomas P. Ryan, CSP, author of *Remember to Live! Embracing the Second Half of Life.* Back by Popular Demand! Rock N-Rhythm will perform those great sounds from the early days of Rock-N-Roll. Location: St. Robert Bellarmine Parish Hall, 61 Georgian Road, Freehold, NJ. Register on line at [www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care](http://www.dioceseoftrenton.org/pastoral-care).

Walk-Ins will NOT be accommodated.

**Show Your USA Spirit \* Wear Red \* White \* Blue**

### Catholic Charities — Emergency Services

Are in need of cereal, jelly, tuna fish, jello, pudding and canned fruits. Please place the items in St. Pius the Tenth Side Chapel closest to the handicap ramp. Thank you for your generous donations.

### Pope Francis also encouraged restoring the "Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel" to our public and private prayers:

#### PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

### A PRAYER FOR OUR MILITARY



Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. I ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior... Amen.