

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.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ JULY 30, 2017

THE REIGN OF GOD IS LIKE A TREASURE FOUND IN A FIELD

Parables and more parables. What have we to learn about the reign of God from so many parables? The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field. The kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls. The kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea. These parables are not hard to understand, for they all point to something valuable being searched for: a treasure, a pearl, good fish. Those who search for these things give up what they have to acquire these precious things. Those who search are praised for their wisdom in valuing what they find more than what they already have. Even the fishermen can distinguish what is good from what is useless and to be discarded. The kingdom of heaven is something more precious to be sought, even above the good things we have in this world. It is more important than anything we already have and treasure. Jesus says that at the end of the age when the good shall be separated from the bad, the good will enjoy the happiness of the kingdom of heaven.

THE NEW AND THE OLD

It is holy wisdom that allows us to realize how valuable the kingdom is. One more parable ends this reading: "Then every scribe who has been instructed in the kingdom of heaven is like the head of a household who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old" (Matthew 13:52). It is like the Church, which knows what to keep from the traditions of the past and what to cherish in the present time. Tradition is something passed down from generation to generation, but not necessarily unchanged. For example, we always have cake to celebrate birthdays. And yet, perhaps in the past that always meant a white or yellow cake with vanilla frosting. Today, it can mean a chocolate cake, an ice cream cake, or even a fruit pie! It can have the number of candles of the birthday person's age, or a candle for each decade and one for each subsequent year, or one big candle. It can even have, as once seen in a catalogue, Roman numeral candles to spell out the years! Traditions can change and still convey the truths they represent. So it is with the Tradition of the Church. The wise leaders bring forth both the new and the old, and seek in the kingdom what is good.

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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**

Loretta Horgan, Rudolf Bozicek, William Jeffers, Marta Shears, Earl Gray Jr, Sr. Madeline Mary Smith, Teresa McNulty, Frank Wigmore, Leo Carr, Francis Rooney Jr, Patricia Mori, Joseph Corso, Raymond Buenzle, Eugene McDonald, Robert Barry, Richard Boucher, Domenico Lombardi, Timothy Piazza, Flora Kramer, Jason Wark, Kiersten Ott, Connie Giampaolo, Glen Jackson, John Bruno, Stephen McCarty, Patricia Poletti, Maryann Coady, Jeanne Thomas, Joshua Rich, Terry Gillis, Florence Ehrhardt, Alfred Rezende, Gerard Schlindwein, Gail Truchel, Alexander Covalleski, Amanda Layton, Charlotte Weldon, Mark Irons, Suzanne Cucinotta, Genevieve Alburger, Claire Giovanetti, Toby Walz, Joy Lawmaster, Sandra George, Joan Kane, Dolores Mufalli, Janice Carr, Kathleen Brothers, Joseph Fassano, Anne Schwartz, Carol Lattanzi, Dolores DiPasquale, Donald Weist, Stephen DeJoseph, Ray McCue, Daniel Cooney, Marypat Chrupcala, Joseph Berkley, John Mahony Sr, Mary Paolini, Joseph Pignatelli, Mary Smith, Mary Taylor, Anthony Garbett, James Murphy, Kathryn Agnes, Mary Burns, Elizabeth Johnson, Loretta Fratto, Evelyn Morton, Julius Romero, Mary Mulvihill, Lillian Wille, Mildred Lipsett, Leon Paulikas, Mary Chiaccio, Helen Nachurski, Constance Bergmeister, Robert Cristella, Maryann LaSalle, Margaret Donovan, Joseph Peditto, Christine Rossell, Vincent Fynan Sr, Regina Criqui & Ralph Talarico



Monday, July 31, 2017

8:00 am **Ann Crock**
r/o Rick & Donna Connor
Florence 'Toby' Walz
r/o Carol Shields

Tuesday, August 1, 2017

8:00 am **Mary Heilig**
r/o Adam & Nancy Haraburda

Wednesday, August 2, 2017

8:00 am **Andrew Zorn, Sr**
r/o His Family

Thursday, August 3, 2017

8:00 am **John Girardot**
r/o His Wife, Laverne & Family

Friday, August 4, 2017

8:00 am **Louis Heim**
r/o His Daughters
Diane & Harry Angst
Cecilia Angst

Saturday, August 5, 2017

8:00 am **Barbara Byzewski**
r/o Lewis
4:30 pm **Edward Lukasevich**
r/o His Daughter, Anne Clementi
Mark Irons
r/o Lynne Turley
Christine Hanophy
r/o Lynne Turley
Genevieve Alburger
r/o Trudie & Denny Greiner

Sunday, August 6, 2017

7:30 am **Stella Dare**
r/o Matilda Reed
John & Ann Devlin
r/o Leo & Celia Zink
Diane Sweeney
r/o Leo & Celia Zink
9:00 am **Margaret Link**
r/o Bill & Cheryl Lyons & Family
11:00 am **Joi Cloran**
r/o Her Family
Catherine Gavaghan
r/o Frank & Mary Ann Herron
Mark Irons
r/o The Cloran Family



**PLEASE PRAY FOR
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Bobby Barnett, Joann Beard, Joanne Brady, Walter Brickley, Debra Burns, Billy Byrem, Allyson Christenson, Sharon Christenson, Dorothy Clinton, Tony Colkers, Paul Daly, Tanya DiMaio, John Doherty, Diane Donnelly, Fr. Michael Doyle, Marianne Ford, Mary Lou Francis, Dot Fries, Jane Gasper, Loretta Gibson, Kelsey Goodwin, Alec Haas, Jamie Hall, Thomas Heliger Sr, Gloria Hornberger, Walter Huber, James Huff, Becky Jones, Joachim Jung, Maura Kendall, Don & Kay Kline, David Kloss, Edward Knickey, Ryan Konetski, Jeffrey Kuhn, Casey Lang, Matthew Laverty, Howard Lawmaster, Amanda Layton, Joe Leahy, Erin Lively, Joyce Macke, Molly Maerten, Robin Graff Marinelli, William Martens, Dawn McGinley, William McGonigal, Mary McGovern, Melissa Milewski, Kathy Moir, Eleanor Mortiz, Shawn Mulvihill, Rick Muraresku, Jeanne Muzik, Alexa Pagano, Guido Pasquale, Anthony Pignatelli, Anthony Portella, George Reinas, Bro. Bill Riley, Thomas Rutledge, Bob & Kate Salamon, Theresa Scafidi, Michael Stanley Schneider, Ed Siemietkoski, Lynne Turley, Bob Venango, Fr. Michael Waites, Dori Walsh, and Lillian Zamichieli

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



Third Bann

Teresa Campbell and Max Johnson

**Summer Mass Schedule
Began July 1st & 2nd and
will end August 26th & 27th**

The Mass schedule will be as follows:

Saturday	4:30 pm
Sunday	7:30 am
	9:00 am
	11:00 am

If you have Masses scheduled during that time at either the 10:30 am or 12:00 pm, they will be combined at the 11:00 am Mass.

MEMORIALS

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EDWARD LUKASEVICH
AT THE REQUEST OF
HIS DAUGHTER, ANNE CLEMENTI



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 31

6:00 pm — Legion of Mary
Family Center Room 6

Tuesday, August 1

Miraculous Medal Novena
Following 8:00 am Mass
Willing and Able will return in September

7:00 pm — Bible Study
Family Center Meeting Room
7:00 pm — NA Meeting
Lower Church

Wednesday, August 2

10:00 am — Moms & Tots
Lower Church
6:30 pm — Information Meeting for RCIA
Family Center
8:00 pm — AA Meeting
Lower Church

Thursday, August 3

6:00 pm — Mary's Rosary Guild
Lower Church Rosary Room
7:00 pm — Dance Class
Lower Church

Friday, August 4

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Following 8:00 am Mass

Sunday, August 6

The Transfiguration of the Lord
12:15 pm — Celebration of Baptisms
Church
8:00 pm — AA Meeting
Lower Church



An Invitation:

Why not start the day with Mass at 8:00 am? It's only a half hour with so many blessings. Please try it! Your Angel

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of July 22 & 23, 2017

\$7,928.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$8,707.00

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***

Understanding Our Catholic Faith

Father Cantalamessa on the Pearl of Great Price-
Pontifical Household Preacher Comments on
Sunday's Readings



"Costly Grace is the pearl hidden in the fields?"

Where are you seeking true happiness?

"How a conversion happens is perfectly described by Jesus in the parable of the hidden treasure: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure hidden in a field; a man finds it and hides it again, then he goes, full of joy, and sells all he has and buys the field." It is not said that "a man sold everything he had and then went out in search of a hidden treasure."

We know how the stories that begin this way end. One loses everything he has and does not find any treasure. These are stories of deluded people, visionaries. No, a man finds a treasure and sells all he has to acquire it. In other words, it is necessary to have found a treasure in order to have the strength and the joy to sell all.

I was reading recently the story of the famous convert of the 19th century, Hermann Cohen, a brilliant musician, idolized as a the young prodigy of his time in the salons of central Europe: a kind of modern version of the young Francis.

After his conversion he wrote to a friend: "I looked for happiness everywhere: in the elegant life of the salons, in the deafening noise of balls and parties, in accumulating money, in the excitement of gambling, in artistic glory, in friendship with famous people, in the pleasures of the senses. Now I have found happiness, I have an overflowing heart and I want to share it with you. ... You say, 'But I don't believe in Jesus Christ.' I say to you, 'Neither did I and that is why I was unhappy.'"

Conversion is the way to happiness and a full life. It is not something painful, but the greatest joy. It is the discovery of the hidden treasure and the pearl of great price."

HAVE YOU FOUND THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE?

Becoming Catholic

RCIA - the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** - 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.

We will host information meetings on Wednesday, August 2nd; Thursday, August 10th; and Monday, August 14th, in the Family Center at 6:30 pm. If this is for you or someone you know, please call the Parish Office at 829-0090 or Matthew Bove at 856-296-3576, or just show up. It could be the best decision you'll ever make.

As some of you may know on Saturday, July 8th a fire damaged and displaced Rick and Donna Connor from their home. Thankfully, no one was hurt in the fire, but Rick and Donna lost everything. A benefit for Rick and Donna will be held on Saturday, September 16th in the Gym from 7:00 to 11:00pm. Georgetti's will cater the event with beer and soda also provided. There will be a Chinese auction and a 50/50. We hope you are able to come and help Donna and Rick get back on their feet. For tickets are \$30 and are available at the Rectory Office.

CAR RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

Sacred Heart Church will be holding a Car Raffle on Saturday, September 30th at our annual Block Party.

Tickets are \$25 each and someone will win a 2018 GMC Acadia valued at \$33,800.

Only 2700 tickets will be sold, so get yours before we are sold out! Tickets are available at the Parish Office. For more information please contact Scott at 829-0090 x 14.

Help is needed to help sell Car Raffle Tickets after each Mass. If you are interested in selling Raffle Tickets, please contact Scott Perry at 829-0090 x14.

Heart to Heart Ministry School Bag Drive...

Blessing
of the
Backpacks



Please consider helping with our school bag drive for the children (boys and girls) of Sacred Heart School in Camden. The bags are needed before school starts, which is right after

Labor Day. All school bags and supplies can be dropped off in the side altar; Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Chapel. Thank you for your generosity!

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP SCHOOL...



Is now accepting applications for our 3-year old and 4-year old PreK programs. We offer a comprehensive program that nurtures children by building self confidence, inviting discovery, and fostering education through play. For further information and to schedule a

tour, please contact the school office at 856-779-7526.



Bishop's Anniversary Blessing

Bishop's Anniversary Blessings 2017 October 22nd — Burlington/Mercer: All couples celebrating their **1st, 25th or 50+ wedding anniversary** during the 2017 calendar year are invited to gather with family and friends to share the Eucharist, renew your sacred wedding vows, and receive Bishop O'Connell's Episcopal Blessing. Couples from Burlington and Mercer County may register to attend the Mass and Blessing at St. Mary Cathedral, Trenton on Sunday, October 22nd at 3:00 pm. Please contact Leslie at 829-0090 or sacredheartriver-ton@comcast.net by Friday, September 8th to register.

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.



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**STAY CONNECTED TO YOUR
SACRED HEART FAMILY ...**

August 2nd ~ 6:30 pm ~ Information Meeting for RCIA ~ Family Center

August 10th ~ 6:30 pm ~ Information Meeting for RCIA ~ Family Center

August 14th ~ 6:30 pm ~ Information Meeting for RCIA ~ Family Center

September 10th ~ 7:00 pm ~ TNT Youth Group Kick Off Night ~ Gym

September 11th ~ 7:00 pm ~ Moms Gathering ~ Deacon's Room

September 15th ~ 6:30 pm ~ God's Followers (Jr. Youth Group) ~ Gym

September 15th ~ 6:30 pm ~ Little Flowers & Blue Knights (K-3) ~ Family Center

September 30th ~ 11:00 am ~ Block Party

October 1st ~ Religious Ed classes begin for Grades 1-4

October 5th ~ 7:00 pm ~ Evening Bible Study ~ Family Center

October 11th ~ 9:00 am ~ Wednesday Morning Bible Study ~ Family Center

October 28th ~ 6:00 pm ~ Parish Pasta Dinner ~ Gym

We are in need of volunteers to help with our games at the Block Party on Saturday, September 30th. If you can help in any way please contact Mary Neary at 829-1836 or email: m.neary@shcriverton.org.

FREE Mammograms

For uninsured and under-insured residents of Burlington and Camden Counties. Get a free mammogram through the NJCEED Program at Virtua. Women age 40 to 64 qualify.

Saturday, August 5th

**Mobile mammography van at the
Jesus, the Good Shepherd/St. Joseph's
805 Warren St**

Beverly, NJ

To sign up, call 856-247-7388. Virtua for life. \$20 Walmart or Wawa gift card to women who complete their mammograms. Not a cash equivalent; for preventive screening only. Free Spanish and Portuguese translation available.

Palmyra High School Foundation for Educational Excellence presents:

CASINO NIGHT

Join us for a night out as our community comes together to show support, directly benefiting Palmyra High School

Ticket Price: \$60 (includes buffet dinner, beer, wine, \$30 in gaming chips, music and fun)
 Saturday, September 9th
 Sacred Heart Church Lower Church
 7:00 to 11:00 pm

Get your tickets while they last! Order yours today at info@phsfee.com. Checks payable to PHSFEE
 Palmyra High School Foundation for Educational Excellence ~ PO Box 655 ~ Palmyra, NJ 08065 ~ www.phsfee.com
 PHSFEE is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization

The **St. Joan of Arc Church Carnival** is scheduled for Monday, August 21st to Saturday, August 26th on the church grounds at Evans and Willow Bend Roads in Marlton. Rides, food and games begin at 6:00 pm. Nightly entertainment. There will be a 50/50 (last year's winner took home over \$26,000) and hourly raffles. Also being raffled off is a 12.9" iPad Pro w/Apple Pencil and Smart Keyboard, valued at \$1,167. All-access ride bracelets which can be used any night of the carnival can be purchased in advance for the special price of \$20 at ShopRite of Marlton. Cost at the carnival will be \$35 per bracelet. All proceeds benefit St. Joan of Arc School. For more information call 856-983-0077. See you on the midway!

COMPASSION

If you love the justice of Jesus Christ more than you fear human judgment, then you will seek to do compassion. — Mechtilde of Magdeburg

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.

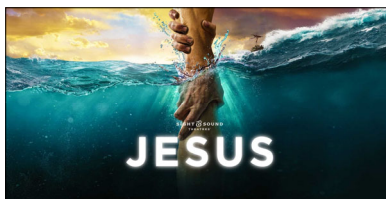


WEEKEND MUSIC — JULY 30TH

- 302 Gather Us In
- 434 Seek Ye First
- 627 Blest Are They
- 375 The Spirit Sends Us Forth



Catholic Daughters is sponsoring a trip to Sight and Sound Theatre on Friday, March 16, 2018 to see the production of "JESUS".



The cost is \$130 per person which includes transportation, show ticket - premium seats, home style lunch at Good and Plenty, all tips including bus driver and gratuities and snacks. For more information please call Marie Russo at 856-829-1999.

Catholic Daughters are collecting new bras and hygiene supplies (unopened packages of tampons & pads) for the Dignity Project. These items are often overlooked needs. Please place items in the pink box in the St. Elizabeth Anne Seton side chapel. Thank you for your kindness and caring. www.distributiondignity.org.

The Bread of Life Food Pantry Needs You... Stocking Manager Volunteer Needed

KEY role in the pantry operation. Responsible for making sure the pantry is fully stocked for each Panty Day. Monitor inventory and on-going food donations. Order & pick up food from the Food Bank of South Jersey (Pennsauken). Purchase required food from local food retailers and wholesalers (as needed). Member of Pantry Operations Team (attend occasional meeting). Please contact Dale Neas at 609-706-0439 or dneas2@comcast.net if you are interested in helping. Thank you

PRAY

If you pray you are sure of saving your soul. If you do not pray you are just as sure to lose your soul. — St. Alphonsus Liguori

Catholic Charities in Delanco is in desperate need of food. The shelves are almost bare. **They have plenty of peanut butter.** They are in need of anything else, cereal, spaghetti sauce, etc. Please put the items in the St. Pius the 10th Chapel near the handicapped ramp. Thank you for your generosity.