

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.

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ AUGUST 13, 2017

JESUS CAME TOWARD THEM WALKING ON THE SEA

Today's readings console and challenge us, reminding us just how hard God works for us so we might have faith. God's labors are infinitely diverse, too, always tailored to fit our particular situations, personalities, and needs. In Elijah's case, he is hiding in a cave on the very same mountain where Moses once encountered God in the burning bush. Hunted by the pagan Queen Jezebel, Elijah is running for his life. While Moses experienced God in fire on this mountain, Elijah requires a gentler touch. God comes to him not in awesome displays of power, but in a "tiny whispering sound." God provides exactly the tranquility Elijah needs before sending him off on a new mission. God's creative care for us does not always lead to faith, however. In a strikingly tender passage, Saint Paul shares his heartbreak that God's chosen people could reject Jesus, even after all God has done to prepare them for the Messiah. God has accompanied the chosen people through adoption, miracles, covenants, commandments, prophets, and kings. Despite ages of dedicated and inventive caregiving, God's people do not unite in worship of the true Messiah. The proper response to this lack of faith is sorrow, and Saint Paul pours out the "constant anguish" in his heart. In yet another astonishingly creative gesture, God visits people in need of faith by defying the laws of nature. Matthew's Gospel describes Jesus actually walking on water to comfort his disciples during a storm at sea. After their terror subsides and the winds grow calm, faith floods the disciples' hearts. They worship Jesus, proclaiming, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

TO THE LIMIT

Sometimes God's creative overtures are almost too much to handle. In a daring effort to trust, Peter challenges Jesus to share miraculous power with him. Jesus obliges, and Peter walks on water. Peter enjoys his miracle until his natural limitations spoil his faith. Just imagine what barriers we can shatter if only we believe.

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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, Walter Brickley, Mary Cakir, Lila McKeon, 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, August 14, 2017

8:00 am **People of the Parish**

5:00 pm **Rosemary Martens**
r/o Her Family

John Kratochwill
r/o His Son, Joe & Family

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

8:00 am **Toby Walz**
r/o Don & Pam Deitz

Joan Kane
r/o Don & Pam Deitz

Cheryl McGlinchy
r/o Marty & Val
Schlindwein

7:00 pm **People of the Parish**

Wednesday, August 16, 2017

8:00 am **Brandon Styer**
r/o The Hughes Family

Thursday, August 17, 2017

8:00 am **John McCann**
r/o Eileen McCann &
Family

Friday, August 18, 2017

8:00 am **John Mylan**
r/o Janet, Charlie & Jaime

Saturday, August 19, 2017

8:00 am **Holy Souls in Purgatory**

4:30 pm **Janet T. Nickels**
r/o Mom, Dad & Jaime
Genevieve Alburger
r/o Nancy & Bill DeVece
Dolores Mufalli
r/o Tom & Mary Hannan

Sunday, August 20, 2017

7:30 am **Suzanne & Bob DuRocher**
r/o The Drumm Family

John McQuillin
r/o Doris

9:00 am **Mark Irons**
r/o Judy & Harold
Zimmermann & Family

John L. Perkins
r/o Robert M. Long Family

11:00 am **Rachael A. Annunziato**
r/o Melanie & Brian
Callahan

Sandra Schiliro
r/o Her Family

Rosemary Bushnell
r/o The Max Family



**PLEASE PRAY FOR
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Bobby Barnett, Joann Beard, Joanne Brady, 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 Knicley, Ryan Konetski, Jeffrey Kuhn, Casey Lang, Matthew Laverty, Howard Lawmaster, 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 Zamichiel

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

**THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass**

Monday, August 14th at 5:00 pm
Feast of the Assumption
Tuesday, August 15th at
8:00 am & 7:00 pm

The Parish Offices will be closed on Tuesday.



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.

We will host information meeting on 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.

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, August 14

6:00 pm — Legion of Mary
Family Center Room 6
6:30 pm — Information Meeting for RCIA
Family Center

Tuesday, August 15

Parish Offices Closed
Miraculous Medal Novena
Following 8:00 am Mass
Willing and Able will return in September
No Bible Study
7:00 pm — NA Meeting
Lower Church

Wednesday, August 16

10:00 am — Moms & Tots
Lower Church
8:00 pm — AA Meeting
Lower Church

Thursday, August 17

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

Friday, August 18

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Following 8:00 am Mass

Sunday, August 20

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
12:15 pm — Celebration of Baptisms
Church
8:00 pm — AA Meeting
Lower Church

The Block Party Meeting for Monday, August 14th has been cancelled until after Labor Day.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekend of August 5 & 6, 2017

\$12,203.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$13,615.00

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



"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."
He said, "Come." Matthew 14: 22-33

"This story is a beautiful icon of the faith of the Apostle Peter. In the voice of Jesus who tells him: "Come!", he recognizes the echo of the first encounter on the shore of that very lake, and right away, once again, he leaves the boat and goes toward the Teacher. And he walks on the waters! The faithful and ready response to the Lord's call always enables one to achieve extraordinary things. But Jesus himself told us that we are capable of performing miracles with our faith, faith in Him, faith in his word, faith in his voice. Peter however begins to sink the moment he looks away from Jesus and he allows himself to be overwhelmed by the hardships around him. But the Lord is always there, and when Peter calls him, Jesus saves him from danger. Peter's character, with his passion and his weaknesses, can describe our faith: ever fragile and impoverished, anxious yet victorious, Christian faith walks to meet the Risen Lord, amid the world's storms and dangers.

And the final scene is also very important. "And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshipped him, saying, 'Truly you are the Son of God!'" (vv. 32-33). All the disciples are on the boat, united in the experience of weakness, of doubt, of fear and of "little faith". But when Jesus climbs into that boat again, the weather suddenly changes: they all feel united in their faith in Him. All the little and frightened ones become great at the moment in which they fall on their knees and recognize the Son of God in their Teacher. How many times the same thing happens to us! Without Jesus, far from Jesus, we feel frightened and inadequate to the point of thinking we cannot succeed. Faith is lacking! But Jesus is always with us, hidden perhaps, but present and ready to support us.

This is an effective image of the Church: a boat which must brave the storms and sometimes seems on the point of capsizing. What saves her is not the skill and courage of her crew members, but faith which allows her to walk, even in the dark, amid hardships. Faith gives us the certainty of Jesus' presence always beside us, of his hand which grasps us to pull us back from danger. We are all on this boat, and we feel secure here despite our limitations and our weaknesses. We are safe especially when we are ready to kneel and worship Jesus, the only Lord of our life. This is what our Mother, Our Lady always reminds us. We turn to her trustingly."
— Pope Francis, August 10, 2014 -ANGELUS

You're Invited!!!

Little Flowers Girls' Club



Girl's program for ages K-2nd grade. Earn badges while practicing virtue, learning about saints and memorizing scripture. Crafts! Songs! Friends!
Blue Knights Boy's Club



The Boy's Program for ages K-2nd grade. Build a suit of armor and earn your shield badges while learning about your Catholic faith.

When: Friday, September 15th

Time: 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Place: Sacred Heart Family Center

RSVP not required but for more information please contact Anne Lippincott at 856-829-0282.

BIBLE TRUTH

Each person marvels to find in the divine scriptures truths which they themselves have thought out. — St. Thomas Aquinas

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. Tickets are \$30 and are available at the Rectory Office.

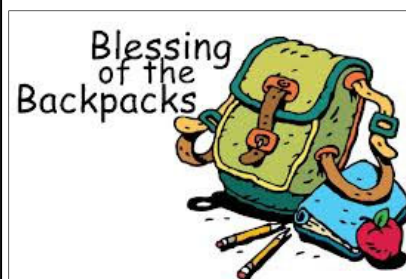
CAR RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE

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.

Heart to Heart Ministry School Bag Drive...



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!

God's Followers Returns

When: Friday, September 15th

Grades: 3rd to 6th

Time: 6:30 to 8:00 pm

Where: Family Center Gym

For more information please contact Erin Foley at 856-786-8007



Calling All Teens

Come out and bring a friend, all are invited.

When: Fridays

Time: 7:00 to 9:00 pm

Where: Family Center Gym

22nd Taste of Burlington County

Taste of Burlington County Super Raffle Tickets

In conjunction with the Taste of Burlington County, Super Cash Raffle for 3 prizes, 25% - 15% - 10% of all monies collected, will be sold after all Masses the weekend of August 26th & 27th. Tickets are priced at \$2 each. Drawing will take place at the Taste of Burlington County. Winner need not be present.



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

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

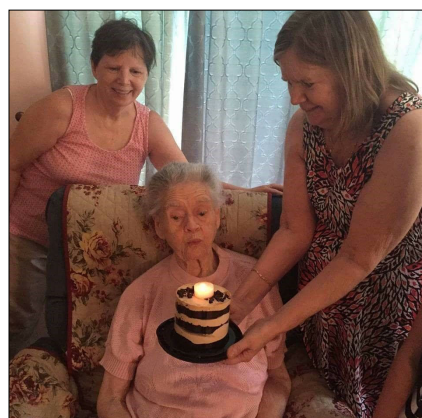
October 4th ~ 7:00 pm ~ Feast of the Holy Rosary ~ Church

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.



We must never forget those who have faithfully worked tirelessly to build and support the parish that many call home; Sacred Heart! Through their prayers, love and sacrifice we will remain long into the future. Join with

me in celebrating and lifting a prayer of thanksgiving for Theresa Brennan Gladney who will reach the milestone of 100 years old! God bless and keep you always in his loving care and God bless your family.

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!

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.

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.

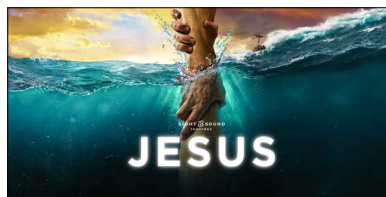


WEEKEND MUSIC – AUGUST 13TH

- 442 O God, Our Help in Ages Past
- 615 The Cry of the Poor
- 594 Christ, Be Our Light
- 440 How Can I Keep From Singing



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.



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.

The next **Parish Planning Council** meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 6th at 6:30 pm in the Family Center. Please consider joining us. The Block Party and car raffle will be our focus as well as getting our Children's Ministries off and running. Your thoughts, ideas and prayers are welcomed and encouraged! Hope to see you there.

The mystery of Mary's Assumption reminds us that our definitive homeland is not here on earth, and that our longing for fulfillment finds complete satisfaction only in eternal happiness.

— Pope Benedict XVI