

# 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.***

**TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 8, 2017**

### **THERE WAS A LANDOWNER WHO PLANTED A VINEYARD**

The tales of the vineyard in Isaiah and in Matthew point to the larger story of God and God's people. We see that God is intensely passionate about us. God is deeply committed, like the landowner who diligently prepares the vineyard. God has high expectations that the vineyard produce the fruit of a just and compassionate society. God is highly disappointed and angry that the vineyard has produced bad fruit (Isaiah), or has been treated as a prize to be seized (Matthew). There are more chapters in the larger story that also need to be told. Later in Isaiah and in Matthew, we see that God is also deeply compassionate and forgiving. Isaiah speaks of God's tender care, as a mother loves her child (Isaiah 49). In Matthew, Jesus demonstrates God's forgiveness most dramatically on the cross. God is indeed most patient and resilient. God never gives up on us. God continues to pursue us, offering us love and grace, now and always.

### **THE CORNERSTONE**

The powerful conclusions of the two vineyard tales are meant to linger in our memories. God indeed expects much of us, to live justly and mercifully. However, we know that God is not prickly and impatient, as we might be led to imagine if we read these stories out of context. The stories do invite us to ponder again who God really is. Especially during times of difficulty or of failure in our lives, we might wonder how we might best understand the mystery of God. The witness of the New Testament is clear. If you want to know what God is like, look at Jesus. Look at his patience and mercy. Look at his compassion for the suffering, his passion for justice. Look also at the joy and healing experienced by those in his presence. As today's Gospel passage indicates, Jesus is the cornerstone, the starting point of coming to know our God.

#### **PRIESTS**

Rev. Robert Holtz, 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**

**103 Fourth St. Riverton, NJ 08077**  
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Leslie Crofton, Secretary, ext. 10  
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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**102 Fourth Street - Family Center**  
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Patricia Hutchinson, Director  
Joanne Moore, Secretary

#### **PARISH MINISTRIES**

##### **LITURGICAL MUSIC MINISTRIES**

856-786-5380  
Susan Barnett, Associate

##### **BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS**

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**

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 Covalski, 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, Bernard Orfe Jr, Judith McCauley, Jeff Scouler, Jeanne Muzik, Joseph Allen, Fr. Michael Waites, Mary Rosica, Theresa Gladney, Kathy Frunzi, Cathy Daly, 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, October 9, 2017**

8:00 am **Anthony M. Russo**  
r/o His Wife, Marie & Family

**Tuesday, October 10, 2017**

8:00 am **Jeff Scouler**  
r/o Deacon Ken Heilig

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017**

8:00 am **Peg Donovan**  
r/o Her Family  
**Paul Cooney**  
r/o The Ehrhardt Family

**Thursday, October 12, 2017**

8:00 am **Jeff Scouler**  
r/o Leslie  
**Special Intentions for Mary Kathleen Cunningham**  
r/o Joseph Cunningham

**Friday, October 13, 2017**

8:00 am **Fran Fox**  
r/o Lucille Melvin and DeWayne & Matt Baynard

**Saturday, October 14, 2017**

8:00 am **Ronald Siconolfi**  
r/o The Novak Family  
4:30 pm **Joe & Cindy Citeroni**  
r/o Wife & Mom  
**Vincent Perfetti**  
r/o His Family

**Sunday, October 15, 2017**

7:30 am **Suzanne & Bob DuRocher**  
r/o The Drumm Family  
**Lois Nark**  
r/o Dottie Pellecchia  
9:00 am **Janice Carr**  
r/o Bob Harvey  
10:30 am **Mary Rosica**  
r/o The Zarrilli Family  
**George & Helen Lemberger**  
r/o Their Family  
**Alfred Rezende**  
r/o Cathy & Paul Daly  
12:00 pm **Jeff Scouler**  
r/o Sacred Heart Staff



**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND**

Colleen Anninos, Bobby Barnett, Joann Beard, Joanne Brady, Debra Burns, Billy Byrem, Angela Canco, Sharon Christenson, Dorothy Clinton, Tony Colkers, Paul Daly, Tanya DiMaio, John Doherty, Ruth Dolbow, Diane Donnelly, Fr. Michael Doyle, Marianne Ford, Mary Lou Francis, Dot Fries, Loretta Gibson, Kelsey Goodwin, Alec Haas, Jamie Hall, Thomas Heliger Sr, Gloria Hornberger, Walter Huber, James Huff, Becky Jones, Liz Jones, Joachim Jung, Maura Kendall, Don & Kay Kline, David Kloss, Edward Knicley, Ryan Konetski, Sandra 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, Fran Murphy, 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, James Sutton, Lynne Turley, Bob Venango, 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.*

**Care of the sick:** If a family member is sick or homebound and would like to receive Communion please contact Dawn Vermes at 856-979-5707.

*Thank You*

The family of Mary Rosica would like to extend a heartfelt thank you for the love and support during this difficult time.

**COFFEE & DONUTS  
Are returning**

We will be serving coffee & donuts this Sunday, October 8th, following the 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses in the lower church. This is an excellent opportunity for current parishioners to renew old acquaintances and make new ones and for new parishioners to meet us and learn more about us.

**MEMORIALS**

THE SACRED HEART LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

ANTHONY M. RUSSO

AT THE REQUEST OF

HIS WIFE, MARIE & FAMILY



**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, October 9**

**Parish Offices Closed**

12:30 pm — CDA Card Party  
Lower Church

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

**Tuesday, October 10**

Miraculous Medal Novena  
Following 8:00 am Mass

1:00 pm — Willing and Able  
Family Center

7:00 pm — NA Meeting  
Lower Church

**Wednesday, October 11**

9:00 am — Bible Study ~ *Ephesians*  
Family Center Meeting Room

8:00 pm — AA Meeting  
Lower Church

**Thursday, October 12**

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

7:00 pm — Bereavement Support Group  
Family Center

7:00 pm — Baptism Workshop  
Family Center Room 5

7:00 pm — Dance Class  
Lower Church

**Friday, October 13**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Following 8:00 am Mass

**Sunday, October 15**

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:00 pm — Youth Group Meeting  
Family Center

8:00 pm — AA Meeting  
Lower Church

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

Weekend of September 30 & October 1, 2017

\$12,388.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$13,012.00

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

#### Full, Conscious, and Active Participation in Worship



**"Full"**

That we enter into worship as a whole person, our minds, our hearts, our bodies, who we are, our very being is called to worship God!

**"Conscious"**

As we worship God, we are aware of who we are: God's People; what we are: Followers of His Son, Jesus Christ; and what we are called to be: To go out to the world and tell the Good News!

**"Active"**

Our response to the love, mercy, and grace of God in our lives calls for a response that is both internal and external. We stand, we sit, we listen, we kneel, we sing, we open our hearts and our minds, as we enter into a divine dialogue that brings us into the presence and mystery of God!



**"Participation"**

As baptized members of the Body of Christ we are called to participate in the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ...this is the core of our worship. Our experiences at Mass of offering, the great sacrifice to God of Jesus Christ, His Son, along with ourselves, is central sacred action of the Eucharistic Prayer. The culmination of the sacrifice takes place when we receive the Body and Blood of Jesus at His banquet table here on earth, the altar. This food gives us the courage and nourishment to be disciples of Jesus Christ in the world today.

#### BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY AT SACRED HEART

Too often we feel as if we cannot go through the grieving process by ourselves. Sacred Heart Bereavement Ministry represents the Church Family reaching out to those who are experiencing grief and sorrow. In doing so, we extend an invitation and opportunity to learn positive ways to cope with loss, when a loved one has passed away. We minister the Love of Christ in letting all those who are grieving realize that they are not alone. If you or someone you know is experiencing loss of a loved one, we invite you to come join others who are grieving and understand.

The next Bereavement Support Group will begin on Thursday, October 5th, between 7:00 to 8:30 pm in the Family Center, Room 6. Each week we will focus on a different topic.

- October 12th:** The Pain of Grief/Our Feelings are Normal
- October 19th:** Adjusting to a Life Beyond Loss
- October 26th:** No Meeting
- November 2nd:** Parish Memorial Mass
- November 9th:** The Grieving Process
- November 16th:** Our Journey Towards a New Life

You are welcome to come for any or all of the sessions. For more information please call Fran at 786-0445.



#### YOUTH GROUP NEWS:

Meeting Sunday, October 8th. Junior High Teens in grades 7 & 8 will meet 6:00 to 7:00 pm. Senior High Teens in grades 9-12 will meet 7:30 to 9:00 pm. See you there, and bring a friend! Don't forget your registration forms and t-shirt designs!

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#### ATTENTION ADULTS!!!

Have you felt the call to guide our youth? Not sure how you can help? **WE NEED YOU!** We ask that you prayerfully consider joining our Youth Ministry Team to help facilitate our meetings. Contact Bridget for more information on how you can help. [bridgiebee82@yahoo.com](mailto:bridgiebee82@yahoo.com) or 856-264-8943.

#### Sacred Heart's Blood Drive, Monday, October 16th

Following the shooting in Las Vegas, the Red Cross provided more than 250 additional blood products to local hospitals to help those injured. We stand ready to provide blood and blood products as needed in response to this tragedy.

Volunteer blood donors are needed each and every day to help save lives. The tragedy illustrates that it's the blood already on the shelves that helps during an emergency. Red Cross blood donations will become part of our national blood inventory, helping to ensure we are prepared for any blood needs that arise wherever blood is needed. **Call Scott at 829-0090 to schedule an appointment.**

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study**  
**Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance**  
 Join us for this wonderful discovery  
 Beginning October 11th at 9:00 am  
 in the Family Center

*Discover Your Inheritance*

Paul's letter to the Ephesians reveals many remarkable gifts that we as Christians are given in the Church. This letter tells us about the nature of the Church—as a body, as a household, as a mystery, as a communion, as a bride, and as an army. It shows us the great inheritance that awaits us as sons and daughters, adopted fully into the family of God. It reveals how God's great love for us can transform our daily lives if we allow it. *Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance* is an 8-part Bible Study that will enrich your faith, and show you how to live it out.

*In this study, you will:*

- Discover what it means to be not just a son or daughter of God, but an heir to all he has to give
- Learn about the great mystery of how we can love one another as Christ loves the Church.
- Find out that you have a place in God's "plan of sheer goodness."

For more information or if you would like to order a study guide (\$19.95) please call Leslie at the Parish Office at 829-0090 or email: [sacredheartriver-ton@comcast.net](mailto:sacredheartriver-ton@comcast.net).



**Dear Friends of Our Blessed Mother,**

This is an invitation to pray the Rosary on Saturday, October 14th at noon. Our Lady of Fatima asks us to pray the rosary in a public place for world peace and stop moral decay.

For more information please call Bridget at 786-1322.

The Pal/Riv Knights of Columbus will hand out lapel Roses for Life at each Mass on the weekend of October 14th & 15th. Donations are welcome and all proceeds will benefit 1st Way of Burlington County.



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

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

# Thank You so much!

We would like to thank all the Parishioners in our Sacred Heart Family for all their help, love, and support and prayers after the fire. We would have never made it without all of you!!

We are so blessed to be in this Parish.

Love,

*Rick & Donna Connor*

**Acolyte at Funerals**

We are looking for a few adult members of the Sacred Heart Church community to help with funerals throughout the weekdays. We are seeking men and woman to serve as acolytes at funeral Masses. Training will be provided.

**Functions of the Acolyte at Funerals:**

In the procession to the altar, the acolyte may carry the cross. Through the entire celebration, it is for the acolyte to approach the Priest or the Deacon, whenever necessary, in order to present the book to them and to assist them in any other way required. In the absence of a Deacon, after the prayers of the faithful and while the Priest remains at the chair, the acolyte places the corporal, the purificator, the chalice, the pall, and the Missal on the altar. Likewise, after the distribution of Communion is complete, the acolyte helps the Priest or Deacon carries the sacred vessels to the credence table. If incense is being used, the acolyte presents the thurible to the Priest and if the absence of a Deacon, assists the Priest while he incenses the casket. The acolyte may carry the cross, with the Deacon and the Priest in procession to the back of the church.

If you are interested in serving at funerals please contact Deacon Michael Stinsman at (856) 745-0413.

**BASKETBALL SEASON**

The Sacred Heart basketball program is for boys and girls, parishioners in 3rd thru 8th grade. The Program starts in mid October and runs thru February. If your child is playing other sports now and still wants to play please sign up now. The coaches make accommodations for children playing other sports. The cost is \$65 for the first child and \$50 for each child after that. There are 2 methods to sign up:

1. Go to SHRhoops.com pull down a registration form and mail to Mike Paolini, 317 Mimosa Place, Cherry Hill, NJ 08003
2. Call Mike at 856-433-8027 or 609-230-3742 and he will email you a form

If you have any questions please call Mike Paolini at the above numbers.

**GOOD COUNSEL HOMES BANQUET**

**Thursday, October 26th, 6:00 to 9:00 pm at The Merion, Route 130 Cinnaminson**

YOU are invited to attend Good Counsel's Eleventh Annual Fund Raising Banquet to benefit the homeless, pregnant mothers of our Riverside home. Come and hear one of the many success stories of one of Good Counsel's moms and how, through your financial support, she now has hope for her future. Reservations are required. Please contact Mary Ann Lorimer for information: 215-989-0021 or lorimerma@aol.com. Ask friends to join you and we will reserve a table of 10 just for you! A free will offering will be taken during the dinner. Celebrate the miracles of our Riverside home with us. We look forward to seeing you.

**COMPANIONSHIP**

Take my hand and walk along with me, not ahead of me; otherwise I may not follow you. — 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 – OCTOBER 8TH**

- 421 I Sing the Mighty Power of God
- 329 Bread That Was Sown
- 339 One Bread, One Body
- 423 How Great Thou Art



**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.

**Friends of Catholic Daughters who have signed up for the show "JESUS" are asked to submit a deposit of \$30 by Monday, October 23, 2017. There is limited space and a waiting list is growing. Thank you**

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The creators of the show *Mother is Italian, Father is Jewish and I'm in Therapy* will open a new show on Wednesday, April 25, 2018 called "Cannoli, Latkes and Guilt" at Caesars. Cost is \$82 per person. A \$30 deposit reserves your seat. Price includes: transportation, \$25 slot play, buffet lunch, show ticket, all tips and gratuities including driver plus snacks. For information and reservations call Marie Russo at 829-1999. Only one show and limited seating.

**Catholic Daughters** will be selling 25% discount coupons for Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Day. The event will be October 17th at Boscov's and the coupons are \$5.00. We will be in the back of the church for 2 weekends prior to the sale October 7th & 8th and October 14th & 15th. Catholic Daughters donates all proceeds to local and national charities. Thank you in advance for your support. Any questions call Terry at 829-5121

**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.

