

# 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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ OCTOBER 15, 2017**

### **THE LORD WILL PROVIDE FOR ALL PEOPLES A FEAST**

The parable in today's Gospel is like a political cartoon or graphic novel. It uses exaggerations and odd plot twists to convey its message. There is little attempt to be "realistic." Jesus compares the rejection of him by the chief priests and elders to an outrageous imaginary scene. To its audience, it would be deeply offensive that anyone summoned to a royal wedding banquet would violently reject the invitation. This would indicate a full revolt against the king. The parable was a blunt accusation against the religious leaders. In comparison, the people found on the streets who go to the banquet are like those who accepted Jesus during his ministry. They are the "unimportant" people who are surprisingly receptive to him. Matthew draws a stark contrast to accuse the priests and elders and to uplift ordinary people who recognize the presence of God in Jesus.

### **RECEIVING GOD'S JOY**

The final scene introduces the unacceptably dressed banquet guest. Matthew is concerned here about the full readiness of those who accept God's invitation. A superficial assent or participation is not enough. God wants our whole selves invested here. Jesus' followers are to be prepared for the banquet, as suggested by the wedding garment. The meaning of the garment is not clearly explained. It's helpful to recall that a wedding banquet, then and now, is a profoundly joyous event. Being dressed appropriately means being ready to celebrate. Our hearts must be ready to receive God's joy. Indeed, it can be difficult to be receptive to joy when we have been hurt in many ways during our lives. Our pain may cause us to close up, pulling away from others and away from God. It helps to remember that our God overflows with joy and is eager to share the fullness of joy with us. In our times of suffering, God actively invites us to receive this joy, and in return to share it with others.

#### **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**

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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 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, 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 16, 2017**

8:00 am **Joseph J. & Marguerite A. Ely**  
r/o Their Family  
**Warren Williams**  
r/o Nancy & Adam  
Haraburda

**Tuesday, October 17, 2017**

8:00 am **Doris Dolan**  
r/o John & Christine  
Flynn

**Wednesday, October 18, 2017**

8:00 am **Jeff Scouler**  
r/o Fr. Bob Holtz

**Thursday, October 19, 2017**

8:00 am **Elise Fries**  
r/o Her Husband, Bill

**Friday, October 20, 2017**

8:00 am **Antonette Mascia**  
r/o The Ehrhardt Family

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**

8:00 am **Rev. Michael Waites**  
r/o The Novak Family  
4:30 pm **Thomas Gavin, Sr**  
r/o The Walch Family  
**Fr. Michael Waites**  
r/o Tom & Mimi Cairns

**Sunday, October 22, 2017**

7:30 am **Lois Nark**  
r/o Al & Betty Shinn  
**Bill & Isabell Rafter**  
r/o Their Family  
9:00 am **Don Schofield**  
r/o His Wife, MaryLou &  
Children  
**Joan Fera**  
r/o Al  
10:30 am **Alice M. Callahan**  
r/o Brian & Melanie  
Callahan  
**Kathleen Mufalli**  
r/o Her Family  
**Bernard Orfe, Jr**  
r/o Pat Russell  
12:00 pm **Florence Ehrhardt**  
r/o Her Family  
**Mary Rosica**  
r/o Ray & Pat Franecki



**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, Bob Schumann, 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.

The family of Catherine Daly wishes to express our sincere appreciation for all the love, support, and prayers shown to us during this most difficult time. Cathy truly loved her Sacred Heart Family. We wish also to thank our parish priests, as well as Father Ralph Stansley and Father John Czahur, our deacons, the choir, the bereavement ministry, and all those who helped us in so many ways to honor the legacy of Cathy Daly.

We also want to thank all of you for your prayers, cards, well wishes for our Dad during his recovery.

Gratefully,  
Paul Daly and Family

**MEMORIALS**

THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS THIS WEEK

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

JAMES V. HALL

AT THE REQUEST OF

HIS WIFE, JUDY & 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 16**

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

**Tuesday, October 17**

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 18**

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

6:30 pm — Catholic Daughters Meeting  
Family Center Meeting Room

8:00 pm — AA Meeting  
Lower Church

**Thursday, October 19**

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

7:00 pm — Bereavement Support Group  
Family Center

7:00 pm — Dance Class  
Lower Church

**Friday, October 20**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
Following 8:00 am Mass

6:30 pm — God's Followers  
Family Center

6:30 pm — Little Flowers & Blue Knights  
Family Center

**Sunday, October 22**

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
1:15 pm — Celebration of Baptisms  
Church

7:00 pm — Youth Group Meeting  
Family Center

8:00 pm — AA Meeting  
Lower Church

**FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

Weekend of October 7 & 8, 2017

\$11,363.00

Same Weekend last year's collection

\$11,325.00

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**

**‘Glory to God in the highest’**

Have you noticed that as we begin the Mass – especially in the Liturgy of the Word – we seem to be engaging in a dialogue? As we come together before the Lord we come as distinct individuals, but with the Gathering Hymn we become a unified assembly. Following the priest-celebrant’s Greeting, he calls on us to ask the Lord’s forgiveness of our sins so that we may worthily join in the coming celebration.

With any prayer we put ourselves in the presence of the Lord, asking that we may indeed come before Him with humble and contrite hearts, praising and thanking Him for His goodness to us and all the world and for His great glory. So, as we begin the Mass with the Penitential Rite, asking God’s forgiveness, now, we praise Him in the Gloria.

An ancient hymn based upon the Hymn of the Angels at the Birth of Jesus in Bethlehem (Gloria in Excelsis Deo – Glory to God in the highest (Luke 2:1-4), the Gloria dates to the earliest centuries of Christianity. It is recited or sung as a prayer expressing glory to God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. We pray it on Sundays and feasts, except during the penitential seasons of Lent and Advent.

Technically, the Gloria is known as the Major Doxology because of the length of the prayer; the Lesser Doxology is the Glory Be to the Father. The most Solemn Doxology is the one that concludes the Eucharistic Prayer, when the priest offers the Body and Blood of Christ to the Father, praying:

*Through Him, with Him and in Him,  
O God, almighty Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours,  
for ever and ever. Amen.*

When we have asked forgiveness in the Penitential Rite and given praise to God in the Gloria, that our priest invites us to pray, then in the Opening Prayer brings together our individual prayers and offers them to the Father through Jesus Christ, in unity with the Holy Spirit.

In humility we speak to God, we praise Him, we pray for our needs, and now God speaks to us in His inspired Word. In the Liturgy of the Word, portions of Scripture are proclaimed. Following the First Reading, usually from the Old Testament, we respond to the Word of God by reciting a Psalm, speaking back to God by using His own inspired Word. The Second Reading follows and it is from one of the Letters in the New Testament or from the Book of Revelation. We respond with the Alleluia, an exclamation meaning “Praise God!” and God speaks to us again the in the Gospel reading proclaimed by the deacon.

God’s Word is then explained by the priest or deacon in the homily, and the Liturgy of the Word is concludes with the General Intercessions in which we pray for the Church, the needs of the world, the sick, those who have died, and our special intentions.

**By Deacon Joe Donadieu**

**BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY AT SACRED HEART**

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

- 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.

God’s Followers, Little Flowers and Blue Knights will meet on Friday, October 20th at 6:30 pm in the Family Center. For more information call Erin Foley at 856-229-3285 for God’s Followers and Anne Lippincott at 829-0282 for Little Flowers and Blue Knights.



**YOUTH GROUP NEWS:**

Meeting Sunday, October 15th. 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  
at 9:00 am in the Family Center  
Ephesians: Discover Your Inheritance  
Join us for this wonderful discovery**

*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).

**Christmas Decorating**

The Decorating Committee would like to reach out to our parishioners and have you help us this Christmas. It's a great opportunity for everyone to feel a part of our parish family as we prepare our beautiful church for a most sacred season.



We know it's a hectic time for everyone, but we promise you will have a great time and it will only take a few hours out of your busy schedule. Ladies please

bring your husbands, we will put you all to work. If you are interested please contact MaryLou Schofield at 856-764-1902. Thank you!!

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.



**2017**

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

**October 15th** ~ 6:00 pm ~ Junior High Youth Group ~ Family Center

**October 15th** ~ 7:30 pm ~ Senior High Youth Group ~ Family Center

**October 16th** ~ 2:00 pm ~ Sacred Heart Red Cross Blood Drive ~ Lower Church

**October 18th** ~ 9:00 am ~ Wednesday Morning Bible Study ~ Family Center

**October 18th** ~ 10:00 am ~ Moms & Tots ~ Lower Church

**October 19th** ~ 7:00 pm ~ Bereavement Support Group ~ Family Center

**October 20th** ~ 6:30 pm ~ God's Followers ~ Family Center

**October 20th** ~ 6:30 pm ~ Little Flowers and Blue Knights ~ Family Center

**October 22nd** ~ 7:00 pm ~ Youth Group Gym Night ~ Gym

**November 2nd** ~ 7:00 pm ~ Parish Memorial Mass ~ Church

**Holy Cross Academy**

**All Are Welcome!**

Mass for Life at Holy Cross Academy on Wednesday, October 25th at 7:00 pm followed by a candlelight procession to the statue of the Blessed Mother.

**Holy Name of Camden Ministries** is hosting a celebration featuring Dr. Ali R. Houshmand, President of Rowan University, as guest speaker on Thursday, November 9 at Tavistock Country Club, Haddonfield, NJ.

The annual "Reaching Out to Those in Need" awards will be presented to Robert Juliano, Vice President, Director of Corporate Giving and Financial Literacy at Beneficial Bank and John Trumbore, Volunteer, Holy Name of Camden Ministries.

The proceeds of this event support the ministries that serve the families and children in North Camden and surrounding communities; Holy Name School, Holy Name Scholars, Camden Center for Law and Social Justice, and Guadalupe Family Services

Tickets are \$100 per person. For information and reservations, call 856 365-1001 or go to [www.holynameofcamdenministries.org](http://www.holynameofcamdenministries.org)

**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.

**BINGO FOR BABIES FUNDRAISER!!!  
November 12, 2017  
"TICKETS ON SALE NOW"**

**Good Counsel Homes is hosting our annual DESIGNER POCKETBOOK BINGO FUNDRAISER!**

Tickets are \$30 per person which includes 15 games of bingo. Additional games can be purchased along with dabbers. Make your checks payable to Good Counsel-SJ. Tables are filling fast. Tickets will be sold until it sells out!! No tickets will be sold at the door. Tables of 6 can be reserved. Complimentary coffee and desserts-but feel free to bring your own snacks! 12 vendors will be present for your Christmas shopping. Doors open 12:00pm and bingo starts 1pm. Call JoAnn DiNoia 609-387-2928 OR Joann\_dinoia@goodcounselhomes.org. Thank you for supporting our mothers and babies and hope you win a designer bag ... again!!! November 12th ~ Barna Hall St. Joseph's Church 805 Warren St. Beverly 1pm -5pm

**YOUR ACTIONS COUNT**

Knowledge may give weight, but accomplishments give luster, and many more people see than weigh. — Earl of Chesterfield

**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.**

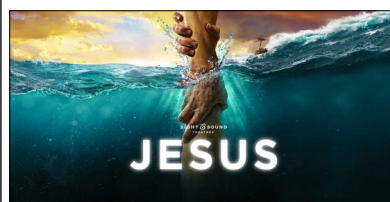


**WEEKEND MUSIC – OCTOBER 15TH**

- 311 As WE Gather at Your Table
- 591 Your Words Are Spirit and Life
- 310 Table of Plenty
- 586 Let All Things Now Living



**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.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HOAGIE SALE  
Saturday, October 21st**

American or Tuna hoagies are available on a 12" hoagie roll. Orders can be placed at 829-9859 or email kofchoagies@gmail.com for pick up on Saturday, October 21st, between 10:00 am & 12:00 noon. Cost is \$5.00 per hoagie. Please leave your name, phone number, number of hoagies you wish to order and the time when you will pick them up. Pick up is at our Council Home at Broad and Elm Streets in Palmyra.  
*Thank you for your support... Your Knights.*

**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.