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Mission Statement

The Roman Catholic Faith Community of Sacred Heart of Jesus welcomes all! Guided by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through Eucharist, Worship, Education and Service.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil—5:00pm
Sunday
8:00am, 10:00am, 12 Noon
Monday—Saturday at 9:00am
Holydays
Eve of Holyday at 7:30pm
Holyday at 9:00am & 12 Noon

Devotions

Rosary: Monday—Saturday before 9:00am Mass

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Mondays after 9:00am Mass

Thursdays: Holy Hour for Vocations 1-2pm
Exposition, Rosary, Benediction

First Friday:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart Novena after 9:00am Mass
Benediction at 10:00am

First Saturday:

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Rosary-Fatima Devotions after 9 am Mass,
Benediction 10am

Confession

Saturdays 3:30pm—4:30pm/ Or by appointment

Baptism

Saturdays at 12:00pm. Call to inquire & register.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made six months prior to the wedding. Contact rectory for details.

Anointing/Communion for the Sick

Anointing of the seriously ill: call rectory.
Communion for the homebound: call S. Kathleen.

Rectory Office Hours—Daily

open 9:45 to 1pm closed 1pm to 2pm
open 2pm to 4:30pm
By appointment Saturdays and evenings
Closed Sundays



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Third Sunday of Advent - December 17, 2023

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 16th

9:00 Peter Cammisa (Family)
5:00 Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Sunday, December 17th

8:00 Catherine Raitano
(Mike & Sheila Heavey)
10:00 Thomas C. Machalski, Sr.
Dinka & Nicholas Feretic
(Daughter, Lucy & Family)
Rosemary Chapple (Friend)
Patrick Shea, Sr. (Eileen DePaolo)
Virginia Fisher (Family)
Frances Carroll (Fressle Family)
12:00 Lt. Col. Raymond V. O'Donohue
(Wife, Sherri)

Monday, December 18th

9:00 Enrique Veliz (Teresa Veliz)

Tuesday, December 19th

9:00 Fr. James J. Meszaros

Wednesday, December 20th

9:00 Anna & Henry Magliato
(Daughter, Rosary)

Thursday, December 21st

9:00 Mark Broderick
(Susan & Patrick Broderick)

Friday, December 22nd

9:00 Elizabeth Gulino (Family)

Saturday, December 23rd

9:00 Purgatorial Society
5:00 Deceased Members of the
Tonry Family (Family)

Sunday, December 24th

8:00 Parishioners of Sacred Heart
10:00 Mass—Christmas Novena
12:00 Raymond Smith (Smith Family)
4:00 Family Mass (Christmas Pageant)
5:30 Mass—Christmas Novena
12:00 Midnight Mass—Christmas Novena



Please
remember
in your
prayers
those who are ill especially

Millie & Frank Pennachio, Trina Den,
Marion Colegari, Mason McCulloch, Fanta
Figueroa, Frank Caselli, Sr. Ave Clark,
Msgr. Richard Marchese

PRAY FOR OUR
DECEASED



The Bread & Wine for
this week's liturgies
are offered
In Memory of

Mark Broderick
(Susan & Patrick Broderick)

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

The Bereavement Group will meet on
Tuesday, January 2, at 7:30 pm in the
Church Hall. Meetings are held on the
first Tuesday of each month. For
information contact Sr. Kathleen
Masterson at 718--631-4804 & press 6.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Item 1

Last weekend we took up a collection for the retired men and women religious in our country. Our women and men religious offer gratitude. A sister shares, "I thank the Lord for all who give. I don't think we would make it without them." Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious last week. Your donation makes a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious. To learn more about how your gift helps, visit retiredreligious.org.

Item 2

The second collection this weekend, December 16-17 is for **MY CHRISTMAS GIFT TO THE CHURCH**. This envelope is for your special or **extraordinary gift** to the parish as we celebrate Christmas and is dated December 17. It is **DIFFERENT** from the CHRISTMAS OFFERING envelope that is in your packet and dated December 25. Please be as generous as you can be in giving your parish a Gift this Christmas.

The Christmas OFFERING envelope is for the collection on Christmas Day and is the "regular" holyday offering.

THESE ARE TWO DIFFERENT COLLECTIONS on TWO DIFFERENT DATES with TWO DIFFERENT INTENTIONS/PURPOSES. This seems to always cause some confusion, so I hope this explanation clarifies the situation a bit. Thank you in advance for your generosity to our parish. May God reward you!

Item 3

CHRISTMAS NOVENA of MASSES--You may enroll both the living and deceased family and friends in the Christmas Novena. All the Masses of Christmas and the Octave of Christmas will be offered for the names submitted to us on the envelopes. Envelopes for this purpose are in your envelope packet and are also available around the Church. Please have these back to us by December 22nd so we can prepare them to be placed in the sanctuary on Christmas and throughout the Octave of Christmas.

Item 4

You may still contribute toward the cost of the Christmas Flowers and Decoration- for both inside and outside the church and church property. As in the past years those who donate

\$30 or more will have their names and the name of the deceased in whose memory the donation was made or the name of the person in whose name the donation was made printed in a special insert in the bulletin after Christmas. Everyone always compliments the beauty of our church at Christmas, but we must remember that it does entail a cost to keep the church and church property looking festive for Christmas. Please be as generous as you can in this collection.

Item 5

This weekend, envelopes with the Christmas wafer (**OPLATKI**) to be shared by you and your families will be available in the back of the Church. Please take one home and make this part of your family's Christmas tradition. There will be a sheet explaining the custom in detail in the envelope.

For those who may be in need of more **OPLATKI** than the one wafer in the envelope please see Msgr. Tom or stop by the rectory office.

Item 6

TOMORROW: RECONCILIATION MONDAY, DECEMBER 18--from 2:00-4:00 P.M. and 6:00-8:00 P.M.

Item 7

Please remember that the Eucharistic Revival in our nation will culminate with a **EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS** to take place from July 17-21, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana. The Diocese is having a pilgrimage to the Eucharistic Congress; please contact Peter's Way: Toll Free: (800) 225-7662; Phone: (516) 605-1551; Email: peter@petersway.com.

Item 8

WE ARE OVER GOAL! WE ARE OVER GOAL!

WE have gone over goal in ACA 2023. I cannot, as your Pastor, thank you enough for your generous response to the annual appeal.

Our goal was the same as last year- \$91,954.00.

179 have pledged \$117,995.00 and paid \$113,397.45.

THERE ARE 15 OPEN PLEDGES- PLEDGES THAT ARE NOT YET PAID IN FULL- AMOUNTING TO \$4,597.55. PLEASE PAY OFF YOUR PLEDGES BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK
Continued

ALL MONIES DONATED NOW COME BACK TO THE PARISH IN FULL SINCE WE ARE OVER-GOAL AND ALSO INCREASE OUR RANK IN GIVING AMONG THE PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE! AS WE APPROACH THE END OF THE YEAR PLEASE CONSIDER A GIFT TO THE ACA 2023 (WHICH WILL COME BACK TO US IN ITS ENTIRETY!)

PLEASE PAY OFF YOUR PLEDGE AS WE DRAW CLOSER TO THE END ON THE ANNUAL APPEAL SO THAT WE CAN RECEIVE ALL THE MONEY BACK THAT WE ARE OVER GOAL

Item 9

117 parishioners and friends have contributed to the appeal regarding the installation of the new A/C system, the fence around the parking lot and the eventual installation of the security cameras., thus far donating \$104,975.00. THANK YOU to all who have contributed to this project thus far. May God reward you for your goodness.

Item 10

When making your last will and testament please remember your parish. Your parish will be grateful to you and remember you in our prayers.

Item 11

Pass along the good word about Sacred Heart Catholic Academy. Registration is going on now! For information call the Principal, Mrs. Conlan at 718-631-4804.

Special dates/celebrations this week:

December 17-Third Sunday of Advent- **GAUDE SUNDAY- ROSE colored vestments may be worn to show we are near the end of Advent.**

The use of the "O" Antiphons begins. The "O" Antiphons direct our attention to and help us more intently prepare to celebrate the commemoration of the birth of Jesus which is imminent.- **"O WISDOM"**

December 18- International Migrants Day-

"O ADONAI"- (Sacred Lord)

December 19- **O JESSE'S STEM" -(O radix Jesse)**

December 20- International Human Solidarity Day- **"O KEY of DAVID" -(O clavis David)**

December 21- St. Peter Canisus- WINTER begins- the shortest amount of daylight of any day of the year- **"O RADIANT DAWN"- (O Oriens)**

December 22-**"O King of ALL the Nations"- (O Rex gentium)**

December 23- St. John Kanty (Cantius)-**"O EMMANUEL"**

SPECIAL NEEDS PARENTS GROUP MEETING

We invite parents/guardians with children/adults with all special needs or IEP's to join us to share and exchange ideas in an informal setting. We will be meeting at 10:00 AM on:

Thursday, January 11th

Tuesday, February 13th

Tuesday, March 19th

For information please contact Georgette Lyons at 718-631-1307 or email at shreligiousbay-side@yahoo.com

BLESSING OF A CHRISTMAS TREE

Begin by inviting family members to gather around the unlit Christmas Tree.

All make the sign of the cross as the leader says:



God of all creation,
as we gather around this tree,
we ask your blessing upon us.

(A family member should light the Tree, and another family member should place a new or special ornament on the Tree.)

May all who gather here with us
enjoy the beauty of this tree,
the warmth of laughter,
and the gift of friendship.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

THE LABYRINTH A PATH TO PEACE



Prayer Labyrinth

Labyrinth..a powerful archetypal symbol that can quiet the mind and soul.

Lost to history until recently, the Labyrinth is a life-changing tool for prayer and meditation. Labyrinths now serve the spiritual needs of those in diverse religious communities, health care facilities and retreat centers. They are used on school campuses to enhance concentration and creativity, in public parks to build community, and in memorial gardens to help during emotional turmoil. The Labyrinth benefits walker in many settings. Its only limits are our imaginations.

Come experience the labyrinth here at Sacred Heart during the week of January 21st.

It is located in the Church Hall and will be open

at the following times:

January 21st, Sunday,
from 1:15 to 3 pm

January 22 - 25th,
Monday thru Thursday:

9:30 am to 12 Noon
& 7:00 to 8:30 pm

CLOW MASS

*"Sometimes, moreover, if the place itself and the nature of the community permit, it will be appropriate to celebrate the **Liturgy of the Word**, including a homily, with the children in a separate, but not too distant room. Then, before the **Eucharistic Liturgy** begins, the children are led to the place where the adults have meanwhile celebrated their own liturgy of the word."*

—Directory for Masses with Children, #17

The above permission, which appeared in 1973, lies behind a phenomenon which has emerged in many Catholic parishes over the past few years, namely the celebration of a separate **Children's Liturgy of the Word (CLOW)** during Sunday mass.

Please join us on the following Sundays at the 10:00 mass.

What is CLOW?

During mass, after the opening prayer, children Pre-K through 6th grade, are invited to go to the church hall to hear the readings of the day proclaimed and explained in age appropriate language. The children rejoin their families during the preparation of the gifts at the offertory. *Younger children are often accompanied by their parents.*

Join us on the following Sundays:

January 21, February 11, March 10, April 21, May 12, (Mother's Day) June 16

FAMILY MASS

Our Family Masses are held on Sunday at the 10:00 am Mass.

The Family Mass schedule for the 2023/2024 school year follows:



January 7, February 4, March 3,
April 7, May 5, June 2.

Please join us in the Church Hall after mass.

Light refreshments will be served.

SENIOR CLUB

Our senior club meets every other Wednesday in the lower church from 11:30 to 3 PM. Enter on 215th Place. Mark your calendars for the following meeting dates:
December 13th
January 3rd, 17th & 31st.

SOCIAL HOUR takes place from 11:30 to 12:30 with coffee, tea and pastries available.

GENERAL MEETING begins at 12:30 with announcements and a true 50/50 drawing.

BINGO AND OTHER VARIOUS Table Games begin at 12:45 and continue until closing at 3:00PM

ALL ARE WELCOME!

WE'D LOVE TO MEET YOU.

**FOR INFORMATION CALL
SR. KATHLEEN AT
718-631-4804 & Press 6**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes are ongoing.

Our program is for children in public or private schools. The Diocese requires two years of religious instruction to receive the Sacrament of Communion and Confirmation. This program is for children 1st thru 8th grade, older children and special needs children.

If you wish to register a child for classes, submit the registration form electronically from the Parish website, or call Mrs. Lyons, Director of Religious Education at 718-631-1307 or email shreligiousedbayside@yahoo.com.



SERVICE OF
Remembrance

**The following members of our
Our Purgatorial Society
Will be remembered at Mass on
Saturday December 23rd at 9 am**

**Rosaleen Mulherns
Rosita Angulo
Mary Lana
Tony Lana
Douglas Judson
Al Gennerali
Andy Morales**



**Sacred Heart Catholic Academy Is
Celebrating Its 100 Year Anniversary!**

We are excited to share some of the festivities we have planned! Please save the date for the following celebration.

Tickets are now on sale.

Ticket and sponsorship information are available on flyers in the back of the Church and on our website: sacredheartbayside.org.

**Space is limited, so please purchase your tickets soon.
We hope that you will join us for this special celebration!**

100th Anniversary Gala

Friday, January 26, 2024—6:30—10:30 PM

The Inn at New Hyde Park

Honoring: Our school's founders,

The Sisters of Mercy

and

Our beloved former Principal,

Mr. Dennis Farrell

Anniversary Mass

Sunday, January 28, 2024, Sacred Heart Church 10 am

*** As this is also our Catholic Schools Week Mass please join us after Mass in the school for our Open House and light refreshments**

**PILGRIMAGE TO
MOTHER ANGELICA,
EWTN & SHRINE
OF THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT!**

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(\$250.00 DEPOSIT PER PER-
SON)

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think alcohol might have something to
do with it? Are you afraid the answer
may be yes? **AA Beginners Meeting**
Every Friday evening from 7:30to
8:30pm at St. Josaphat Church, 34-32
210th St., Bayside (enter 210th St.)
Please call 914-393-3122 for info.

**RETROUVAILLE
A LIFELINE FOR
MARRIED COUPLES**

If your marriage leading in the wrong
direction?

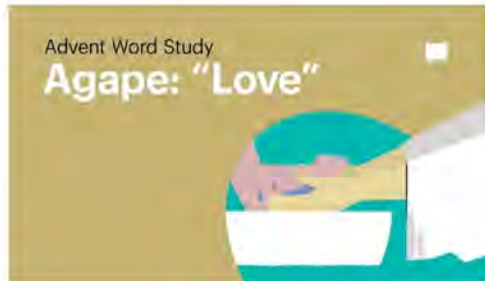
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Couples Retreat weekend
January 19—21, 2024

At The Immaculate Conception Semi-
nary, Huntington To register or for in-
fo., call 1-800-470-2230
HelpOurMarriage.org

The Flushing First Friday Club
Will meet on Friday, January 5, 2024
12 Noon at Verdi's of Whitestone for
the celebration of Mass followed by
lunch, Speaker is Rev. Msgr. Kevin
Noone, Ret., in residence at St. Mel's
parish.

THIS WEEK ON **FORMED**

Week of December 17, 2023



Agape/Love | Advent: Word Studies | The Bible Project

The word "love" is one of the sloppiest words in our language, as it primarily refers to a feeling that happens to a person. In the New Testament, "love" refers to a way of treating people that was defined by Jesus himself: seeking the well-being of others regardless of their response.



Mary of Nazareth

What would it have been like to have known the Mother of God? Watch this beautiful film portraying the life of Mary in order to contemplate Mary's profound faith and the mysteries of her life.



O Holy Night, The King is Born: What Christmas Is About | Brother Francis

Celebrate the wonder and joy of Christmas with Brother Francis in this heartwarming presentation of the birth of God's Son! Witness the moving submission of Mary, Joseph, and others as they make way for our Savior.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

It's Not about Me... It's About Him

This Week's Readings at Mass

- ▶ Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 - The mission to the afflicted
- ▶ 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 - Christian conduct; blessing
- ▶ John 1:6-8, 19-28 - John as witness to the light

We live in a time and culture in which personal success and individualism are honored. As people strive to be known or have their product recognized, marketing and branding is everything. We are proud to see our name in print, to be recognized in our trade, or to get attention and fame for our achievements. John the Baptist reminds us of another way of being in this week's Gospel.

The Jewish authorities are obsessed with trying to understand John's real identity, but John doesn't want the recognition or fame for himself. They want to see if he will identify himself as a great and long-awaited figure: the Messiah, Elijah, or another prophet. When he refuses to put himself on that level the priests and Levites become exasperated.

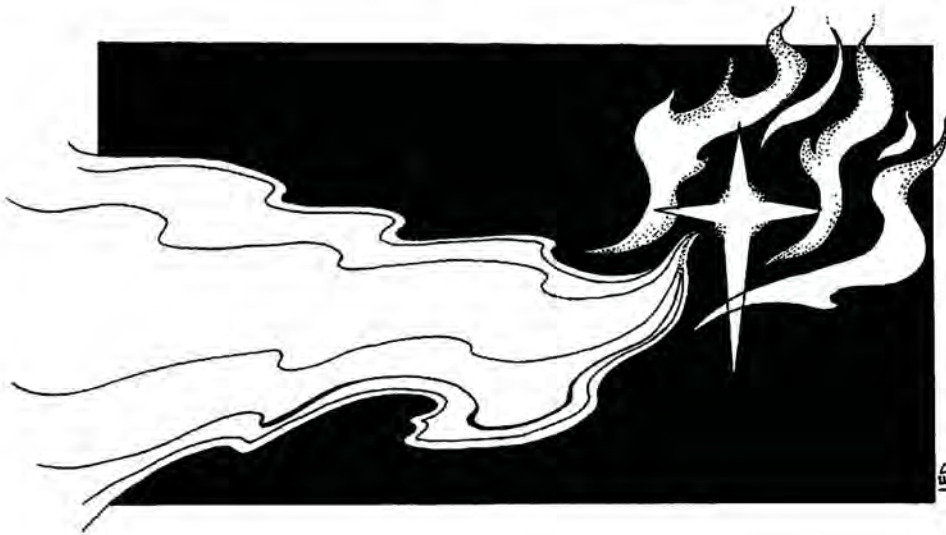
John the Baptist doesn't want to dwell on himself; he points toward Jesus. He seems to know that his job is not to draw attention to himself but to point the attention to Jesus, who will do more than baptize with



water. John is a perfect example of knowing that his calling is not about him, but is all about God.

Questions of the Week

- 1 How does our society and culture celebrate personal success and individualism over community and service?
- 2 Which individuals in your life help to build the Kingdom of God quietly, never trying to draw attention to themselves? In what ways?



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