## Sacred Heart of Jesus Roman Catholic Church

#### **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.

We are committed to build the Kingdom of God in our world.

Sacred Heart is not just a parish—it's a way of life.

#### 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

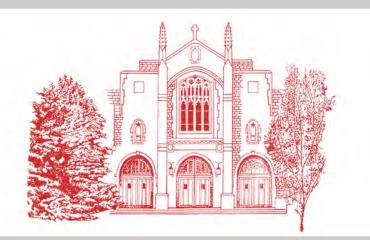
Arrangements must be made six months prior to the wedding. Contact rectory for details.

#### 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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#### Pastoral Staff

718-428-2200

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- Rev. Kieran Udeze, Parochial Vicar
- Sr. Kathleen Masterson RSM, Pastoral Associate (718-631-4804 & press 6) siskate913@gmail.com

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#### **Religious Education**

Mrs. Georgette Lyons, Director 718-631-1307

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#### Parish Pastoral Council

Mrs. Marianne Cooney, Facilitator

#### Parish Secretary

Ms. Catherine Sorge

718-428-2200

#### Sunday Mass Assistance

Rev. Msgr. Richard Marchese

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, - December 31, 2023

## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 30th 5:00 Christmas Novena

#### Sunday, December 31st

8:00 Peggy Buckley (Mike & Sheila Heavey)
10:00 Collective Mass Helen Machalski Doreen Wasserman
12:00 Parishioners of Sacred Heart

Monday, January 1st 9:00 Parishioners of Sacred Heart

**Tuesday, January 2nd** 9:00 Stephanie Worms (Family)

Wednesday, January 3rd 9:00 Thomas Freeman (Tom & Terry Fauvell)

Thursday, January 4th 9:00 Mary Miceli (Family)

Friday, January 5th 9:00 Alfred Cardone (Family)

#### Saturday, January 6th

9:00 Allan Paliotta (Cardone Family) 5:00 Helen Machalski (Msgr. Tom)

### Sunday, January 7th

- 8:00 Deceased Members of the Espinel Family (Pastor Family)
  10:00 Collective Mass Mary & Anthony Mickevich (Lyons Family) John A. Colman (Capitulo Family)
  10:00 Dite Mulagri (Integral Family)
- 12:00 Rita Mulazzi (Izzard Family)



Please remember in your prayers

those who are ill especially Millie & Frank Pennachio, Trina Den, Marion Colegari, Mason McCulloch, Fanta Figueroa, Frank Caselli, Msgr. Richard Marchese

PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED





### The Bread & Wine &



The Altar Candles and Sanctuary Lamp for this week's liturgies are offered In Memory of Helen & Gaspar Modica (Children)

### **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

Fr. Kieran, and I would like to thank you for the cards, fruit and food baskets, cakes and cookies, wine and candy, gift cards and monetary gifts that you have given to us on Christmas. It means a lot to both of us since Fr. Kieran's family is in Nigeria and he is far from them, and all my immediate family has gone home to the Lord; you made us feel like we are part of your families. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. May God bless you for your goodness and generosity!

#### Item 2

Even though 2023 was a difficult and challenging year in many ways we still have so many blessings for which we need to thank God as we end this year and a begin a new year. We hope that 2024 will be brighter and happier and that peace will reign in our hearts, homes, families, country and world! May the war between Russia and Ukraine, the war in the Holy Land, the various wars on the African continent and in South America come to a peaceful end!

Fr. Kieran, Msgr. Marchese, Deacon Toby, Deacon John, Sr. Kathleen, Mrs. Lyons, Mrs. Conlon, Angelina and I would like to wish you a very blessed, happy, and healthy New Year.

Food for thought as we begin 2024--- I shared this last year and I thought I would share it with you again. (After all, as the Latin axiom goes-""Repetitio est mater studiorum"- Repetition is the mother of all studies." I do not know who the author is, so I give credit to whomever that person is for these words of wisdom.

#### Flight 2024 Instructions

Good morning and welcome to Flight 2024. We are prepared to take off into the New Year. Please make sure your Positive Attitude and Gratitude are secured and locked in the upright position. All self-destruct devices: pity, anger, selfishness, pride, and resentment should be turned

off at this time. All negativity, hurt, and discouragement should be put away. Should you lose your Positive Attitude under pressure during this flight, reach up and pull down a prayer. Prayers will automatically be activated

Faith. Once your Faith is activated, you can assist other passengers who are of little faith. There will be NO BAGGAGE allowed on this flight. God, our Captain, has cleared us for take-off. **Destination - GREATNESS!** Wishing you a New Year filled with new HOPE, new JOY, and new BEGINNINGS! Stay Blessed! And welcome in 2024.

#### Item 3

THE RECTORY OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, JANUARY 1 and reopen on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

#### Item 4

**RETURN of GROUP BAPTISMS--** Beginning in January 2024 Baptisms will be celebrated twice a month- at 12 P.M. on the Second Saturday and at 2:00 P.M. on the Third Sunday of each month. The celebration of the sacraments is an act of the Church; it is never a private celebration. Many people call and request a "private Baptism" which is an oxymoron- no sacrament can ever be private. What they really want is for their child to be baptized by itself and not in a group setting. A Baptism of an individual child is always a rare exception and never the norm; in fact, the ritual really foresees Baptisms to take place during Sunday Mass as the norm and not in a ceremony outside of Mass, which would be an exception. However, the custom of the Baptism ceremony outside of Mass had taken root in our country.

We provided the "private" option during COVID and well beyond its lifting, much longer than many other parishes, to help people feel at ease. But now we will return to the pre-COVID days of Baptisms in a group setting.

Each day, the numbers of our clergy here in the Diocese and throughout the Western world decreases. As our numbers decrease, as we take on the responsibility of more than one parish or job, and as we advance in age we must balance all of our ministerial responsibilities while at the same time taking care of our health. There just are not enough of us to continue in a business-as-usual mode. All of these factors must be taken into consideration as well. Therefore, we will celebrate Baptisms once again, as we did pre-COVID, in a group setting starting in January 2024.

#### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK Continued

#### Item 5

You may still contribute to the cost for church flowers and decorations for Christmas inside and outside the Church. All contributions are greatly accepted. However, if your donation is \$30 or more your name and the name of the deceased person or persons in whose memory you made the donation will be printed in a special list in the bulletin after the holiday season. Thank you in advance for your generous response to this cause.

#### Item 6

#### Item 7

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 8

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

**First Saturday** 

#### WE ARE OVER GOAL! Item 9 WE ARE OVER GOAL! Pass along the good word about Sacred Heart WE have gone over goal in ACA 2023. I cannot, Catholic Academy. Registration is going on as your Pastor, thank you enough for your now! For information call the Principal, Mrs. generous response to the annual report. Conlan at 718-631-4804. Our goal was the same as last year-Sacred Heart School/Academy is celebrat-\$91,954.00. ing its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in January 2024 . There will be a Dinner- Dance and special 181 have pledged \$118,375.00 and paid Mass as part of the celebration. There are \$113,509.45. fliers around the Church with more detailed information. THERE ARE 16 OPEN PLEDGES- PLEDGES THAT ARE NOT YET PAID IN FULL- AMOUNT-ING TO \$4,865.55. PLEASE PAY OFF YOUR Special dates/celebrations this week: PLEDGES BEFORE THE END OF THE YEAR. December 31- New Year's Eve IF YOU HAVE NOT PARTICIPATED YET St. Sylvester PLEASE CONSIDER DOING SO. ALL MONIES DONATED NOW COME BACK TO THE PARISH Seventh Day of the Octave of Christmas IN FULL SINCE WE ARE OVERGOAL AND ALSO **INCRESAE OUR RANK IN GIVING AMONG THE** January 1- New Year's Day PARISHES OF THE DIOCESE! AS WE AP-World Day of Peace PROACH THE END OF THE YEAR PLEASE Octave Day of The Nativity of the Lord CONSIDER A GIFT TO THE ACA 2023 (WHICH WILL COME BACK TO US IN ITS ENTIRETY!) January 2- Memorial of St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Naziznzen PLEASE PAY OFF YOUR PLEDGE AS WE DRAW CLOSER TO THE END ON THE ANNUAL January 3- Most Holy Name of Jesus APPEAL SO THAT WE CAN RECEIVE ALL THE MONEY BACK THAT WE ARE OVER GOAL January 4- St. Elizabeth Ann Seton The next update will be in the bulletin after the new year; bulletins had to be sent in early be-January 5- St. John Neumann cause of the printing company's holiday sched-First Friday ule. January 6- St. André Bessette

# **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, name-

ly 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 6<sup>th</sup> 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

## SPECIAL NEEDS PARENTS GROUP MEETING

We invite parents/guardians with children/adults with all special needs or IE-P'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 shreligiousedbayside@yahoo.com

# **FAMILY MASS**

Our Family Masses are held on Sunday at the 10:00 am Mass. The Family Mass schedule is listed below:



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.



THE 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 21t. It is located in the Church Hall and will be open at the following times: January 21st, Sunday, 1:15 to 3 pm

> January 22 - 25th, Monday thru Thursday: 9:30 am to 12 Noon & 7:00 to 8:30 pm

## **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.

## ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY 8000 Utopia Pkwy, Jamaica, N. Y. FREE ENGLISH CLASSES All class materials and textbooks are provided. For placement and registration please stop by the CLACS OFFICE in St John's Hall B 7, Queens Campus, near Gate 1. Or call 718-990-5829

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

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA APRIL 16—19, 2024 \$1,999 PER PERSON (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY) SINGLE ROOM \$2,299 (\$250 DEPOSIT PER PERSON) Pilgrimage Cost Includes:

Nonstop roundtrip airfare from LaGuardia Airport, bus transportation, breakfast, dinner & 3 catered lunches, accommodation at the "Hyatt Place—Hoover, Al." All Gratuities Contact A & G PEACE TOURS INC. 718-423-5077 AGPEACE TOURS@YAHOO.CO

## AA BEGINNERS MEETING

ST. JOSAPHAT CHURCH, BAYSIDE Are you having trouble at work or in your relationship at home? Do you 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 information.

### RETROUVAILLE

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES If your marriage leading in the wrong direction? Retrouvaille can help. Couples Retreat weekend is January 19–21, 2024

At The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington To register or for info., call 1-800-470-2230

**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



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

> > <u>100th Anniversary Gala</u> 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

# **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:

# January, 17th & 31st.

SOCIAL HOUR takes place form 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.



# Week of December 31, 2023



# New Year's Resolutions | The Augustine Institute Show

What's your resolution this year? Dr. Tim Gray welcomes Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, Assistant Professor of Theology in the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology, to celebrate one year of the Augustine Institute Show!



## The Holy Family

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season!

The Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp

## Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as we celebrate the feast of The Most Holy Name of Jesus with this litany prayer of the Holy Name.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription. Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name. December 31, 2023 • The Holy Family • Year B

## The Worst Kind of Pain

This Week's Readings at Mass

- Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Descendants of Abraham
- Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19 The faith of Abraham
- ► Luke 2:22-40 Jesus is presented in the Temple

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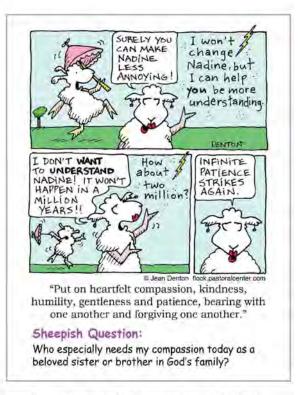
This gospel reading is usually referred to as the "Presentation in the Temple." As required by Jewish laws, Mary and Joseph bring the newborn Jesus to the temple in Jerusalem to publicly introduce him to their religious community and thank God for his birth. Like all new parents, Mary and Joseph were probably excited, nervous, and proud to present Jesus to the world. They probably felt extremely protective of him on the journey—like a father driving well below the speed limit while bringing a mom and newborn home from the hospital. Most likely they had a hard time taking their eyes off him, and like all parents, were completely amazed by what a wonderful baby he was.

Then Simeon and Anna meet them and their baby, and Mary and Joseph are further amazed when the two prophets tell them their child will bring about revolution, heartache, and salvation. By now they have an inkling that this baby, who looks just like all the other dark-skinned, dark haired babies in Palestine at the time, is different. The angel Gabriel said



something similar, as did the shepherds who told them of the angels singing after his birth.

What is new is that Simeon predicts that Mary will suffer



greatly on account of her miraculous child: "and you yourself a sword will pierce." Anyone who has raised a child can recognize Mary's experience at that moment. Filled with awe and love and wonder, she suddenly becomes aware of the pain that will come when her child is hurt. It is perhaps the worst kind of pain there is—watching your child suffer. Now that Simeon has predicted it, Mary must find a way to go on as a mama bear to Jesus, knowing that eventually she won't be able to protect him. When he is killed, she will know the feeling of having her heart pierced.

## **Questions of the Week**

Can you relate to Mary and Joseph as new parents? Would you be completely enthralled, excited, and nervous about what lies in front of your newborn? How so?

What might your reaction be if you encountered Simeon and Anna prophesying about the greatness of this child, but also the conflict that he will bring?

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