



Sacred Heart Church

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Parish Office hours: Monday-Wednesday, Friday (Closed on Thursday)
10:00am-6:00pm (closed for lunch from 12:30pm-1:30pm)

Welcome to our Catholic family and faith community. We are glad you have joined us. Since 1881, generations of faithful have called our parish home.

MUSIC MINISTRY

Tyler Tarver, Cantor / Organist - Traditional Choir, Tel: 203-544-8345
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ALTAR SERVERS

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Soup Kitchen Cooks:

Paula Hand 203-762-5856

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Susan Barnett: 203-834-7663
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COMMITTEES

Finance: Steve Archer, Chairman
Tel: 203-544-7150

Pastoral Council: Jim Ryan, Chairman,
Tel: 203-798-6127

Special Events: Ewa Ojarovska
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Wednesday - Friday 9:00 am; *Missa Cantata* Wednesday 6:00pm
Saturday Vigil 4:15 pm
Sunday 9:30 am, 11:30

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES

Novena of the Miraculous Medal.

Rosary.

Divine Mercy Group: Wednesday, 10:00am-12:00Noon, Rectory Meeting Room

St. Padre Pio Prayer Group.

Bible Study Group: 10:00 am - noon on the second Wednesday of the month (Rectory Meeting Room).

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: First Friday of each month after 9:00 am Mass ending with Benediction at 12:00Noon.

Mens' Ministry: Saturday morning 7:00 - 8:30 am in Rectory Meeting Room.

Women of Sacred Heart Group: Every other Thursday 7:30 to 9:00 pm in Rectory Meeting Room.

AA: Mondays 6:30 - 8:00 pm in Rectory Meeting Room

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:15 to 4:00 pm or by appointment

Baptism: Pre-Baptism Program is by appointment with a priest. Please call the Rectory to schedule Baptisms and to register for the Pre-Baptism Program.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made six months in advance. Please do not book reception before speaking to the priests to finalize the date for the church.

Sick Calls: Call the rectory if you are hospitalized, scheduled for surgery, seriously ill or confined to home, or wish a visit by a priest.

PARISH REGISTRATION: Please visit or call the rectory weekdays to register.

Dear Parishioners:

Two months ago, a major change occurred in the clergy staff of our parish: both our pastor, Fr. David Leopold, and our parochial vicar, Fr. John Inserra, left our parish and embraced new directions in their priestly ministry – Fr. David began retired life, with an additional assignment at the St. John Fisher Seminary, and Fr. John went on sabbatical. At the same time, I was assigned to Sacred Heart Parish as temporary Parochial Administrator, while completing my term as pastor of St. Joseph Parish in South Norwalk. With the duties involved in transitioning St. Joseph over to a new pastor in its reality as the most recently merged parish in the diocese, it only just became possible for me to begin living in our Rectory as of one month ago. It has been a delight to re-discover the niceties of country living as I start to settle in to Sacred Heart Parish!

If you have stopped by our parish recently, you will have noticed certain changes. As of the first weekend of October, masses are no longer being held in Pryor-Hubbard Hall, but are instead being held in the church. A new initiative to maintain our parish buildings in a more sanitized manner has been embraced, with the specific intent of ensuring a more welcoming and clean environment for all who visit them. New liturgical furnishings and vessels essential to the celebration of the Sacred Liturgy have been obtained so that we may give right and proper worship to the Lord as the redeemed. And – beginning this week – **daily mass will return to our parish on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at 9:00am.** Please also be aware that a *Missa Cantata* (sung mass) in Latin in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite also takes place on **Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm**, and is open to the general public. Many parishioners have been happy with its addition.

In the meantime, your generous donations to our parish are not merely noticed, but appreciated greatly. Your monetary offerings to our parish allow us to continue forward, especially during this unusual time, and ensure that our parish remains as a staple element of the Georgetown community. As we are not allowed to take up a physical collection due to the restrictions imposed during the COVID-19 pandemic, please continue to make your contributions to our parish – either at the basket placed at the entrance to the church, or sent to us by mail or placed in our mailbox, or even made online via the Online Giving portal found on our parish website, www.sacredheartgeorgetownct.org.

My arrival here at Sacred Heart is overshadowed by a new reality for our community: its merger with St. Patrick Parish in Redding Ridge. Much has happened in the past few weeks to move the merger process forward -- including an adaptation to its timetable. **Please read the letter inserted in this bulletin for further details**; this letter will be mailed and e-mailed to all parishioners over the coming days. You will be kept informed by additional communications as they become available. Know that I will do my best to represent you and the interests of our parish within these merger conversations, and please pray for the overall success of this initiative!

I look forward to the opportunity to know each of you and your families personally.

Sincerely,
Fr. Peter F. Lenox, S.L.L.
Parochial Administrator



WOMENS GROUP. The Women's Group has begun to meet again on **Thursday evenings from 7:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.** in the Rectory Meeting Room. The purpose of the group is to meditate on the word of God and to look for ways to apply it to women's daily lives as wives, mothers, sisters, grandmothers, friends, as beloved children of God. It will be a time for spiritual growth, for sharing experiences, for faith strengthening and for supporting one another in the spiritual journey.

MEN'S MINISTRY. There are a lot of distractions in today's world that can make it difficult being the men we want to be. Guided by scripture (and fueled by coffee and bagels), the members of the Sacred Heart Men's Ministry discuss the challenges in our Christian walk, how God can help us each day and how we can support and encourage each other. Topics we've covered include Men at Work, Discipleship, Dealing with Failure and the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. **We meet each Saturday at 7:00 a.m. in the rectory meeting room.** All men are welcome. Please contact **Jim Ryan** at (203) 798-6127 or jryan999@att.net for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Eoin Robertson, Philip Joseph Wax, Rebecca Myhill, Sean Callanan, Gerry Commins, Charles Taylor, Rose Hill, Mary Conway, Marie Fontana, Kim Murphy, Tamara Deyle, Alexis Gorman, Janet Ross, Elvira Hidalgo, Philip Gagliano, Ross Hand, Kathleen Gola, Jean Russo, Patti Satkowsky Piech, Jeanie Bangert, Italia Piana, Kathy Melli, Jerry Santilli, Fred Scheyhing, Charlotte Kelly, Linda Licarie, Mary Ann Moore, Brian Cole, Ralph Gervasio, Jerry O'Sullivan, Maria Isaza, Sue Ackerman, Kathy Bannar, Deborah Carrier, Ronald Glick, Brooke Lockwood, Larry Twardy, David Moore, Olivia Firreno, Vincenzo Marsili, Eileen Long, Richard Sibilio, Ray Osborne, Frank Nataro, Gene Mazzulla, John Nahra, A Diviney, B Coan, Larissa Beth Ramos.

MASS INTENTIONS: November 9- November 15

Wed	9:00am 6:00pm	Nick Zinicola
Thur	9:00am	Marino Passero
Fri	9:00am	Sacred Heart Parishioners
Sat	4:15pm	+Linda Finnegan
Sun	9:30am 11:30am	Al Spung Suzanne Case Smith



Special Upcoming Events for Confirmation

Thursday, November 19th, 5:30pm: Mass of Investiture and Affirmation
Saturday, December 5th, 9:30-11:30am: Holy Hour and Confessions for Confirmation students
Friday, December 11th, 5:00pm: Confirmation Mass

OFFERTORY

November 1, 2020 \$2,880
(Weekly Amount needed to meet our ongoing Operating Cost \$5,800)

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

*"Don't spend your energies on things that generate worry, anxiety and anguish. Only one thing is necessary: Lift up your spirit, and love God."
 — St. Padre Pio*

Afterschool Quiz - Students in our **Program in Grades 8**, will have an important quiz this coming week on **November 10th**. The quiz will cover chapters 1 - 8.

"Never say, 'What great things the saints do,' but, 'What great things God does in His saints.'" — St. Philip Neri

Thanksgiving Food Drive

The parish Thanksgiving Food Drive will be next weekend, **Nov 14th – Nov 15th**. The donations will be distributed to Dorothy Day Hospitality House and Redding Food Pantry. Some of our **2020 and 2021 Confirmation candidates** will be helping to move and sort the food collected, as part of their community service. Thank you for your generosity!

If you wish to donate a turkey or supermarket gift cards, please call the Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Cornelia Hurwitz at 203-544-8423. Food items and gift cards can be brought to the Religious Education Office during the week until November 20th.

Please see the flyer for items requested by Dorothy Day Hospitality House.

Veteran's Day Holiday - Both the Religious Education Office and the Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th in observance of the holiday. Both offices will re-open on Friday, November 13.

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS / ONLINE GIVING

The ability to support and participate online is more important than ever during this extraordinary time. Sacred Heart Parish offers Online Giving as an option to support our continued mission.

Making donations to Sacred Heart Parish through automatic withdrawal from your bank accounts or credit card accounts is available for your convenience.



To do so, please visit our website at www.sacredheartgeorgetownct.org and click on the Online Giving icon, found below the picture of Sacred Heart Church.



OUR PARISH PRAYER REQUEST BOX is located on the shelf near the left entrance of the Church. If you would like to write a prayer intention and place it in the box, you are encouraged to do so. These prayers are collected by the clergy and added to their daily prayer.