



Sacred Heart Church

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9:30am-4:30pm (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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Cornelia Hurwitz, Director
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MUSIC MINISTRY

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ALTAR SERVERS

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OUTREACH MINISTRY CONTACTS

Soup Kitchen Cooks:

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Susan Barnett: 203-834-7663
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COMMITTEES

Parish Council: Steve Archer, Facilitator,
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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday - Friday 8:30 am
Saturday Vigil 5:15 pm (EDT), 4:15 pm (EST)
Sunday 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 11:15 am, 12:30 pm
Holy day 5:30 pm (VIGIL MASS) 8:30 am, 7:30 pm

SPIRITUAL MINISTRIES

Novena of the Miraculous Medal: Mondays after 8:30am Mass.
Rosary: is said after each weekday Mass.
St. Padre Pio Prayer Group: after 8:30 am Mass on the second Monday of the month.
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 8:30 am Mass ending with Benediction at noon.
Mens' Ministry: Saturday 7:00 - 8:30 am in Rectory Meeting Room.

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Saturday: 4:15 to 5:00 pm or by appointment (DST)
Saturday: 3:15 to 4:00 pm or by appointment (EST)

Baptism: Pre-Baptism Program meets the first Monday of the month at 7:30 pm in the church. *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.

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

**December 9, 2018
Second Sunday of Advent**

Christmas and his final coming to each of us. While waiting for Christ and his ideals to spread throughout the world, we should seek creative participation in his mission. John the Baptist prepared for Christ's mission. Preparing for the Lord's coming and accepting Him implies a total commitment to what He stands for. *We should prepare, so that all humankind will "see the salvation of God," the themes for the readings of today.* If Jesus were to call you today, can you explain your priorities to the Lord?



PLEASE PRAY FOR. Eoin Robertson, Philip Joseph Wax, Rebecca Myhill, Rita O'Brien, Mary Grady, Jeanne Bruestle, Sean Callanan, Robin Weir, Kathleen Heavey, Thomas Scanlon, Kathleen Kenneox, Gerry Commins, Charles Taylor, Barbara Tarnoff, Marianne Herrightly, Christopher Rice Jr., Eileen O'Brien, Rose Hill, Caesar Cirigliano, Mary Conway, Marie Fontana, Kim Murphy, Tamara Deyle, Alexis Gorman, Janet Ross, Judy Colegrove, Elvira Hidalgo, Philip Gagliano, Ross Hand, Bob Vare, Kathleen Gola, Bert Miceli, Jean Russo, Patti Satkowsky Piech, Vincent Callanan, Jeanie Bangert, Italia Piana, Thomas Jagelka, Susan Fleming, Kathy Bannar, Mike Reese, Harry Minter, Michael Bannar, Susan Coan, Kathy Melli.

✠ **ATHLETES FOR CHRIST** ✠

Please join us for our Advent meeting this evening from 5:00 - 7:00.

We will begin in the Church in the peaceful presence of Jesus during our time of Eucharistic Adoration. *During this time you will have the opportunity experience the Lord's mercy, love and peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.* Join us this evening and you will find that the Advent Season will be a grace-filled time for each of you.


As always, our evening will conclude in the Rectory Basement Meeting Room with a delicious meal!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR
For The Upcoming Parish Social Event

HOLIDAY BREAKFAST CAFÉ
Sunday, December 16th
8:30 a.m.- Noon

Pryor Hubbard Hall
Enjoy a hearty breakfast and
Christmas cheer before
or after Mass.

*For more information, to register, or to volunteer, please contact the SHC Parish Office at:
203-544-8423 x3.*



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.* At the end of each month, the box will be emptied to make room for the following month's petitions. *These intentions will be remembered weekly in the Prayer of the Faithful.*



THE ANNUAL BISHOP'S APPEAL.
Thank you for your support.

Results as of November 30th:

Parish Goal	\$70,000
Raised to Date	\$66,833
Goal Percentage	95.48%

REDIRECTION OF CHRISTMAS. A friendly reminder, *Redirection of Christmas, Drop off dates are THIS WEEK Saturday December 8th 2:00 to 5:00 and Sunday December 9th, 9:00 to 1:30 in the Pryor-Hubbard Hall.* If you cannot drop of gifts at this time, we are happy to make special arrangements. If you don't have the time to shop at this busy time of year, we are happy to shop for you with welcomed monetary donations. If there are any lingering gifts, please contact **Regina Ingulli** at redirectionofchristmas@yahoo.com or by telephone at (203) 431-4426. *Thank you!*

Scripture readings for the Week of December 9th

Sunday	(The Second Sunday of Advent) Baruch 5:1-9 / Philipians 1:4-11 / Luke 3:1-16
Monday	Isaiah 35:1-10 / Luke 5:17-26
Tuesday	(Saint Damasus I, Pope) Isaiah 40:1-11 / Matthew 18:12-14
Wednesday	(Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe) Revelation 11:19; 12:1-10 / Luke 1:39-47
Thursday	(Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr) Isaiah 41:13-20 / Matthew 11:11-15
Friday	(Saint John of the Cross) Isaiah 48:17-19 / Matthew 11:16-19
Saturday	Sirach 48:1-11 / Matthew 17:9-13

MASS INTENTIONS: December 10 – 16

Mon 8:30 George Lenz
 Tue 8:30 Nick Zinicola
 Wed 8:30 Tina Rizzo
 Thur 8:30 Deceased Members of the Armed Forces
 Fri 8:30 Spiritual Intention



Sat 4:15 Suzanne Case Smith
 Sun 8:00 Veterans of the Armed Forces
 9:30 Sacred Heart Parishioners
 11:15 Lilly Duane
 12:30 Members of the Armed Forces


OFFERTORY

December 2, 2018 \$5,666

(Weekly Amount needed to meet our ongoing Operating Cost \$5,800)

LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: December 15 – 16

	<u>5:15</u>	<u>8:00</u>	<u>9:30</u>	<u>11:15</u>	<u>12:30</u>
L	C Hurwitz	J Feehley	R Constantine	A Collins	A Brings
EM	J Kress	Una Callanan	B Glennan	M DiBari	S Sakdinan
EM	C Hurwitz	M Ferrandino	G Fagan	A DiBari	M Radocy
EM			J Glennan	J MacEachen	
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 **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.** If you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one for flowers to decorate our sanctuary this season, please send the name(s) to be remembered with your donation to the rectory or place the envelope in the collection basket.

FROM THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM



“He will provide the way and the means, such as you could never have imagined. Leave it all to Him, let go of yourself, lose yourself on the Cross, and you will find yourself entirely.” - St. Catherine of Siena

Classes. There are classes this coming week on, **Tuesday December 11th**. This will be the **last class** before our **Christmas Recess**. An important **Parent letter** and the **January calendar** will be e-mailed home later this week. **We will resume classes on January 8, 2019.**

Tickets for 4:00 p.m. Christmas Mass and Pageant. Tickets will be distributed on **Saturday December 15th 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Christmas Pageant Rehearsal for Speaking Parts. On **Saturday, December 15th**, there will be a pageant rehearsal for children with speaking parts only, **10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in Pryor-Hubbard Hall.**

Children’s Christmas Pageant Dress Rehearsal. On **Sunday, December 23rd**, there will be a **dress rehearsal**

for **ALL Pageant participants including the children’s choir** in Pryor-Hubbard Hall. The afternoon time will be announced.

Children’s Mass and Pageant. Our traditional **Children’s Christmas Eve Mass** will take place on **Monday, December 24th**, at **4:00 p.m.** in **Pryor-Hubbard Hall**, by **TICKET only**. We are looking forward to a wonderful presentation by the children of the Christmas Gospel.

BLESSING OF THE CRÈCHE AND CAROLING

December 15th after the 4:15 pm Vigil Mass, we will have our **blessing of the Christmas Crèche and Caroling**. Please come and join in this wonderful Advent tradition!

PLEASE REMEMBER SACRED HEART PARISH when preparing your will. A **legacy to the church** eases your tax burden and helps continue the **good works of our Parish**.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

The **SAINT PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP** meeting for this month will be held on **Monday, December 10th at 9:00 a.m.** **All are welcomed.** For further information please call Anna Lisciandra at phone (203) 938-9612.

BIBLE STUDY REMINDER. **Our next Class is on Wednesday, December 12th from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.** **All are welcome!**