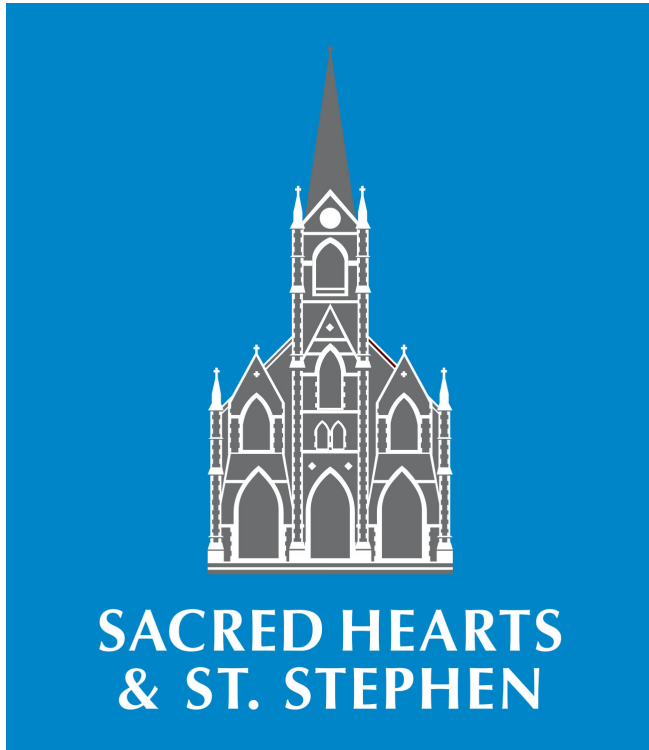

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Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary
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MASSES ON SUNDAYS:

8:00 AM 10:00 AM & 12 NOON
5:30 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Monday 12:00 Noon
Sat. 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 4:45 P.M. as well as By Appointment.

For Holiday and Special Mass Schedules, please call the Rectory and press extension number 4 for specific details.

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BAPTISMS:

To prepare for the sacrament of Baptism, parents and godparents should plan to attend the 10:00 AM Mass on the second Sunday of the month followed by a Baptismal preparation meeting. Parents must come to the Parish Office with a copy of the birth certificate one month before your planned Baptism.

SICK CALLS:

Please call and arrange for the sacrament of anointing whenever anyone is seriously ill.

MARRIAGES:

Please call the rectory at least 6 months ahead for an appointment with a Priest.

WELCOME:

Adults who are interested in learning more about or joining the Catholic Faith please call the rectory. Adults who have not completed the sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation) please call the rectory.

ON LINE & CREDIT CARD GIVING: WWW.PARISH-GIVING.ORG.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Friday 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
Office closed Sunday

No evening hours at the present time.

IF YOU WISH TO SEE A PRIEST, PLEASE TELEPHONE FOR AN APPOINTMENT
PLEASE REMEMBER SACRED HEART & ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH IN YOUR WILL.

MASSSES for the **WEEK**



ANNUAL MEMORIAL CANDLES

If you wish to remember a loved one, or have a devotion to a particular Saint, annual memorial candles are available at the Rectory. These candles remain lit for one year and may be placed by the altar of any Saint you may wish. The cost of these candles, are \$100 (\$110. initially to cover the cost of the engraved gold band) and they remain lit for one year. The gold band may be engraved with your choice of wording. If you are interested in obtaining more information regarding these candles, please call or stop by the Rectory Monday through Thursday and speak to Rose Marie Foglia.

- MON. JUNE 26, 2017**
Noon Millie Li Mandri
BY: Catherine Dellaporte
- TUE. JUNE 27, 2017**
8:30 In Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
BY: A Client
- WED JUNE 28, 2017**
8:30 Guy Di Manso
BY: Dominick & Lillian Intartaglia
- THURS. JUNE 29, 2017**
8:30 Guy Di Manso
BY: Louis & Angela Napoli
- FRI. JUNE 30, 2017**
8:30 Deceased Members of The Wendler Family
BY: The Lang Family
- SAT. JULY 1, 2017**
8:30 For the People of the Parish
5:30 PM For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
- SUN JULY 2, 2017**
8:00 In Honor of The Holy Spirit
10:00 Dennis DiMuro
BY: His Sister Marie
12:00 Guy Di Manso
BY: Clara Stella

MASS BOOK JULY THROUGH DECEMBER

The Mass Book for July through December 2017 opened on Tuesday, June 20th in the Parish House. This process went smoothly and we thank everyone for his or her cooperation. If you wish to obtain masses, you may stop by the Rectory Monday through Friday. For those who wish to obtain additional masses, you may stop by beginning the week of June 26th.

GENERATIONS OF FAITH PLEDGES

We wish to thank everyone for his or her pledge to the Generations of Faith Campaign. We are grateful for your support and generosity. We ask that you kindly continue to make your payments to this campaign. If you are not receiving pledge reminders, please call the parish office and we will assist you in correcting this situation.

Sick Relatives & Friends

Please remember in your prayers the members of our parish and community who are ill, hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially:

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| Jonelle Bernardo, | Mario Austi |
| Brad Hatry | Matthew Ruggiero |
| Michelle Laquercia | Irene Balen |
| Dolly Vergona, | Gloria Heyer |
| Angelo Vergona | Richie Boyle-Moriale |
| Judith Miller | Alissa Aquino |
| Michele Morea | Palma Caminiti |
| Carol DeMairo | Anthony Gambardella |
| Rachel Valenti | Anthony Caruvana |
| Salvatore Gianino | Judith Latalladi |
| Rosemary Love | Lisa Van |
| Eileen Giannotta | Janet Illiano |
| Dominick Aiello, Jr. | Roe Gambardella |
| Kathleen Gunderson | Paul Girard |
| Ann Curcuru | Dora Zanzonico |
| Angelina Campasano | Andrew Favorito |
| Lamar McNabb | Anna Maria Marino |
| Manrique Galeas | Carol Montelbano |

Rev. Michael A. Carrano



The Sanctuary Lamps for the week of June 25th have been donated In Memory Of **GUY DI MANSO** BY: Carolyn & John Zodda



Altar Bread & Wine for the week of June 25th has been donated in memory of **ROSE MEGLIO** You will be missed Love: Millie Agosta

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection for 6/18/17	\$3,401.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$ 14,325.00
Difference:	\$-10,924.00

** Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

UPS AND DOWNS

Much progress has been made over the last week regarding the elevator project! After a second round of interviews asking each of the three contractors to identify further cost saving measures possible in our project, the proposals were presented by our architects on June 5th to the Parish Finance Council and the Parish Pastoral Council. Council members were given a tour of the site to help them envision what will be constructed followed by a side by side comparison of the proposal each contractor submitted. After a thorough review, all in attendance agreed with Msgr. Massie on which of the contractors would best complete our project within our budget of \$500,000. Next week, the Diocesan Building Office will review the proposals and our selection for contractor before we can begin construction. We are hoping at this point to see construction begin before the end of June. We will be able to provide more details in next week's bulletin.

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Family:

The Gospel and the first reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah speak to us about discipleship and the consequences of preaching the Word of God. The consequence of preaching the Word of God is persecution, rejection and pain. For some the pain is physical and for others it is spiritual and for some, it is both. In the Gospel, in the face of certainty of suffering for the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples and us not to be afraid. Jesus tells his disciples not to be afraid of announcing the Good News about him. He tells them to stop fearing. In the Jeremiah reading, the prophet who has been faithful to his vocation to preach the Word of God has met with persecution. Why do those who are faithful suffer?

In the Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples, “Everyone who acknowledges me before others, I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father. But anyone who denies me before others, I will deny before my heavenly Father.” These are very strong words. Today, many people are afraid of not appearing politically correct. There exists in the minds of some that it is inappropriate to acknowledge one’s faith in public. They believe that expressions of faith should be private. They should be confined to the walls of one’s home or one’s house of worship. In some cases, some young people get up very early on a Sunday morning to go to Mass so that their friends would not know they go to Mass. For young people even those in their thirties, having the acceptance of one’s friends is very important. For them, to go to Mass, it means that they are not “cool.” Going to Mass is not what one who is socially acceptable does in some circles.

Take another example, the child or the senior citizen visiting relatives for an overnight stay who wants to go to Mass but who cannot because the parent or the son or daughter will not drive them. “Father,” said one woman to me, “when I ask my daughter or son-in-law to take me to Mass, they become annoyed. I feel that I am being a pest, so now I do not even ask.” Can you imagine how that child or that senior citizen felt? Take another example of suffering for one’s discipleship: vocations. On the Fourth Sunday of Easter, I asked parents and relatives to speak positively about religious or priestly vocations. Those who are in the seminary and religious houses today, unlike the time when I was a seminarian, are often not supported by their parents and family members. Oftentimes, their friends do not keep in touch with them. The reason for this is that to have someone in the seminary causes some or many to think ill of the seminarian. He must have social problems, he does not want to marry, perhaps he just cannot make it in the world. How hurtful these words and attitudes are to the young person who is trying to discern a vocation. Take for example the people who are striving to follow the Gospel, speaking up for immigrants, or for those who are different from the majority asking for a second chance, begging for greater understanding or seeking a peaceful solution to a social issue. His or her words fall upon deaf ears. He/she are branded as being a bleeding heart liberal, a softy or a person with no backbone. So, to all who dare to follow the Gospel, Christ says: “Fear not.” How can we who are grafted on to Christ, in whom the life of Christ dwells through our celebration of the Eucharist and the sacraments deny him in our words and actions without denying who we are at the core of our existence? Or can we?

Msgr. Guy A. Massie

2017 Holy Week-Easter Extra-Ordinary Liturgical Expenses
paid for by contributions made to the 2017 Easter Flower Appeal

Expenses

Palm Sunday Greens and Decorations	\$426.00
Palm Sunday Music	\$230.00
Holy Thursday Music	\$527.50
Good Friday Music	\$657.00
Holy Saturday Music	\$1,035.00
Easter Sunday Music	\$1,110.00
Flowers for Holy Thursday – Easter Sunday	\$2,443.50
Flower replacement on May 5	\$586.00
Pentecost Flowers	\$330.00
Pentecost Music	\$200.00

Total Expenses \$7,544.50

Income

Total Donations Received \$7,615.00

Report on 175th Anniversary Gala

391 Tickets Sold (379 Adults, 12 Children)	\$51,945.00
Raffles	Collected: \$ 7,240.00
	Prizes \$ 3,500.00
	Profit \$ 3,740.00
Journal	Collected: \$22,705.00
	Cost to Print \$ 5,210.00
	Profit \$17, 495.00
Total Intake:	\$81,890.00
Total Gala Expenses	\$58, 944.00
Profit	\$22, 946.00
Additional 150th Expenses (Non Gala Related)	\$ 5,871.53
	\$22,946.00 minus \$5,871.53 =
Total Net Profit:	\$17, 074.47

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