

SACRED HEARTS & ST. STEPHEN R.C. CHURCH



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St. Stephen's – Founded 1866
Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary
Founded 1882

MASSES ON SUNDAYS:

8:30 AM 10:15 AM & 12 NOON

5:00 PM on Saturday

MASSES ON WEEKDAYS:

Mon through Sat. 8:30 AM

Adoration: First Friday each month @ 7:15 AM

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays 3:45– 4:30 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.

Baptisms are held the 3rd Sunday of the month

@1:30 PM . Please call the Rectory for arrangements.

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.GIVECENTRAL.ORG/SHSS

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday thru Thursday 9:00 to 5:00 (Closed for Lunch from 1-2) Friday 9:00 to 2:00 Saturday 9:00 to 1:00

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.**

Mass Intentions For The Week



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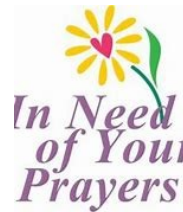
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sunday Collection 11/12	\$1,720.00
*Envelopes & cash	
On Line Donations	\$2,605.00
Total Sunday 11/12	\$4,325.00
Annual Weekly Expenses**	\$14,325.00
Difference:	\$ 10,000.00

**Total annual expenses divided by 52 weeks

Please remember in your prayers the members of our Parish who are hospitalized or in nursing home care, most especially: Jonelle Bernardo, Sarina Mukhi, Brad Hatry, Gertrude Zagarella, Michelle Laqueria, Irene Balen, Santina

Garbellotto, John Nigro, Salvatore Salerno, John Primavera, Diane Barchuk, Addy Wardrope, Carol DeMairo, Anthony Gambardella, Anthony Tilocca, Anthony Turco, Elizabeth Foley, Cathy DeMarino, Ann Curcuru, Lemar McNabb, Carol Montelbano, Julia Magno, Anthony Manfre, Celeste Internicola, Emma Hukerby, Kristin Quail, Dominick Aiello, Jr., Mark Carles, Erica Concino, MaryAnn Kinczel, Susan Hannan, Evan Marra, Hector Jimenez, Darren Munio, Sophia Rotunno, Frances Marra, Philip Saraceno, Salvatore Aleo, Maria Anjelica Patino Laqueria, Michael Ostrowski, Kathy Parasimo, Butch Montevecchi, Louann Gambardella, Jack DiCostanzo



- MON. NOVEMBER 27, 2023
8:30 Deceased Members of
The Foley & Mc Inerney Family
BY: Their Family
- TUE. NOVEMBER 28, 2023
8:30 Carol Jacob
BY: Marlene Olivieri & Family
- WED NOVEMBER 29, 2023
8:30 Michelle Castagliola
BY: Loving Cousins
- THURS. NOVEMBER 30, 2023
8:30 Giuseppe Coppola
BY: Sister-in-law
Veronica Scotto di Carlo
- FRI. DECEMBER 1, 2023
8:30 Mary & John Lazzati
BY: Loving Family
- SAT. DECEMBER 2, 2023
8:30 Elizabeth DeMeglio
BY: Loving Family
- 5:00 PM Joseph Finochiaro
BY: His Wife & Children
- SUN. DECEMBER 3, 2023
8:30 Patrick O'Riordan
10:15 Lorianne Sgro Zodda
BY: Her Parents, Carolyn & John
- Noon Joseph & Josephine Patti
BY: Loving Family

MASS COUNT
WEEKEND OF Nov. 11th

5:00 PM	42
8:30 AM	45
10:15 AM	134
NOON	25
TOTAL ATTENDANCE:	246



Bread & Wine for the week of 11/25/23 has been donated
In Memory of
ANN TROIANO
BY: Anthony & Camille Trani

From the Pastor

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Dear Parish Community,

Today the Liturgy celebrates the Feast of Christ the King. This feast opens the last week of the 2023 liturgical year. Next week, the first Sunday of Advent will begin the Liturgical Year 2024. Today's readings focus on the Kingship of Christ. We began the liturgical year 2023 by proclaiming the birth of the newborn King. During Holy Week we shouted out Hosanna to our King. On Good Friday we proclaimed the Kingship of Christ Crucified. Today we again give our loyalty to our King who is Christ the Lord.

The Gospel today seems to be the center of the Liturgy of the Word. We read in Ephesians 2:4 that God is rich in mercy. Mercy is love in brokenness. Mercy comes from the Latin word "misericordia" which means to suffer in one's heart over the pain of another. In today's Gospel those who are rewarded with eternal life are those whose hearts suffered for another and who in mercy sought in some way to relieve that suffering. Notice that Jesus identified with those in need of mercy. Jesus counts what was done for the suffering as being done to him. Notice also that those who were merciful did not calculate their merciful acts, in fact, they are moved to act in mercy from their hearts. We are told in the Gospel of John 14:24 that those who love Jesus will do as Jesus has done. Jesus is merciful and those who follow him must be merciful. This Gospel for today tells us that the requirement for eternal life is to be merciful.

Having read this Matthew 25, we have learned that to be merciful is to be most like God. If Christ is your king, then Mercy must be your life. If Christ is your King, then power is found in service of mercy. If Christ is your King, then your heart must be conformed to his heart. His heart is mercy. The Eucharist we celebrate, the prayers we pray, the faith we profess, the doctrine we proclaim and the Gospel we preach lead us to be people of mercy for God is merciful. If this is not happening, then we need to re-examine our love for Christ.

Our faith is centered in Christ Jesus. Our faith is founded on the Crucified and Risen Christ who is the beginning and the end. Christ is the one who has the words to everlasting life. Christ is our peace, our hope and our life. Today's feast reminds all the baptized that our lives are centered in a personal and ecclesiastical loving relationship with Christ. This means that our relationship with Christ is in the context of the Church, the sacraments, especially the Eucharist and the scriptures. All of us are invited to model our lives on Christ. St. Claire of Assisi in her letter to Agnes of Prague gives us good advice. She says: "Reflect upon Christ, Consider Christ, Contemplate Christ and Imitate Christ. These four steps lead us into deep prayer and reflection. Christ must be the center of our hearts. We are called to faith and to love the Lord. The Christian must be so in love with the Lord that he/she longs to give of him/herself to actualize the dream of Christ for the world: The Kingdom of God.

Live Jesus in your thoughts, words and deeds. Live Jesus in all that you are and all that you do. Live Christ in all that you suffer. Live Jesus so that our world and the many different worlds of home and work in which we dwell reflect his divine presence through us.

Msgr. Guy A. Massie