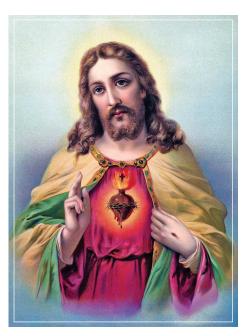
# The Parish Family of

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

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Rev. Kevin Schott
Pastor

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**Saturday:** 8:00 am & 4:30 pm **Sunday:** 9:00 am & 12:00 noon

Weekday: Monday - Wednesday, Friday & Saturday at 8:00 am (No Masses on Thursday)

Holy Days (except Christmas & New Year's):

8:00 am, 12:00 noon & 7:00 pm

Rectory Telephone: 201-943-0305

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Office Hours: Tuesday & Friday only,

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Web: sacredheartnorthbergen.com

Email: info@shpnb.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation By Appointment Only

**Baptisms:** Arrangements must be made with the Parish Secretary by calling the Rectory during office hours. Baptism can take place either on a Saturday or Sunday afternoon.

Marriage: Following the Common Policy, a marriage should take place in the parish of either the bride or the groom. Marriage preparation is generally one year. Please call the Rectory as soon as possible after the engagement to discuss your wedding plans.

Hospital Visits and Communion Calls: The Sacrament of the Sick is celebrated twice a year for anyone who may have a chronic condition (October & Easter Season) and is for the healing of body, mind or spirit. If someone is admitted to the hospital, due to the Patient Privacy Law, the priest can only make a visit upon the request of the family. If someone hasn't been to Mass due to illness, please call the Rectory to have a Minister or the priest bring the Eucharist.

Faith Formation is open to all children of the parish. Class is held in the lower church on Sunday morning at 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Any child preparing for a Sacrament (Eucharist or Confirmation), as per Archdiocesan Policy, there is a two-year preparation period. If a child has received the Holy Eucharist but has not kept up with Faith Formation through the years, a test will be administered covering the material before admission into the process for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Parish Membership: Anyone who worships with us should consider becoming a registered member of the parish. Unfortunately, unless there is a formal registration into parish we are unable to write letters of recommendation and/or fill out sponsor forms for Baptism and Confirmation.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

We are a welcoming multi-ethnic Community of Believers, that in our diversity we are united in our discipleship in following in the footsteps of the Lord as we worship in the Catholic tradition. As we come together to celebrate the Eucharist we are empowered by our life and our witness to be living disciples of Gospel values.



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 21, 2024

4:30 PM Remingo Picinich By Anna Picinich

9:00 AM Birthday Thanksgiving For

Marie Goncalves (Living By Marie Goncalves

12:00 PM Joyce Yamasaki (Living)

By Joyce Yamaski

#### MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024

8:00 AM For the People

#### TUESDAY, APRIL 23,2024

8:00 AM Lilliana Picinich By Mr. & Mrs. Toic

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2024

8:00 AM Lidia Scrivanich
By Antonia Matesic

#### THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024

NO MASS

#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024**

8:00 AM Catherine & John J. Lane, Sr. By Mary Lane

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

8:00 AM John Bussanich
By Frances Picinic

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 28, 2024

4:30 PM Onorata Erbic

By Dinko & Nataliza Mirkovic

9:00 AM Anthony LoForte

By Joan LoForte

12:00 PM Toni Petrarch

By Mary Ann & Tony Franco

#### IN MEMORIAM

The Bread & Wine, The Sanctuary Lamp and The Blessed Mother's Candle Were Memorialized By: Marie Goncalves In Honor of: Her Birthday

#### MESSAGE FROM FR. KEVIN

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Happy Easter once again! This is the Fourth Sunday of Easter. We have the image of Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, who lays down his life for his flock. By tradition, this Sunday is called Vocation Sunday, in which we pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and to the Consecrated Religious Life of Men and Women of various Communities.

But rather than looking at these Sacred Religious Vocations, perhaps we should first look at our Common Vocation. What is our Common Vocation? Simply put: To be a Christian Man or Woman reflecting in our personal lives our conviction to follow in the footsteps of the Lord.

This Vocation comes about through the Sacrament of Baptism in which we are claimed by Christ, washed clean and immersed into the mystical body of Christ in which he, the vine, and we, the branches, draw our spiritual nourishment for his words and actions.

As your Pastor, I take this very seriously as I strive (although sometimes fail) to be a good priest and a holy person. This Vocation Sunday is a challenge for all of us to not only speak the words, but also put it into practice daily.

God's Peace! Fr. Kevin.

As some of you know, last week my mom's last sister passed away and went home to the Lord. While many may not have known, many others were made aware, especially as I announced it at weekday Mass. I was deeply saddened by the lack of response. After I made the announcement, every person walked out the door of the church and not one person came to me to express condolences. I find this incredibly sad! I do want to thank the few people who did offer their condolences to me, also the 3 people who sent me Mass cards. What saddens me the most is the lack of Christian Charity in our parish.

Fr. Kevin.

#### PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Maritza Castillo Ingrid De La Cruz
Billy Cosgrave Carla Kelly
Joyce Schiable Jaydi Tejada
Pam McGonagle John Ketterer

#### PARISH ASSESSMENT WEEKEND

Our Next Assessment Collection Is The Weekend Of: May 4th & 5th

Please be as generous as your means allow.

Our goal each month is \$1318.

We thank you for your generosity!

#### **ATTENDANCE**

April 13th & 14th

**Saturday - 4:30PM - 40** 

Sunday - 9:00AM - 52

Sunday - 12:00PM - 70

**Total - 162** 

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

 $\frac{Our\ Goal\ is\ \$3,000\ a\ Week}{Collections\ from\ April\ 7^{th}-April\ 14^{th}}$ 

\$ 4,516.00..... First Collection

\$1,380.00..... Assessment

\$1,405.00.....Additional Easter

\$ 53.00......Candles

\$ 954.00......Good Friday (3/29/24)

**\$8,308.00** – Total for 2 Weeks

Thank you for your generosity!

## **CATHOLIC JOKE**

I heard about this Mother, One Sunday morning she went into her son's bedroom, and she said, "Son, wake up. It's time to go to church."

He kinda groaned and rolled over and said, "No Mom, I'm not going to church today."

She said, "What do you mean you're not going? Why not?"

He said, "Mom, I'll give you two good

He said, "Mom, I'll give you two good reasons. Number one, I don't like those people. And number two, they don't like me." She said, "Son, that's no excuse. I'll give you two better reasons why you SHOULD go. Number one, you're fifty-nine years old and number two, you're the Pastor."

#### **MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE**

Dear Friends and Parishioners,

I am sure by now that everyone has seen the new white and yellow painted lines in the spaces of our parking lot. The Township of North Bergen will use the yellow lines. We continue working with them to complete their section of the parking lot so they can begin renting their spaces to North Bergen residents. There was no cost to Sacred Heart for the painting of our lines. As Fr. Kevin has mentioned, we will receive \$15,000 a year and snow removal for the entire parking lot from the arrangement with The Township of North Bergen.

Our first Marketing and Fundraising Committee meeting was a success, thanks to the parishioners who attended. I will keep you updated on our progress as we implement new marketing and fundraising ideas.

We are fortunate to have The Sacred Heart Church Band again at the 9 am and 12 pm Sunday masses this weekend. I want to thank the members who volunteer their time, many traveling long distances, to help our Parish.

Let us all play a part in promoting our Parish. Your support for our Social Media campaign, through "Liking" and "Sharing" our Facebook posts, is crucial. This helps others discover our Parish and learn about us. If you have not yet done so, please consider writing a Google Review. Many people, especially newcomers to the area, rely on Social Media to find local churches. The instructions are below this column. The more people learn about Sacred Heart, the more potential worshippers we can reach. Your involvement is key to the future of our Parish.

Joyfully in Christ, Art Suriano

#### PLEASE HELP US WITH A GOOGLE REVIEW

Please write a Google Review. Just go on your browser, type in Sacred Heart North Bergen in the search (not our website), and on the right sight of the page, you will grateful see "Google Reviews." Please write something that expresses a reason why you worship at Sacred Heart Church. Several Parishioners have written very nice reviews, and we are! We just need more. The more people who learn about our Parish, the greater the chance we have to increase our attendance.

#### REGISTRATION FORM

# Name\_\_\_\_\_\_Street\_\_\_\_\_\_City\_\_\_\_\_Zip\_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_Number of Family Members \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Email\_\_\_\_\_\_ I have someone at home who wishes to receive Holy Communion. I have an issue that I would like to discuss with a priest. Other:

If you would like, you can provide us your information through our website email which is info@shpnb.com and we will register you.

#### MASS BOOK FOR 2024

We Are Booking Masses This Weekend: May 18th & 19th

The donation for each Mass is \$10.00. Parishioners may book up to Two Sunday Masses and/or Three Weekday Masses each time we book masses.

This will take place after the 4:30 Mass, 9AM Mass and 12 Noon Mass on that weekend.

#### **FOOD DRIVE**

A reminder that Food for the Franciscan Sisters Development Service is collected each weekend. Please remember those who have less than we do

## ANNUAL APPEAL:

As of April 2, 2024

This year Target Goal: \$10,770 This year Stretch Goal: \$14,408

Over goal: 100% back to the parish

Donors:

Total pledges: \$

Suggested donation: \$75 or more

We thank you for your generosity.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SACRED HEART!

# Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup> -1pm The Anointing of the Sick

Everyone is Invited to Attend!

# Saturday, May 19th -Pentecost 1st Eucharist

## Friday, June 7th -6pm

#### **Feast of Sacred Heart**

Mass followed by the Parish Dinner

### THE SACRED HEART CHURCH BAND

The Sacred Heart Church Band will be at the

- 9am and 12 noon masses on April 21st
- 9am and 12 noon masses on May 19th





# Gospel Today Fourth Sunday of Easter | John 10: 11-18

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who will give up His life for us, His flock.

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**THE LOST SHEEP** These sheep are lost, but when they hear the voice of Jesus, they find their way.



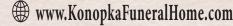
- color and cut the lost sheep and add them to the flock of believers below -





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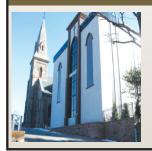


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