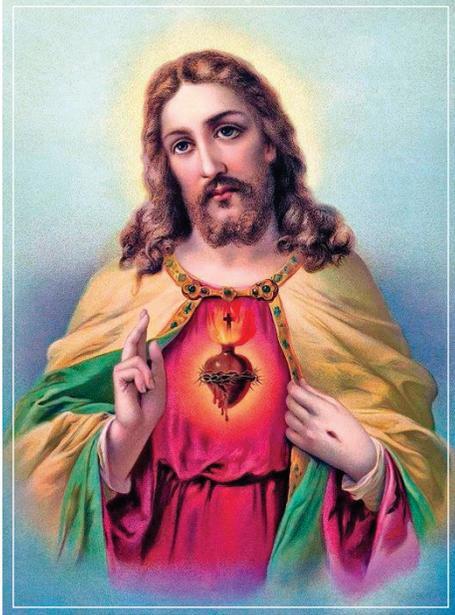


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MASS SCHEDULE

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

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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. Sessions are held in the parish center on Sunday mornings from 10:15 am – 11:45 am. Children who need to prepare for First Holy Communion and Confirmation must be enrolled in faith formation for at least two years, according to Archdiocesan policy. Please contact the parish coordinator of faith formation for more information.

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.

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 1, 2026



MASS INTENTIONS
— OF THE WEEK —

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 1, 2026

- 4:30 PM Lynn Avello
By Mercy & Rick Avello
- 9:00 AM Marko & Kata Miskulin
By Miskulin Family
- 12:00 PM Lisa Burger (Living)
By MaryAnn & Tony Franco

MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026 (CHAPEL)

8:00 AM For The People

TUESDAY, MARCH 3, 2026 (CHAPEL)

8:00 AM No Intention

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026 (CHAPEL)

8:00 AM Jorge Family
By Ani Jorge

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2026

NO MASS

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2026 (CHURCH)

8:00 AM Jim Mierop
By MaryAnn & Tony Franco

SATURDAY, MARCH 7, 2026 (CHAPEL)

8:00 AM No Intention

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 8, 2026

- 4:30 PM Mary & Charles Martin
- 9:00 AM Susan Sheer
By Patricia Kelemen
- 12:00 PM The Masse Family
By Patricia Masse

IN MEMORIAM

There Are No Memorials This Week.

A MESSAGE FROM FR. KEVIN

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

This is the Second Sunday of Lent, and we again have the Gospel of the Transfiguration of our Lord. Here, Jesus brings Peter, James, and John and shows them what they will see after the resurrection. The Lord does this in advance, so that when he is crucified, they will have hope.

For us, looking back, we can see clearly the Lord’s intent; however, for Peter, James, and John, seeing what they saw gave them more questions about the Lord than before they approached Mt. Tabor.

The adage tells us, “Seeing is believing.” Unfortunately, in this situation, the disciples ended up with more questions than they had at the outset.

God’s Peace!
Fr. Kevin

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Our Goal is \$3,000 a Week
Collections from 2/14 – 2/15

\$ 3,541.00..... First Collection

\$ 11.00.....Candles

\$3,552.00 – Total for 1 Week

Thank you for your generosity

COAT DRIVE

Last year, we attempted to organize a coat drive to help those in need, but it did not work out. This year, we have a parishioner who will drop off items to the homeless shelter in Hoboken. If you have any gently used garments to donate, please leave them in the lower church before or after Sunday Mass, and we will ensure they are delivered.

CATHOLIC JOKE

*A child asked his mom, “If God hears every prayer, does He ever get tired?”
She said, “No.”
The child replied, “That’s good. I ask Him a lot of questions.”*

MASS ATTENDANCE

February 21st & 22nd

Saturday – 4:30 PM – 55

Sunday – 9:00 AM – 33

Sunday – 12:00 PM – 55

Total – 143

(Attendance Was Affected By The Weather)

PARISH ASSESSMENT WEEKEND

Our Next Assessment Collection This Weekend Of February 28th & March 1st.

Please be as generous as your means allow.

Our goal each month is \$1,474.00.

We thank you for your generosity!

MASS BOOK FOR 2026

We Are Booking Masses This Weekend Of:

March 28th & 29th.

- The donation for each Mass is \$10.00.

- You can book up to two Sunday Masses and/or three Weekday Masses each time.

- The Sanctuary Lamp costs \$10.00, and the Bread and Wine for Mass is \$10.00.

If a parishioner memorializes both of these, the candle for the Blessed Mother cost is \$10.00. If the candle is purchased alone, the cost is \$20.00.

**GROWING IN FAITH
TOGETHER**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION SURVEY

*Sacred Heart is exploring the possibility of launching a new **Adult Faith Formation program** designed to help parishioners deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith, explore meaningful religious topics, and grow spiritually together as a community.*

*Before planning begins, we would greatly value your input. Please take a moment to review and complete the survey handout available at this weekend's Masses. Your feedback will help us shape a program that is both meaningful and enriching for our parish family. **There is no cost to participate in the program.***

*Kindly return your completed survey in the collection basket or parish office by **Sunday, March 8**, so we can begin planning for a possible program launch later this spring. Thank you for helping us grow in faith together!*

A MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

It is a joy to welcome David and Patricia Hoyos, as well as Priyanka Kangare, to our parish family. We are grateful that they have chosen Sacred Heart as their spiritual home. May they find here not only a place of worship, but a community of faith, friendship, and encouragement as we journey together in Christ.

You may have noticed that last weekend I played a psalm as a meditation piece following Communion. During the season of Lent, we will continue this practice as a way to deepen our reflection and draw our hearts more intentionally toward the Lord. Lent invites us into quiet moments — moments to listen, to repent, and to renew our relationship with God.

In that same spirit, we will be singing hymns that speak more directly to the themes of conversion and renewal. This week, we will sing *Change Our Hearts*, written by Roger Cooney. It is a beautiful Lenten prayer for spiritual transformation. The hymn calls us to allow God to mend what is broken within us, to move us from fear to faith, and to align our lives not with worldly desires, but with divine love. It reminds us that conversion is not simply about giving something up — it is about allowing God to change us from within.

Our psalm this week is Psalm 33: *“Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.”* This is a prayer of confident hope. It proclaims that our strength does not come from human power, but from the faithful and steadfast love of God. As we place our trust in Him, we ask that His mercy rest upon us — guiding us, sustaining us, and renewing us.

As we continue through this holy season of Lent, may our hearts grow quieter before the Lord, our trust grow deeper in His mercy, and our lives more fully reflect His love. May this be a time not only of sacrifice, but of true interior transformation — as we walk with Christ toward the joy of Easter.

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 side of the page, you will 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.*

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT – MARCH 1, 2026

REGISTRATION FORM

TO REGISTER, PLEASE FILL OUT THE 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: _____

How Did You Hear About Us?

Referred By a Family Member or Friend

Google/Facebook/Instagram/Internet

Other: _____

You can also use our QR Code:



FOOD DRIVE

This is a reminder that Food for the Franciscan Sisters Development Service is collected each weekend.

The Food Pantry accepts Turkey, Ham, and Chicken year-round; however, dropping off these items needs to be coordinated with:

Ani Jorge – 973-931-6343 or

Mercedes Avello -201-637-9726

Please remember those who have less than we do.

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Maritza Castillo	Pam McGonagle
Jaydi Tejada	Gail Newmann
Noel Pabatto	Alfred Koegler
Monica Maria Cano	Carla Clancy
Kim Pozharsky	Ryan Newmann
Jennifer Hoyte Mayer	

2026 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night). The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast. On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence “substantially”, or as a whole, is a serious obligation.

3. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty) extends from the First Sunday of Lent, February 22 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, Sunday May 31, 2026.*

HONORING THE SEASON OF LENT

Adoration

Every Friday in the Church after the 8 AM Mass

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday Evening 7:00 PM During Lent

Confession Schedule:

Regular Confession:

Saturday, March 7th & 21st

At 12 PM

Penance Service

Saturday, March 28th

1:30 PM

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Gospel Today Second Sunday of Lent / Matthew 17:1-9

During the transfiguration, Jesus appeared white as light, with Moses and Elijah. Peter, James and John were frightened when they heard the voice of God and Jesus **lent** them support as He touched them and replied, "Rise, and do not be afraid." Mt 17:7

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Lent
The season of being sorry for sin, asking forgiveness and helping others.

lend / lent
The act of giving assistance or support to helping others.

**WEEK
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Dear God,
This week I...



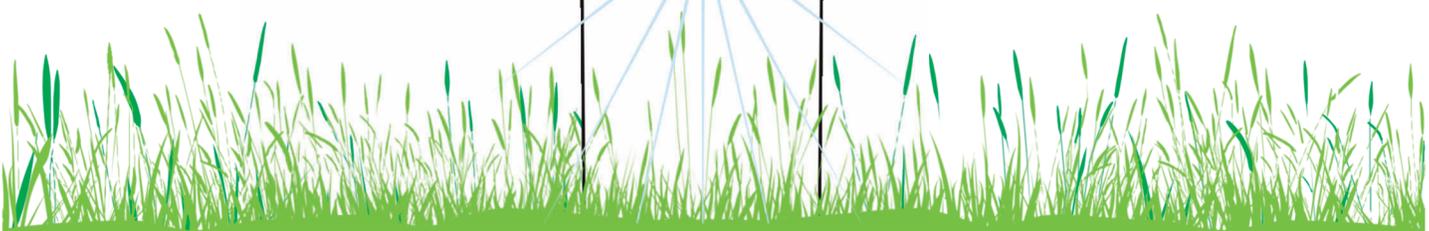
Love,

- Examples**
- Give a hug
 - Tell a family member you love them
 - Smile at someone new

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Jesus understands the feeling of fear. Knowing His disciples are in need of comfort, He reaches out to them.

Do you know someone in need of comfort? Do your best to lend them support. Write your lend/lent actions in the space on the cross. Color in the cross.



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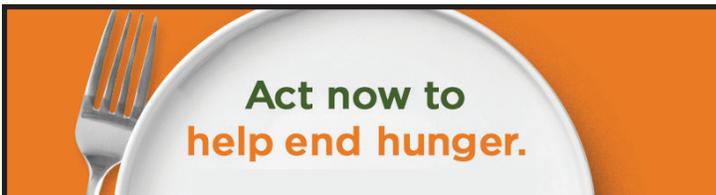


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