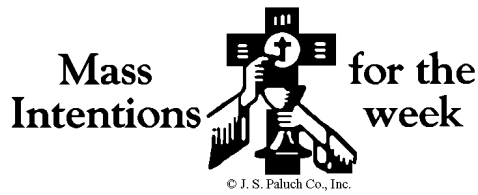


CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART  
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 13, 2019



**Saturday, October 19:**

5:00 J. Gordon

**Sunday, October 20:**

7:00 AM T. Zulch  
9:00 AM K. Apoe E. D'Antuono  
11:00 AM P. Jezycki  
1:00 PM W. Ortiz J. Mooney Sr.



Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Anna Parente, James Parente, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Cpl Justin Campbell, Sheila Jones, Frank Silvestri, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Jean Forte, Kathryn Capofari, Anthony Umana, Barbara Rotondo, Mark Herman, Frances Bocignone, Crystal Helewa, Daniel Juliano, Linda Powers, Joseph Detz Sr., James Carney, Danny Fortunato, Frank Juliano, Joseph Brancato, Carmela D'Angelo, Michael Guerin, Michael Meyer, June Laub, (baby) Benjamin Michael Thomsen, Frank Musuruca, Timothy Carlson, Rawle Hamilton, Richard Ross, Bette Ann Pascarella, Joanne Prato, Joseph Koslowski, Diana Umana, Isaiah Roland, Ralph Munoz Sr. & Jr. Joseph & Jaden Munoz, Brianna Scilabra, Judy Dele, Kassem Ripen

**Saturday, October 12:**

5:00 Mary Coppola

**Sunday, October 13:**

7:00 Deceased members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory  
9:00 Venera Delamonico  
11:00 Theresa Mauro  
1:00 Thomas, Virginia & Gerard Crane & Thomas Daly

**Monday, October 14:**

9:30 Philip & Marghrita Frabotta

**Tuesday, October 15:**

9:30 Eldidio Ramirez Urale

**Wednesday, October 16:**

9:30 Raymond & Rita Sykes

**Thursday, October 17:**

9:00 Joan F. O'Brien

**Friday, October 18:**

9:00 Jessica Votto

**Saturday, October 19:**

12:15 Stella Sutura  
5:00 Thomas Kopf

**Sunday, October 20:**

7:00 Al & Sue Amore & Susan Pellecchia  
9:00 Vincent G. Sheedy (25th Anniversary)  
11:00 Noeline Fernando  
1:00 Edward & Margaret McCauley

**Collections:**

October 6th.....\$7,084.00

**Wedding Banns**

III Brendan William Lee & Kerri Ann Salisbury

I James Michael Titus & Elizabeth Marie Ortiz

I Timothy James Crockett & Nicole Lauren Rufo

## A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

St. John Vianney (1786-1859) is the patron saint of parish priests. He was a model pastor in Ars, France. As word spread of his immense holiness and supernatural gifts of healing and telling the future, he was compelled to spend the vast majority of his day hearing confessions and giving counsel and comfort. As a result, the only prayer he could manage to insert into his busy schedule was the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and the Divine Office (*The Liturgy of the Hours*). He truly missed those life-giving conversations with God that he had had before he became so famous.

The Saint said beautiful things about prayer: "...the Christian's treasure is not on earth but in Heaven. Our thoughts, then, ought to be directed to where our treasure is. This is the glorious duty of man: to pray and to love. If you pray and love, that is where a man's happiness lies. Prayer is nothing else but union with God. When one has a heart that is pure and united with God, he is given a kind of serenity and sweetness that makes him ecstatic, a light that surrounds him with marvelous brightness. In this intimate union, God and the soul are fused together like two bits of wax that no one can ever pull apart. This union of God with a tiny creature is a lovely thing. It is a happiness beyond understanding."

Vianney tells us that when we pray God is certainly not indifferent to our prayers. No. "Our prayer is incense that gives him the greatest pleasure." Prayer is like exercise for the interior man. Our prayer, he says, "stretches our hearts and makes them capable of loving God." Prayer is so sweet because "we receive a foretaste of Heaven and something of Paradise comes down upon us." Moreover, we notice that people who pray a lot tend to be very optimistic, upbeat people. This is so because "when we pray properly, sorrows

disappear like snow before the sun." The Apostle underscores the importance of this when he insists: *God loves a cheerful giver.* (2 Cor 9:7).

According to the Saint, another prayer perk is that prayer "makes time pass very quickly and with such great delight that one does not notice its length. Listen: Once when I was a purveyor in Bresse and most of my companions were ill, I had to make a long journey. I prayed to the good Lord, and believe me, the time did not seem long."

Vianney compares the people of his day, including himself, to the great saints of the past and bemoans bitterly, "How unlike them we are! How often we come to church with no idea of what to do or what to ask for. And yet, whenever we go to any human being, we know well enough why we go. And still worse, there are some who seem to speak to the good Lord like this: 'I will only say a couple of things to You, and then I will be rid of You.' I often think that when we come to adore the Lord, we would receive everything we ask for, if we would ask with living faith and with a pure heart." (Selections taken "From the Catechetical Instructions by St. John Mary Vianney, priest," *Liturgy of the Hours*).

God bless you!

Father Eric

**Pastosa Gift Card Raffle:** Vincent and Elizabeth D'Antuono, Sacred Heart Parishioners, have established a weekly raffle in the form of a Pastosa's gift card in order to give back to the community. Congratulations to this week's winners M/M Frank McDermott.

**Sacred Heart 2019-2020** If you and your spouse are considering a Private/Catholic school for your children, Sacred Heart is the perfect choice. Sacred Heart School is a West Brighton fixture with a rich history of academic and athletic success. The school currently has an enrollment of 258 students all of whom are inspired and educated in the image of God. One hundred percent of our 8th grade graduates are accepted into their high school of choice. Many of our students are awarded high school scholarships, are accepted into advanced/specialized programs and our school has among the highest ELA and Math scores on Staten Island. We place emphasis on technology in the classrooms as our kindergarten—eighth grade students have Chromebooks in the classroom. Homework assignments, upcoming events and school news are posted on our school website. Also our basketball, soccer, swimming and golf teams are not only competitive, they win championships! Sacred Heart also has a Junior National Honor Society as well as drama, art and chess clubs. In addition, we offer a free Pre-K and financial assistance is available to students from K-8th grade. If you are interested please contact the school at (718) 442-0347, private tours are available by appointment.

**Saint Peter's Boys High School Open House:**

Saint Peter's Boys High School will be having their annual open house on Sunday, November 3rd, from 1–4 PM. All seventh and eighth grade students are invited to attend. St. Peter's has been producing both academic and athletic excellence on Staten Island for over 100 years.

**Sacred Heart Rectory Closed:** The Rectory will be closed on Monday, October 14th, in observance of Columbus Day. Normal business hours will resume on Tuesday, October 15th.

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, October 19, 2019**

5:00 M. Fernando, G. Grannis, D. Rojas, A. Laureano

**Sunday, October 20, 2019**

7:00 T. Murphy, M. Crowdell, H. Bond, J. Torres

9:00 B. Freund, T. Smith, J. Smith, J. Mullen

11:00 R. Delamasa, G. Seaborg, E. Greene, J. Orellana

1:00 K. Postler, M. Postler, H. Postler

**Communion Breakfast:** The annual Holy Name Communion Breakfast will take place on Sunday, October 20th. The breakfast will be held at The Staaten immediately following the 9 AM Mass. The cost is \$25 per person and children under 12 are \$15. Last year was the first Breakfast at Sacred Heart in over twenty years and by all accounts it was a resounding success. Tickets are available now, please see the fliers in the Church vestibule. The Communion Breakfast helps bring us closer as a Parish. It helps us put names with faces and most all get together for a meal. This year's guest speaker will be legendary basketball coach Bob Hurley, a member of The Naismith Hall of Fame. For more information contact Bill Rautenstrauch at 917-756-2715.

**Sacred Heart Annual Bereavement Mass:**

The Annual Sacred Heart Bereavement Mass will be held on Sunday, November 3rd at 11 AM. Letters will be sent shortly to the survivors of our parishioners who died from September 2018-August 2019. The names of these departed parishioners will be mentioned during the Mass. At that time the family may come to the Altar and light a candle in the person's memory. After the Mass light refreshments will be served in the school cafeteria. Please RSVP to the Rectory Office by October 25th so we know how many people to prepare for.

**Sacred Heart Pep Rally:**

The Youth Activities Council's annual Basketball Pep Rally will be held next Saturday in the school gymnasium after the 5 PM Mass. The Mass is well attended as the players and coaches will be in attendance before going to the school. This event marks the kickoff of our basketball season and we all know basketball has a rich tradition here at Sacred Heart. Here's to another winning championship season.

**Monsignor Vincent Bartley Street Naming:**

November 6th will mark the one year anniversary of the passing of Monsignor Vincent Bartley. On Saturday, October 26th, at 1 PM the corner of Clinton Avenue and Cassidy Place will be renamed in honor of this beloved priest. Monsignor Bartley served as pastor of Saint Paul's Church from 1993-2007.

## **SACRED HEART PARISH** **GROUPS**

**Bible Study:** Fr. Eric has a weekly Bible study group that meets on Saturdays from 1-2:30 PM in the school's small cafeteria. During the hour The Rosary is recited, Father gives a short bible lecture and there is a brief group discussion. All are welcome to attend.

**Altar Servers:** We are always looking for new boys and girls to become altar servers. If you are in the fifth grade or older, are a practicing Catholic and have received your first Holy Communion you can join. If anyone is interested please contact the Rectory at (718) 442-0058 or simply ask Fr. Eric after Mass. Being a server not only increases one's spiritual experience at Mass but also is a great way to get involved in the parish.

**Sacred Heart Youth Group:** Sacred Heart currently has a Youth Group for children in grades 6-12. If your child is interested in joining or if you have any questions contact Maria Montouri at (347) 247-2930. The group meets every first and third Monday of the month in the school cafeteria at 7 PM. Being a member of the youth group involves volunteering at bake sales, food drives and used clothing drives. The youth group also has "Movie Night", retreat weekends and plays laser tag. This is a fun way to earn community service credits for school.

**Legion of Mary:** The Sacred Heart chapter of the Legion of Mary meets weekly (if possible) on Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the Rectory. The meeting lasts roughly one hour and the members pray the Rosary and offer assistance to the Pastor. If you are interested please call Patti Foley at 917-608-7587.

**Sacred Heart Scouts:** Pack 74 welcomes all grades kindergarten thru 8. Weekly meetings are held on Monday at 7 PM in the school cafeteria. Open registration.

**Online Giving:** Sacred Heart Parish now offers online giving, which makes supporting your parish quick and easy. Online giving is perfect for older parishioners who find it difficult to get to Mass, especially during the harsh winter months. It is also beneficial to couples who travel often or have a second home in another state. Finally, online giving is very convenient for married couples with children whose weekends can be hectic with sporting events, dance recitals or family obligations. To find out more simply go to our parish website, [www.sacredheartsi.org](http://www.sacredheartsi.org), and click on the online giving icon at the right hand corner of the page.

**Sacred Heart Saint Vincent DePaul Society:** Once again your Saint Vincent DePaul Society is in need of food donations to feed the hungry of our parish. We are looking for jars of tomato sauce, cans of fruit, cans of vegetables, cans of soup, canned meats and fish, boxes of cereal, rice, pasta, oatmeal, instant mashed potatoes and pancake mix.

**Staten Island Grandmother Club:** All retired women are invited to join the Staten Island Grandmothers Club. The club meets the first Wednesday of every month for a luncheon at 11:45 at Li Greci's Staaten. The group helps raise money for children (primarily on Staten Island) who are suffering with cancer or other medical afflictions. If anyone is interested please contact Alana Chanod at 347-423-1190.

**Seton Foundation:** Next weekend October 19-20th representatives of The Seton Foundation For Learning will be selling raffle tickets after the Masses. The raffle is a chance to win \$5,000 cash and the cost of the tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25. The Seton Foundation For Learning is a worthy program which helps developmentally disabled children and young adults ages 3-21 years old. Please support this charity with your generosity.



*Sacred Heart Holy Name*

**Family Communion  
Breakfast**



Sunday, October 20, 2019

9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Church

10:30 AM Breakfast to follow at

Li Greci's Staaten

**Keynote Speaker - Bobby Hurley Sr.**

Naismith Hall of Fame Basketball Coach

**Please Reserve your seat today**

----- DETACH RSVP HERE -----

*Tickets \$25 for Adults/\$15 for Children under 13*

*Please make check payable to **Sacred Heart Church**. Return to Sacred Heart Church 981 Castleton Ave, S.I.N.Y. 10310 or drop in collection basket or drop off in rectory*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Children Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Adults Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_