

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE KING



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 19

5:00 JOHN H. KIRINCICH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7:00 REV. A. HEENAN, OP
8:30 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE PERRY FAMILY
10:00 FRANK & MARIE BARNARD
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 CHARLES SPITZER
5:00 GUIDO & VELIA BRACCINI

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7:00 MARY TARASOVIS
9:00 SARAH RENZULLI

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN & CHARLES KENNEDY
7:30 SPECIAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7:00 GRACE M. MEAGHER-SHAY
9:00 KENNETH SCHUELER

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 CORINNE A. O'BRIEN & JOSEPH F. O'BRIEN

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 25

7:00 FOR THOSE IN THE ARMED FORCES
9:00 KARL REINA II

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26

9:00 DOROTHY McNAMARA
5:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CAREY FAMILY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27

7:00 GEORGE MANTANI
8:30 MARGARET (PEG) WALSH
10:00 IN HONOR OF THE WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF DEBBIE & KEN LEIGH
11:30 PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
1:00 ALBERT & ALICE PERRY
5:00 EVELYN & RAYMOND WITTEK

Please pray for the soul of:

Patrick O'Connor

The Bread and Wine are in loving memory of **Edward Durkin** requested by his wife Michelle and daughters.

Flowers on the altar in loving memory of **Richard Morrison** and **Frank and Betty Barry**, donated by Marie Morrison.

Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers

Weekend of November 26-27

Saturday, November 26

5:00 Bill Jones Mary Ann Gambardella

Sunday, November 27

7:00 Sr. Angela
8:30 Charles Romanelli Mary Romanelli
10:00 John Caban
11:30 Ken Wisniewski Maureen Driscoll
1:00 Stephen Brown Angela Medina
5:00 Patricia Hoey

Sick Relatives & Friends

Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Rosanne Mezzacappa, Christopher Luciano, Kathryn Brock, Margaret Shay, Patricia Repoli, Al Frezio, Julie Hunting, Meghan Clark, Mary DiSalvo, Youlanda Santella, Mary DiCostanzo, Tim Campagna, Alberto Meranda, Matthew Gleason, Jerry Russo, Ethel Thomas, Aurora David, Ruth Irons, Gordon C. Gladden, Ian Torello, Anna Parente, James Parente, John Lewis, Gerard Crane, Mimi Norberg, Marianne Garlan, Ruth Manieri, Tommy Baratta, Dawn Meade, Rev. Thomas Blessin SJ, Lauren Lam, Rafaella Tierno, Mary Kenney, John C. Marino, Rose Bradley, Alice Longo, Spc. Bryan Camacho, Patsy Jackson, Gabrielle Plumy, Michael Rucci, Sylvia Lichtenstein, Cpl Justin Campbell, Robert Poggi, USM, Tom Kopf, Bernard D. Nidus MD, Joyce Rusinak, Jeffrey Schnorbus, Barbara Brennan, Venera Delamonico, Sam Pezzano, Sheila Jones, Edward B. Hanson, Roseanne Liveo, Christian Pepo, Joan Romano, Daniel Gomes, Grace Ford Seamans, Elizabeth James Timmins, Robert Donohue, Ottimia Paradiso, Spec. Michael Biggins, Marie Elaine Jerome

Banns

II Kerry Thompson and Anthony Varvaro
III Jerin George and Joel Rodriguez

Collection for November 13

Collection \$6953.00
The Second Collection today is for Thanksgiving - Human Development.

Fr. Jerome, Fr. Deo, Fr. Navins and the staff of Sacred Heart Church wish all our parishioners a happy and blessed Thanksgiving.

In observance of Thanksgiving, the Rectory Office will be closed on Thurs., Nov. 24 and Fri., Nov. 25. The office will reopen on Mon., Nov. 28 at 9:00am.

THANK GOD FOR FREEDOM

Perhaps you heard the recent story of Marion Hedges, a forty seven year old real estate agent from Manhattan described by her neighbors as “super nice.”

Marion Hedges was shopping at Costco for Halloween candy to distribute to kids as part of her work for charity. She and her 13 year old son were walking on the first floor of this mall when suddenly she was hit on the head by a shopping cart dropped from a fourth floor ledge and critically injured. The cart had been dropped by two twelve year old boys who had pretty bad reputations. The 89 year old grandmother of one of the boys tried to defend her grandson by stating that “the boys did not intend to injure Ms. Hedges.”

That is true. They did not specifically target her for an attack. But the act itself of hurling a heavy shopping cart from such a height was a very bad decision born out of mischief and malevolence. Because of the boy’s actions, Marion Hedges was almost killed and most probably will never be the same again.

The story is a tragic one but it does illustrate a very important point - namely that our actions do have real consequences; either for good or evil. Ms. Hedges was using her freedom to help youngsters in need. The two boys were using their freedom in a destructive way.

Today, personal freedom is extolled to the heights without reference to others. Yes, we are all free. For example, I am free this afternoon to drive my car down Castleton Avenue and go through all the red lights. But there are consequences to that abuse of freedom - there could be an accident!

For many of us now freedom is often described as the license to do anything you want. It has been made into an absolute and God with His Ten Commandments, is often portrayed as an enemy of our human freedom. But of course that is a lie; it is when we know God that we know the truth and it is the truth that really makes us free.

A good definition of freedom is that it is the ability to do what we ought to do rather than the right to do whatever we please. Actually, the latter results in confusion and chaos in the moral order which is exactly what we have today in many quarters of our society.

The late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen once spoke to some young people about the subject of freedom and he used a rather practical example to explain it. The good bishop put it this way: “Suppose your parents never gave you potty training? Think it out – You have to do your own thing!” He concluded this way: “But your parents did not let you do your own thing; they took you in hand and trained you. Thank God!”

In today’s topsy turvy world, too many people are doing their own thing and messing up their own lives and the lives of others around them.

This Thursday, we celebrate Thanksgiving Day. It should mean more than just a turkey dinner and a four day weekend.

On Thanksgiving Day, we should render to God our utmost gratitude for the freedoms that we enjoy in the United States. We pray that as a society we may not abuse the freedoms that have been granted to us. Rather may we use our freedoms to build up ourselves, our neighbor and the community around us.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Sincerely in Christ, Father Jerome

SACRED HEART PARISH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR will be held on Sunday, Dec. 4th from 10AM to 4PM. **We are looking for any parishioners or vendors who would like to rent a table** and for all our crafters and afghan makers who can make items or donate to our raffle baskets. Please call Nora at the rectory 718-442-0058 or Joe Meagher at 917-829-1201.



CCD Classes -November 30
No Children's Choir - November 23



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT being baptized in the Catholic faith or you need to receive the

sacraments of Communion or Confirmation contact Fr. Deo at the rectory at 718-442-0058 for information on RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) classes here at Sacred Heart.

MASS OF THANKSGIVING - Tuesday, Nov. 22 - 7:30 pm in the church. Everyone from the parish is invited to attend. The third grade students from Sacred Heart School and CCD will be dressed in the costumes of the First Thanksgiving participants - Pilgrims and Native Americans. Each family attending is asked to bring a non-perishable food item for the needy. Contact the rectory at 718-442-0058 for further information.



THE GIVING TREE - 'Tis the season to be thankful for what we have and mindful for the needs of others. Beginning November 26, the Special Events Committee invites all our parishioners to

take a gift ornament off the Giving Tree in the church and purchase the item listed on the ornament for someone in need this Christmas Season. Once you have purchased your gift, please return it wrapped with the ornament tag from the Giving Tree on the outside of the package. You can place your gift under the tree on Sundays or during the week. The cut off date to return the gifts is December 11th. We wish to thank all the people of Sacred Heart for always being so generous with your donations to the Giving Tree. The families and charities receiving your gifts will have a merrier Christmas this year because of you.

Kids - (grades 1-5) Come Sing with Us!!

Kids Praise Choir is in full swing - Come join us!! We rehearse Wed. Nov. 30th- 5-6pm Chapel across from school. Registration forms in the office. See you there!!

Kick it up a notch!! Join the Choir!! Come on up to the loft 2nd and 4th Sundays 11:30am and sing with the Choir!! The more singers for our beautiful music liturgies - the better!!

Now is the perfect time to hop on board and sing with the choir for Advent and Christmas!! See you in the loft, Nov. 22nd 7:30PM to sing a wonderful Thanksgiving mass with the "pilgrims and Indians!"

Christ The King Sunday choir loft will be full of families, young and old to celebrate this glorious musical liturgy!! See you Sun., Nov. 20th 11:30AM!! Come on up!! See you in the loft!!

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Join the Choir!! Buy a CD!! Put away a hymnbook!

SACRED HEART YOUTH GROUP

Thank you to all the generous parishioners who supported our Autumn Bake Sale.

A special thanks to Jackie's Cake Boutique for her raffle donation of a beautifully decorated red velvet cake. Our own chairperson of the bake sale, Michele Williams, was the winner of the cake. If you are shopping at Key Food, on Sunday, November 20th please consider donating toward our Food Drive. We will have a table set up outside of the store. Donations will be used to refill the Sacred Heart Food Pantry.

SACRED HEART TROOP/ PACK 74 - Nov. 21 - General Meeting

