

# The Church of the Sacred Heart

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Seventh Sunday of Easter– May 16, 2021

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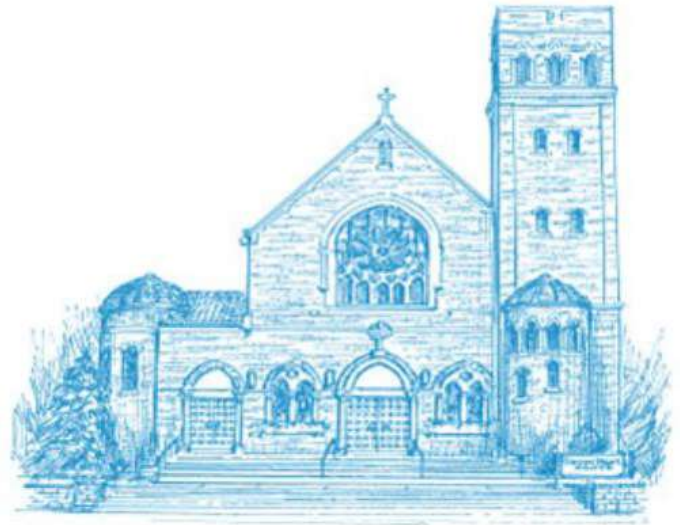
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## Masses

### The Lord's Day

Saturday Evening 5:00 PM

Sundays 7:00, 9:00, 11:00AM (Choir), 1:00 PM

Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

Rosary 9 AM (Monday-Saturday)

### Confessions

Saturdays - 4:00 to 4:45 PM, Any time upon request

### Parish Registration

Please formalize your membership in our parish community by registering at the parish office. We sincerely welcome all new parishioners!

### Handicapped Accessible

**Office Hours** - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

Monday–Friday 9 AM - 5 PM

Saturday 10 AM - 5 PM

**Church** open daily until 5 PM (Sundays until 3 PM)

**Novena Devotions** : Mon & Wed (after daily Mass)

**Pro Life Rosary**: Tuesday 9 AM

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

### Sick Calls

Anytime, please contact one of the priests at (718) 442-0058.

### Baptism

Please contact the pastor for an appointment to arrange the Baptism.

### Marriages

Couples should contact the rectory at least 6 months before the wedding to arrange the time, banns, and Pre-Cana Conference.

### Sponsor Certificate

If you have been asked to be a godparent for a Baptism or Confirmation attend the 9 AM Mass on Sunday and see Sister Barbara immediately after in the church vestibule. Please see the parish website under the Worship/Sacraments link for godparent guidelines.

### Websites:

**Church Website:** - [www.sacredheartsi.org](http://www.sacredheartsi.org)

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**MAY 16, 2021**

**SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, Almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**READING 1                      ACTS 1: 15-17,  
20A, 20C-26.**

Peter stood up in the midst of the brothers there was a group of about one hundred and twenty persons in the one place. He said, "My brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled which the Holy Spirit spoke beforehand through the mouth of David, concerning Judas, who was the guide for those who arrested Jesus. He was numbered among us and was allotted a share in this ministry.

"For it is written in the Book of Psalms: *May another take his office.* Therefore, it is necessary that one of the men who accompanied us the whole time the Lord Jesus came and went among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day on which he was taken up from us, become with us a witness to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Judas called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed, "You,

Lord, who know the hearts of all, show which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this apostolic ministry from which Judas turned away to go to his own place." Then they gave lots to them, and the lot fell upon Matthias, and he was counted with the eleven apostles.

**Responsorial Psalm            PS 103: 1-2, 11  
-12, 19-20.**

**R. The Lord has set his throne in heaven.**

Bless the LORD, O my soul; and all my being, bless his holy name. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

**R. The Lord has set his throne in heaven.**

For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west, so far has he put our transgressions from us.

**R. The Lord has set his throne in heaven.**

The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. Bless the LORD, all you his angels, you mighty in strength, who do his bidding.

**R. The Lord has set his throne in heaven.**

**READING 2                      IJN 4:11-16**

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also must love one another. No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.

This is how we know that we remain in him and he in us, that he has given us of his Spirit. Moreover, we have seen and testify that the Father sent his Son as savior of the world. Whoever acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God remains in him and he in God. We have come to know and to believe in the love God has for us.

God is love, and whoever remains in love remains in God and God in him.

## ALLELUIA

**JN 14: 18.**

### **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

### **R. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## GOSPEL

**JN 17: 11B-19**

Lifting up his eyes to heaven, Jesus prayed saying: "Holy Father, keep them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one just as we are one. When I was with them I protected them in your name that you gave me, and I guarded them, and none of them was lost except the son of destruction, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you. I speak this in the world so that they may share my joy completely. I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. I do not ask that you take them out of the world but that you keep them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world any more than I belong to the world. Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth."

## Profession of Faith

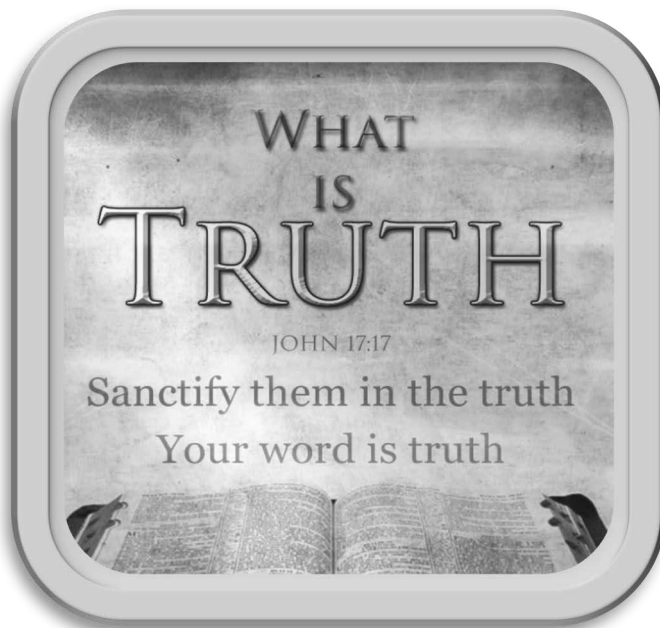
I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven (BOW) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate, He suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and His kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



## A Note from The Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

When we focus on current events, we recognize that we live in a time in which wrongdoing is all around us. This is nothing new. Sin has been present to the human condition since the time of our first two parents, Adam and Eve. But our time is different. We live in twenty-four-hour news cycle. Years ago, when I was a boy, the news appeared two or three times a day. The one delivering the news in front of the camera, whose image was then beamed into our living rooms, would mention the essential headlines and move on, since there was limited time in which to fit in all that was to be reported. Today, on the other hand, we have cable news reporting all day long, seven days a week, and people on their various social media platforms reiterating the news and adding commentary. Let's be honest. Most of the news and the narration that follows is negative. Therefore, we do well, if we would like some more peace in our minds and hearts, to limit our consumption of this so-called news.

Dom Augustin Guillerand points out that perhaps instead of focusing on current events so much we should fix our eyes on God's love, which is always news—good news. Guillerand states, “The future does not rest with us. It is not what we make of it, for God alone has the planning of it. The most we can do is to accept trustingly His divine action, which is the expression of His love. We must not think so much about people, and things and events: that side of life is so depressing. We should look rather at Him who with kingly power controls these shifting scenes, making them fit in according to

the plan of His infinite love. We should steep ourselves more in this spirit of faith, which alone is reasonable and true. That is how God sees things. In all He does or permits, He sees and desires only His own love, and that is what we should see and desire too.” (Augustin Guillerand, *They Speak by Silences*, [1955], p. 55).

The holy monk continues, “It is quite true that the world seems in a very bad way. It is full of evil and hatred. How can we see love, where everything points the other way? We do not see it: we believe it. To believe is to see things in God's light; to leave everything to Him Who says: ‘Your bodily eyes and your reason see only evil, but this is superficial. At the bottom of everything is Love . . . Believe My Word.’ Faith does, indeed, call for a very big sacrifice, but this same faith gives us a sense of security and peace, which might almost be called infinite, so surely does it rest on the Word of God Himself. Here we have the profound secret of Christian serenity in the midst of the most painful trials, which are only passing, whereas the Word of God is something eternal.” (*Ibid.*).

God bless you!

Father Eric





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**Saturday, May 15:**

5:00 Teresa Santimauro

**Sunday, May 16:**

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory

9:00 People of the Parish

11:00 Thomas Paulo

1:00 Gerard Hoffman

**Monday, May 17:**

9:30 Leonard Henderson

**Tuesday, May 18:**

9:30 Lena DiGregorio

**Wednesday, May 19:**

9:30 John Baker

**Thursday, May 20:**

9:30 Stephen Hopkins

**Friday, May 21:**

9:30 Steven Kopiec

**Saturday, May 22:**

9:30 Evelyn Sharp

5:00 Grace O'Donnell

**Sunday, May 23:**

7:00 People of the Parish

9:00 Desmond Corrigan

11:00 Brendan Hoey

1:00 Malik Skrine

( In case of an emergency the AED Box is located outside the restroom.)

**Saturday, May 22:**

5:00 PM Bill Jones

**Sunday, May 23:**

7:00 AM Joan Prenty

9:00 AM Sister Jessica

11:00 AM Kenneth Wisniewski

1:00 PM Donald Maj

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**Saturday, May 22:**

5:00 PM Tara Murphy

**Sunday, May 23:**

7:00 Anthony Basile

9:00 Abigail Cruz

11:00 Sean Ahern

1:00 Jack Smith

**Collections:**

May 9th.....\$10,672.00

Mothers Day.....\$1,313.00

**ATTENDANCE MAY 2ND: 519**

**CAPACITY FOR MASS : 210**

**Wedding Banns**

**III. Brian Joseph Brennan  
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**Golden Jubilee Mass:** Timothy Cardinal Dolan will be celebrating a special Golden Jubilee Mass for couples celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. The Mass will take place at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, June 6th, at 2:30 PM. During the Mass the couple will renew their vows and they are allowed to have two guests present at the Cathedral. Due to COVID restrictions the guests will sit outside the area reserved for couples. If any of our parishioners are celebrating their Golden Anniversary this year (married 1971) and wish to attend they need to contact The Rectory and make arrangements with the Office Manager no later than May 17th.

**Food Donations:** The Holy Name Society is in need of food donations for their food pantry. Non-perishable items such as canned vegetables, fruit, meats, fish, soups, tomato sauces, boxes of pasta, pancake mix, mashed potatoes and cereal are needed. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

**Collection for Central & Eastern Europe:** The annual collection for Central & Eastern Europe will be taken up at Sacred Heart this weekend. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

**Save the Date!!**

**Sacred Heart Holy Name Communion**

**Breakfast Sunday, September 19th.**

**SAINT BERNADINE OF SIENA**

**MAY 20TH**

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