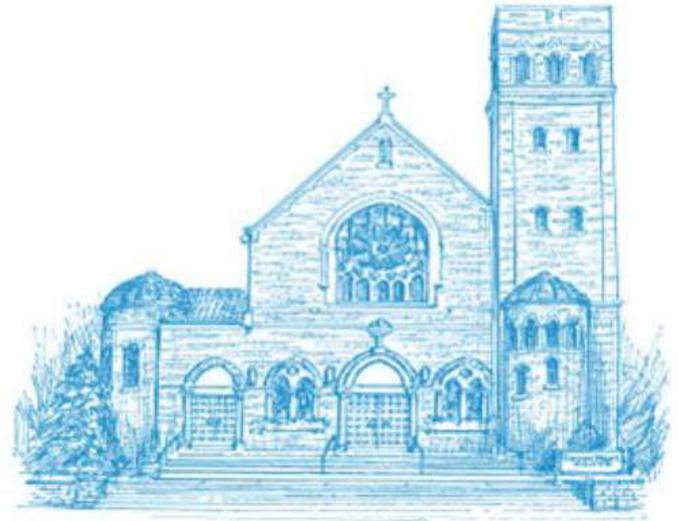


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Daily Mass 9:30 AM Monday-Saturday

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Confessions

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

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Office Hours - Sunday 10 AM - 3PM

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Saturday 10 AM - 6 PM

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

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

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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.

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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.

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,
KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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 EZ 34: 11-12, 15-17

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will look after and tend my sheep. As a shepherd tends his flock when he finds himself among his scattered sheep, so will I tend my sheep. I will rescue them from every place where they were scattered when it was cloudy and dark. I myself will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord GOD. The lost I will seek out, the strayed I will bring back, the injured I will bind up, the sick I will heal, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy, shepherding them rightly. As for you, my sheep, says the Lord GOD, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

Responsorial Psalm PS 23:1-2,2-3,5-6

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name's sake.

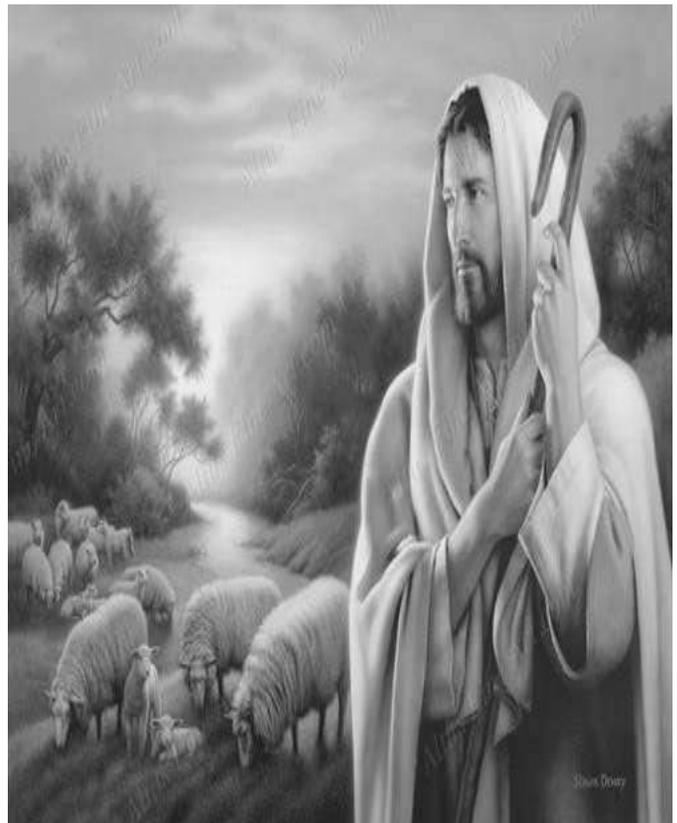
R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.



READING 2 I COR 15:20-26,28

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. When everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected everything to him, so that God may be all in all.

ALLELUIA MK 11:9,10

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come!

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

GOSPEL MT 25:31-46

Jesus said to his disciples: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink?

When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

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, 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,

Dale Francis was a columnist for *Our Sunday Visitor*. He had a special-needs son. The son's name was Guy. Francis wrote, "I wish Guy were normal, of course, but he isn't. He is my son and I love him; love him not as the young man he might have been, but as the son he is. That's the secret. Only it really isn't a secret. If we are given children, we must love them as they are. And there are many satisfactions, in a sense, perhaps, more special satisfactions than we have from our [so called] normal children because even small achievements have an importance. So my son, Guy, I love him. Sometimes when I see signs of the leadership he might have shown, the compassion he possesses, I have a twinge of sadness for the man he might have been, but it doesn't stay with me even for a second. I love him for who he is."

"I said there are small achievements that can give you great satisfaction. I remember one of them. One day I was busy writing when Guy wanted my attention. I kept up with my work. He came up to me and showed me pictures he had drawn, and I said they were nice, and I went on working. He wrote 'Guy'—the only word he knows how to write—and I said that was good and went on working. He was away for a little while and then he came to me, smiling big. 'Look, Daddy,' he said, and handed me another piece of paper. There he had written in big, but crooked letters, 'DALE,' my name. How he had written it I do not know. He had never done it before; he has never done it since. But he did it that day. He held it up to me proudly. 'That's very good, Guy,' I said. 'Do you want me to play with you now?' He grinned ...and so we sat down and drew airplanes and cows and trains. I thought there must not be many fathers who would gain a sense of joy in seeing a twenty-year-old son's writing of a name." (William Bausch, *A World of Stories for Preachers and Teachers*, 1998, p. 257-258.)

Thanksgiving is upon us. As Christians we are grateful because God loves us unconditionally. He loves us just the way we are. Fr. Jacques Philippe claims that we have a "double freedom" as God's people, namely, the freedom to be sinners and the freedom to become saints. (Jacques Philippe, *Interior Freedom*, 2007, p. 37-40.). He writes:

"The freedom to be sinners doesn't mean we are free to sin without worrying about the consequences—that would not be freedom but irresponsibility. It means we are not crushed by the fact of being sinners—we have a sort of 'right' to be poor, the right to be what we are. God knows our weaknesses and infirmities, but He is not scandalized by them and doesn't condemn us. *As tenderly as a father treats his children, so Yahweh treats those who fear Him; He knows what we are made of, He remembers that we are dust.* (Psalm 103:14). God is of course inviting us to holiness, spurring us to conversion and progress. But His gaze never makes us feel anguished at the thought of not managing. We don't feel the 'pressure' that sometimes comes from other people or the way we judge ourselves, telling us we can never be good enough, making us permanently dissatisfied with ourselves and always guilty for not measuring up to some expectation or standard."

Father Philippe continues, "Under God's gaze, we are delivered from the constraint of having to be 'the best' or perpetually having to be 'winners'. We have a deep sense of release, because we don't have to make constant efforts to show ourselves in a favorable light or waste energy pretending to be what we are not. We can quite simply be what we are. There is no better form of 'relaxation' than to rest like little children in the tenderness of a Father who loves us just as we are. We find it difficult to accept our own deficiencies because we imagine they make us unlovable. Since we are defective in this or that aspect, we feel that we do not deserve to be loved. Living under God's gaze makes us realize how mistaken that is. Love is given freely, it's not deserved, and our deficiencies don't prevent God from loving us—just the opposite! Thus we are freed of the terrible, despair-inducing sense that we must become 'good enough' to deserve to be loved."

Happy Thanksgiving!

God bless you!

Father Eric

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

NOVEMBER 22, 2020

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE



Saturday, November 21:

5:00 Patrick Jordan

Sunday, November 22:

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory
9:00 Charles Kennedy & Corinne A. O'Brien
11:00 Richard T. O'Shea
1:00 Ben Zarrelli

Monday, November 23:

9:30 Lt. Robert Ryan (12th Anniversary)

Tuesday, November 24:

9:30 M/M Albert Perry

Wednesday, November 25:

9:30 Michael Healy

Thursday, November 26:

9:30 Special Intentions & People of the Parish

Friday, November 27:

9:30 Frank J. Santora (24th Anniversary)

Saturday, November 28:

9:30 Moman McCay
5:00 Lois Mazzitelli

Sunday, November 29:

7:00 John Torkelson
9:00 M/M Albert Perry
11:00 James Lundrigan
1:00 Deceased Members of The Decker Family

Saturday, November 28:

5:00 Bill Jones

Sunday, November 29:

7:00 AM Sr. Barbara
9:00 AM John Mooney Jr.
11:00 AM Patricia Jezycki
1:00 PM Don Maj

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, November 28:

5:00 Jacob Torres

Sunday, November 29:

7:00 Erik Shashaty
9:00 Jack Smith
11:00 Anthony Basile
1:00 Melani Fernando

COLLECTIONS:

November 15th.....\$7,487.00
Budget Deficit.....\$594.00

LAST WEEK ATTENDANCE: 451
CHURCH CAPACITY: 210

The Rectory Office will be closed on Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th in observance of Thanksgiving Weekend. On behalf of Fr. Eric and the staff of Sacred Heart Church and School we wish all of our parishioners a very Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving.

Wedding Banns

I. Ryan Matthew Cackowski & Ashley Marie Palumbo

St. Michael Prayer

Saint Michael The Archangel, Defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness & snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan & all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Sacred Heart Food Pantry: The food pantry is once again in need of your donations. The following items are needed: boxes of pasta, jarred or canned sauces, vegetables, fruits, beans, meats, fish, soups, peanut butter, jelly, boxes of hot/cold cereals, crackers, rice, instant potatoes, macaroni & cheese, pancake mix. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

Memorial Trees: Sacred Heart is selling Memorial Christmas Trees, the fliers are located in the vestibule of the Church. The cost is \$125 for a tree which can be memorialized in memory of a lost loved one. The payment along with the filled out form should be dropped off at The Rectory or dropped into the collection basket on Sunday. If you put it in the collection be sure to mark the envelope "Holiday Tree". On Saturday, December 5th, we will have our annual Holiday Tree lighting after the 5 PM Mass.

Campaign for Charity & Justice: The annual collection for The Catholic Campaign for Charity and Justice will be taken up on the weekend of November 21st and 22nd. Please be as generous as your means will allow.

Sacred Heart IOC: Just a reminder that Sacred Heart's Increased Offertory Campaign is still ongoing. So far the results have been very positive and thanks to all the parishioners who have increased their donations. Please consider this if you haven't done so already.

Sacred Heart Piano: If anyone is interested Sacred Heart has an old piano that we do not want or need. If you are interested, please contact the Office Manager. The interested party must arrange for pickup and transport of the piano from the Rectory basement.

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