

Sacred Heart Church

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Masses

Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM in the Chapel
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM in the Church
Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00 AM in English
12:45 PM in Creole

Holy Days: 9:00 AM (English), 7:30 PM (Bilingual)

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday: 4:00 P.M. or by appointment

Matrimony

A couple planning marriage should schedule an appointment with one of the priests six months in advance.

Baptism

Baptism in English is celebrated on the 2nd Saturday at 1:00PM. Baptism in Creole is celebrated on the fourth Saturday at 1:00PM. Baptismal arrangements in English and Creole must be made in advance by the parents at the rectory. Please bring your child's birth certificate. Parents and Godparents must attend mandatory instructions.

Communion for the Homebound and Infirm

If you would like to receive communion, please call the rectory to add your name to the list.

OFFICE HOURS

Weekdays: 9:00 AM - 12 Noon
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Saturday and Sunday by appointment only.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Bryan D. Patterson, Pastor
Rev. Hugues Berrette
Paul C. Dorsinville, Deacon
François G. Cajoux, Deacon
Roy Dudley, Deacon
Marcus Mordan, Deacon
Sr. Carmèle Nerette, FDM

Rev. Joseph M. Nolan, In Residence
Mrs. Yvonne Russell-Smith, School Principal
Ms. Mona Martin, CCD Coordinator

Forth Sunday of Advent
December 23, 2012



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Scripture of the Week

Sunday, December 23, 2012 - Violet Vestments

First Reading: Micah 5:1-4

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45

Monday, December 24, 2012 - Violet Vestments

First Reading: Second Samuel 7:1-5, 8-11, 16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29

Gospel: Luke 1:67-79

Readings for Midnight Mass for Christmas

First Reading: Isaiah 9:1-6

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13

Second Reading: Titus 2:11-14

Gospel: Luke 2:1-14

Tuesday, December 25, 2012 - White Vestments

*Christmas - Solemnity - * Holy Day of Obligation **

Readings for Mass at Dawn

First Reading: Isaiah 62:11-12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 97:1, 6, 11-12

Second Reading: Titus 3:4-7

Gospel: Luke 2:15-20

Readings for Mass during the day

First Reading: Isaiah 52:7-10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6

Second Reading: Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel: John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Wednesday, December 26, 2012 - Red Vestments

Saint Stephen, first martyr - Feast

First Reading: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 31:3-4, 6, 7, 8, 17, 21

Gospel: Matthew 10:17-22

Thursday, December 27, 2012 - White Vestments

Saint John, apostle and evangelist - Feast

First Reading: First John 1:1-4

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12

Gospel: John 20:2-8

Friday, December 28, 2012 - Red Vestments

The Holy Innocents, martyrs - Feast

First Reading: First John 1:5--2:2

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 124:2-3, 4-5, 7-8

Gospel: Matthew 2:13-18

Saturday, December 29, 2012 - White Vestments

First Reading: First John 2:3-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 96:1-2, 2-3, 5-6

Gospel: Luke 2:22-35

Saint Thomas Becket, bishop and martyr - Optional Memorial

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Saturday

December 22

5:00pm

Lancie Senat in Thanksgiving

Sunday

December 23

8:00am

For Sacred Heart Parishioners

10:00am

Helena Arrinfell (D)

12:45pm

Esther Delatour (D)

Monday

December 24

9:00am

Peter Joy Phillip (B)

5:00pm

Children Choir Mass

11:00pm

Midnight Masses: English in the Church and Creole in the Auditorium

Tuesday

December 25

9:00am

English Mass in the Church

11:00am

Creole Mass in the Church

Wednesday

December 26

9:00am

Suzie Canal (B)

Thursday

December 27

9:00am

Lozana Celestin (D)

Friday

December 28

9:00am

Anthony D. Phillip (D)

Saturday

December 29

9:00am

Liely Keller (D)

5:00pm

Jacques Emmanuel



Yolande Pierre, Venante Attis, Ceraly Raymond Mills, Hubert Mills, Gertrude Wright, Irma Ali, Exantus Joseph, Patrick and Monarque Jean, Joseph R. Saillant Jr., Evelyne Li-gondé, Audrey Pearson, Sade Jean-Raymond, Bonacci Pierre, Jahlil Nahser, Kenneth Baptiste, George Sweeney, Saintecile Joseph

**Pray for our Military Personnel
Pray Continually:**

1 Thessalonians 5:17



Please **pray** for our men and women serving in our **Armed Forces** so that **May God protect them until they return home safely!**

2012 Catholic Appeal

The theme for the 2012 Annual Catholic Appeal is Sharing our **Gifts to Build God's Kingdom in Brooklyn and Queens**. All registered Sacred Heart members should have received an Appeal letter, a donor card, a return envelope and a request letter from Bishop DiMarzio seeking your participation in this most important appeal. If you did not receive the Appeal letter, please pick up the form at the back of the Church or in the Rectory. Your charitable contribution last year was greatly appreciated. Our thanks to all those who donated. Our parish goal this year is: \$47,882. We are counting on you to exceed our goal. In order for the parish to get the surplus.

Total pledges as of this week:

Our Parish Goal	\$47,882.00
Number of Pledges received	232
Amount Pledged	\$ 74,032.00
Amount Received	\$64,021.00

Second collections for the month of December will be as follow:

December 16, 2012	Energy Expenses
December 23, 2012	Extraordinary Parish Expenses
December 25, 2012	Catholic Charities Offering
December 30, 2012	Liturgical Expenses
January 1, 2013	Solemnity of Mary Offering

Thank you for your generous contribution.

In order for your offering to be acknowledged, please use the membership envelope that you receive in the mail. If you forget the envelope at home, please use an envelope located in the back of the church and put your name and **envelope number** on it. If you want to become a member, come by the Rectory to register or pick up a registration card in the back of the Church and return it to the Rectory.

Collection received for December 8th and 9th, 2012

Attendees	857
Envelopes used	523
Collections	8,459

God gave His share! Are you giving your fair share?

If you wish to reserve a room for your next function, please contact Carl Dennis
718.938.1957

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In ancient pagan Rome, these days in mid-December were a time for general slacking off at work and far too much rejoicing. The period of leisure after the harvest and a whole cluster of pagan festivals were a force for the church to reckon with. The Saturnalia, breaking out on December 17, was a time of high living and loose morals. Christians were advised by their bishops to drop out of the mayhem and do some serious fasting. A famous church council at Saragossa in Spain made a season of fasting mandatory from December 17 to December 23, exactly coinciding with the Saturnalia. The bishops at that time were perhaps less concerned with preparing for Christmas than with resisting the kind of loose living going on.

Modern times have restored a bit of the Saturnalia spirit to our culture, so that a general period of partying with a vague connection to religion is now upon us. How does a Christian keep balance? The practice of charity by remembering the poor in our gift-giving, of hospitality in finding a place at our holiday tables for the poor and lonely, and of daily prayer in the home and at church are great helps. Although Advent is not a penitential season like Lent, it is a time for making room in our lives for what matters most.

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English Charismatic Retreat

The English Charismatic Group of Sacred Heart's annual retreat is scheduled for the weekend of February 8 through 10 at "The Villa of Our Lady" Retreat House in Mt. Pocono. You are invited to come along. Donation is \$135.00 per person, double occupancy, \$160.00 single room occupancy plus transportation of \$50.00. Recollection will be led by Reverend Anthony Madu.

For information, call Mike at 917-593-5108 or Hyacinth at 718-276-2091.

MEMORIES AND DREAMS

Throughout our lives, we retain the language and habits of our native region and family of origin. Should we return to our home after a long absence, we quickly revert to its familiar speech and practices. Our deep memory is reflected in old stories and words and speech patterns. This familiarity runs like an underground river and accompanies us wherever we go.

Not only do we remember, we are incorporated into and made part of a greater memory. In remembering and recollecting, we are in turn gathered up and re-collected.

Today we remember Mary, a small figure travelling the country roads to visit Elizabeth. All the great pronouncements and dreams of the prophets point to this time when the Lord's words to Mary would be gathered and fulfilled. The memories of her people are alive in her, and memories of her nourish our own living faith.

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THE GIFT OF GOD'S WORD

On this day of gifts and gift-giving, it seems appropriate that we take a moment to reflect on the great gift of God's Word. Because it is creative, God's Word always points to its author, always calls us to respond. Because it is powerful, God's Word can link the sublime with the ridiculous, the transcendent with the immanent, the divine with the human. Because it is graceful, God's Word establishes a relationship of deep intimacy between us and God.

At the heart of God's Word lies a tantalizing tension between the mysterious and the mundane. In our liturgical celebration, this unresolved tension both reveals the meaning of life for us and calls us to respond, to act upon that meaning.

Once accepted and opened, the gift of God's Word is a gift that keeps on giving and keeps on calling us to give in return. It dares us to be like the gift-giver and to become gifts for others, not only at Christmas, but at every moment of life.

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Live The Adventure and Come Prepare for Life!

The Boy Scouts of America has been running a program of character development, citizenship and physical fitness in a safe and fun environment, for over 100 years. Get your son involved in this self-esteem building organization sooner rather than later! First through Fifth Grade boys meet every Saturday at 11:00 am. Sixth Grade through High School meets every Friday at 8:00pm. Sacred Heart School Gym. For more info: Kelvin Willis at 516.978.7947.

Sacred Heart Boys and Girl Scouts

Join the Girl Scouts, Brownies, Grades 2-3 and Juniors Grades 4-5. They meet on Saturdays 11:00AM in the school Auditorium. For more information call Benita Simmons at 347.210.5339.

A Special Invitation

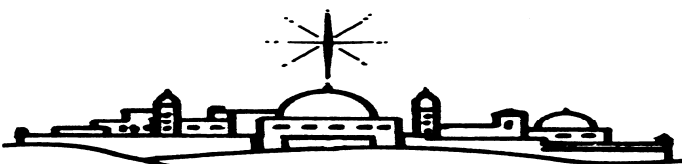


On January 13, 2013 "The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus" Sacred Heart is inviting all children who were baptized or confirmed at Sacred Heart in the past 5 years with their parents to a day of renewal of their engagement to becoming apostles for the kingdom of God. There will be a bilingual Mass at 11:00am replacing the 10:00am and 12:45pm Masses followed by fellowship in the Auditorium.

Une Invitation Speciale



Une Messe sera chantée le Dimanche 13 Janvier 2013, à l'occasion du baptême de Jésus. Tous les anciens baptisés et confirmés sont invités pendant les dernières Anées à renouveler leur engagement d'être apôtres pour L'avancement du royaume de Dieu. Ce jour là, les Messes de 10:00am and 12:00pm seront remplacées par une Messe à 11:00 heures suivie d'une réception à l'auditorium



MERRY CHRISTMAS

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SACRED HEART CHURCH VARIOUS GROUPS

BEREAVEMENT



We extend our condolences to all those mourning the death of a loved one. We offer an ear and a shoulder to cry on. Please join us on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Father Nolan Unity Room; Rectory basement.

Group de Konsolacion

Pou console moun ki pa kapab resiyin yo le yo pedi youn moun nan fanmi yo.
Group Konsolacion an kapab ede ou.
Rankontre nou chak denie Jedi nan moua.
nan basement presbite(rectory) 7 hrs di soua.

Ministry of Consolation

These caring and compassionate volunteers help families prepare for the funeral service of a loved one.
If you need our help and services, please contact the Rectory or call Angela DePeaza 718.525.4311

BIBLE STUDY – FAITH SHARING

Our Bible Study and Faith Sharing continues. As usual we will be covering the readings for the upcoming Sunday. Please join us in the Fr. Nolan Unity Room every Tuesday at 7:00pm. All are invited.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you a member of a different denomination and/or have not been baptized and would like to become a Catholic? Jesus is calling you by name to a spiritual journey with Deacon François or Deacon Paul every Wednesday evening for a seminar on the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Rite L'initiation Chrétienne pour Adultes

Êtes-vous membre d'une dénomination différente et / ou vous êtes pas baptisés et désirez devenir Catholique? Jésus vous appelle par votre nom à un cheminement spirituel avec le Diacre François ou Diacre Paul chaque Mercredi soir pour un séminaire sur le Rite de L'Initiation Chrétienne pour adultes (RCIA).

Sacred heart Youth Ministry

Anyone wishing to start a new group or have an existing group and has questions or concerns, call our Youth Director Kalel Dennis at 347.471.1284. We are the village needed to raise our youth- so please get involved.

EUCCHARISTIC DAY OF ADORATION

The first Friday of each month, we have a Eucharistic Day of Adoration in the church. The day begins with morning Mass at 9:00am, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and continues throughout the day. Evening Prayer and Benediction with the **Nocturnal Adoration Society will close our day at 8:00pm.** Please join us and be blessed.

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church

Youth Choir

Sign Up Today!



Youth (ages 13 to 21) meets on Sunday Afternoon
From 12:30pm - 2:30pm
In Father Nolan Unity Room
(Basement of rectory)

Jesus Friends and Teen Fire

We hope everyone had a blessed summer. Once again it is that time to enroll your children in Jesus Friends and Teen Fire. Your children will learn more about the Love of God and they will also engage in many different activities including a weekend retreat. We meet every Friday from 5:30pm to 7:30pm at the Martin de Porres.

COME JOIN US FOR A WONDERFUL YEAR!

VOIX DES ANGES (Youth Creole Choir)

Join Voix des Anges and learn how to sing in Creole, French and Latin.... Once you become a member, you Participate in Masses, Concerts, and various activities. We meet every Saturday from 4:00pm to 7:00pm in Sacred Heart Martin de Porres. For more information call Christopher Leroy at 347.608.2983 or email vdaleader@yahoo.com