



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time February 7th, 2016

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MASSES

Monday to Saturday
9:00 AM in the Chapel

Saturday Vigil
5:00 PM in the Church

Sunday
English Mass
8:00 AM & 10:00 AM
Creole Mass 12:45 PM

Holy Days
English Mass 9:00 AM
Bilingual Mass 7:30 PM

Eucharistic Adoration
Saturdays at 4:00 pm in the Church
Every 1st Friday after the 9 AM Mass



Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Church, Cambria Heights is a diverse, vibrant, family united in faith. Drawing from our rich cultural backgrounds, we proclaim Christ as Lord, celebrate His living presence in the Sacraments, and serve others in his name.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY!

“Holy, holy, holy!” Ancient languages, like the Hebrew used in the scriptures, did not always have a way to express superlatives in one word. Isaiah could not say God was “holiest,” so he used the threefold repetition of the same word. This bit of scriptural minutiae about these “three little words” that we sing at every Mass serves as a reminder that answering God’s call has to be grounded in awareness of God’s holiness. In Isaiah and in the Gospel passage today, we hear accounts of the revelation of God’s power and might: the seraphim in the temple and the miraculous catch of fish. These are not wondrous revelations for their own sakes. They lead to a response in mission, Isaiah’s “Here I am, send me!” and the disciples’ leaving everything to follow Jesus. And so must our own “Holy, Holy, Holy!” lead us to Christ in the Eucharist every Sunday, and to a life following him day by day.



Praying Lent This Year

Lord,
Let everything I do on this day and in this season of Lent
come from you, and be inspired by you.

I long to be closer to you.
Help me to remember that nothing is important in my life
unless it glorifies you in some way. It's so easy to get caught up in the day to day of my life and keep
saying, "Tomorrow, I will spend more time in prayer," allow my longing to meet your love and I want
to do it now. Help me to rely on You for help. Please help my heart to turn towards you, to gaze up-
on your trust and to seek your kingdom with all of my heart. During this year of mercy, help me to sof-
ten my heart so that I might love others as a way to glorify and worship you. Help me to remember
that your own spirit will guide me in the right direction. Help me to use your love as a way to perse-
vere in my Lenten intentions. Help me to use small sacrifices in my life to draw closer to you and bring
me to new life in you.

Touch me and make me feel whole again. Help me to see your love in the passion, death and resurrec-
tion of your son.

Help me to observe Lent
in a way that allows me to celebrate that love.

Prepare me for these weeks of Lent
as I feel both deep sorrow for my sins

-Amen

Weekly Readings

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8- 10; Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: J1 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Pray For

Dominique Gustave, Mie Antoinette Ferere, Marguerite Etienne, Ms. Anglade, Christiane Bellot, Raymond Cleophat, Terry Gilbert, Katena Charles, Evelina Malebranche, Cecille Lingoard, Delreta Mason, Claudette Perrin, George L. Jordan, Elizabeth Kingston, Joane Zamy, Celine Duverger, Myrtha Manigat, Edrice Enayo, Nicole Crispin, Alice Anderson, Robert Gaetan, Wilford Shillingford, Sr Myrtha Polycarpe, Fabiola Emeus, Renaud Kersaint, Anne Marie Mathelier, Marguerita Johnson, Ina Johnson, Frederika Vaupen, Saintecil Joseph, Edward P. Johnson, Marie Clise Raymond Cadet, Isabelle Michel, Edward Johnson, Adriana Moss

Facility

Wish to reserve a room for your next function?
Please call Fritz Kernizan at 718-406-5277.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 6th, 2016

5:00 pm Anne Edmond (B)

Sunday, February 7th, 2016

8:00 am Kenneth Baptiste (D)

10:00 am Mettelus Jean Simon & Ouleo Vialud (D)
Marguerite Lebon (B)

12:45 pm Anna Rose Victor (D)

Monday, February 8th, 2016

9:00 am Sabrina Besson (D)

Tuesday, February 9th, 2016

9:00 am Julia Coombs (D)

Wednesday, February 10th, 2016

9:00 am Julian Mitchell (D)

Thursday, February 11th, 2016

9:00 am Lionel & Fleurette Louis (*In Thanksgiving*)

Friday, February 12th, 2016

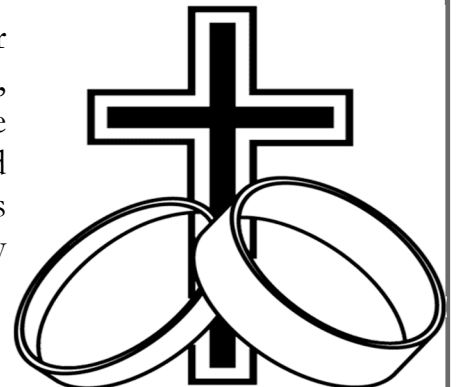
9:00 am Howard & Deborah Louis
(*In Thanksgiving*)

Saturday, February 13th, 2016

9:00 am Lunie Jean-Michel (D)

World Marriage Day is February 14th, 2016

Sacred Heart will be acknowledging all couples who were married in Church. If you would like to be recognized please fill out the sign up sheet in the back of the church or in the Rectory. Be sure to include you and your spouses' names, your phone number, how long you've been married and which mass you regularly attend.



SUNDAY READINGS AND BACKGROUNDS FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In response to Pope Francis' urgent call to the new evangelization and his challenge to families to love according to Gospel values, each week in the bulletin our parish will offer a great opportunity to involve the entire family. There will be a short explanation of the three readings with possible questions to help us reflect on and apply the Gospel message to our lives. There are suggested questions for children, the youth and adults. May this parish endeavor help all of us deepen our relationship with the Lord.

Reading 1 **Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8** **Here I am! Send me.**

As Isaiah describes how God called him to be a prophet, he remembers the scene as though it had just happened. In a vision, Isaiah has "seen" the Lord on a magnificent throne in the Temple. Glowing angels called seraphim hover above the throne, and the Temple shakes with their praise. Isaiah is overcome with the reality of his own sinfulness and God's holiness. He protests that he cannot be a prophet because of his "unclean lips." But an angel purifies his lips with a glowing coal from the altar. This is a sign that Isaiah is now completely worthy to speak for God. Cleansed of his sin, Isaiah answers the Lord's call by saying, "Here I am, send me!"

God's providence sends us little and big challenges. How do you meet them? Do you say, "Oh, God, do I have to?" or do you say, "Here I am, God. Send me!" Sometimes life is like a game. When the ball comes your way, isn't it your instinct to hit it, kick it, catch it, or do whatever the game requires you to do with the ball? When God sends a "ball" (a new responsibility, a new challenge, a little annoyance) your way, get in there and say, "Here I am, God. I got it!" God does not ask that you handle every ball perfectly. Like a good coach, he just wants you to try. And you do not do this alone. You are part of a team. Who will you ask for help when you need it?

Reading 2 **1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11** **The grace of God is with us always.**

Often when we want to convince others of an important truth, we point to the testimony of the experts who believe that same truth. Paul wants to be sure that the Christians of Corinth believe in the resurrection of Jesus. If they fail to grasp that central truth, their faith will be without meaning. So Paul lines up all the important "experts," or witnesses, from Peter (Cephas) on down to himself. Paul is probably the most convincing witness of all, because Christ himself converted Paul from being a persecutor of Christians to a zealous apostle.

Have you ever seen a picture or an icon of the resurrection? Usually it shows Jesus in blazing white robes, surrounded by light. The picture is trying to tell us that Jesus is alive and full of light and love. His new life is now more "alive" than his earthly life was. He is no longer confined to his human body. His life and love can be, and are, anywhere and everywhere. How do we "see" the resurrection of Jesus today? Where do we find his light, life, and love? Where is the living Jesus today? How can we be witnesses to his resurrection?

Gospel **Luke 5:1-11** **The apostles were called and so are we.**

We can be sure that Peter remembered the scene in today's gospel story as clearly as Isaiah recalled his own vision of God. Even though Simon is convinced that there are no fish available, he tells Jesus, "At your command, I will lower the nets." His trust is rewarded not only by a huge catch of fish, but by Jesus' call to become a disciple. Peter, James, and John, overwhelmed by the presence of Jesus, drop everything and follow Him.

For Peter, this catch was a wonderful surprise. He was so overwhelmed that he said to Jesus, in effect, "This is too much! I shouldn't be hanging around with someone like you!" When have you been wonderfully surprised by God? How did you feel? When Jesus says, "Do not be afraid," he is preparing Peter for what is to come. "You think this is something?" Jesus could have said, "What until you see all the good we can do for God's people!" So Peter left everything and became a disciple.

You are a disciple. How can you "leave everything" to follow Jesus in prayer and service this week?

Questions of the Week

Theme: We are continually invited to follow Jesus.

Question for Children: What is a way that you can follow Jesus?

Question for Youth: Following Jesus can mean leaving some things behind. What do you need to let go of to follow Jesus more fully in your life?

Question for Adults: When recently did God call you to do something that was difficult?

DO YOU KNOW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Try to answer the following questions.

Answers will be given next week.

1. When is the feast day of Conversion of St. Paul?
2. What was Simon's profession when he encountered Jesus for the first time?
3. What was the name of Simon's brother who was fishing with him when Jesus called upon them to leave their work and follow him?
4. What is the Hebrew meaning of the name 'Simon'?
5. True or False - According to tradition, when Peter came to be martyred, he requested that he be crucified in the same manner as Jesus in a final act of obedience to God.
6. Where is the famous church known as St. Peter's basilica situated?
7. Which is the first day of Lent?
8. Lent is known to be 40 days long even though from Ash Wednesday to the last Saturday of the season it is 46 days. Why?
9. On which day is Chrism Mass?
10. Which devotion has special place during Lent?
11. When do we celebrate the feast day of Elizabeth Ann Seton?
12. What is a habitual and firm power to do good?
13. By which of the Theological Virtues do we firmly believe all the truths which God has revealed?
14. How is ash for Ash Wednesday made?
15. Which day of the week during Lent are we called to abstain from meat?

Did You Know That:

· **St. Hilary** (bishop & doctor) is a saint honored in the Roman Catholic Church, Eastern Orthodox Church, Anglican Communion, Lutheran Church, and Oriental Orthodox. Feast day - January 13

· **Agnes** is derived from a Greek word which means "chaste, pure, sacred". **St. Agnes** (virgin & martyr) Feast day is January 21.

· **St. Thomas Aquinas**, (priest & doctor) beside being a patron of Catholic schools. St. Thomas is also invoked during thunderstorms for protection.

Answer to today's Do you know your Catholic Faith?

1. January 25th
2. fisherman
3. Andrew
4. To hear or to be heard
5. False
6. Vatican City
7. Ash Wednesday
8. Sundays are not included
9. Maundy Thursday
10. Stations of the cross
11. January 4th
12. virtue
13. faith
14. By burning palms used during previous Palm Sunday
15. Friday

Ministry of Consolation and Bereavement

The Ministry of Consolation is a group of caring and compassionate volunteers who assist you and your family in planning the funeral liturgy of your loved ones. If you have recently lost someone, we invite you and your family to join us for prayerful support on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in Father Nolan's Unity Room. WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

Gwoup Konsolasyon

Gwoup Konsolasyon la pou sipòte w ak fanmi w lè nou gen lanmò. Nou ede w prepare litiji antèman an, e nou gide w pandan sèvis yo. Nou la tou pou sipòte w ak fanmi w menm apre antèman an. Nou rankontre chak dènye Jedi nan mwa a anba presbitè ya a 7è diswa. NOU PAP LAGE W!

Rituel de L'initiation Chrétienne Des Adultes

Si vous voulez devenir Catholique, ou si vous avez été baptisé et n'avez pas encore reçu les sacrements de la Sainte Communion et la Confirmation, inscrivez-vous au programme «RCIA ». Durant ce processus, les candidats et les catéchumènes se rapprochent du Seigneur et se joignent à la communauté chrétienne. Les cours sont offerts chaque mercredi soir à 7:00. Pour plus d'informations ou pour vous inscrire, appelez ou écrivez au presbytère et quelqu'un vous rappellera.

Celebration of the Sacraments

Reconciliation/Confession

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is offered on Saturdays at 4:00 PM in church, or by appointment in the rectory.

Matrimony

If you are planning to get married, please schedule an appointment with a priest or deacon at least six months before the anticipated wedding date. If you are not in a valid marriage (a marriage not celebrated in church by a priest or deacon), please call or write the rectory for an appointment to see a priest.

Baptism

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated in English on the 2nd Saturday at 1:00 PM, and in Creole on the 4th Saturday at 1:00 PM. If you are planning to have your child baptized in the parish, please call the rectory.

Communion for the Homebound

Anyone unable to attend Mass because of illness may receive Holy Communion at home on a regular basis. Please call the rectory.

Sacred Heart Parish Mission Project

It's that time of year when we kick off our Parish Mission Project. From Ash Wednesday to Holy Thursday, the Lenten offering boxes will be available at every mass. Please remember to pick up one or two, and return them on Holy Thursday at the evening mass dedi-



cated to the poor. These contributions will be distributed to meet the needs of some of the worthy projects that Sacred Heart parishioners support in various parts of the world.

"The foundational call of Christians to charity is a frequent theme of the Gospels. During Lent, we are asked to focus more intently on "almsgiving," which means donating money or goods to the poor and performing other acts of charity. As one of the three pillars of Lenten practice, almsgiving is "a witness to fraternal charity" and "a work of justice pleasing to God." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2462).

Recollection Weekend 2016

The English Charismatic Prayer group will be organizing a Recollection weekend on

February 19th-21st, 2016

It will be held at the Villa of our Lady Retreat House in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania

Single room occupancy- \$230

Double room occupancy-\$210

which will include transportation.

For more information please contact Elisa Ward 516-462-6589, Michael Mekako 917-593-5108, Claudette Archer 718-217-1982 or the rectory

Generations of Faith

If you have already submitted your pledge card for the Campaign, please send all future payments directly to the Generations of Faith office at : Generations of Faith: Diocese of Brooklyn

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