



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church

Second Sunday in Ordinary time January 17th, 2016

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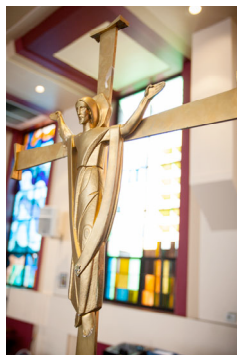
Monday to Saturday
9:00 AM in the Chapel

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.

From the Pastor's Heart

This week of prayer for Christian unity begins with the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on January 18. It is fitting that in a week like this we honor someone who embodies the whole concept of unity and peace, someone who constantly reminds us that we are all children of the same one God.

As the saying goes, "to remember is to give life, to forget is to let die." We indeed remember Dr. King as a man of justice, peace and love. We remember all the good he did, most especially how he taught us to strive for equality in a non-violent way. How much do we need to be reminded today that violence and revenge are not the answers to our problems? How often do our government leaders need to be reminded that wars are not the answers to our problems?

In accepting the Nobel Peace Prize on December 10, 1964, Martin Luther King, Jr. spoke these words: "I believe that wounded justice, lying prostrate on the blood-flowing streets of our nation, can be lifted from the dust of shame to reign supreme among the children of men. I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture in their minds, and dignity, equality, and freedom for their spirits. I believe that what self-centered men have torn down, men other-centered can build up. I still believe that one day humankind will bow before the altars of God and be crowned triumphant over war and bloodshed, and nonviolent redemptive goodwill proclaimed the rule of the land, and the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and every man shall sit together under his own vine and fig tree, and none shall be afraid. I still believe that we shall overcome."

Brothers and sisters that message of hope came from Dr. King's deep belief in Jesus Christ. As a Baptist Minister, Martin Luther King, Jr. was convinced that the Eternal Word of God became flesh to give the world hope. Even in the midst of all the violence, hatred, and racial discrimination that he endured, together with many others who stood with him, Dr. King never gave up. He never stopped loving and forgiving. He never stopped preaching the truth. He never stopped marching for justice, and he did so as he remained non-violent. The principle of non-violence marked all the efforts of Dr. King to challenge our nation to live out its conviction that indeed "all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Yet, this notion of non-violence was not an original idea of Dr. King. He learned it well from Jesus Christ, who so often speaks of forgiveness, mercy and love: "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. For if you love those who love you, what recompense will you have?" (Matthew 5:43-46).



This principle of justice achieved by non-violent means is meant to shape our nation and our society. We need to strive towards the goal of true justice being achieved through peaceful means. This is how we truly honor Dr. King on his birthday, and perpetuate his great legacy. We are all witnesses to how our country and our world cry out for peace and the cessation of so many murders and other violent acts that militate against the very foundation of our society. What are we to do? What can we do? It is not enough to sing "We shall overcome someday" on Dr. King's birthday. We, individually and as a nation shall recommit ourselves, on a day like this, to being true peacemakers and finding non-violent means of solving our challenges and conflicts.

THAT'S HOW WE HONOR DR KING ON HIS BIRTHDAY!

Weekly Readings

- Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-13; Mk 3:7-12
- Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2-4, 6, 11; Mk 3:13-19, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
- Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21
- Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19:8-10, 15; 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Pray For

Myriam St Louis Juste, Yolande Pierre, Hubert Mills, Mythe Ste Rose, Rosa Wright, Irma Ali, Saintecile Joseph, Sade Jean-Raymond, Jahlil Nahser, Mrs. Kenneth Baptiste, Brenda Alleyne, Elliot Haynes, Ann Gutman, Candie Olmstead, Augustina Pitt, Gloria John, Clarence Hoggard, Lela Moton, Narque and Patrick Jean, Carolyn Keller, Carolin Edith, Steve Ste Rose, Raymonde Bertrand, Carmene Muscad, Genevieve Morin, Marie Kernisant, Cecile Campayne, Monarque Jean, Ucile Pierre-Louis, Kingsley Joachim, Denise Briggs

Facility

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

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 16th, 2016

5:00 pm Roseline Couloute (*In thanksgiving*)

Sunday, January 17th, 2016

8:00 am Peace & Unity in the World

10:00 am Marie-Anne Lauture

12:45 pm Philomène Augustin (*In Thanksgiving*)

Monday, January 18th, 2016

9:00 am Francois & Sassufie St. Louis (*D*)

Tuesday, January 19th, 2016

9:00 am Jonathan & Clara Williams (*D*)

Wednesday, January 20th, 2016

9:00 am Demasthens & Altagrace Anne Debrosse (*D*)

Thursday, January 21st, 2016

9:00 am Marie Therese Quash (*D*)

Friday, January 22nd, 2016

9:00 am Pyraume Georges

Saturday, January 23rd, 2016

9:00 am Marie Carline Fisher (*B*)

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 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A Word on Ordinary Time

Now that the Christmas season is over, we might think that we can go back to our "ordinary lives" during Ordinary Time. But Ordinary Time is never "ordinary" in that sense! Ordinary Time in the liturgical year is the time when the Sundays are numbered "in order." This season of Ordinary Time will last about six weeks. Ash Wednesday will follow the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

During Ordinary Time, we celebrate the whole life of Christ, not just one aspect of it. So Ordinary Time is a time of celebration after all! It is a good time to remind ourselves that every Sunday celebrates Easter, the resurrection of Christ. Every day of Ordinary Time invites us to know Christ better and to live his teachings in a deeper way. And there is nothing "ordinary" about that!

Reading 1 **Isaiah 62:1-5** God rejoices over you.

In the Old Testament, God's covenant with the people is sometimes compared to a marriage covenant between a husband and wife. In today's first reading, the prophet uses this imagery. With great enthusiasm, he celebrates a great event. The Lord has not only delivered the people from their enemies but has "married" them and made them his own. Their faithfulness has been rewarded. Now they can say to their enemies, "See, we told you! Our God has saved us."

Reading 2 **1 Corinthians 12:4-11** One Spirit gives different gifts to each.

Today's second reading reminds us that the Christian community is filled with gifts of the Spirit. These gifts enable some of us to be teachers or counselors, prophets or preachers, healers or leaders. But they all come from the same Spirit and are intended to build up the faith community. We should never be jealous of someone else's gift because all the gifts truly belong to all of us as the Body of Christ. Do you ever rejoice in the gifts of others?

What gifts of the Spirit do you recognize in yourself? How will you try to use these gifts for the good of all?

Gospel **John 2:1-11** Jesus' first miracle at a wedding in Cana.

The Old Testament reading today celebrates the "marriage" of Israel with the Lord. In the gospel reading, Jesus and his friends are taking part in a wedding celebration at Cana. Everyone is having a grand old time until the wine runs out. Then Jesus, in what is described as the first of his signs (miracles), turns six jars of water into choice wine! Everyone is astonished. But turning the water used for Jewish rituals into wine, Jesus gives God's people a sign that the Messiah has come. Later the disciples would recognize Jesus as the Bridegroom of the Church, the new people of God.

At this wedding celebration, Jesus gave the wedding couple and guests the gift of choice wine! He also gave them, and us, the gift of a deeper and fuller knowledge of himself, who he really was. "He revealed his glory, and his disciples believed in him." What does this say about the importance of celebrations in our lives? Jesus didn't consider a wedding celebration to be "beneath him." He was there, fully present. What is our attitude toward family celebrations—birthdays, weddings, baptisms, or funerals? How can we be more present to these happy or sad times together? How can we use them as occasions to know one another better and to encourage one another?

Questions of the Week

Theme: Grace is God's free gift to us.

Question for Children: What is one special gift that God has given to you to share with your friends or classmates?

Question for Youth: Jesus got his start in ministry through the urging of his mother. Who urges you to pray, go to Church, and do good works?

Question for Adults: God fills each of us with grace (miracles) and gifts, what is one grace (miracle) or gift that you have shared with your family?

DO YOU KNOW YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH?

Try to answer the following questions.

Answers will be given next week.

1. In the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 28, what does Jesus instruct the Apostles to do?
2. In the Nicene Creed that we recite at Mass, what is the word that we say that means that Jesus is of one substance with the Father?
3. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Priest acts in the Person of Jesus. What is the term that refers to the forgiveness we receive from God through the Priest?
4. In what book of the Bible do we learn about the Israelites' years in Egypt?
5. Moses was helped by his brother and sister. What is his sister's name?
6. Name 3 Parables of forgiveness.
7. What Corporal Work of Mercy do we show when we read to a younger sibling who is not feeling well, or run an errand for an elderly person?
8. What does the smoke of burning incense symbolize?
9. What do we call the baby boys who were killed by King Herod when he was trying to kill the child Jesus?
10. What event was taking place at the banks of the Jordan that was also an epiphany of the Trinity?
11. Why did Jesus need to be baptized?
12. What is the Trinitarian Formula for Baptism?
13. When does the Christmas liturgical season end?
14. How much older was John the Baptist than Jesus Christ?
15. What is the central mystery of the Christian Faith?

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

1. "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name Of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" 2. "consubstantial" 3. Absolution 4. Exodus 5. Miriam 6. The Lost Sheep, the Lost Coin, the Lost Son 7. visit the sick 8. The prayers of the people rising to Heaven or the sweet smell of holiness 9. The Holy Innocents 10. the Baptism of our Lord 11. He needed to fulfill all righteousness 12. "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." 13. Baptism of the Lord. 14. six months (approximately) 15. the Trinity

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.

As we begin the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy, and continue to participate in the Diocesan Evangelization and Renewal Springboard Plan called The Joy of Encountering Christ: The Family's Hope. Take some time to attend the School of Evangelization's Third Annual Evangelization Congress 2016. Clergy, parents, catechists, catechetical leaders, parishioners, and others are urged to attend.

Saturday, January 30, 2016

8:00AM to 3:00PM

Check-in/Registration begins at 8:00AM

Immaculate Conception Center

7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston

Cost: \$15.00 per person

This includes a light breakfast and lunch.

Vendors will be on site for the Congress.

Seven hours of Living and Leading by Faith credit will be granted, but you must attend the entire Congress.

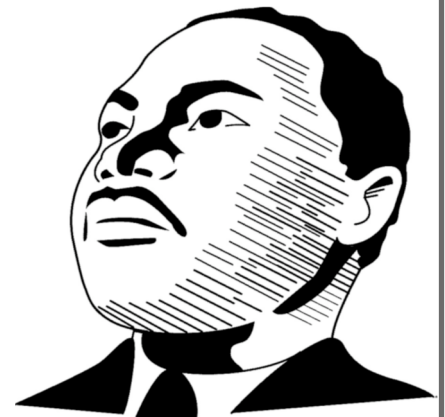
To register, go to: www.bqonlineformation.org
or www.meetmein.church

Martin Luther King Day

Monday January
18th, 2016

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will be having a
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