



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Roman Catholic Church

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - March 27th, 2016

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10:00 AM to 4:00PM (M - F)

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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.



HAPPY EASTER! THE LORD IS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

The Lord is Risen! The stone has rolled away, the linen clothes which covered the body of our Lord are on the ground. HE IS RISEN INDEED!

Our celebration of Easter is an invitation to share in the life of the Risen Christ. We are invited this Easter to reflect more deeply on the transforming experiences of our lives, and take every opportunity to appreciate the risen dimension of life that is also being offered to us.

We have had the opportunity, during our Parish's Lenten retreats, to dive into the merciful heart of the Father and have, individually and as a community, taken the pledge to be merciful as our heavenly Father is merciful. How much more prepared are we to enter into this Easter celebration with our forgiven, forgiving and merciful hearts! How much more ready are we this Easter to receive the Eucharist, which is the central moment for our celebration of the Risen Lord among us! Because He lives, our past is forgiven, our life is worth living and we have a future in heaven! "We are made right in God's sight when we trust in Jesus Christ to take away our sins. And we all can be saved in this same way, no matter who we are or what we have done". (Romans 3:22)

May the Easter blessings come upon you in abundance today, and remain with you always!



JOYEUSES PÂQUES! LE SEIGNEUR EST RESUSCITÉ! ALLELUIA!

Le Seigneur est ressuscité! La pierre est roulée, les linges qui couvraient le corps de notre Seigneur gisent sur le sol. IL EST VRAIMENT RESSUSCITÉ!

Notre célébration des Pâques est une invitation à participer à la vie du Christ ressuscité. Nous sommes invités durant la fête des Pâques à réfléchir plus profondément sur les expériences de transformation de nos vies, et saisir toutes les occasions d'apprécier la dimension ressuscitée de la vie qui nous est aussi offerte.

Nous avons eu l'occasion, au cours des retraites de Carême de notre paroisse, de plonger dans le cœur miséricordieux du Père et avons, individuellement et en communauté paroissiale, pris l'engagement d'être miséricordieux comme notre Père céleste est Miséricordieux. De part cet engagement, nous sommes beaucoup plus prêts à célébrer les Pâques avec nos cœurs pardonnés, pardonnant et Miséricordieux! Nous sommes beaucoup plus prêts à recevoir le corps glorifié du Christ dans l'Eucharistie, qui est le moment central de notre célébration du Seigneur ressuscité parmi nous! Puisqu'il vit, nous recevons le pardon de nos péchés, notre vie est digne d'être vécue, et nous sommes héritiers du royaume des cieux! St Paul dans sa lettre au Romains 3:22 nous affirme la « justice de Dieu par la foi en Jésus-Christ pour tous ceux et sur tous ceux qui croient, sans distinction ». Jésus est ressuscité. C'est la vie qui jaillit du tombeau.

Que les forces vibrantes et intenses de Pâques soient toujours avec nous.

Fr. Hilaire

Weekly Readings

- Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-11; Mt 28:8-15
- Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22; Jn 20:11-18
- Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Lk 24:13-35
- Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Ps 8:2, 5-9; Lk 24:35-48
- Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Ps 118:1-2, 4, 22-27; Jn 21:1-14
- Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Ps 118:1, 14-21; Mk 16:9-15
- Sunday: Acts 5:12-16; Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

Pray For

Myriam St Louis Juste, Yolande Pierre, Hubert Mills, Mythe Ste Rose, Rosa Wright, Irma Ali, Saintecele 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, Cecilie Campayne, Monarque Jean, Ucile

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**P.O. Box 7356
Berlin, CT 06037**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 26th , 2016

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Sunday, March 27th, 2016

8:00 am Sacred Heart 80th anniversary

(In thanksgiving)

10:00 am Carl & Sybil Dennis *(In thanksgiving)*

12:45 pm Edith Cadet *(D)*

Magalie Osias *(D)*

Monday, March 28th, 2016

9:00 am Chery Bien-Aimé *(In thanksgiving)*

Tuesday, March 29th, 2016

9:00 am For sick parishioners

Wednesday, March 30th, 2016

9:00 am Divine Mercy Pilgrimage

Thursday, March 31st, 2016

9:00 am Johanna Milord *(In Thanksgiving)*

Friday, April 1st, 2016

9:00 am Patrick & Dominique Colimon

(Wedding Anniversary)

Saturday, April 2nd, 2016

9:00 am Antoinette Berthaud *(D)*

As this is the year of Divine Mercy, We are encouraging every ministry in the parish to participate in the upcoming Divine Mercy Pilgrimage sponsored by "Groupe Miséricorde". It will be held at Eden Hill Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts

on Saturday, April 2nd, 2016.

Buses leave in front of the Church at 7 AM. There's a participation fee of \$55. For more information please contact Evelyne at 347-682-3644 or Michael Mekako 516-775-0410

Facility

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

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Each year on Holy Saturday during the Easter Vigil, thousands of are baptized into the Catholic Church in the United States. Parishes welcome these new Catholics through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

What are the steps of RCIA?

Prior to beginning the RCIA process, an individual comes to some knowledge of Jesus Christ, considers his or her relationship with Jesus Christ and is usually attracted in some way to the Catholic Church. This period is known as the Period of Evangelization and Precatechumenate. For some, this process involves a long period of searching; for others, a shorter time. Often, contact with people of faith and a personal faith experience lead people to inquire about the Catholic Church. After a conversation with a priest, or RCIA director, the person, known as an "inquirer," may seek acceptance into the Order of Catechumens, through the Rite of Acceptance. During this Rite, the inquirer stands amidst the parish community and states that he or she wants to become a baptized member of the Catholic Church. The parish assembly affirms this desire and the inquirer becomes a Catechumen.

The Period of the Catechumenate can last for as long as several years or for a shorter time. It depends on how the person is growing in faith, what questions they encounter along the way, and how God leads them on this journey. During this time, the Catechumens consider what God is saying to them in the Scriptures, what changes in their life they need to make to respond to God's inspiration, and what Baptism in the Catholic Church means. When a Catechumen and the priest and the parish team working with him or her believes the person is ready to make a faith commitment to Jesus in the Catholic Church, the next step is the request for baptism and the celebration of the Rite of Election. Even before the Catechumens are baptized, they have a special relationship to the Church.

The Rite of Election includes the enrollment of names of all the Catechumens seeking baptism at the coming Easter Vigil. Typically, on the first Sunday of Lent, the Catechumens, their sponsors and families gather at the cathedral church. The Catechumens publicly express their desire for baptism to the diocesan bishop. Their names are recorded in a book and they are called the Elect.

The days of Lent are the final Period of Purification and Enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, and spiritual direction for the Elect, and prayers for them by the parish communities. The Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation takes place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday when the Elect receives the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Now the person is fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

As a newly initiated Catholic, they continue their formation and education continue in the Period of the Post Baptismal Catechesis, which is also called Mystagogy. This period continues at least until Pentecost. During the period the newly baptized members reflect on their experiences at the Easter Vigil and continue to learn more about the Scriptures, the Sacraments, and the teachings of the Catholic Church. In addition they reflect on how they will serve Christ and help in the Church's mission and outreach activities.

SUNDAY READINGS AND BACKGROUNDS EASTER SUNDAY

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 reading 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.

Easter

The sound of Alleluias fills the 50 days of Easter Sunday to Pentecost as we give thanks for the gift of our salvation. The Easter Triduum recalls the passion and resurrection of Christ in the sacred journey from Holy Thursday to Easter Vigil. "Dying he destroyed our death. Rising he restored our life."

Reading I : **Acts 10:34a, 37-43** *They were witnesses to all that Jesus said and did.*

- Peter announces to the Gentile household of Cornelius, that all who believe are forgiven of their sins.
- Today's passage highlights the expansion of the Church.
- The disciples spread the good news to the far ends of the earth.

Reading II : **Colossians 3:1-4** *Seek to be like Christ*

- Paul calls for a new way of life in today's second reading.
- In Baptism we have "passed over" from death to life.
- Those who participate in Christ's death and Resurrection through the sacrament of Baptism are on a journey of faith.

Gospel : **John 20:1-9** *Jesus is raised from the dead*

- In John's Gospel, Mary Magdalene is first to arrive at the tomb early on the morning after Jesus rose.
- The second and third visitors come to the tomb because of Mary's incredible story.
- Before Jesus appeared to anyone, Mary visited his tomb and was the first to announce the events of the resurrection.

Questions of the Week

Theme: *We are a resurrection people!*

Question for Children: What is good and new in your life?

Question for Youth: Resurrection reminds us that what looks bad can lead to something good. What has resurrected, or gone from bad to good, in your life over the past year?

Question for Adults:

In what way have you risen from "deadness" in your life?

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.

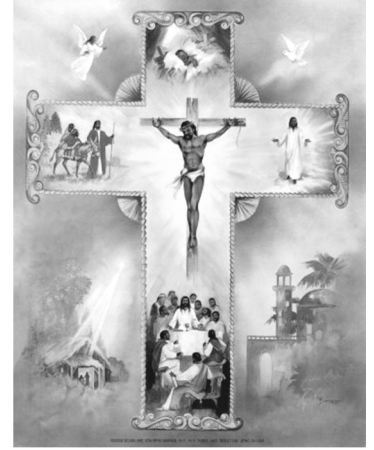
Easter Prayer

O Lord,

How amazing is your love, A love that overcomes, endures and redeems.

How astounding is your life, A life that sustains, heals and creates. How awesome is your hope, A hope that promises, restores and inspires. How absorbing is your truth, A truth that releases, changes and rebuilds. How we worship you, as

we remember the moment when your love conquered. When out of the cave of sorrow Jesus arose to release forgiveness to the world, And each time we encounter this resurrection day we are again lifted to an eternal place. Our sin, brokenness and darkness fall away and your light and peace flood our lives. How we thank you for this incredible celebration we call Easter.



Risen, alive and full of grace. You paid such a price that we may live in freedom today. We worship your holy name and give thanks for your redeeming grace. Heavenly Father, May we drink in your tender love so that we can pour this love out to others. Come reign in our hearts, minds and spirits. Holy Spirit, We welcome you to blow through our every word, action and thought. Come transform us on the inside so that each day we become more like our risen Lord. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with us this day. May this meal be blessed as we gather to celebrate together. May your love be shared amongst us as we enjoy the gift of fellowship. May we remember to give out the grace and forgiveness that you have freely given us, And may we always give thanks for your sacrificial love.

Amen.