



Sacred Heart Church

Island Park, New York

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Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sat. Eve. 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 10:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.
Mon. – Sat. 8:00 a.m.
Holy days 7:00 p.m. evening before
8:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m. of Holy day

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and as posted

Baptism

2nd and 4th Sundays at 1:15 p.m.
Pre-register for preparation classes.

Holy Matrimony

Arrangements at least six months in advance

Care of the Sick

Emergency calls anytime. Holy Communion for shut-ins on a weekly basis. Please call to make arrangements.

Devotions

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Novena and Adoration
Sacred Heart (Mass)
Eucharistic Adoration

Sat. 3:00 p.m.
First Friday 7:00 p.m.
First Friday 7:30 -8:30 p.m.
Saturday 3:30 – 4:00 pm

Funerals

Arrangements are made through the funeral home. At Sacred Heart, the Mass of Christian Burial is seen as a time of prayer and reflection on the mysteries of death, resurrection, and eternal life. Family remembrances, favorite songs, poems and eulogies are incorporated into the wake service.

Parish Membership

We encourage every Catholic to register with us, use the parish envelopes, and inform us regarding changes of address.

Parish Activities

Adult Instruction (R.C.I.A.), Altar Servers, Altar Society, CYO Sports, Choir, Folk Group, Children's Choir, Lectors, Right to Life, Rosary Society, San Gennaro Feast Committee, Ushers, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Assistance Program, AA Women's Serenity Mon. & Wed. 10:30 a.m. and Sat. 8:30 a.m., AA Men's Friday Night 8:00 p.m., "Below Sea Level" AA Sat. 7:30 p.m., O.P.A. Sun. 7:00 p.m., Al Anon "Double Winners" Women's Fri. 10:30 a.m.

**Announced Masses for
The Week of January 14th, 2018**

Monday January 15th
8:00 † **Robert Anzalone**
r/b The Family

Tuesday January 16th
8:00 † **Rose Taglianetti**
r/b Jeanne Morrone

Wednesday January 17th
8:00 **Charlotte Maloney**
r/b Cathy Maier

Thursday January 18th
8:00 † **Christopher Olsen**
r/b The Naglieri Family

Friday January 19th
8:00 † **Given Intention**

Saturday January 20th
8:00 **Nancy McGrail-Yates**
r/b Joanne McGrath

5:00 † **Joseph C. Langone**
r/b The Langone Family

Sunday January 21st
8:00 † **Henry King**
r/b Greg & Eleanor Oldensmith

† **Jane L. Oliviero**
r/b Anthony S. Neglia

† **Rose Taglianetti**
r/b The Hastava Family

10:00 † **Joseph Fontana**
r/b Mary Ann Russo

† **Joseph Russo**
r/b The Family

† **Charles Terrell**
r/b Anne Barron

12:15 **People of the Parish**

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Saturday January 20th
5:00 p.m. Eleanor Yacovelli

Sunday January 21st
8:00 a.m. Joe Gembecki
10:00 a.m. Eileen Power-Furino
12:15 p.m. Maureen McCarthy

Lectors

Saturday January 20th
5:00 p.m. Karen Kuhlman

Sunday January 21st
8:00 a.m. Darlene Leis
10:00 a.m. Matthew Paccione
12:15 p.m. John Byrne

Altar Servers

Saturday January 20th
5:00 p.m. Jeremiah Evangelista, Vincent Acovino

Sunday January 21st
8:00 a.m. Justus Matthaedi, Matthew May
10:00 a.m. Dylan Rutherig
12:15 p.m. Victoria Lugo, Nikki DeCicco

Feast Days Celebrated this week:

Jan. 17th Saint Anthony Abbot
Jan. 20th Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr;
Saint Sebastian, Martyr

**Devotion to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
Devotions to Our Lady of
Perpetual Help
& Benediction of the
Blessed Sacrament
at Sacred Heart Church
Saturday's at 3:00 p.m.**



*Jesus, Savior of the world, sanctify
your priest and sacred ministers.*

Readings for January 21st, 2018

1st Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Responsorial Psalm: 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9
R. (4a) Teach me your ways, O Lord.
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31
Gospel: Saint Mark 1:14-20

Daily Rosary

The **Rosary** is said
Monday thru Saturday mornings at 7:30 a.m.
All are welcome to come and pray.



Telecare Telethon Time!

The Telecare Telethon is the weekend of **Saturday, January 13th from 2PM -10PM and Sunday, January 14th from 12PM to 10PM.** Please tune in on Cablevision channel 29/137, Time Warner Channel 471 or Verizon FiOS channel 296 to support our Diocesan Television Station. It will be 18 hours filled with many guest "stars" including many of the clergy, religious and dedicated lay people of our Diocese. Additionally, visits from some celebrity chefs, musical groups and New York sports teams will help fuel the enjoyment. Join Msgr. Jim Vlaun for the 25th annual Telecare Telethon and consider making a donation by phone or a secure donation over the internet at www.TelecareTV.org.



Have you thought about what your pledge or donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal will be? Any pledge or donation will be most appreciated. Our parish goal this year is **\$30,700.00**.

The number of families that donate to the Catholic Ministries Appeal is important to the Diocese and the Parish. You may place your donation card or a check in an envelope and place it in the offertory basket any Sunday. You may pick up your personal CMA donation pledge envelope in the parish office during the week. You may also pick up a blank CMA pledge envelope in the rear of the church.

Did you know that you can make your pledge in 10 payments over the year? Simply indicate on the pledge card in the boxes provided and the CMA office will take care of the rest by sending you monthly statements.

45th Annual March for Life
Friday, January 19, 2018 Washington, D.C.

Thousands of Catholics will travel to Washington, DC on January 19th for the annual March for Life. Buses will be leaving from many parishes and other sites. If you need transportation to the March for Life please contact: Respect Life Office, Diana Tellis: (516) 678-5800 x 626, dtellis@drvc.org for the list of parishes attending.

In solidarity with the annual March for Life in Washington D.C. a Respect Life Rosary & Prayer will be said at Sacred Heart Church on **Friday, January 19 at 2:00 p.m.**
All are welcome.

Cub Scout Fun and Faith Day
Saturday, January 20, 2018

Sacred Heart Church, Merrick: 8:30 a.m.–12 Noon
 Saint Patrick’s Church, Smithtown: 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
 A special day of prayer, handicrafts, and games. For information, contact the Catholic Scouting Office (516) 678-5800 ext. 245 or scouting@drvc.org

St. Agnes Cathedral School

Open House: Sunday, **January 28th**: 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Kindergarten through Sixth (6th) Grade Registration for new students:
Tuesday, January 30th, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
 & 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday, January 31st, 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Parish Center

In observance of **Martin Luther King, Jr.** Holiday, the Parish and Religious Ed offices will be closed on **Monday, January 15th**.

Children’s Christmas Mass & Pageant



Thank you to all the children and volunteers who made this celebration so successful. To see photos of this beautiful event, please visit our website at: <http://www.sacredheartislandpark.com/Christmas2017/index.html>

Lost & Found

If you LOST something in Church or Parish Center, we may have found it! Come and see if we have what you are looking for! Please call the Parish Center, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. at (516) 432-0655.

2018 Collection Envelopes

Boxed Collection Envelopes are available for pick up at the Parish Center Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Parish Calendars

The 2018 Calendars are available in the rear of the church and in the Parish Center. If you have one already, be sure to take one for your neighbor.

2017 Altar Society

Schedules are available in the Sacristy.

Pray for our Military

Please remember to pray for the members of our Parish serving in the Armed Forces.
Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands, especially those from our parish, community and families. Pour upon us, O Lord, the spirit of brotherly kindness & peace.

Smile Corner

As I get older, I realize:
Some days I have no idea what I’m doing out of bed.
 (More “realizations” will follow in the coming weeks.)



*O Mary conceived without sin,
 Pray us who have recourse to thee.*



Saint Fabian and Saint Sebastian
(d. 250; d. 288)

Fabian was a pope and Sebastian was a soldier in the Roman army. What do they have in common?

The traditional story told about Saint Sebastian is that he was an army officer who was condemned to death for his belief in Jesus. His fellow soldiers shot him with arrows. Surviving

this, he was clubbed to death. The only actual fact we have is that Sebastian was an early Christian martyr during the reign of Emperor Diocletian.

More is known about the life of Fabian, who was pope in 236, when the political situation was very unstable. Philip, an ambitious and ruthless man, killed Emperor Maximus and made himself emperor. Later he regretted his own violent behavior and changed the government policy from persecution of Christians to tolerance for Christians. He even gave Fabian permission for Church authorities to own property. For the first time, being a Christian was officially legal. But this easy life for the Christians did not last long.

Philip was killed by his own lieutenant, Decius, who became the next emperor. Decius believed that his empire could be saved only if the pagan customs of ancient Rome were restored. He reversed Philip's policy by sending an edict that commanded the death penalty for all who would not give up following Christ. Pope Fabian showed to whom he gave his loyalty by dying for the faith. Following his example, many Christians died as martyrs. However, the years under Philip had softened the dedication of many of Jesus' followers. In a moment of terror, many denied their faith in Christ.

Decius was pleased. He hoped that without a pope and with so many Christians defecting, the Church itself would disband and then disappear. But he didn't realize that a power stronger than the power of human beings was protecting the Church. Jesus said, "I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20)

Soldier and pope, Sebastian and Fabian were faithful followers of Christ, faithful until death.



A Word from our Saints

Prayer: Saint Anthony Abbot, you spoke of the importance of persevering in our faith and our practice. Help us to wake up each day with new zeal for the Christian life and a desire to take the next challenge instead of just sitting still. Amen

Popular Devotional Practices: Basic Q & A's

What is the relationship between popular devotions and the Liturgy?

Since the Liturgy is the center of the life of the Church, popular devotions should never be portrayed as equal to the liturgy, nor can they adequately substitute for the liturgy. What is crucial is that popular devotions be in harmony with the liturgy, drawing inspiration from it and ultimately leading back to it. "These devotions should be so drawn up that they harmonize with the liturgical seasons, accord with the sacred liturgy, are in some fashion derived from it, and lead the people to it, since, in fact, the liturgy by its very nature far surpasses any of them." While the liturgy always remains the primary reference point, "the liturgy and popular piety are two forms of worship which are in mutual and fruitful relationship with each other." Personal and family prayer and devotions should flow from and lead to a fuller participation in the liturgy.

As Pope Paul VI recognized, maintaining the proper balance may not always be easy and may require patient and persistent effort. He indicated that there are two extreme attitudes to be avoided. On the one hand, he rejected the position of those "who scorn, a priori, devotions of piety which, in their correct forms, have been recommended by the Magisterium, who leave them aside and in this way create a vacuum which they do not fill. They forget that the Council has said that devotions of piety should harmonize with the liturgy, not be suppressed." On the other hand, he likewise did not accept the position of those who, without wholesome liturgical and pastoral criteria, mix practices of piety and liturgical acts in hybrid celebrations. It sometimes happens that novenas or similar practices are inserted into the very celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice. This creates the danger that the Lord's Memorial Rite, instead of being the culmination of the meeting of the Christian community, becomes the occasion, as it were, for devotional practices.

Here Pope Paul VI admonished us that "exercise of piety should be harmonized with the liturgy, not merged into it.

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