Sacred Heart Church

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Ms. Andrea Caracciolo, Coordinator
Monday through Wednesday 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Thursday & Friday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Holy Sacrifice of the Mass

Sat. Eve.	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:00 a.m., 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	Sat. 3:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart (Mass)	First Friday 7:00 p.m.
Eucharistic Adoration	First Friday 7:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m. Saturday 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Rosary	Mon. – Sat. 7:25 a.m.

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, Choir, Folk Group, Children's Choir, Lectors, Right to Life, Rosary Society, San Gennaro Feast Committee, Ushers, Assistance Program, AA Women's Serenity Wed. 10:30 a.m. and Sat. 8:30 a.m., "No Matter What Club" AA (Nov.-Apr.) Mon.-Sun. 8:15 a.m., "Undercover Group" AA Mon., Wed., Fri. 7:15 p.m. & Sat. 7:30 p.m., Al Anon "Double Winners" Women's Fri. 10:30 a.m.,

Food Pantry Open

Tuesday, 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Announced Mass Intentions for The week of January 26th, 2025

Monday, January 27th
8:00 ✝ **Thomas Ryan**
r/b Family

Tuesday, January 28th
8:00 ✝ **Angela Ramirez Elizabeth**
r/b Valerie & Joe Gembecki

Wednesday, January 29th
8:00 ✝ **Hope & Otto Williams**
r/b Marty O'Grady

Thursday, January 30th
8:00 ✝ **Albert Cooke**
r/b Jeanne & Michael McGinty

Friday, January 31st
8:00 ✝ **Given Intention**

Saturday, February 1st
8:00 ✝ **Lillian & Ralph Serpico**
r/b Valerie & Joe Gembecki

5:00 ✝ **Agnes Volpe**
r/b Barbara Ried
✝ **Barbara Davies**
r/b Ryder Family
✝ **Richard Rose**
r/b Judith Garfield

Sunday, February 2nd
The Presentation of the Lord
8:00 ✝ **People of the Parish**

10:00 ✝ **Carmel & Edward Caracciolo, Sr.**
r/b Andrea Caracciolo
✝ **Rosemarie & Timothy Malone**
r/b Family
✝ **Rose & Anthony Mingione**
r/b The Family

12:15 ✝ **George & Carol Ambrose**
r/b Mary & Nicky Knox
✝ **Holy Souls in Purgatory**
r/b Family
Special Intention
r/b Diana Maza & Family

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

Prayer Before Mass

Father in heaven, we wish to prepare well for participation in this Mass, in which we enter the Last Supper, Passion, Death and Resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. He is as present to us today in his Word and in the Eucharist, as he was with his apostles.

Holy Spirit, please quiet our minds from the busyness and distractions of our day, so that we will have hearts and minds attentive to the words of Jesus and ready to receive his Body and Blood in Holy Communion.

Blessed Mother, take our hearts and give us yours, that like you, we may ponder Jesus' words and do whatever he tells us to do. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord, Amen.

"If only we knew how God regards this sacrifice, we would risk our lives to be present at a single Mass."
– St. Pio of Pietrelcina

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

Daily Rosary

The **Rosary** is recited in the Church Monday through Saturday mornings at **7:25 AM.**

All are welcome join us!

Feast Days Celebrated this week:

Jan. 27th	St. Angela Merici, Virgin & Religious Founder
Jan. 28th	St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church
Jan. 31st	St. John Bosco, Priest
Feb. 2nd	**The Presentation of the Lord**

2025 Collection Envelopes

Boxed Envelopes are available for pick up in the Parish Office

Mass Intentions for 2025

The deceased cannot pray for themselves.
Consider remembering a loved one with a Mass intention on their birthday or the anniversary of their death. Stop by the Parish Center to book a Mass.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Class Schedule this week:

Grade 1 – Monday, Jan. 27th, 4 PM to 5 PM
Grade 2 –Wednesday, Jan. 29th, NO CLASSES
Grade 3 – Tuesday, Jan. 28th, 4 PM to 5 PM
Grade 4 – Tuesday, Jan. 28th, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM
Grade 5 – Wednesday, Jan. 29th, NO CLASSES
Grade 6 – Monday, Jan. 27th, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

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Confirmation Class of 2025 - 7th Grade

The **first Religious Education Class** will be on **Sunday, February 2nd in the Church at 9 AM. Students will stay for the 10 AM Mass.** This is a **requirement for all Confirmation Classes**.

Any questions, please contact Andrea Caracciolo (516) 431-7877

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Our parish has kicked off the **2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal**. Please consider donating to this major appeal. Any pledge or donation will be most appreciated. The number of families that contribute to the Catholic Ministries Appeal is important to the Diocese and the Parish. You may place your donation card/envelope in the offertory basket any Sunday or mail directly to the CMA office. **You may pick up your personal CMA card in the office during normal business hours.** ***(A blank form is also available on the last page of this bulletin.)***

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Please remember to pray for the members of our Parish serving in the Armed Forces.

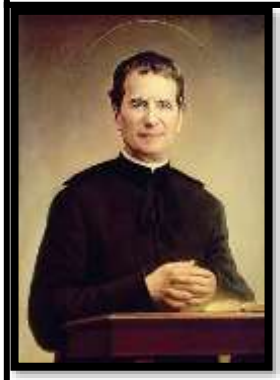
Lord, hold our troops in Your loving hands, especially those from our parish, community and families. Pour upon us, O Lord, the spirit of brotherly kindness and peace.

HEART OF JESUS,
SON OF THE ETERNAL FATHER
ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD, MAY WE
NEVER CEASE TO
LOVE AND SERVE YOU.

2024 YEAR-END TAX STATEMENTS

Please note, in an effort to contain expenses, year-end statements for your taxes will not be automatically mailed out. They may be obtained upon request from the Parish Office.

Please call **516-432-0655** to request your statement or email your name, address, phone number and envelope number to ship282@verizon.net.



SAINT JOHN BOSCO

"All my work began with a simple Hail Mary for Our Lady's help."

In His Footsteps:

John Bosco found God's message in his dreams. If you have some question or problem in your life, ask God to send you an answer or help in a dream. Then write down your dreams. Ask God to help you remember and interpret the dreams that come from God.

Prayer:

Saint John Bosco, you reached out to children whom no one cared for despite ridicule and insults. Help us to care less about the laughter of the world and care more about the joy of the Lord. *Amen*

NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

AMAZING EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES

Our Lord Appears to

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

1224-1274

The miracle consists in the Crucifix animating Itself to confirm to St. Thomas that his writings were righteous

During the years of his theological maturity, from 1269 to 1272, St. Thomas Aquinas was called to Paris to resolve the complicated question of the nature of the Eucharistic Sacrament. Before St. Thomas started his dissertation, he went in church to pray and then finally wrote the actual text. Once the exhibit was concluded, St. Thomas returned to church and that is when Our Lord Jesus appeared to him to confirm the righteousness of his writings.

During his second tenure as professor in Paris, St. Thomas found himself in the middle of a dispute taking place among the professors at the Sorbonne University in regard to the Eucharistic sacrament. The dispute was about two points: a) if the senses perceive the presence of the so-called "accident", such as color, taste, durability and quantity, it would be the concrete extension of the true and real Eucharistic Bread and Wine; b) faith confirms that in the sacrament exists the Body and Blood of Christ, which is an apparent contrast with the former theory. Parisian theologians were clearly divided between the objective theory and the value of faith. They decided to ask St. Thomas because they already had the opportunity of experiencing his philosophical intelligence and his theological sanctity. They asked him to offer and communicate his opinion, in that his theological wisdom would become the rule to follow.

Thomas then, as he usually did, retreated himself to prayer and contemplation and started to pray with great fervor and devotion. Soon after, he quickly jotted down in writing the least amount of words with the most precise clarity possible, what his mind was able to understand and what The Lord inspired him to write. He returned in church, went to the altar and laid down his written answers under the eye of the Crucifix and prayed: "Our Lord Jesus, actually and forever present in this Blessed Sacrament, I am asking You to help me understand Your truth and to be able to teach and confer it without any possibility of errors. So, I beseech thee, Oh Lord, to concede me this grace: If the things that I wrote about You and with Your blessing are true, make it possible for me to say and teach them publicly. If, instead, I have written something that is not in tune to the truth revealed and alien to the mystery of the sacrament, stop me from inferring anything that could deviate from the Catholic faith." This was the humble prayer of the theologian who understands that he is dealing with things much higher than himself and that he has a grave responsibility towards his people. Father Reginaldo, his secretary, and other brethren were fortunate enough to observe St. Thomas while in deep prayer, when suddenly Christ appeared and motioned towards his writings and said: "You wrote well about the sacrament of my Body and you wrote well and according to truth; you also have resolved the question that was posed to you. This understanding of the Truth defines and holds true, as long as man is present on earth." Having heard this, Thomas was filled with joy and thanksgiving, and prostrated himself and knelt down at the altar in front of our Lord.

MEDITATION: BELIEVING IN THE GOSPEL

You will find your Lord in the Bible, and that is why your contact with the revealed text has a special meaning. It is contact with God who loves you and desires to affect you with his grace.

This contact leads you to inner conversion – its greatest purpose. You should, therefore, not read the Bible just to satisfy your curiosity, or to gain knowledge, or to find a solution to a problem that is nagging you – although this will be needed at times. You should take advantage of this form of contact with the Lord in the hope that he will bestow the grace of conversion on you.

If you enter into a person-to-person relationship with Christ, who is present throughout the inspired text, this text will permeate you. Then you will begin to listen intently to the Word of God, understand better the thoughts and desires of Jesus, and begin to know him even better. Saint Jerome warns: "Ignorance of the Holy Scriptures is ignorance of Christ." Listening intently to the Word of God will influence your choices and decisions. You will want them to be in accordance with his teachings and his desires.

Reading of the Holy Scriptures is fundamental to your growth in faith and of your sharing in God's life. It is looking at oneself and surrounding realities as though through the eyes of God.-Father Tadeusz Dajczer (†2009)

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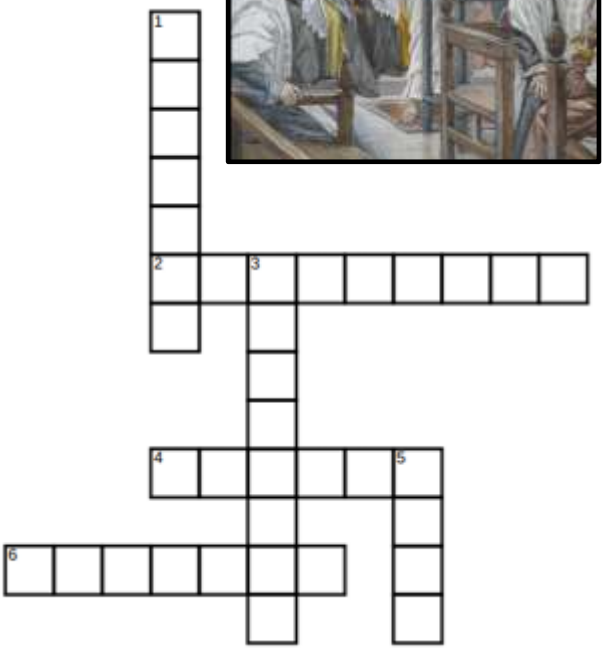
GOSPEL ACTIVITIES
SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH, 2025
THE BEGINNING OF THE GALILEAN MINISTRY
LUKE 1:1-4, 4:14-21



Across

2 Where the jews gathered to pray

4 Jesus unrolled this to read the scripture

6 Another word for freedom

Down

1 This sacrament makes us a part of the body of Christ

3 The place where Jesus grew up

5 Today's Gospel writer

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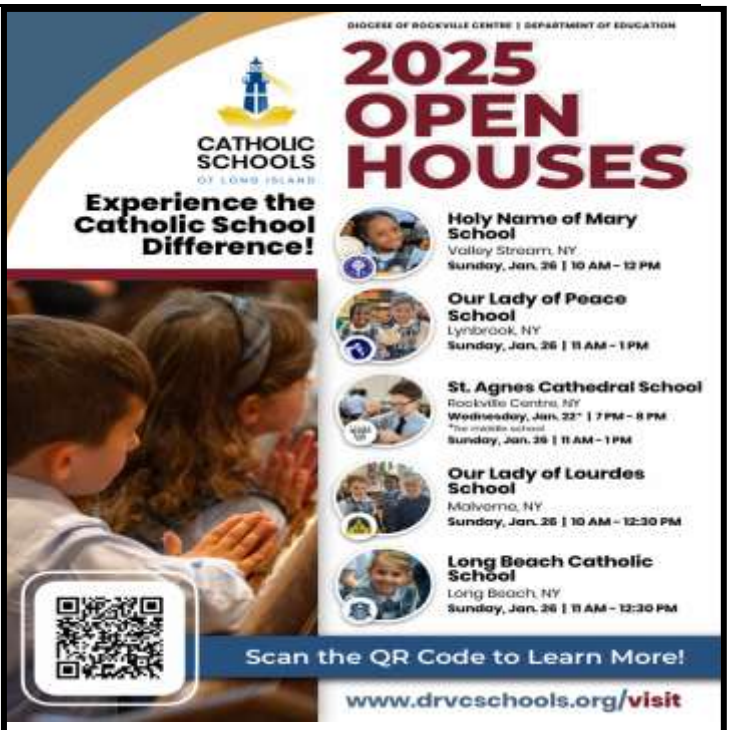
"The Family That Prays Together, Stays Together." - Venerable Patrick Peyton



WORD OF GOD SUNDAY
Sunday, January 26, 2025

"He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures" (Lk 24:45).

Come celebrate with Bishop Andrzej.

Holy Hour and Reflection

Sunday, January 26, 2025, at 3 pm

Church of St. Paul the Apostle
2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, NY 11545
www.stpaulsbrookville.org

All are welcome!

SMILE CORNER

Dear Friends:

At the beginning of this new year, please allow me to share a special request with you. If you have never contributed to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, or if you haven't contributed in a number of years, please consider making this the year that you join with me and other members of our Parish family and make a donation to the 2025 Appeal.

As you may already be aware, 100% of all the money raised by this fund helps support more than 60 programs and services that the people of our Faith as well as all of the people on Long Island have come to rely on.

These programs include services to people in need; affordable housing for senior citizens; people with disabilities and our veterans, as well as formation of our priests, deacons, lay leaders, and young people. These are just a few of the programs that help make our church and this Island a vibrant and wonderful place to live.

But to help ensure that we can always serve those who come to us for aid, support and spiritual guidance, we need help from you!

If 100 of our parishioners, who have not supported us in the recent past, made a $25 contribution this year – think about how many more people we could help. If that amount is more than you can manage, consider $5 or $10. **Every gift counts and makes a difference in the lives of others!**

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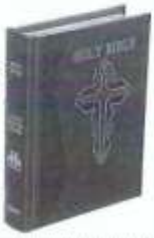

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