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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 March 16th, 2025

Monday, March 17th – St. Patrick Day

9:00 ✝ Deceased members of the **AOH – Division 17**

Tuesday, March 18th

8:00 ✝ **John Esposito**
r/b Valerie & Joe Gembecki

Wednesday, March 19th
Feast of St. Joseph
No 8 AM Mass

7:00 ✝ **Guiseppe Minutoli**
r/b Maria Minutoli

7:00 ✝ **Edward Joseph Reap**
r/b Anne Reap

7:00 ✝ **Carmel & Edward Caracciolo, Sr.**
r/b Diana Maza & Family

Thursday, March 20th

8:00 ✝ **John F. Marino**
r/b Rae Marino

Friday, March 21st

8:00 ✝ **Given Intention**

7:00 ✝ **Stations of the Cross & Exposition**

Saturday, March 22nd

8:00 ✝ **Janet Srour**
r/b **Diana Maza & Family**

5:00 ✝ **Jeanne Drankwater Gagan**
r/b Mary Beth Ferrante
✝ **Thomas Lowrey**
r/b Anne Reap
✝ **Jacqueline O'Grady**
r/b Marty O'Grady

Sunday, March 23rd
3rd Sunday in Lent

8:00 ✝ **Florence Raynor**
r/b Andrea Caracciolo
Special Intention
r/b Jeanne Scully & Family
Special Intention
r/b Diana Maza & Family

10:00 ✝ **People of the Parish**

12:15 ✝ **Frank McGinty**
r/b Jeanne & Michael McGinty
✝ **Mary Ann & John Hackett**
r/b Pat Hackett
✝ **Joseph Mountain**
r/b Mary Cammarato

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 to come and pray!

Feast Days Celebrated this week:

March 17th — St. Patrick, Bishop

March 19th — St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

"The duty of fasting is rendered acceptable to God when it is made perfect by the fruits of Charity."
St. John Cassian

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Stations of the Cross & Class Schedule this week:

Grade 1 – (*Meet in the Parish Center*) Monday, March 17th, 4 PM to 5 PM
Grade 2 – ***(Meet in the Parish Center)*** Wednesday, March 19th, 4 PM to 5 PM
Grade 3 – ***(Meet in Church)*** Tuesday, March 18th, 4 PM to 5 PM
Grade 4 – ***(Meet in Church)*** Tuesday, March 18th, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM
Grade 5 – ***(Meet in Church)*** Wednesday, March 19th, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM
Grade 6 & 7 – ***(Meet in Church)*** Monday, March 17th, 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

(Meet in Church=Drop Off/Pick Up at Church)

Reminder: The next Class/Mass for **1st & 6th Grade** is on **Sunday, March 16th at 10 AM**.
Parents, *please attend Mass as well.*

Upcoming **Class/Mass** for the following Grades:
4th Grade – March 23rd

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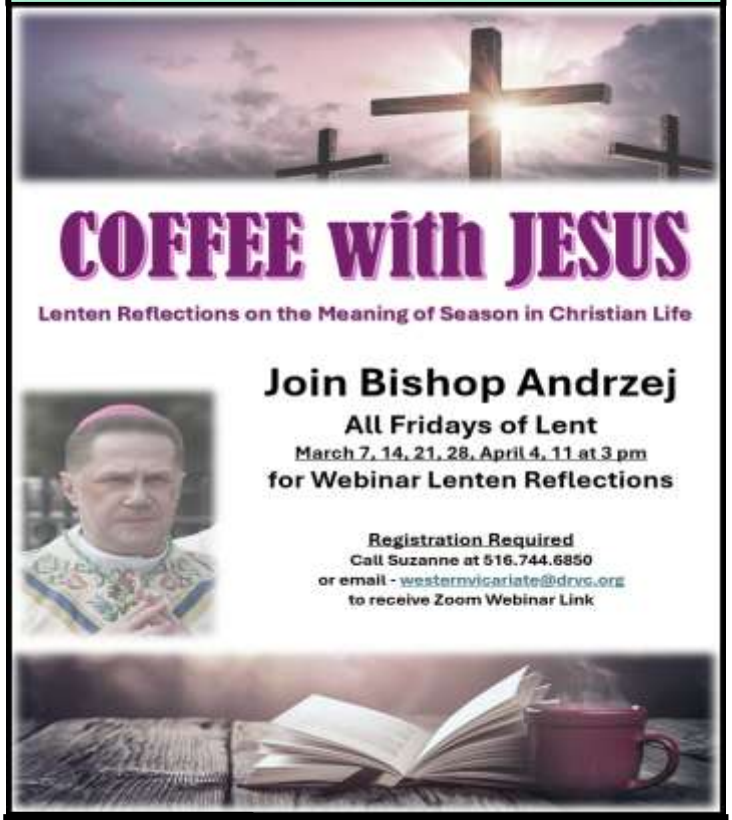
Confirmation Class of 2025 - 7th Grade

The **next Religious Education Class** will be on **Sunday, March 23rd in the Church at 9 AM. Students will stay for the 10 AM Mass.** This is a **requirement for all Confirmation Classes**.
Parents*, please attend Mass as well.*

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

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Friday, **March 21st**, we have the **Stations of the Cross** at **7 PM** followed by **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM**
This will continue on Fridays during the season of Lent



ST. PATRICK'S DAY

Sacred Heart will hold Mass for the deceased members of the AOH – Division 17 on:
Monday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day, at 9:00 a.m.
There is no 8 a.m. Mass.

AMAZING EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES

EUCHARISTIC MIRACLE OF DONEGAL, IRELAND, JULY 2023

In July 2023 Fr. Philip Kemmy, the pastor of the Church of All Saints in Newtown cunningham in the Diocese of Raphoe, Ireland reported the following experience: Fr. Philip had completed distribution of communion at his position in the church and proceeded to the tabernacle with his partially filled ciborium. He removed a larger ciborium from the tabernacle and trans ferred the contents of his ciborium to the larger one. As he was replacing the large cibo rium into the tabernacle he experienced a flash as if something had come down in front of his face, not sure of what it might have been. He then closed the tabernacle, genu f lected, and lifted the 'empty' ciborium only to discover that it wasn't empty. There was a single host within the ciborium that he had just emptied. He thought to himself, "How did that get there. I definitely emptied that ciborium. Where did that Host come from?" He then repeated the process of transferring the host to the larger ciborium. Later that day he received a phone call asking, "Tell me. Did you notice anything strange when you were at the tabernacle today?". He replied, "Maybe I'm nuts, but I had the dis t inct impression that a Host fell out of the sky into the empty ciborium." She answered, "No, you're not. I saw a man receive communion, but retained the Host within his hands while returning to his seat." She became rather concerned that he was walking away with the Eucharist. As she is preparing to challenge him and inform him that he cannot walk away with the Holy Communion, that he must consume it, a strange thing occurred. The host shot out of his hands straight up into the air about 7 feet, stopped … then moved in the direction of the tabernacle, stopped … and then dropped down. Fr. Philip then thought, "OK. I'm not nuts." The lady continued, "There was a woman sitting beside me, and she nearly knocked me out of the pew because she just thumped me, and said, 'Did you just see what I saw?" An angel for some reason felt it was more important for the Host to be returned to the tabernacle rather than allow that man to continue to have it.

GOSPEL ACTIVITIES
SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025
THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS
LUKE 9:28B-36

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ST. JOSEPH (First Century)
(Feast Day: March 19th)

If there were a photo album of Jesus' family, what pictures would be in it? Neither Mary nor Joseph appears much in Scripture, but some beautiful images are found there.

The Gospels of both Matthew and Luke show Joseph as the gentle but strong protector of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. When Matthew traces Jesus' human ancestry, Joseph's family is given (Matthew 1:16). Like identifies Mary as the betrothed of Joseph, of the house and family of David (Luke 1:27). This "righteous man" does not know of the miracle worked in Mary, who is to be the Mother of God, and so he faces a terrible dilemma when he realizes that the woman he loves and to whom he is engaged is pregnant (Matthew 1:18-25). Through a dream Joseph is informed of what has occurred, and his loving protection of Mary increases. As the time for Jesus to be born draws nearer, Mary and Joseph must go to Bethlehem – not only to be enrolled among the members of the house of David, but also so that the Messiah will be born in the city of the great king, as prophecy foretold.

At Jesus' birth Joseph guards Jesus and Mary (Luke 2:4-20). Joseph is present also, protecting Mary as her legal husband, when the child is circumcised and when he is offered to his Father at the Presentation. With Mary, Joseph hears Simeon's prophecy about Mary's sufferings (Luke 2:21-35). When the child is in danger because of King Herod's hatred, Joseph guards and provides for his family in Egypt until he can safely take them back to Nazareth (Matthew 2:13-23). During one of her keenest sufferings, Mary has Joseph to rely upon. When Jesus is lost in Jerusalem, Joseph and Mary seek him and take him back to Nazareth (Luke 2:41-52). After this, Joseph slips out of the Scriptures, except for a few references to Jesus as the "carpenter's son." The word for "carpenter" used in Scripture means a worker in stone, metal or wood. It is thought that Joseph died before Jesus began his public life.

These scriptural pictures of Joseph reveal him as a "just man," an obedient man, a good and loving husband and father.

Little attention was given to Joseph, but then people began to consider his role and his virtues. Public veneration of Saint Joseph existed in the Eastern Coptic church in the fourth century. The Western church began to celebrate his feast in the sixth century. Pope Pius IX proclaimed Saint Joseph the Patron of the Universal Church in 1870. Since then Saint Joseph has been named patron of different groups and countries. In 155 Pius XII made May 1 the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. In 1961 Pope John XXIII proclaimed Joseph the protector of Vatican Council II and in 1962 included his name in Eucharistic Prayer I of the Mass.

ST. JOSEPH'S FEAST DAY

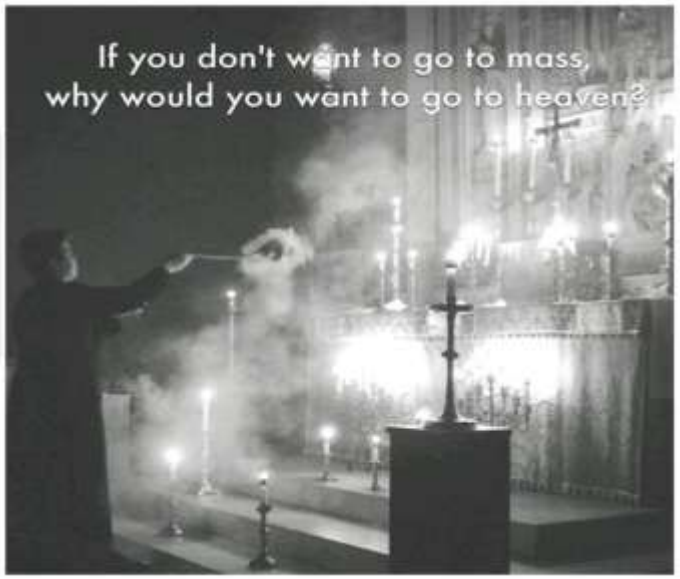
Sacred Heart will be celebrating **St. Joseph's Feast** on **Wednesday, March 19th** with a Mass in Italian at **7 PM.**

*There is **no** 8 a.m. Mass.*

There will be blessed breads, Italian pastries and a St. Joseph's Table available **after the Mass &** in the Parish Center.

All are welcome!

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



Dear Friends:

In announcing the Jubilee Year, Pope Francis asked us to celebrate, "with deep faith, lively hope and active charity." During this most holy season of Lent, let us be reminded that we are called to discover hope in current times and to be the instruments of hope for others.

One tangible way to accomplish this is by giving to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Through our shared support of our pastoral, educational and charitable ministries, we are assisting those most in need and spreading the message of hope in the Lord.

Your gifts to the Appeal support the education of our seminarians and priests who are dedicating their lives to serving Christ and His Church; assist college students and our young people to grow in their faith and relationship with the Lord; and ensure that vital resources are made available for children and families through Catholic Charities, Respect Life, and our Parish Outreach programs.

During this time of Jubilee in the life of our Church, I ask you to consider contributing to the 2025 Catholic Ministries Appeal so that we can enrich the lives of others and that the hope of Christ may abound more fruitfully throughout our diocese.

Thank you for your support and prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

+ John O. Barres

Most Reverend John O. Barres
Bishop of Rockville Centre

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