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 MAY 25TH, 2025

MONDAY, MAY 26TH – MEMORIAL DAY

8:00 ✝ **Peter Correale**
r/b Barbara Ried

TUESDAY, MAY 27TH

8:00 ✝ **Markian Hadzewycz**
r/b **Anne Reap**

WEDNESDAY, MAY 28TH

8:00 ✝ **Janet Srour**
r/b **Family**

7:00 ✝ **Dawn Lacoff**
r/b Mary Ann Russo
✝ **Florence Raynor**
r/b Andrea Caracciolo
✝ **Agnes & Nick Volpe**
r/b Barbara Ried

THURSDAY, MAY 29TH
ASCENSION OF THE LORD

8:00 ✝ **Anne Gawronski**
r/b Andrea Caracciolo
✝ **Pat Fitzgerald**
r/b Fitzgerald Family
✝ **Mary Ellen Quilty**
r/b Pat Hacket

7:00 ✝ **Flor & Paula Rivera**
r/b Floyd Rivera & Family
✝ **Maria & Luis Maisonet**
r/b Family
✝ **Doris Sumpter**
r/b Diana Maza & Family

FRIDAY, MAY 30TH

8:00 ✝ **Given Intention**

SATURDAY, MAY 31ST
THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

8:00 ✝ **Hope Williams**
r/b Sherrill Nurnberger

5:00 ✝ **Josephine Frullo**
r/b James & Molly Frullo
✝ **Leonardo Aurora**
r/b The Bavaro Family
✝ **John Brian Hopkins**
r/b Patrick & Susan O'Rourke

SUNDAY, JUNE 1ST

8:00 ✝ **Florence Raynor**
r/b Diana Maza & Family
✝ **Miriam T. Madden**
r/b Rhonda Nurnberger
✝ **Anne Gawronski**
r/b James & Molly Frullo

10:00 ✝ **Richard Vela**
r/b Phil & Lori Treglia
✝ **Raquel Maria Diaz**
r/b Michael & Liz Caban
✝ **The Holy Souls in Purgatory**
r/b Joan & Peter McCloskey

12:15 ✝ **People of the Parish**

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A sincere parish ***thank you*** to ***Gloria Oliver, Jr.***

Gloria "happened to be in Rome" the day Pope Leo was elected. She called to share her excitement and asked if there was anything I needed from Rome. Yes! An official portrait of Pope Leo. I know they won't be available here for weeks to come.

So, Gloria went to the office of the Papal photographer and got the portrait that now hangs in the entry of our church. Bet we are the first parish on Long Island to have that picture – but of course, naturally!

Thank you, Gloria!

Father Robert Gabriele

"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!

Next Rosary Society Meeting: May 31st, 11 AM

FEAST DAYS CELEBRATED THIS WEEK:

May 26th	St. Philip Neri, Priest
May 27th	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
May 29th	**The Ascension of the Lord**
May 31st	**The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

"The Ascension means essentially that Jesus is with his Father, I go to the Father; and this is his supreme joy, his goal, his reward. *If you loved me, you would be full of joy because I am with my Father.* Are we? With a joy that can supersede all subjective states of trouble and grief?

The first aspect of the Ascension is unalloyed joy that no man can take away from us. The Father at last has all he wants – an open heart into which he can pour his love without hindrance. Jesus is the recipient of that blissful love, and we rejoice in him and for him.

Secondly, Jesus has entered heaven as our pioneer. He has blazed a trail. More, he is our representative; in a real way we are there with him. The great work of reconciliation has been accomplished. The massive dam walls that human beings, through the wrong choices, had built up against the love of God have been demolished. We have only to stand in the way of these flood waters and not fly from them as though fleeing from death.

Abide in my love. How do we abide in his love? He tells us: *If you keep my commandments you will abide in my love, as it is by keeping my Father's commandments that I abide in his love.* What we have seen Jesus doing in relation to the Father, we must do. Jesus has shown us the Father and what the Father wants of us; has shown us how we must live to be in truth his children. We have to be living embodiments of Jesus as he is of his Father. And this, says Jesus, is my joy which you must share.

How the thought of the Ascension should lift our lives above our petty, selfish concerns, to live with Jesus where he is now – in the glory of the Father! That we are able to do this, able to enter into the mystery of Jesus, to receive his life and live by it, is the mystery of Pentecost.

Just as in Advent the Church invites us to assume the attitude of those to whom the Lord has not yet come, and to yearn for that coming, so now in the time between Ascension and Pentecost. We are invited to put ourselves with the waiting disciples. Our ardent willing must hasten the coming of the Spirit, the Power from on high, who will enable us to live the very life of Jesus."

Sister Ruth Burrows, O.C.D. – excerpts from her article in the May 2018 Edition of the Magnificat.

THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Blessed are you among women

Have you ever waited for a friend or special relative to arrive? You watch at the window, you listen for the car. And you know the joy you feel when you see your friend or loved one at the door.

Perhaps the greatest visit ever made was the one Mary made to her relative Elizabeth. This event is called the Visitation. The Gospel of Luke records that after the angel announced to Mary that she was to be the Mother of God, she left at once to visit Elizabeth, who in her old age was to give birth to a son. Elizabeth was already six months pregnant. Mary went to help her and also to enjoy the support of this older, holy woman.

The four-day journey over rocky roads in the heat was not an easy one, especially considering that Mary was pregnant. Mary most likely traveled with a caravan.

What a wonderful visit it must have been. As soon as Elizabeth saw Mary, her baby leaped for joy within her. She greeted Mary as the Mother of the Lord. And Mary's response was a hymn of praise to God, the Magnificat. Mary stayed with Elizabeth three months, probably until her son, John, was born.

Mary's whole life was filled with the good news that Jesus was coming. The Church has always praised Mary as the Christ-bearer for two reasons. First by the power of the Spirit, Mary physically brought Christ to the world. Second, she brings Christ spiritually to everyone by the holiness of her words and example.

FATHER'S DAY NOVENA

Father's Day envelopes are available in the rear of the Church. Please use these envelopes to enroll your father, living or deceased, in the nine novena Masses beginning on **Father's Day, June 15th,** and place them in the receptacle at the entrance of the Church.

Father's Day cards are also available.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Confirmation Class of 2025 - 7th Grade

The **next Religious Education Class** will be on **Pentecost Sunday, June 8th starting in the Church at 9:30 AM.** Students will stay for the **10 AM Mass.**

After Mass, they will go directly over to the Parish Center for Class. Measuring of gowns will take place followed by a short film. **This will be Retreat Part 3. This is required by all students.**

Students, bring in your Confirmation Packets.

Parents, please plan to attend Mass.
You can pick your child up at 12 PM at the Parish Center.

Please keep them all in your prayers.

Stay tuned to the bulletin for more information when **Registration** for **Religious Ed Class Year 2025-2026 begins on July 14th**.

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

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

ASCENSION THURSDAY

This Thursday, **May 29th**, is the Solemnity of the **Ascension of the Lord**, ***a holy day of obligation*** *just as a Sunday*.

The Mass schedule is as follows:

Vigil Mass - Wednesday, May 28th at 7 PM
Thursday, May 29th at 8 AM and 7 PM

The Parish Center will be Closed

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Memorial Day, is a day of Remembrance for those who have Died in our nation's service.

Dear Father, remember those who have made the ultimate sacrifice for the freedoms we enjoy every day, we think of how they have followed in the footsteps of your son, our Savior, Jesus Christ please hold our servicemen and women in Your strong arms. Please 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.

OUTREACH

Whatever we do for the poor will be treasure in Heaven.

Thank you to all that have donated to the Food Pantry and Outreach!

Food Pantry is open:
Tues. 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.
Fri. 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

You may bring donations to the Parish Center
Mon. - Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Food Pantry truly needs the following items: Canned fruit, hash, ham, spam, sardines, tuna fish, jars of peanut butter, jelly, bottles of orange juice and fruit juices, instant oatmeal, instant coffee, tea, cereal, rice, mash potatoes, ketchup, mayonnaise, mustard, hand soap, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, toothpaste, and tooth brushes.

$10 Gift Cards are always welcomed!

SMILE CORNER

SACRED HEART PARISH CENTER

In Observance of
Memorial Day,
the Parish Offices will be
CLOSED
on Monday, May 26th.

SPIRITUALITY FOR SINGLES

The June SFS Gathering is Saturday, June 7, 2025 at 8:30PM
St. Aidan Parish, 510 Willis Ave., Williston Park, NY, 11596
For this Gathering, the last one of our 2024-2025 season, we are pleased to feature noted author and musician Alex Basie.

If possible, please bring a can or box of food for the St. Aidan Food bank. Thank you.

Ages 40+; $10.00 donation - snacks, pizza and beverages will be served. Contact: Ray (516) 561-6994 or spiritualityforsingles@gmail.com

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS CAMPAIGN

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects people with Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half of the money collected remains here in the Diocese of Rockville Centre to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the Gospel message!

Gospel Activities

Family Activity Page

6th Sunday of Easter

May 25th, 2025

The Advocate - John 14:23-29

Today we celebrate the Sixth Sunday of Easter. Once again, Jesus is quietly speaking with His disciples and giving them special words of instruction. Jesus gives His peace to them. He asked them to follow Him and stay true to the things He had taught them.

When we live in accordance with Jesus' teaching, the Blessed Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) dwells or lives in us! This is called being in a state of grace.

Jesus also tells His Apostles that the Holy Spirit will come to them. The Holy Spirit will teach them everything and remind them of all that Jesus told them. This is what the Holy Spirit does for us! He teaches us and reminds us to live a holy life. Do you ask the Holy Spirit to help you on a regular basis? I do and the Holy Spirit helps me every day.

Activities:

● Pray to the Holy Spirit throughout the day! Simply whisper ***"Come, Holy Spirit!"*** whenever you are stressed, anxious, overwhelmed, nervous, or tempted to sin. Invite the Holy Spirit into the joyful moments of your day as well.

● Are there any teachings of Christ and His Church which you do not understand? Ask the Holy Spirit to enlighten your mind and help you to be open to the truth. Then learn more about the topic using a trusted source. **The Catechism of the Catholic Church** is a good place to start. There is even a version for young people, called **YouCat**.

● **Read John 14:23-29 in your Bible.** Discuss as a family how you can turn to God in challenging times. Simply pray ***"Come, Holy Spirit"*** as a family every night at dinner or before bed this week.

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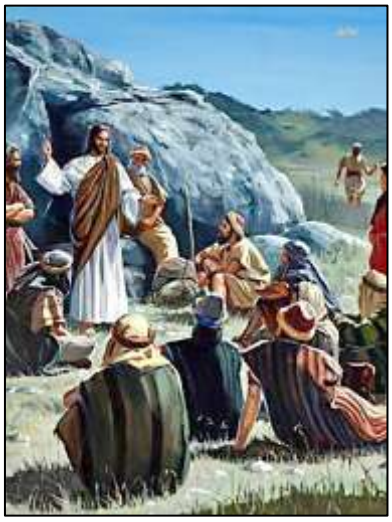

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"The Family That Prays Together, Stays Together." - Venerable Patrick Peyton

NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

AMAZING EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES

Eucharistic Miracle of OFFIDA

ITALY, 1273-1280

In Offa, near the Church of St. Augustine, are kept the relics of the Eucharistic miracle which took place in 1273, in which the Host was converted into living Flesh. There are many documents which describe this miracle, among which is an authentic copy on a parchment of the 13th century, written by the notary Giovanni Battista Doria in 1788. There are also Frescoes in the church that illustrate the miracle Oil-jar where the Miracle took place, Offida Relic of the linen with blood spots where Richiarella enfolded the miraculous Host many official decrees of the Popes beginning with that of Boniface VIII (1295), to that of Sixtus V (1585), discourses of Roman congregations, Episcopal decrees, communal statutes, votive gifts, memorial stones, frescoes and testimonies of notable historic figures, among whom we recall the Antinori's and Fella.

In 1273 in the town of Lanciano, a woman named Richiarella went to a witch and asked her how she could recover the affection of her husband, Giacomo Stasio. Following the witch's advice, she went to Communion to obtain a consecrated Host. She returned home and put it on the fire in an earthenware jar with the intention of turning it into powder and putting it in her husband's food. The Particles, however, were transformed into living Flesh. Richiarella, horrified by these events, wrapped the jar and the bloodied Host in a linen handkerchief that she then buried under the manure in her husband's stable. Strange events began to take place inside the stable: every time Giacomo's donkey entered, it would genuflect toward the place where the miraculous Host was buried, and Giacomo began to think that his wife had put a spell on the beast. Seven years later, Ricchiarella remorsefully confessed her terrible sacrilege to the prior of the Augustinian priory in Lanciano, Giacomo Diotallevi, a native of Offida. According to the oldest stories, the woman, in tears, began screaming, "I killed God! I killed God!" The priest went to the place, found the bundle with the relics, and gave them to his fellow-citizens.

Enlarged image of the relic of the Host contained in a precious Cross, made by a Venetian craftsman (13th century)

A cross-shaped reliquary was made to contain the Host. An ancient story recounts that two monks, Brother Michele and a confrere, were invited to Venice. When they arrived, they made the craftsman promise with an oath of loyalty "that he would not reveal to anyone what he was about to see and place inside the cross. Having taken the oath, the craftsman took the pyx containing the miraculous Host, but, struck with a sudden fever, exclaimed, 'What have you brought me, Oh my Brother?' The religious then asked him if he was in mortal sin. The craftsman answered, 'Yes', made his confession to the same priest and, the fever having left him, he took the pyx without any danger. Without extracting the Host, he fixed both Host and pyx, together with the sacred Wood, inside the same cross, with a crystal above it, as you can clearly see." The reli quaries of the jar and the bloodstained linen with the cross containing the miraculous Host are exposed in the Church of St. Augustine in Offida. The house of Richiaretta was transformed into a small chapel. In 1973, the seventh centenary of the miracle was celebrated, and every year, on May 3rd, the citizens of Offida celebrate the anniversary of the miracle.

Oil-jar where the Miracle took place, Offida

Relic of the linen with blood spots where Richiarella enfolded the miraculous Host

PRAY WITH JESUS. WALK WITH JESUS.

NASSAU

Saturday, May 31
8:00 pm
Our Holy Redeemer, Freeport

Sunday, June 1
7:00 pm
Maria Regina, Seaford

Monday, June 2
7:00 pm
Holy Family, Hicksville

Tuesday, June 3
7:00 pm
Our Lady of Loretto, Hempstead

Wednesday, June 4
7:00 pm
Our Lady of Victory, Floral Park

Thursday, June 5
7:00 pm
Notre Dame, New Hyde Park

Friday, June 6
7:00 pm
St. Patrick, Glen Cove

SUFFOLK

Saturday, May 31
7:00 pm
Basilica of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary, South Hampton

Sunday, June 1
7:00 pm
St. John the Baptist, Center Moriches

Monday, June 2
7:00 pm
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Patchogue

Tuesday, June 3
7:00 pm
St. Patrick, Smithtown

Wednesday, June 4
7:00 pm
St. Joseph, Babylon

Thursday, June 5
7:00 pm
St. Anne, Brentwood

Friday, June 6
7:00 pm
St. Philip Neri, Northport

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Location: ***Online Webinar, please RSVP by emailing or calling:***

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- Pope Francis

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– Deacon O' Brien

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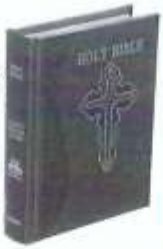

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