FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
SACRED HEART CHURCH
ITALIAN NATIONAL PARISH
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JUNE 7, 2015

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HOURS: MONDAY-FRIDAY
9:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

HOLY MASS
MONDAY – FRIDAY 7:00AM
SATURDAY 8:00 AM
SATURDAY: VIGIL MASS 4:00 PM
SUNDAY: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:30 AM. (ITALIAN), 12:00 NOON
1:30 PM (SPANISH)

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (CONFESSION)
SATURDAY 2:45 PM-3:45 PM
FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION
4:00PM TO 5:00 PM

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA
MONDAYS AT 7:00 PM
FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE
AND BAPTISM

PLEASE CALL THE RECTORY FOR APPOINTMENT
10:00 AM-3:00 PM
203-324-9544
FAX# 203-324-9202
Email address:sacredparish@optonline.net
WEB SITE stamfordsacredheart.org

WE WELCOME ALL NEW PARISHIONERS!

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CONTACT ANYONE ON OUR
OFFICE STAFF. WE ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS OF THE
PARISH BE REGISTERED. REGISTRATION FORMS
SHOULD BE REQUESTED IN THE RECTORY OFFICE.
THIS REGISTRATION IS OUR ONLY MEANS OF
CERTIFYING ANYONE AS A MEMBER OF OUR PARISH.
HOLY MASS

Saturday: June 6, 2015
4:00 PM Adeline, Rosemarie, Savario & Maria Lucia Labella
& the Deceased of the Labella Family by M/M J. Sabia

Sunday: June 7, 2015
7:30 AM Marion Bottomly Giordano by Phil Giordano
9:00 AM Emilio, Giovanna, Ciriaco & Concetta Sibilia by G. D’Elia
10:30 AM Filomena, Luigi, Antoinetta & Alfonso Ottaviano by M/M V. Uva
12:00 Noon John Murphy by Sheila Murphy
1:30PM For the Intentions of the Parishioners

The Lamp, Hosts and Wine for the week of June 7 through June 13 is in memory of
Tommaso Marena and Feroze Aslam by Michelina Marena

Monday: June 8, 2015
7:00AM Rosina Castiglione by Ottavio Castiglione & Family

Tuesday: June 9, 2015
7:00 AM Nella Zinicola by Gerarda D’Elia

Wednesday, June 10, 2015
7:00 AM Anthony M. Portanova by The DelMazio Family

Thursday: June 11, 2015
7:00 AM Rudy & Josephine Brucato by John

Friday: June 12, 2015
7:00 AM Gaetano & Maria Pompa by Giulio Pompa
5:00PM In thanksgiving to the Sacred Heart of Jesus by M. Parra & Family

Saturday: June 13, 2015
8:00AM Vincent Viscardi, Fannie Dombrowski & Vincent Adipietro by Family
4:00 PM Thomas & Ninfa Moccia by Teodoro & Rose Moccia

Sunday: June 14, 2015
7:30 AM Marianna, Cesidio & Antonio Casinelli by M/M N. Casinelli & Family
9:00 AM Anthony Terravecchia by Lena & Family
10:30 AM Michael & Raffaela Gerace by Mrs. DeFilippo
12:00 Noon Emily Pikikero by Jack & Family
1:30 PM For the Intentions of the Parishioners

Our God is a personal God who loves each of us and calls us to do the same.

Sunday Collection for the weekend of May 30 and 31 totaled $4,640.00. Thank you for your
generosity. If you are away from church please try to make up your envelopes.

PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS will be held on the First Saturday of every month at 1:00PM The next
class is to be held July 11, 2015. Please call the Rectory at 203-324-9544 to register for the class.
Baptisms in English are held the second Saturday of each month at 1:00PM.

FOR THE DECEASED: We ask the Lord to grant Eternal Rest to the Deceased Members of our
Parish: Joseph Martin, Susan Fazio.

CHANGE IN MASS SCHEDULE: As of July 4th and 5th the Sunday Mass Schedule will be changed
from 7:30A.M., 9:00A.M., 10:30A.M., 12:00P.M. and 1:30P.M. to the following: 8:30A.M.,
10:00A.M. Italian, 11:30A.M. and 1:30P.M. in Spanish. The Saturday Mass at 4:00P.M. remains the
same.

FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART A Parish Celebration will take place on Friday, June 12 after the
5:00PM Mass. After Mass, there will be food, beverages and a DJ in the back parking lot as well as on
Saturday, June 13 from 3:00PM till 9:00PM. Contribution envelopes were mailed to each parishioner if
they wish to contribute for the expenses of the Feast. There are also envelopes in back of church for
anyone who would like to contribute but did not receive it a home.
KRISTA ADAMS SANTILLI CONCERT SEPTEMBER 13, 2015. TICKETS ARE ON SALE STARTING JUNE 1st. Tickets are $75.00 per person. Please address ticket requests to Sacred Heart Church Concert, Attn: Jeff Curtis, and drop off in the Collection basket or at the Rectory office. Ticket information and Sales, please call Jeff Curtis at (203) 968-1234.

THE ILL OF THE PARISH- Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners who are ill: Marie Petrilli Josephine Romaniello, Xavier Pia, Rocco Pangallo. The thoughtfulness of cards or phone calls to them or their family would be welcome. Please keep the parish office (203-324-9544) informed of anyone who needs a priestly visit and the Sacrament of the Sick.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

THE 2015 ST. MARGARET SHRINE FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY The Original Italian Festival with delicious Italian Foods and Family Friendly Fun! Friday, June 12th 6p.m. to 11p.m. Saturday June 13th 2pm to 11pm.,Sunday, June 14th 12 noon to 10p.m. Special Sunday Outdoor Mass and Procession at 10a.m. celebrated by Bishop Frank Caggiano. Rides, Entertainment and Delicious Food.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY will sponsor their PASTA NIGHT on June 20th. For reservations, please call Bill Pace at 203-219-0512 or George Ducanic at 203-219-9025.

THE FEAST OF MADONNA DELLE GRAZIE (MINTURNO) will be held on Sunday, July 12, 2015 at the 10:00am Mass, followed by a short outdoor procession at 11:00AM.

SYNOD CLOSING Celebration Mass of the Synod 2014-2015- On Saturday, September 19, 2015 at 11:00am at Webster Arena in Bridgeport, Bishop Frank Caggiano invites you to join 9,000 faithful throughout the Diocese for Mass, Music and Thanksgiving. Sacred Heart will have bus transportation to this event. There will be very little parking in the Arena. Tickets are free of charge, and can be ordered on line at www.2014synodorg/tickets or contact Bea Centonze at the Rectory 203-324-9544. Tickets must be ordered by June 30th.

ST, PIO PIETRELicina Annual Feast Day Celebration in honor of St. Pio Sunday, September 27th 2015, Mass at 12:15PM in St. Margaret Chapel followed by a procession and Final Blessing of the St. Pio Shrine. Reception immediately following Mass at Roberto’s Restaurant,505 Main St., Monroe, CT Full sit down dinner, table wine, coffee and dessert, entertainment and 50/50 raffle. Donation is $50.00 per person to be paid in advance. Please make reservations by September 12, 2015 Contact Rose Santangeli at 203-922-8079 or Paola Verrelli at 203-936-9862.

GENEROSITA` Cortesemente cercate di aumentare sia la vostra offerta settimanale sia quella mensile. Un aumento di $5, $10, $15 o più’ sara’ molto apprezzato. Se andrete via per la vacanze o se vi e’ impossibile partecipare alla messa nella Chiesa del Sacro Cuore, vi chiediamo di fare il meglio possibile per recuperare le settimane in cui siete mancati. Iniziate a utilizzare le buste settimanali della canonica. Grazie per il vostro supporto.

MESSA IN MEMORIA SETTIMANALI Se qualcuno vuole donare l’ostia, il vino per la messa o la lampada del santuario in memoria di una persona cara o come una donazione si prega di contattare l’ufficio 203-324-9544. L’offerta e’di $25.00 per ciascuna.

INFERMI DELLA NOSTRA PARROCCHIA- Per favore ricordate nelle vostre preghiere i seguenti parrochiani che sono ammalati Marie Petrill, Josephine Romaniello, Xavier Pia, Rocco Pangallo. Se avete in mente di mandare una cartolina o di telefonare ai familiari o direttamente a loro sarebbe un pensiero veramente apprezzato. Per favore informate l’ufficio parrocchiale, se qualcuno ha bisogno della visita di un sacerdote e del sacramento degli infermi. Telefonate ufficio 203-324-9544.

POR LOS ENFERMOS DE NUESTRA PARROQUIA Por favor incluya en sus oraciones a los siguientes feligreses que están enfermos de nuestra parroquia.
REGISTRACION EDUCACION RELIGIOSA 2015-2016
Las registraciones de Educación Religiosa para el nuevo año escolar 2015-2016 están abiertas si desea puede pasar por la oficina los Lunes de 11:00 a 2:00. Gracias.

PRE-BAUTISMALES CLASES: en Español se ofrecen el tercer sabado de cada mes, a la 1:00PM en la Iglesia. Por favor llamar a la oficina para registrarse (203) 324- 9544. Los Bautizos en Español se celebran el cuarto sabado del mes a la 1:00PM.

OFRENDAS POR LA SEMANA: Dedique la vela del Santisimo, el Vino y el Pan a un ser querido por una semana. Cada ofrenda es $25.00.

GRACIAS POR SU GENEROSIDAD por favor trate de incrementar su ofrenda semanal o mensual, un aumento de $5.00, $10.00 $15.00 o más es apreciado. Gracias por su apoyo y participación en nuestra parroquia del Sagrado Corazón. Si se va de vacaciones o está enfermo no se olvide de enviar sus sobres. Nuevamente gracias por su generosidad.

2015 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

SACRED HEART PARISH GOAL                          $45,000.00
CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL                         $27,113.00

As it stands at this point, we need to increase the number of donors to the Appeal. Please feel free to make a modest donation during the week. Better yet, instead of buying scratch tickets this week, why not use that money as your donation to the Appeal? It’s for sure that the rewards are guaranteed to be better than any lottery prize, including the jackpot!

FOLLOW HIM! THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU!
All of our parishioners listed below have already generously contributed to the 2015 Appeal. For these offerings we are very grateful. Many of our contributors from last year have yet to pledge or contribute towards this year’s goal. We are depending upon your charity to enable us to reach our goal and have Sacred Heart Parish participate in a broader christian community. God Bless your efforts.

3 Anonymous Donors, Mrs. R. A. Arena, M/M E. R. Attanasio, Mr. R. Berardi, M/M A. Bianco, M/M S. Biggica, M/M M. Bitetto, M/M L. Blackmon, M/M A. Bria, Mr. L. Buzzo, M/M F. J. Caporizzo, Jr. Mr. Wm. M. Carello, M/M J. T. Carlsson, Ms. J. Casillo, M/M N. Casinelli, Mrs. L. Caruso, Dr. & Mrs. J. F. Centonze, M/M Wm. Cerulli, M/M M. Colabella, Jr., Mrs. M. Colucci, M/M J. Connole, M/M P. Conetta, Mrs. M. Conte, Mrs. A. Coppola, M/M E. Coppola, M/M M. Crocco, M/M A. Cucco, M/J T. Curtis, Sr., M/M P. Curto, M/M J. D’Agostino, M/M J. T. D’Agostino, M/M L. D’Andrea, Mrs. D. J. DeCarlo, Mrs. G. D’Elia, M/M A. DelCarmine, Rev. M. P. DeMayo, M/M D. R. DeNicola, Mrs. J. M. Desrochers, M/M J. De Vos, Mrs G. DiLorenzo, Dominican Sister of Our Lady of the Springs of Bridgeport, Mr. G. E. Ducanic, M/M E. Dulemba, M/M D. Dunn, M/V J. Fanning, Mr. A. Ferrajina, Mrs. J. M. Ferrara, M/M A. Folio, Mr. R. F. Fox, Ms. D. L. Gasparino, Mr. P. Giordano, M/M J. Golino, Ms. E. Caraballo-Gonzales, Mr. F. Gublet, Mrs. L. Guglielmo, Miss J. Infante, Ms. C. Irvine, M/M R. A. LaRoche, Jr., Ms. T. LaRusso, M/M J. A. Loglisci, M/Y. Loiseau, M/M V. Lorenti, M/M J. Mallozzi, M/M M.D. Maceri, M/M J. A. Macari, M/M J. Alloca, Ms. P. Malafarina, M/M A. Malagisi, Mr. S. Maranelli, Mrs. T. Marena, M/M D. A. Marino, Mrs. P. Martino, Mrs. M. Scime, Mrs. E. Mead, M/M P. Melchionno, M/M P. Melonakos, M/M P. Messanelli, M/M T. Mirto, M/M T. Moccia, M/A. Monteclaro, Mrs. S. Murphy, M/M D. Musilli, M/M G. Narine, Mrs. G. A. Nowakowski, Mr. M. Nunan, M/M J. V. Pappalardo, Mrs. M. Pastore, Mrs. K. Pavia, Mrs T. Piacenza, Rev. A. Picone, Mr. P. Pelli, Mrs. M. H. Powers, Mrs. R. M. Rainone, M/M A. Raus, M/M F. Raus, M/M A. Richichi, M/M A. Rizzi, M/M J. A. Sabia, Sr., M/M J. L. Sabia, Jr., M/M J. B. Sabia, Mrs. L. Sabia, Mr. P. L. Sabia, Sacred Heart Our Lady’s Guild, Mrs. F. Salvatore, M/M E. J. Samaha, Jr., Mrs. A. Sandolo, Mr. M. L. Sayers, M/M T. Scanlon, M/M T. F. Schmalzl, Ms. M. Scime, M/M D. D. Sforza, Mrs. Z. A. Shaw, M/M R. Simonelli, Mrs. A. D. Smeriglio, Mrs. C. Socci, M/M W. J. Stanek, Mrs. R. C. Steward, Ms. P. L. Sy, Mr. R. N. Taranto, Mrs. L. T. Terravecchia, Ms. R. Tarzia, Ms. G. Uva, M/M R. Vacca, M/M S. Valente, M/M E. Varriichio, Ms. C. Vassallo, Mrs. A. Verrastro, Mr. F. Verrastro, Ms. M. I. Villa, M/M A. Vieto, Mrs. M. C. White, Mr. D. Zaccagnino, Mr. C. Zachariadis, M/M K. I. Zarrilli, Mrs. M. Zezima, Mrs. A. Zinicola.
Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. This is a time to when we remember the beautiful gift left by Jesus. The last two precious gifts given to us by Jesus are the Holy Eucharist as our spiritual food on Holy Thursday and Jesus’ Mother Mary as our spiritual Mother on Good Friday. The feast also gives us an occasion to learn more about the importance and value of the “Real Presence” so that we may appreciate the Sacrament better and receive maximum benefit from it.

This year’s readings for the feast emphasize the theme of covenant blood, because the ancient people sealed covenants with the blood of ritually, sacrificed animals, Jesus sealed His New Covenant with His own blood shed on Calvary.

Today’s first reading describes how Moses, by sprinkling the blood of a sacrificed animal on the altar and on the people, accepted the Covenant God proposed and made with His people.

In the second reading, St. Paul affirms that Jesus sealed the New Covenant with His own blood, thereby putting an end to animal sacrifices.

Today’s Gospel details how Jesus converted this ancient ritual into a Sacrament and sacrifice. Instead of the lamb’s blood, Jesus offered His Divine/human body and blood, and instead of sprinkling us with blood, He put it into our hands as food: “Take, this is My Body,” and “This is My Blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many”.

Jesus instituted the Holy Eucharist both as a sacramental banquet and as a sacrificial offering. As a Sacrament, the Eucharist is a visible sign that gives us God’s grace and God’s life and is a meal that nourishes our souls. As a sacrifice, the Eucharistic celebration is a re-presentation or re-enactment of Jesus’ sacrifice on Calvary, completed in His Resurrection. We offer Jesus’ sacrifice to God the Father for the remission of our sins, using signs and symbols.

As we celebrate this great feast of faith, let us worship what St. Thomas Aquinas did not hesitate to call, “the greatest miracle that Christ ever worked on earth…My Body…My Blood”. Before the greatness of this mystery, let us acclaim with St. Augustine, “O Sacrament of devotion! O sign of unity! O Bond of clarity”. Let us also repeat St. Thomas Aquinas’ prayer of devotion in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament: “O Sacrament Most Holy! O Sacrament Divine! All praise and all thanksgiving be every moment Thine!”

We welcome also our seminarian Guillermo Hernandez who will be celebrating this weekend his 20th Birthday. May God bless him and keep him in His loving tender care.

God bless you, Father Alfonso Picone