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MONDAY – FRIDAY 7:00 AM
SATURDAY 8:00 AM

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SUNDAY: 8:30 AM
10:00 AM (ITALIAN), 11:30 AM
1:30 PM (SPANISH)

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SATURDAY 2:45 PM to 3:45 PM

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

4:00 PM TO 5:00 PM

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MONDAY EVENING AT 7:00 PM IN ENGLISH
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Please call Rectory Office

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WE WELCOME ALL 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 18, 2016

4:00PM Joseph & Eleanor Bianco/Joan & Ed Mirek & David Crosby
by M/M A. Bianco

Sunday June 19, 2016

8:30AM Tommaso Marena & Feroze Aslam by Family
10:00AM Teresa Ferrajina by Tony Ferrajina
11:30AM Rosino Zezima by Wife
1:30PM Robert Thompson and all Souls in Purgatory by Friends/In Honor of
The Sacred Heart of Jesus by Parra Family

The Lamp, Hosts and Wine for the week of June 18th through June 25th is in memory of Tommaso Marena & Feroze Aslam by Michelina Marena

Monday June 20, 2016

7:00AM Anthony Pelli by Wife & Children

Tuesday June 21, 2016

7:00AM Carmella Hett by Battinelli Family

Wednesday June 22, 2016

7:00AM Juana Mazariegos by Blanca Reyes

Thursday June 23, 2016

7:00AM Deceased Members of the Tolla Family by Family

Friday June 24, 2016

7:00AM Rosina & Phil Longo by Joe & Madeline Longo

Saturday June 25, 2016

8:00AM Antonio Aniello by Wife
4:00PM Thomas & Ninfa Moccia by M/M T. Moccia

Sunday June 26, 2016

8:30AM Vincent AdiPietro, Fannie Dombroski & Vincent Viscardi by Family
10:00AM Domenico Sette by Grandchildren Michael & Christopher
11:30AM Carl Rainone by Family
1:30PM Difunta Angela Arias/Aniversario de la Aparicion de la Reina de la Paz
por el grupo Reina de la Paz

SUNDAY COLLECTION - The Sunday Collection for the weekend of June 11& 12 totaled \$4391.00. Thank you for your generosity. If you are away from Church, please try to make up your envelopes.

THE ILL OF THE PARISH - Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are ill. Please keep the parish office (203-324-9544) informed of anyone who needs a priestly visit and the Sacrament of the Sick.

PRE-BAPTISMAL CLASS will be held in English on the first Saturday of every month at 1:00PM in the Church. The next class is to be held July 9, 2016. Please call the Rectory at 203-324-9544 to register for the class. Baptisms in English are held on the second Saturday of each month. The next Baptism class in Spanish will be held July 16, 2016 and thereafter on the third Saturday of each month at 1:00PM. Baptisms in Spanish are held on the fourth Saturday of each month at 1:00PM.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet Monday, June 27 at 7:30PM in the Lower Church.

FOR THE DECEASED: We ask the Lord to grant Eternal Rest to Ralph Boccuzzi, Gloria Santoro, David Tartell, Salvatore Altieri, and the deceased of our Parish.

HOLY NAME SOCIETY will have their first Pasta Night for the year 2016 on June 25th, in the Lower Church. Price is \$15.00 a head and reservations will be taken by Bill Pace at 203-219-0512 and George Ducanic at 203-219-9025.

TEN DAY TOUR TO ENCHANTING SICILY. DEPARTS OCTOBER 10 AND RETURNS OCTOBER 20. IF INTERESTED CALL CARMELA AT 1-203-371-1114 EXT 140 OR CELL 1-203-526-5410 OR EMAIL CARMELA@TRAVELAND.NET. PRICE IS \$2,849.00 DOUBLE OCCUPANCY.

SAVE THE DATE

CCD REGISTRATION all children have to be registered for the fall session of CCD by July 31, 2016.

THE ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY : is looking for any Rosarian interested in visiting St John's Basilica during this year of mercy...Confessions will be available with clergy before going through the "HOLY DOOR" in the Basilica of St. John the Evangelist. This will be a group outing please call Gail Russo at 203-357-7920 or Carol Jenner at 203- 324-3849.

GENEROSITA Cortesemente cercate di aumentare sia la vostra offerta settimanale sia quella mensile. Un aumento di \$5, \$10, \$15 o piu` 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: 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.

PARA LA COMUNIDAD HISPANA: Nancy estara en la oficina para ayudar a la comunidad hispana los siguientes dias: Martes: 1:00PM-3:00PM, Jueves: 9:00AM-3:00PM y Viernes 9:00AM-1PM.

POR LOS ENFERMOS DE NUESTRA PARROQUIA: Por favor incluya en sus oraciones a los siguientes feligreses que están enfermos de nuestra parroquia.

CLASES PRE-BAUTISMALES: 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.

SACRAMENTOS: Estaremos ofreciendo clases de RCIA, para adultos que no han recibido los sacramentos: bautizo, comunión y confirmación, si esta interesado por favor comunicarse con la oficina para más información.

2016 ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

<u>SACRED HEART PARISH GOAL</u>	\$ 45,000.00
<u>CURRENT CONTRIBUTIONS TOTAL</u>	\$ 32,760.00

Sacred Heart has reached 72.80% of the Annual Goal this week.

That in gratitude for God's many gifts to us, we share in the mission of the Church by participating in the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal. There are envelopes in the rear of the Church for your convenience.

All of our parishioners listed below have already generously contributed to the 2016 Appeal. For these offerings we are very grateful. God Bless your efforts.

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REFLECTIONS:

AFTER DEATH TO WHERE DID CHRIST DESCEND?

In the Apostles Creed we learn that after Jesus' death "He descended into hell." How could, and why would, the one without sin, the Son of God, Second Person of the Trinity, visit Hell? The confusion lies in the word "Hell", which biblically can represent three different dwellings. Where unrepentant souls spend eternity is referred to as Gehenna, which in Jesus' time was the garbage dump of the city where the corpses of criminals and the carcasses of animals were tossed into the fires. The wind carried the stench of rotting flesh burning in sulfur and brimstone for miles. Jesus spoke of this dumping ground to explain the eternal place of the damned. The second Hell refers to Purgatory, the temporary place where souls are purified before they enter Heaven. In 2 Maccabees 12:44-45, we read: "For if He were not expecting that those who had fallen would rise again, it would have been superfluous and foolish to pray for the dead. But if He was looking to the splendid reward that is laid up for those who fall asleep in godliness, it was a holy and pious thought. Therefore, He made atonement for the dead, so that they might be delivered from their sin."

In Revelations 21:27: "But nothing unclean will enter it (Heaven), nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life."

In 1 Corinthians 14-15, we read: "If what has been built on the foundation survives, the builder will receive a reward. If the work is burned up, the builder will suffer loss; the builder will be saved, but only as through fire."

The third Hell, referred to in the Bible as "the Limbo of the Fathers" and "the bosom of Abraham," no longer exists. It was the waiting place of the righteous who passed away before Christ died on the cross, before He descended there to liberate and deliver them to Heaven. Jesus' death opened the gates of Heaven to worthy human beings. In that Limbo were the good souls from creation to the good thief on the cross.

In the story of Lazarus and the rich man, it is written: "the poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side."

As Christians the waiting is over. The Savior has come and liberated us all. Will we live our lives as He commands or will we foolishly choose to spend our eternity in the burning fields of Hell?

LETTER FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Parishioners,

I hope all is well with you and your families. This week we will talk about our Need for God. Much of our society's ills I believe can be attributed to a growing movement that dismisses the existence and essentiality of God. Adherents believe humanity can solve the world's problems on its own. They praise science as the end-all-be-all that will provide whatever answers we seek, despite the growing number of scientists who recognize God as the Prime Mover of all things. Buoyed with the defense of separation of church and state, those Americans advocate a sectarian society that litigates against references to God in the contents of the Pledge of Allegiance, the words "in God we trust" on our currency, the inscriptions on public monuments, and against all other and any other references to the Almighty. In a nation where majority rules, we have allowed the loud minority to dictate policy!

There is much truth in the Hamlet of Shakespeare when Hamlet tells his friend, "There are more things in heaven and earth, Horatio, than are dreamt of in your philosophy" (1:5, 167-8).

So many get too far ahead of themselves, assigning more self-credit than any of us deserves. They look around at an imperfect world and use that as a reason to prove the absence of God. They choose to believe we are the makers of our own destiny. God, they say, did not make this world; we did. Or it suddenly came to be.

Let's face it: the only thing humanity did was move through history-making decisions that impacted negatively on millions of people for myriad generations. For that we should accept blame. Ulterior motives played themselves out to the detriment of social progress.

We have yet to benefit from the rule of the "Philosopher-king" whom Plato said "loves the sight of truth."

We have seen the world led by lesser men whose corrupt power denied truth in the name of greed. Jesus is Truth. Rejecting Him, we can never find in our quest for that immutable certainty the true treasure who calls us to "Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you" (Matthew 7:7).

Have a good Sunday!
Father Alfonso Picone.



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