# SACRED HEART OF JESUS ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Rev. Fred Marano — **Pastor ext. 103** Rev. John J. Fullum — **Pastor Emeritus ext. 124** Deacon Peter Stamm — **ext. 118** 

**Faith Formation** *Director* Laura Ciraolo

**SH Catholic Academy** *Principal* Joanne Gangi

**St. Gabriel Society** *Youth Minister* Tom King

Confessions Saturday 3:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy Monday - Friday at 8:00 A.M. Miraculous Medal Novena & Veneration of the Relic of St. Catherine Laboure Mondays after 8:30 A.M. Mass Exposition & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month: 1:00 P.M. to 7:30 P.M. followed by Nocturnal Adoration Prayers (except during Lent) Saturday following First Friday: 7:00A.M. to 8:00A.M.

**Financial Secretary** Liliana Gomez

Parish Secretaries Antoinette McCaffrey Susanne Wolfe

Music Director Charles Nicholson **Pastoral Associate** Nancy Baer

**Trustees** Stephen Nathan John Schatz

**Pastoral Council President** Rosemary Lazenby

# **Celebration of Baptism**

Third Sunday of each month at 1:00 P.M. **Registration:** By appointment; Please contact a Priest or Deacon at the Rectory at least 1 month in advance of the Baptism. Please bring your child's Birth Certificate to Registration. **Instruction:** Arrangements will be made at the time of Registration.

#### **Celebration of Marriage**

Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance, prior to the proposed wedding date. Please log on to www.pre-cana.org for complete information about marriage preparation in the Diocese.

# **Parish Mission Statement**

We, the parishioners of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, established in 1929, are blessed with the responsibility to God, ourselves and to others to share our faith through actions, ministries, witness and prayer. We will love, respect and support each other and our community by being responsive to the needs of our brothers and sisters.

**RECTORY** 83-17 78th Avenue 718-821-6434 **FAITH FORMATION** 84-05 78th Avenue 718-386-5616 **PARISH MINISTRIES** 77-05 84th Street 718-821-3285 **ACADEMY** 84-05 78th Avenue 718-456-6636

Parish: www.sacredheartrccglendale.org Religious Ed.: www.sacredheartreligion.org Academy: www.sacredheartglendale.org



All Masses have been cancelled. However, individual Mass Intentions (that have been requested) will be mentioned at private Masses offered by Fr. Fred & Fr. Fullum. Please note that no new Mass Intentions are being accepted at this time.

**SATURDAY** APRIL 18 Mass Intention Antonina Fiducia

# SUNDAY APRIL 19 SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

Mass IntentionJacob Kossmann (Anniversary)Mass IntentionAnita ProkeschMass IntentionFor the People of the Parish &<br/>John Tronzano, John Francis Leonard<br/>Roy Michael Von Westernhagen

MONDAY

Mass Intention

#### TUESDAY APRIL 21

SAINT ANSELM, Bishop & Doctor of the Church Mass Intention Perna Pucci

**Olivia Kurcsics** 

**APRIL 20** 

WEDNESDAYAPRIL 22Mass IntentionHilda Lazenby

THURSDAYAPRIL 23SAINT GEORGE, MartyrSAINT ADALBERT, Bishop & MartyrMass IntentionMargaret & Frank Marino

#### FRIDAY APRIL 24

**ST. FIDELIS OF SIGMARINGEN, Priest & Martyr** Mass Intention Anita Prokesch

#### SATURDAY APRIL 25

SAINT MARK, EvangelistMass IntentionAnita ProkeschMass IntentionDeceased Members of the<br/>Kuerner & Lensler Families

Memorials of Host & Wine, Altar Candles and Flowers (that have been requested) from March 21st through the entirety of the closure of our Church, will be honored in the second half of the year. Arrangements will be made prior to the opening of the Mass book for the period of July 1 through December 31, 2020.

The Tabernacle Candle continues to burn during this time.

The TABERNACLE CANDLE has been donated this week in loving memory of: PERNA PUCCI by Her Children



LET US PRAY for all the men and women who are serving in our Armed Forces especially: John David Schatcle, US Navy, SGT Jonathan Femenella, US Army, SP4 Cody Nelson, US Army Infantry, Kevin Shaloo, US Air Force, LT Mark Foris, US Navy, LTC Eileen Frances Gillespie, US Army, Captain Jeanmarie Kratzer, US Army, Paul Eric Krische, US Navy, ILTC Keith Nonnenmann, US Navy, Joshua R. Ruiz, US Marine Corp, Capt Alex Spiegel, US Army, 1LT Seamus McCaffrey, US Air Force, LTJG Brian McGowan, US Navy, Matthew McCleary, US Navy, Romeo Soria, Robert Soria, 2LT Zachary Kurre, US Army.

Also, let us pray for all the doctors, nurses, medical staff, researchers, first responders of the FDNY, NYPD & EMTs, Sanitation Workers, Post Office, all the Supermarket workers, Funeral Directors and all those on the front line and behind the scenes working to ensure that all people are taken care of during the COVID-19 Pandemic. God give them strength, protection, patience and compassion to endure this difficult time.



Parish Ministry Office.....Nancy Baer (Located in the Convent basement. Entrance is in the rear.)

ALL PARISH MINISTRY ACTIVITIES ARE CAN-CELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. St. Vincent de Paul Bereavement Group Ladies Guild Prayer Shawl Group Rosary Making Ministry Hospitality Sunday

The Parish Ministry Office and Food Pantry are closed until further notice.



The Sacred Heart Senior Community Guild meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month in the Church Basement @ 11am. Meetings for the Senior Guild are cancelled until further notice. Upcoming Events:

• 51st Anniversary Party. Sit down dinner with beer, wine and soda. \$40/person.

Will be reschedule for September.

 Lancaster & Wind Creek Casino, Sight & Sound Theater, Dutch Apple Dinner Theater. Cost: \$508/person twin, \$629/person single, \$498/person triple. Will be rescheduled for a later date.



The U.S. Census Bureau continues to carefully monitor the coronavirus (Covid-19) situation and follows the guidance of federal, state, and local health authorities.

Right now the easiest way to make sure residents are counted is through self-response online, by phone, or by mail. Emergencies like the COVID-19 pandemic are precisely why our government needs accurate census data. We must all do our part by making sure we self-respond and encourage others in our networks to do so as well.

Residents can self-respond to the census on-line at www.my2020census.gov or speak to a Census worker live by dialing:

844-330-2020 for English 844-468-2020 for Spanish 844-391-2020 Mandarin or 844-398-2020 Cantonese 844-479-2020 Polish For additional language assistance, please visit https://2020census.gov/en/languages.

Do your part. Stay home. Get counted. my2020census.gov.



### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: A CALL FOR CONFIDENCE

The Church on April 19th will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. Devotion to the Divine Mercy is an authentic spiritual movement within the Catholic Church, promoted by Sister Faustina Kowalska, who was canonized April 30,2000.

Pope John Paul II announced: "Throughout the world, the Second Sunday of Easter will be given the name Divine Mercy Sunday."

Faustina Kowalska was born in the rural village of Giogowiec, Poland on August 5, 1905. At 20, she was admitted to the convent of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Warsaw. For the next 13 years, she carried out humble tasks as cook, gardener and porter. She died in Krakow on October 5, 1938.

While living her hidden, humble life, she began to be favored with the mystical experience of consecration to the Divine Mercy. She received visions, revelations and hidden stigmata (the wounds of Jesus) and, at the suggestion of her spiritual director, began to write about these experiences in her diary in 1934. Faustina Kowalska's life was entered on the proclamation of Divine Mercy to every human being. Her spiritual legacy to the Church is devotion to the Divine Mercy, inspired by a vision in which Jesus himself asked that a portrait be painted of him with the inscription, "Jesus I trust in you," which she commissioned to a painter in 1935.

Sister Faustina's diary entitled "Divine Mercy in My Soul," revealed how Our Lord entrusted her with the mission to proclaim to the world once again, the evangelical message of his mercy and to establish new ways of devotion to God in his attribute of mercy for all especially those in greatest need. *The essential and fundamental characteristic of devotion to the* 

Divine Mercy is <u>trust in Jesus</u>, a point which the Lord stresses, according to St. Faustina's diary.

All forms of devotion to the Divine Mercy must stem from trust, according to the revelations given to the Polish nun, whether it is venerating the image of Divine Mercy or praying the chaplet of Divine Mercy or observing the hour of great Mercy - 3:00 in the afternoon, the time that Jesus died on the Cross - or receiving the sacraments on the feast of Divine Mercy. *The devotion revealed to St. Faustina urges the faithful to act daily with a spirit of mercy toward their neighbor, with prayers, words and deeds.* 



#### FIRST READING

They ate their meals with exultation and sincerity of heart, praising God and enjoying favor with all the people. (Acts 2:46b-47a)

### PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, his love is everlasting. (Ps 118) or Alleluia

### SECOND READING

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy gave us a new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. (1 Pt 1:3-9)

# GOSPEL

Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." (Jn 20:19-31)

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# **WORSHIP & MEDITATION**



#### GOSPEL MEDITATION Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

A person was going through a very dark time, questioning the meaning of life, not feeling very purposeful or worthwhile, and feeling disconnected and unappreciated. Suddenly, they gazed up at the night sky, found themselves in awe of all the stars and constellations, and exclaimed, "I am here on purpose and I am loved!" Having been brought by God to this moment of intense connection and awareness, his life changed from that moment on.

If we are always preoccupied with the challenges, obligations, and stuff of daily life, we can easily miss the wonderful opportunities when the resurrected Christ is knocking at our door. If we open ourselves to the fullness of experience, we will find ourselves listening and embracing all that is around us, being caught up in the magnificence of creation's grandeur and knowing in our heart and soul that God is and I am.

While that sounds like a simple, tell-me-something-I don't-know kind of revelation, it is life changing when it takes root in the depth of a person's soul. Stumbling upon this awesome truth and internalizing it doesn't require an assent of the mind. It beckons for a claim on our soul. We find ourselves knowing something profound that cannot be explained or reasoned, but purely is. When we are caught up in an experience and encounter the truth, it doesn't matter how all of the pieces got put together. Truth is simply truth. The "my Lord and my God" responses we utter are not evoked because all of the pieces of faith and life make reasonable sense. The "my Lord and my God" affirmations come when we are lifted up out of our preoccupations and silliness and are in the presence of mystery and mercy.

God is mystery, one who is beyond our grasp but at the same time within our reach, knowable yet unknowable. And when in the presence of mystery, there comes an intense experience of mercy. We know deep within the essence of ourselves — and in the very life of creation — this beating, unconditionally accepting, life-sustaining, profound, mysterious yet familiar presence of love. We have found our peace. "Peace be with you." Breathe in and breathe out. Peace.





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