

# Sacred Heart Cathedral



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### Cathedral Office Hours

Monday—Thursday 9:00 am — 3:00 pm  
(We close for Mass and lunch 12:10 pm—12:40 pm)  
Friday 9:00 am — Noon

### MASS TIMES

#### **Weekend Masses**

Saturday 4:00 pm  
Sunday 7:00 am, 9:15 am & 11:15 am

#### **Daily Mass**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday at 12:10 pm  
Tuesday at 7:30 am

### CELEBRATION OF PENANCE

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 11:30 am — Noon  
Friday, 4:45 — 5:30 pm and Saturday 2:30 pm — 3:30 pm

**April 19, 2026**  
**Third Sunday Of Easter**

Praised be Jesus Christ!

The Gospel this Sunday recounts the “Road to Emmaus” event, when the Risen Lord appeared alongside two disciples walking from Jerusalem to a small town named Emmaus. Their eyes were prevented from recognizing him, and so they openly discussed all of the recent events that had taken place regarding Jesus’ crucifixion, as well as an early account of his post-resurrection appearance to the women at the tomb.

After listening to them, Our Lord says: “Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?” And then the Gospel notes: “[B]eginning with Moses and all the prophets, **he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures.**”

What an incredible Old Testament study that must have been! We can only guess as to the exact passages that Our Lord pointed during this conversation. But I think its reasonable to assume that the interpretations he gave were passed on in the early Church and included in the contents of the early apostolic preaching.

In fact, the first reading this Sunday is probably one such example.

In it, St. Peter is preaching on the day of Pentecost and during his “sermon” to all of the people gathered in Jerusalem, he references Psalm 16:

*I saw the Lord ever before me, with him at my right hand I shall not be disturbed. Therefore, my heart has been glad and my tongue has exulted; my flesh, too, will dwell in hope, **because you will not abandon my soul to the netherworld, nor will you suffer your holy one to see corruption.** You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.*

Note the specific line: “[You will not] suffer your holy one to see corruption.” This is a psalm of David, but Peter makes the point that this cannot possibly be a psalm about David himself.

Why?

Because David died and was buried and the location of this tomb was known by all. David definitely “saw corruption!” Therefore, Peter reasons, this psalm must be a prophesy to be fulfilled in someone else. Peter then announces its present fulfillment in Jesus Christ, risen from the dead. He is the true Holy One, foretold from of old.

Every Sunday we say in the Creed that Our Lord “rose again on the third day, in accordance with the Scriptures”—although most Catholics would probably be unable to point out exactly where in the Scriptures his resurrection was foretold! Our first reading today provides one such example.

In the hearts of Jesus and Mary,  
Fr. Peter Van Lieshout



**PRAY FOR OUR DECEASED**

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of all of our faithful departed

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.*



**Saturday, April 18, 2026**

*Acts 6:1-7; Jn 6:16-21*

2:30 pm—3:30 pm  
3:00 pm  
4:00 pm

Confession  
Rosary  
John Vorrasi—Family  
Clyde Carl Sullivan—Patty Cost  
Jeffrey Neeley—Judith Kiehl  
Intentions of Kristen Helms—Becky Urlacher

**Sunday, April 19, 2026—Third Sunday Of Easter**

*Acts 2:14, 22-33, 1 Pt 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35 (46)*

7:00 am  
9:15 am

For the people of the Cathedral  
Dina Carfagna—Children  
Virginia, Paul Sr. & Children—Family  
Buckley Family—Mary Jane  
Burke Family—Mary Jane  
Lucy Gallo—Mary & Joe Giorgi

**Monday, April 20, 2026**

*Acts 6:8-15*

11:30 am—Noon  
12:10 pm

Confession  
Maria Simeone—Family

**Tuesday, April 21, 2026**

*Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35*

7:30 am

Barbara Hanna—Kevin Hanna

**Wednesday, April 22, 2026**

*Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40*

11:30—Noon  
12:10 pm  
7:00 pm

Confession  
Maureen O'Driscoll  
*Confirmation—We welcome the following parishes: Holy Spirit & St. Joseph*

**Thursday, April 23, 2026**

*Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51*

11:30—Noon  
12:10 pm  
7:00 pm

Confession  
Lisa Correia—Dcn. Mike & Angela Kristan  
*Confirmation—We welcome the following parishes: St. Christopher's, Brighton Parishes & St. John Of Rochester*

**Friday, April 24, 2026**

*Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59*

11:30 am—Noon  
12:10 pm  
4:45 pm—5:30 pm

Confession  
Cosmo Macera—Wife, Giuseppina  
Confession

**Saturday, April 25, 2026—St. Mark, Evangelist**

*1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20*

2:30 pm—3:30 pm  
3:00 pm  
4:00 pm

Confession  
Rosary  
For the people of the Cathedral

**Sunday, April 26, 2026—Fourth Sunday Of Easter  
World Day Of Prayer for Vocations**

*Acts 2:14a, 36-41, 1 Pt 2:20b-25; Jn 10:1-10*

7:00 am  
9:15 am

Bernard, Rita & Bernard Coniff Jr.—Michael Coniff  
Lt. John Sensabaugh—RPD Booking  
Joseph Juliano Sr.—Carl Juliano  
John Vorrasi—Family  
Ed & Marion Vorrasi—Family  
Sal Magliozzi—Sally & Guy Pietrantonio

11:15 am

**Congratulations to our newly Confirmed students from Sacred Heart Cathedral Community:**

Many thanks to our catechists Deacon Mike Kristan, Paul Domagola and Madelyn Garcia for their willingness to share their faith, and their time on various Thursdays throughout the year.

Special thanks to *Fr. Van Lieshout* for sharing his knowledge and gift of teaching to our students and inspiring them to continue to learn and grow in the faith as well as to defend it when necessary.



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**St. Marianne Cope Parish**  
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Following the 4:30pm Mass

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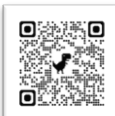
**Thank you for your generosity!**  
Your steadfast, sacrificial financial support keeps our Cathedral parish running and able to serve God and our neighbors.

*Parish Offertory for April 11 & 12, 2026*

<b>Actual</b>	<b>Goal</b>	<b>Variance</b>
<b>\$10,382</b>	<b>\$9,750</b>	<b>+\$632</b>

<b>YTD Actual</b>	<b>YTD Goal</b>	<b>YTD Variance</b>
<b>\$392,467</b>	<b>\$359,500</b>	<b>+\$32,967</b>

**CONSIDER USING THE ONLINE GIVING PLATFORM:**



Electronic giving, via the QR code or website, is simple and convenient way to support the Cathedral Parish, either on a one-time, weekly or monthly basis.

**LEAVE A LEGACY:** Remember Sacred Heart Cathedral in your Will! Doing so is a meaningful and tangible way of leaving a legacy that will benefit future generations of Catholics.

**The Most Reverend John S. Bonnici, Bishop of Rochester**  
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### Stand Together For Life

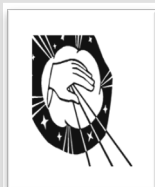
Date: Saturday, April 25, 2026  
Time: 9:15 am — Rosary 9:45 am — Program Starts  
Where: Planned Parenthood 114 University Ave.

**Our featured speaker is Julio Negrón, founder of Wakem-Up Ministries**

Bring your family and friends to a peaceful, public witness to God's gift of life.

**Step Up and Stand Together in Christ**

### PRAY FOR OUR SICK



Bernadette Anastasi, Shirley Atwell, Gary M. Butterfield, Manjo Das, Scott Davis, Muriel DeMartino, Robert DiFulio, Heidi Erb, Frank Campione, Deborah Hard, Sr. Joan Hilbert, RSM, Kristin Helms, Jon Herron, Andrew Mastin, John McGarvey, Irene Morgan, Fr. Thomas P. Mull, Susie Shoemaker, Sharon Springer, Susan Spinosa, Donald Stiner, Candice Verdon

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