Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish

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PASTOR: Rev. Andrew Kurovsky Pastor Emeritus: Msgr. Peter Madus PASTORAL ASSOCIATE: Gayle Castellani Assistants: Ellen March and Betsy Kondrat

BUSINESS MANAGER: Colleen Hart Receptionist: Anne Berardi DIRECTOR OF WORSHIP: Jonathan Mengoni MINISTER OF MUSIC: Ernest Mengoni MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil - 4:00 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. **Tues & Thurs - 12:10 p.m.; Wed & Fri 7:00 a.m.** RECONCILIATION Saturday: 3:00 p.m., or by appointment OFFICE EMAIL: shjoffice@shjpeck.org PASTOR'S EMAIL: FrAndy@shjpeck.org WEBSITES: www.SacredHeartPeckville.org, FAITH FORMATION CENTER: 570-383-2777 Gayle Castellani: 570-892-0231 Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Nov 3, 2019

REFLECTION

Up a Tree? Today's Gospel tells the story of Zacchaeus perched in a sycamore tree so he can see Jesus as he passes through Jericho. Imagine his shock when Jesus comes to him, looks up and says, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today, I must stay at your house." If this happened to you, would you be able to respond as Zacchaeus did? Would you be surprised that Jesus sought you out and knew you by name? Would you climb down quickly as Jesus asked or would you stall for time? What about Jesus telling Zacchaeus,"...today I must stay at your house"? Would you come up with a million reasons why that would not be a good idea? Although Zacchaeus was not expecting this upclose and personal encounter, he didn't hesitate to repent, call Jesus "Lord" and agreed to pay restitution four times over! Many would agree that Zacchaeus, being not just a tax collector but a chief tax collector, was a lost soul. But Jesus said to him, "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost." Are you up a tree like Zacchaeus? Unburden yourself and quickly come down with confidence to seek communion with Our Lord! Invite Him to your house today as you pray, "Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed." When your soul is healed, the mind and body will follow. Praise God!

Fr. Kurovsky is away this weekend for the wedding of his nephew. Please remember Jonathan and Katie Birchmier-Fendler in your prayers, as well as all those preparing for marriages.



REMEMBRANCE MASS WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6th

A special MASS OF REMEMBRANCE will be celebrated on Wednesday evening, November 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. with a light reception to follow in Holy Family Hall. All of the names of those buried from our church in the past year will

be acknowledged during the liturgy with a special presentation. At this mass we will also remember all of your deceased family members and friends. Our parish community has the opportunity to come together and to support one another as we pray for all those who have gone before us. Please plan to attend and bring your family and friends.

Erternal rest grant unto them, oh Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



JUBILEE 75

Our total raised to date is \$193,740 for which we are very grateful! Our goal is \$450,000.00 to be raised before Christmas, so we have our work cut out for us. Our campaign volunteers met last week and have begun calling parish members for a pledge and to answer any questions. A BIG thank you to all who have pledged already!

Please examine your heart in prayer and make a pledge within your means-which can be paid over a three-year period. Those who can, please consider a payment—\$83.33 quarterly for the period of three years Please participate with what you can! Watch our thermometer rise weekly as we reach for the goal!

Jubilee Volunteer Meeting will be Thurs., Nov. 7th at 7:00pm

<u> Memorials Nov. 4 – Nov. 10, 2019</u>	
Altar Candle	
In Memory of Alfred Bonanni (Family)	
Tabernacle, Bread & Wine	
In Memory of: Kenneth "Butch" Stevens	
(Family)	
	Mass Intentions
<u>Mon., Nov. 04</u>	*No Mass
Tue., Nov. 05	June/Kathy Preschutti
12:10 p.m.	(Frank/Diane Pazzaglia)
-	Joseph Parchinsky
	(M/M William Dunstone)
Wed., Nov. 06	Frank Blasi, Sr.
7:00 a.m.	(JoAnne Barron)
	Rita Tedeschi (Diane/Melissa Mellow)
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Thu., Nov. 07	Teresa Margotta / Claude Fanucci
12:10 p.m.	(Roy/Dennis Fanucci)
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Fri., Nov. 08	Charles Colarusso
7:00 a.m.	(Pete Larioni/Michelle Chellino)
	Joseph Ghilardi
	(Melinda/Alicia/Gemma)
Sat., Nov. 09	
4:00 p.m.	Robert Vanderburg
Ŷ	(Mary Ann Colarusso)
	Anita Lesho (Family)
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<u>Sun., Nov. 10</u>	Dec'd Members of the Paparelli Family
8:00 a.m.	(Jean Marie Paparelli)
10:00 a.m.	Dec'd Members of the Parish
	Bruno Pambianco (Family)

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#### **Remember in Your Prayers**

In the charity of your prayers, please remember the sick, the suffering, the bereaved, and those who have recently died, especially Silvia Celli and Ellen Hubal

# ALL SOULS

We should pray for the dead throughout the year, especially on the anniversary of their death. In this Month of the Holy Souls, we should devote some time every day to pray for the dead. We could start with those closest to us, but we should also offer prayers for all souls, and especially for those most forsaken.

# HANDICAP PARKING & ENTRANCE AVAILABILITY

There are 8 handicap parking spaces provided near our Mott St. entrance. There are also 6 handicap parking spaces available in the Willow St. parking lot. Walking from the Willow St. parking lot, the handicap door is located about 15 ft. before the main Willow St. Entrance.

# FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Sunday Offering for Oct. 27, 2019 was \$7,644.50 Misc. \$ 522.00 Total \$ 8,166.50 May God bless you for your continued support of SHJ.

# "The Round Church ... Where There's Room For Everyone."



# LITURGICAL BIBLE STUDY

Join us in the St. Francis Room of the Parish Center on Thursday evening, from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., as we reflect on the readings for the Thirty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time,

November 10th. All are welcome!

1st Reading: Gospel:

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 Luke 20:27-38

The more times you read and meditate on the readings, the more you discover and learn. This deeper understanding will ultimately help you connect the Scripture to daily life in a meaningful way. Please join us!



#### **CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR** BAPTISM

Baptism Matteo Forgione was baptized at Sacred Heart of Jesus on Sunday, Oct., 27th. Matteo is the son of Rocco and Jessica Forgione. Congratulations to the newest member of our Sacred Heart of Jesus family!

# WANT TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

There will be a training for new altar servers this Sunday, Nov. 3rd from 1:00 p.m.—2:00 p.m. in the Church. If you haven't yet signed up but are interested, you are still welcome to come to this training. Parents are asked to come into the Church with your child to complete a short availability form.

#### LECTOR MEETING—NEW VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!

There will be a lector meeting on Thursday, Nov. 14th at 6:30 p.m. in Holy Family Hall. The new lector workbooks will be distributed. If you aren't afraid to speak in front of people, have a clear speaking voice and a desire to spread the Good News-the Lector Ministry is for you! If interested in this ministry, please join us at this meeting to learn more about becoming a lector at SHJ. We would love to have you join this exceptional group of volunteers!

# **CURSILLO ULTRYEA NOV. 17TH**

On Sunday, Nov. 17th from 2-4 p.m. SHJ will be hosting an Ultryea in Holy Family Hall. What is Cursillo Ultryea? Ultryea is a Spanish word, derived from the original Latin, meaning Onward! Cursillo is Spanish for little course. Specifically in the teachings of Jesus. The goal of the Cursillo Movement is to make Christ the prime influence in society. Cursillo is often described as a retreat. While there is quiet time and reflection, there is more discussion among peers than in most retreats. Perhaps, it is best described as an experience of living in Christian community. Come and see what Cursillo is all about. Meet wonderful, solid Catholics from your parish and beyond. Open to all! Prayer, fellowship, and light refreshments will be offered.

# THANKS GIVING FOOD DRIVE

Our Faith Formation program will be collecting much needed non-perishable food items on the weekends of Nov. 9/10, Nov. 16/17 and Nov. 23/24 to be distributed to area families in need. Items can be placed in drop-off baskets at each entryway of the Church or the Parish Center. Please help us make this Thanksgiving blessed and plentiful for all.





#### **DESIGNER PURSE BINGO**

Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish 3rd Annual Purse Bingo will be held next Sunday, November 10, 2019, at 3:00 p.m. in Holy Family Hall. Donations of raffle baskets are still needed and welcomed! Call Heather

Skapyak at 570-815-1718. All proceeds directly support our parish. We appreciate your support!

#### **INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH???**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to Catholicism. Candidates are gradually introduced to aspects of Catholic beliefs and practices. An information meeting will be held on Wednesday, Dec., 4th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center for anyone interested in the RCIA program, as well as any adult interested in deepening their understanding of the Catholic faith. Registration is not needed for the information night, and the entire course is free of charge. If you have any questions, please call Gayle at 570-892-0231.

### ARE YOU IN NEED OF PRAYER

Access to our Prayer Line Ministry is available in three ways. To make an intention for yourself or a loved one, you can call Ginny at 570-499-5578, complete a Prayer Request form located on the table at the Willow St. entrance of the church or email her at ricyaz@comcast.net. Ginny Yazinski and her team of volunteers will be happy to join you in praying for your intention(s) for 7 davs. You may renew your request at any time. "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace." Philippians 4:6-7

#### PIG IN THE BLANKET DINNER

Shopa-Davey VFW Post 6082 will conduct a Pig In The Blanket Dinner at the post home 123 Electric St., Peckville on Sunday, Nov. 10, 2019. Serving from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. or until sold out. Tickets are \$11.00 from a member or at the door. Take outs will be available.

# VFW POPPY SALE

Shopa Davey VFW will celebrate their Veterans Day Service next Saturday, Nov., 9, 2019 at the 4:00 p.m. mass. They will also be selling Poppies after each mass.

# PA FOR HUMAN LIFE ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Pennsylvanians for Human Life will hold its 45th Anniversary Dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 12, 2019 at Fiorelli Catering, 1501 Main St., Peckville, PA. We will also honor Helen Goshler, President, as she retires from 37 years of service. The cost is \$35.00 per person. Social hour begins at 6:00 p.m. and dinner is at 7:00 p.m. RSVP by Nov. 5th by calling 570-343-5099 or 570-347-8299. Thank you!

#### **DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL GOAL**

Our parish goal is \$44,000.00, and currently we raised \$25,476.00 or 57.9% which is very good. Please consider a donation or a pledge today. Thank you for your generosity to this most worthy cause.