

SACRED HEART CHURCH

MOUNT VERNON, NEW YORK

SERVED BY

REV. MONSIGNOR HOWARD W. CALKINS, PASTOR
FR. BENJAMIN U. UZUEGBUNAM, PAROCHIAL VICAR
SISTER ELIZABETH MCCARTHY, R.S.M., PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 7:30, 9:30, 12:15 p.m.
Weekdays: Monday thru Friday - 8:30 a.m.,
12:10 p.m.
Saturday - 12:10 p.m.
Feast Days: 8:30 a.m. 12:10 p.m., 7:30 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Daily - 12:00 noon
Saturday - 4:30 to 5:00 p.m.
Other times by request.

DEVOTIONS

Miraculous Medal - Every Monday
St. Anthony - Every Tuesday
Mother Cabrini - Every Wednesday
Sacred Heart - Every Friday
Our Lady of Fatima - First Saturday
All of the above at Noon

BAPTISMS:

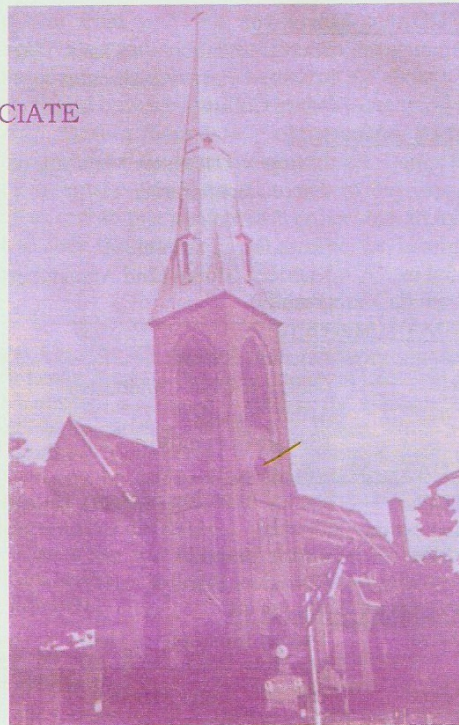
By appointment. Parents are asked to attend instructional programs before the date of Baptism. Baptism is conferred more appropriately at the weekend Mass. Special arrangements can be made at the Rectory.

MARRIAGES:

Arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

VISITATION MINISTRY:

To the Homebound - call **668-7440**



PARISH HOUSE

115 Sharpe Blvd. So.
668-7440

To contact Sr. Elizabeth McCarthy, call
803-1194

SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Sharpe Blvd. So. & 2nd Street
Principal: Ms. Lisa Cornelius
667-1734

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Adult - Special Program (RCIA)
Children - Sunday School Program
Alison Nicholas, Coordinator

**Mass Intentions
Third Sunday of Lent**

SATURDAY—March 10

5:00 p.m. Special Intention—a Thank You
to Sacred Heart Parishioners
(Mary Collins)

SUNDAY—March 11

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of
Sacred Heart Parish

9:30 a.m. +Livy McWilliam
(Ruth Baron & Family)

12:15 p.m. +Kathleen Moran (2nd Anniversary)
(Family)

MONDAY— March 12

8:30 a.m. +Michael J. Cross
(Harry & Dian Chiamulera)

12:10 p.m. +Arthur Saunders
(Saunders Family)

TUESDAY—March 13

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Henry Bazon
(Family)

12:10 p.m. +Arthur Saunders
(Saunders Family)

WEDNESDAY—March 14

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Henry Bazon
(Family)

12:10 p.m. +Gilberto Angel Martinez
(Msgr. Calkins)

THURSDAY—March 15

8:30 a.m. +William (Scholasticus) Pyke
(1st Anniversary)
(Alison Nicholas)

12:10 a.m. +Rose Bazon
(Henry Bazon & Family)

FRIDAY— March 16

8:30 a.m. +John Dolan
(Peg Parker)

12:10 p.m. +John J. & Dorothy G. Slattery
(Family)

SATURDAY—March 17

12:10 p.m. +Mr. & Mrs. Emanuel Tribie
(Fritz & Elza Hodgson)

SATURDAY - March 17

5:00 p.m. +John Anderson
(Mary Anderson)

SUNDAY—March 18

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of
Sacred Heart Church

9:30 a.m. +Kathleen Hypolite
(Helen Bratton)

12:15 p.m. Special Intention of Brian Simpson
24th Birthday
(Mother, Ann Marie Powell)

God's Plan for Giving—Tithing

March 4, 2012

Tithe: \$5,155.22

Adults: 302

Children: 47

Envelopes: \$3,805.37

Other: \$1,349.85

(last year: \$5,146.30)

Expenses: \$4,695.30

Second Collection next weekend is for the Catholic Relief Service

Pastor's Comments: This is the Third Sunday of Lent, and I thank you for your continued support of our Tithing Program. Your almsgiving makes a difference in putting our faith into action.

Parishioner Comments: I know my tithe serves God; it is His Word. I pray that I will be rewarded by the promise of the Lord. I also know that our Lenten Season is a special time for giving, fasting and prayer.

Please remember in your prayers:

Sarah Walter, Kevin Duffy, Denise Wyche, Gary Walker, Pat Marlar, George Walker, Rita Hoyer, Sister Mary Meyler, Beulah Nedd, Juliette Bazon, Benedicte Sangu, William Saunders, Robert Howard, Doris and Tony Applebey, Terry Harris, Nicole Rocci, Margaret Campagne, Robert Hayes, Veronica Horsford, Pedro Martin, Etle Neil, Amy Greco, Dorothy Reese, Mark Francis, Ruth Armstrong, Leila Tebout, Sister Marge Moon, Fr. Joseph Hagga, Maria Rondon, Rita Godwin, Horace Roundtree, Sal DiPietro, Fr. Owen J. Lafferty, Tina Rweyemamu, Bernie McCormack, Marcus Wyre, Sister Greta Kelleher, Anthony Liverpool, Michael Thomas, Barbara Carey-Hamby, Angelina Costantini, Kevin Fenwick, Juanita Clay, Jean Arrizaga, Jean Sooklall, Michael Greelish, Anatolie Desir, John Tombak, Wallace Davenport, Jean Claude Harabaud, Evelyn Small, Lucia Calvano, Eloise Callaway, Jeanne Flueringes, Debra Franz, Kevin Lowther, Ainsley Smith, Marc Torchon, Jean Ketel, Diva Walters, Angela Brammer, Henry Bazon, Ann Etere, Carlos Perez, Marianne Russell

Readings of the Week

Sunday: Ex 17; 3-7; Rom 5; 1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4; 5-42 or 4; 45-15; 19b-26, 39a, 40-42
RCIA: Ex 17:3-7, Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4; 5-15
19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5; 1-15b; Lk 4:24-30 or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4: 5-42

Tuesday: Dn 3; 25, 34-43; Mt 18; 21-35; or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4: 5-42

Wednesday: Deu 4; 1,5-9; Mt 5: 17-19 or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4; 5-42

Thursday: Jer 7; 23-28; Lk 11; 14-23 or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4: 5-42

Friday: Hos 14; 2-10; Mk 12: 28-34 or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4; 5-42

Saturday: Hos 6; 1-6; Lk 18; 9-14; or
Ex 17; 1-7; Jn 4; 5-42

Next Sunday: 2 Crr 36; 14-16, 19-23; Eph 2; 4-10;
Jn 3; 14-21
RCIA: 1 Sm 16; 1b, 6-7; 10-13a;
Eph 5; 8-14; Jn 9; 1-41 or 9; 1,6-9,
13-17, 34-38

Meetings:

Monday, March 12—Legion of Mary—4:00 p.m.
Thursday, March 15—Pax Christi—7:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 17—Children's Choir Rehearsal—3:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 18—French Mass—4:30 p.m.

Quiet Time and Prayer

Six times a week we are invited to spend some time with our God...reflecting on the Word, interceding for our needs, emptying ourselves and inviting God to enter. Eucharist Adoration 7:00 a.m.—8:00 a.m. morning prayer.

Daily Eucharist

How blessed we are to celebrate Mass each day...so many cannot. Try making the sacrifice to attend daily Eucharist as often as possible...8:30 a.m. and 12:10 p.m.

To Walk the Walk

Each Friday evening we gather for the *Stations of the Cross* at 7:00 p.m. Bible Study will follow at 7:30 p.m. Father Benjamin is offering an impressive course in Bible study in the Fr. Murray Room. All are invited to attend...bring your Bible and a hunger for the Word.

The Office of Black Ministry, Southern Westchester

Committee is inviting you to join them for *Sights and Sounds*, new musical, *Jonah!* The event is scheduled for Saturday, April 28, 2012 at the cost of \$145.00 per person. Departure from Sacred Heart is promptly at 7:15 a.m. for Lancaster, Pa. The cost includes coach transportation, luncheon and show. Please call Maureen Webb at 914-513-7279 or email at mwebb61@aol.com for reservation. A deposit of \$75.00 will hold your space, and balance must be received by Monday, March 12, 2012.

Lenten Fast and Abstinence: "Fasting" requires that only one full meal be taken per day. Two other meals may be taken during the day to maintain physical strength, but those two meals together should not equal a full meal in quantity. Fasting obliges all those who have reached the age of 18 and continues to age 59. Those not specifically obliged to fast are encouraged to join in the discipline of fasting to the extent that they are able.

"Abstinence" prohibits individuals from eating meat on a particular day. Abstinence obliges all those who are reached the age of 14 and continues to oblige throughout their entire life. Those not specifically obliged to abstain from eating meat are encouraged to join in this discipline to the extent that they are able.

Good Friday is a day of **fast and abstinence.** Fridays in Lent are days of **abstinence.**

Women's Cornerstone Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28. The Women's Cornerstone Retreat at Sacred Heart is an opportunity to renew and strengthen your faith and at the same time grow in your experience of a Christian community. It is also a way to meet and interact with other people in a warm welcoming environment both on a personal and spiritual level. For additional information, please call Fay St. Hilaire at 917-783-1384 or Laneeka Ffrench at 917-257-9497.

Our beautiful Paschal Candle a sign of the Risen Lord may be given in memory of a loved one! Please contact Vi Sharpe at the rectory 914-668-7440 for details.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

How are you doing? How are we doing this Lent? Doing? ... more faithful to our prayers, more attentive to the children, preparing my homily or your homework, reaching out to a neighbor, fixing up a broken relationship, putting an extra quarter in the "rice bowl," send an e-mail to a someone who needs to hear from you. Or maybe *not* doing? Like smoking, dessert, video games (at least for two days!) endless telephone calls or new sneakers. What's this all about? To prioritize our time and how we spend it; it *is* the one thing that all of us "spend." Putting "boundaries" on ourselves, learning to discipline our appetites, our desires and curb our wants. But most of all we undertake *sacrifices* as a sign of our love for Another, to die to self so that the Lover will become all in all. It's important to seek the grace of Lent, a time for letting go and letting God.

Monsignor Calkins

St. Catherine's Church, 25 Second Ave. Pelham, N. Y. is announcing their Lenten Program Monday evenings of Lent 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This program is designed to enhance the spiritual life of every participant. In the parish center, the Rev. Robert Barron's ten part series DVD entitled "*Catholicism*" will be presented. Following each episode there will be half-hour set aside for participants to respond and discuss. "*Catholicism*" is a vivid and compelling exploration—celebration of the teaching, spirituality, art and beauty of the Catholic Church that was filmed on fifty locations in fifteen countries. All are welcome to join. For additional information, please call 914-738-1491.

First Scrutiny at the 9:30 Mass... Our Catechumens and Candidates, in preparation for the Easter Vigil, will be prayed for publicly in the Ceremony of Scrutiny. Please keep them in your prayers.

The Stewardship Appeal 2012... This weekend we plan our in-pew commitment to the Appeal. Alison Nicholas and Vi Sharpe, committee members, will be available to assist you with your pledge. Please prayerfully consider your 2012 Stewardship Appeal donation and, if you have not yet made your pledge, envelopes will be distributed and pledges can be made over a five month period. Thank you.

Couples celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary anytime during 2012 are invited to attend the Annual Golden Wedding Jubilee Mass with Cardinal Egan, principal celebrant, at the Cathedral of St. Patrick, Sunday, April 29th at 2:00 p.m. Pre-registration is required. Please contact the rectory for registration. The closing date for the Mass is Friday, April 13, 2012. This event is sponsored by the Family Life/Respect Life Office of the Archdiocese of New York.

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