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:

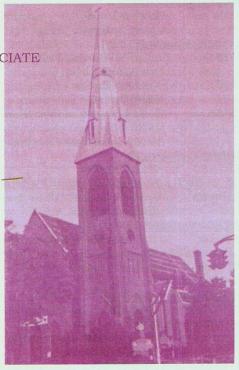
By appointment. Parents are asked to attend instructional programs before the date of Baptism. Baptism is conferred more appropriately at the weekend Mass. Special arrangements can be made at the Rectory.

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 Fourth Sunday of Lent

SATURDAY—March 17

5:00 p.m. +John Anderson

(Mary Anderson)

SUNDAY—March 18

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of

Sacred Heart Parish

9:30 a.m. +Kathleen Hypolite

(Helen Bratton)

12:15 p.m. +Special Intention of Brian Simpson

24th Birthday

(Mother, Ann Marie Powell)

MONDAY- March 19

8:30 a.m. +James Gannon

(Peg Parker)

12:10 p.m. Special Intention of David Evans

(Barbara Heenan)

TUESDAY—March 20

8:30 a.m. For the Suffering Souls in

Purgatory

12:10 p.m. +Kathleen Moran

(Family)

WEDNESDAY—March 21

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of Henry Bazon

(Family)

12:10 p.m. +Fitzgerald Baptiste (Birthday)

(Mom & Dad)

THURSDAY—March 22

8:30 a.m. For the Suffering Souls in

Purgatory

12:10 a.m. For the Suffering Souls in

Purgatory

FRIDAY- March 23

8:30 a.m. For the Suffering Souls in

Purgatory

12:10 p.m. +Sebastian Cacaci (44th Anniversary)

(Joan Cacaci)

SATURDAY -March 24

12:10 p.m. +Rose Bazon

(Henry Bazon & Children)

SATURDAY - March 24

5:00 p.m. +Fred Oliver

(Ivy Oliver)

SUNDAY—March 25

7:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of

Sacred Heart Church

9:30 a.m. Special Intention of

Ray & Marie Cassidy & Family

(Ray & Marie Cassidy)

12:15 p.m. +Theresa Cardillo

(Vi Sharpe)

God's Plan for Giving—Tithing

March 11, 2012

Tithe: \$4,961.22

Adults: 283

Children: 47

Envelopes: \$4,177,00

Other: 784.22

(last year: \$5,666.90)

Expenses: \$5,198.34

<u>Pastor's Comments:</u> This is the Fourth Week of Lent and I thank you for continued support of our Tithe Program. Tithing gives us the opportunity to share as we serve as God's stewards by our sacrificial giving; especially on our Lenten journey.

<u>Parishioner Comments:</u> I am committed to God's Word. He gave His only Son for me. I will always share with the Lord, I am so blessed, grateful and thankful.

Please remember in your prayers:

Sarah Walter, Kevin Duffy, Denise Wyche, Gary Walker, Pat George Walker, Rita Hoyer, Sister Mary Meyler, Beulah Nedd, Marieann Russell, Juliette Bazon, Benedicte Sangu, William Saunders, Robert Howard, Doris and Tony Applebey, Terry Harris, Nicole Rocci, Margaret Campagne, Robert Hayes, Veronica Horsford, Pedro Martin, Ettle 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, Anatalie Desir, John Tombak, Wallace Michael Greelish, Davenport, Jean Claude Harabaud, Evelyn Small, Calvano, Eloise Callaway, Jeanne Flueranges, Debra Franz, Kevin Lowther, Ainsley Smith, Marc Torchon, Jean Ketel, Diva Walters, Angela Brammer, Henry Bazon, Ann Ettere, Carlos Perez

Readings of the Week

Sunday: 2 Chr 36; 14-16, 19-23; Eph 2; 4-10;

Jn 3;14-21 or 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

Monday: 2 Sm 7; 4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4; 13,

16-18, 22; Mt 1,1'6,18-21, 24a,

or Lk 2; 41-51a

Tuesday: Ez 3=47; 1-9, 12; Jn 5; 1-16; or

Mi 7; 7-0; Jn 9: 1-41

Wednesday; Is 49; 8-15; Jn 5: 17-30; or

Mi 7: 7-9; Jn 9: 1-41

Thursday: Ex 32; 7-14; Jn 5: 31-47; or

Mi 7: 7-9; Jn 9: 1-41

Friday: Wis 2; 1a, 12-22; Jn 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30; or

Mi 7; 7-9; Jn 9: 1-41

Saturday Jer 11; 18-20; Jn 7: 40-53; or

Mi 7: 7-9; Jn 9: 1-14

Next Sunday: Jer 31; 31-34; Heb 5; 7-9; Jn 12: 20-33 or

Ez 37; 12-14; Rom 8:8-11; Jn 11: 1-45 ot

11: 3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

Jn 4; 5-42 or 4; 45-15; 19b-26,

39a, 40-42

Meetings:

Today, March 18...French Mass—4:30 p.m. Monday, March 19—Legion of Mary—4:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 21—P. P. C. - 7:00 p.m. Saturday, March 24—Children's Choir Rehearsal—3:00 p.m.

<u>Mark your Calendar</u>...Our Gift Shop will be open next weekend, March 17th and March 18th in the Fr. Murray Room after all Masses.

<u>Second Scrutiny</u> 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 Second Collection this weekend is for the Catholic Relief Services. The Catholic Relief Services provide for the vulnerable, disadvantaged, poor families, individuals and children around the world. Through your generosity women and men will be taught skills they need to provide for their families. Thank you.

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 <u>Friday evening</u> we gather for the <u>Stations of the Cross</u> at 7:00 p.m. <u>Bible Study will follow at 7:30 p.m.</u> 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.

Women's Cornerstone ... Friday, April 27 and Saturday, April 28th, 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 contact Fay St. Hilaire at 917-783-1384 or Laneeka Ffrench at 917-257-9497.

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. Preregistration 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.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

As we began the "scrutinies" last Sunday at the 9:30 Mass, solemn prayers over those preparing for baptism and full initiation into the church at the Easter Vigil, I was struck by the seriousness with which the church takes these final weeks of Lent, not only for the elect but also for all of us. The power of the Evil One is real and only through prayer are we to overcome his deceitfulness. It's a grace to pray, to believe that what we say is heard, to come before the Other, deeply aware of our inadequacies and failures, and yet to know that God-love is greater than our sins and that in our weakness, the Spirit helps us to pray as we ought. May that Holy Spirit move us during these final weeks of this holy season, to find time, to make time, to tithe time, to spend time in prayer.1

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.

The Stewardship Appeal 2012....Sharing God's Gifts ... We owe a debt of gratitude to the devoted priests and religious women and men who have selflessly served the Church and its people for so many years. Through the Appeal, retirement residences are provided that they so well deserve after dedicating their lives to service. For the past few weeks our parish has been conducting the Archdiocesan Stewardship Appeal...is critical to the work and life of the Archdiocese of New York. Thank you for your support.

Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement—Graymoor. The Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement at Graymoor, Garrison, N. Y. and Vincent Mitchell Entertainment invite all to the 9th Annual Benefit Concert for the Sisters at Graymoor. Back by popular demand, the Concert will feature Andy Cooney with Ireland's singing sensation, The Irish Sopranos, and the Andy Cooney Band. The concert will be at the Paramount Center for the Arts in Peekskill, N. Y. TODAY, March 18th at 2:00 p.m. and all proceeds will benefit the ministry of The Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement and the care of their senior sisters. Tickets are \$25.00 each are on sale now at the Sisters Gift Shop at Graymoor or by call 845-230-8228. Tickets are also on sale at the Paramount Box Office, Peekskill, N. Y.

Beginning Experience of the Hudson Valley...Beginning Experience is offering a healing weekend from March 30th to April 1, 2012 at the Mt. Alvernia Retreat Center in Wappinger Falls, N. Y. This invitation is open to men and women of all ages who have suffered the loss of a spouse through death, divorce or separation. It is a time to heal and a time to begin anew. Reservations are required. For information or registration call Beth at 845-373-8202 or Denise at 845-639-3189.