

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:

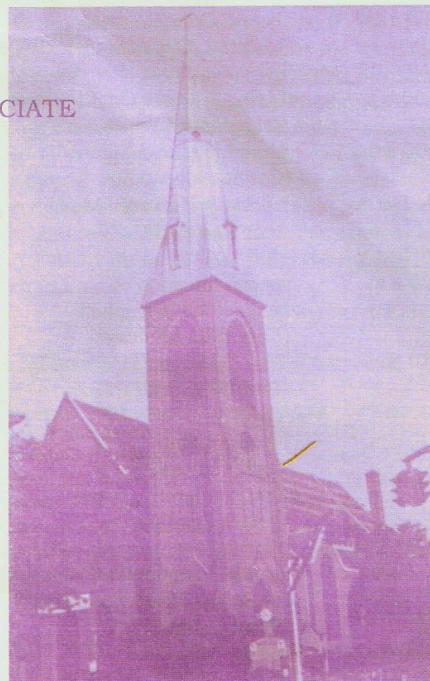
By appointment. Parents are asked to attend instructional programs before the date of Baptism. Baptism is conferred more appropriately at the weekend Mass. Special arrangements can be made at the Rectory.

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 **Second Sunday of Lent**

SATURDAY—March 3

5:00 p.m. +Theresa Como
(Joseph C. DeEttore, Jr.)

SUNDAY—March 4

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

9:30 a.m. +Alred McAuley
(Cynthia McAuley)

12:15 p.m. Living & Deceased Members of
Altar Rosary Society

MONDAY— March 5

8:30 a.m. Special Intention of
Jacqueline J. Campbell
(Cassandra Modeste)

12:10 p.m. +John & Margaret Heenan, Jr.
(Barbara & Joan Heenan)

TUESDAY—March 6

8:30 a.m. +Theresa Como
(Lucia Calvano)

12:10 p.m. +Vicente Marrero Rosado
(Anaya Family)

WEDNESDAY—March 7

8:30 a.m. Special Intention —a Thank you to
the Sacred Heart Food Pantry Members
(Mary Collins)

12:10 p.m. +Nancy Moccio
(Swinging Seniors)

THURSDAY—March 8

8:30 a.m. +William O'Brien
(Bernie & Clare McCormack)

12:10 a.m. Special Intention
(Barbara Hennan)

FRIDAY— March 9

8:30 a.m. +Lawrence Nelson
(Lucia Calvano)

12:10 p.m. Special Intention of Joseph Carmody
for Healing
(Cathleen Carmody)

SATURDAY—March 10

12:10 p.m. Special Intention
(Barbara Heenan)

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 Church

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

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

God's Plan for Giving—Tithing

February 26, 2012

Tithe: \$4,807.67

Adults: 320

Children: 60

Envelopes: \$3,755.05

Other: 1,052.62

(last year: \$5,146.30)

Expenses: \$6,137.92

Pastor's Comments: This is the Second Week of Lent and as we continue on our Lenten journey, each of us can live as God's stewards by our sacrificial giving. It means recommitting ourselves to Christ each day. Your tithe helps the church promote necessary programs we experience during Lent. I thank you as you continue on your Lenten journey.

Parishioner Comments: I discussed with my family the meaning of our sacrifice this Lent and we have decided that we will increase our tithe and be more involved with all Lenten programs.

Please remember in your prayers:

Sarah Walter, Kevin Duffy, Denise Wyche, Gary Walker, Pat Marlar, George Walker, Rita Hoyer, Sister Mary Meyler, Beulah Nedd, Marieann Russell, Juliette Bazon, Kathy O'Grady, Benedicte Sangu, William Saunders, Robert Howard, Doris and Tony Applebey, Terry Harris, Nicole Rocci, Margaret Campagne, Robert Hayes, Veronica Horsford, Pedro Martin, Eitle 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, Anatalie Desir, John Tombak, Wallace Davenport, Jean Claude Harabaud, Evelyn Small, Lucia Calvano, Eloise Callaway, Jeanne Fluercanges, 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: Gen 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18;
Rom 8: 31b-34; Mk 9: 2-10
Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Lk 6: 36-38
Tuesday: Is 1; 10, 16-20; Mt 23: 1-12
Wednesday: Jer 18; 18-20; Mt 20: 17-28
Thursday: Jer 17: 5-10; Lk 16; 19-31
Friday: Gen 37; 3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a;
Mt 21; 33-43; 45-46
Saturday: Mi 7: 14-15, 18-20; Lk 15; 1-3, 11-32
Next Sunday: Ex 17; 3-7; Rom 5; 1-2, 5-8;
Jn 4; 5-42 or 4; 45-15; 19b-26,
39a, 40-42

Just a Reminder! Next weekend we Spring Ahead! Daylight Savings Time begins. Turn your clock ahead one hour!

Meetings:

Today, March 4...The Altar Rosary Society will meet after the 12:15 Mass

Monday, March 5—Legion of Mary—4:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 7. Swinging Seniors will meet after the 12:10 Mass

Wednesday, March 7—the PPC Admin. will meet at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 10—Children's Choir Rehearsal—3:00 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.

Rite of Continuing Conversion... Today our Candidates will be called to the Rite of Continuing Conversion at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Please keep them, their teachers and sponsors in prayer.

Children's Penance Service... will be held on Saturday, March 10th at 1:00 p.m.

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.

We are truly grateful to Cynthia McAuley and her committee for organizing and preparing a wonderful reception on the occasion of the death of Rita Valentine, the recent fire victim. Please keep Mrs. Valentine and family in prayer.

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Even as a child I thought it odd that so early in Lent we would hear the Gospel that tells of the Transfiguration...isn't this a joyous event...the triumphant Christ, instructing the two great prophets, Elijah and Moses, foretelling the Passion that was yet to come? ... is this not the season wherein we focus on the tempted, suffering, broken Lord so as to appreciate the depth of His love and the effect of our sins? It is both! It is the moment for Peter, James, John (and us!) to see Jesus as Christ, as singular Prophet, as beloved Son to whom we must listen. With the Blessed Assurance, it is also intended to strengthen our faith at time of weakness, at moments of darkness, when overwhelmed by loneliness and pain...the Transfigured Christ comes to raise our spirits to affirm our faith and to touch our ears so as "to listen to him." who gives Light and Life to all who pause during this holy season to watch and listen.

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... Next weekend we plan an 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 next weekend. If you have not yet made your pledge, envelopes will be distributed and pledges can be made over a five month period. Thank you.

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. on Sunday, 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.

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.

Mark your Calendar ...Our Gift Shop will be open the weekend of March 17th and March 18th after all Masses in the Fr. Murray Room.