SACRED HEART CHURCH, GREENWICH, CT 06830



Easter Sunday

April 4, 2021

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Parish Office

38 Gold Street Greenwich, CT 06830 Office Hours 9:00 AM— 1:00 PM Monday to Friday

<u>ATTENTION</u> PLEASE ADDRESS ALL YOUR MAIL TO SACRED HEART CHURCH 38 GOLD ST. GREENWICH, CT 06830

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Church) by appointment Sacrament of Baptism Baptisms are celebrated on Sunday at 12:30 PM. Please call the parish office in advance to schedule a Baptism. Sacrament of Matrimony Should be arranged at least 6 months

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<u>Masses</u>

Monday through Friday: 7:00 AM in Chapel Saturday Vigil : 4:00 PM in Church Sunday Masses: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM in Church

PARISH MINISTRIES

Adults Faith Formation – Carole Wiemer Altar Decoration Team- Cecilia Bowers. **Candace Hammond & Maria Carosella** Altar Servers - Father Mark D'Silva **Birthright and Angel Tree - Kathy Wiegand** Buildings & Grounds - John Ciovacco & Donna Mann Care of the Sick – Father Mark D'Silva **Counters – Liz Williams** Hospitality – Isabel Santana Lay-Rep. of the Parish Corp.- Kevin Burns Lay-Rep. of the Parish Corp. - James Vivier Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers – Donald Mohr Liturgical Music – Jan Gunnip Live-Stream - Cecilia Bowers & James Duffy Parish Data Input - Cecilia Bowers Prayer Ministry – Carole Wiemer Prayer Shawl – Minnie Tigano **Religious Education – Father Mark D'Silva** Thanksgiving & Easter Baskets - John Innominato Parish Council Chairperson – Jan Gunnip Finance Council Chairperson – William Dylewsky



THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE FROM THE PARISHIONERS OF SACRED HEART CHURCH



Saturday, April 3—HOLY SATURDAY SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION 7:30 PM †Catherine & Joseph Grygorcewicz—Paula Jablonski & Family Sunday, April 4-EASTER SUNDAY †Geraldine Fratello—Husband, Michael & Family 7:30 AM 9:30 AM **†Frances Kristoff—Family** 11:30 AM Parishioners Monday, April 5-No 7:00 AM Mass **Tuesday, April 6** 7:00 AM **Parishioners** Wednesday, April 7 7:00 AM †Anna & Domenick Latella & Daughter, Joanne Phin— Virginia & Catherine Latella Thursday, April 8 7:00 AM **†Bill Heminway & Tommy Couglin—Alice Neal** Friday, April 9 7:00 ÅM †Rose Cicatelli—The Cicatelli Family Saturday, April 10 4:00 PM *Catherine & Michael Quaranta, Jr. in celebration of Daughter, Michele's Birthdate—Michele Quaranta Sunday, April 11 †Marcel & Ana D'Silva—Fr. Mark 7:30 AM †Thomas Tropea—The Cicatelli Family †John Zuccerella—Lucy Cassidy 9:30 AM 11:30 AM Monday, April 12 7:00 AM **†Souls in Purgatory** Tuesday, April 13 7:00 AM †Sister Norah (10th Anniversary)—Alice Neal Wednesday, April 14 7:00 AM **†Rose Lucca (Birthday)**—Mike Lucca & Candace Hammond Thursday, April 15 7:00 AM [†]Anne D. Peters—The Macri Family Friday, April 16

7:00 ÅM †Marion Neal—Daughter, Alice

Ministry to the Homebound

If you, or someone you know, is homebound and would like our priest visit you, please contact the Rectory at 203-531-8730.

Due to Social distancing, the priest will meet you at the door and administer the sacraments.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday, May 1st: Group 1 at 10:30am Group 2 at 12:30pm Sunday, May 2nd: Group 3 at 2:00pm

CONFIRMATION

Saturday, June 5, 2021 Group 1 at 10:00 AM Group 2 at 12:00 PM



THE ALTAR BREAD AND WINE ARE IN LOVING MEMORY OF CONCETTA TROPIANO FROM GRACE CATALANO & FAMILY

THIS WEEK—EASTER OFFERING NEXT WEEK—MONTHLY March 28—THANK YOU! Weekly Collection—\$2,187.50 Second Collection—\$748.00—UTILITY FUND Miscellaneous —\$471.00

The following list is for the most recent availability for Masses:

Apr. 21, 23, & 29. **May** 3, 5, 7, 10, 14, 17, 19, 21, 23, 26, 27 & 31. **Jun.** 1, 2, 6, 7, 10, 11,13, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 25, 28 & 29. **Jul.** 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 25, 27, 28 & 29.

For Altar Bread & Wine: Mar. 28. Apr. 11 & 18.May 23 & 30. Jun. 13 & 20, For Altar Flowers: May 30. Jun. 13. July. 18 & 25.

> Our Parish Office is closed on Monday, April 5th.

EASTER SUNDAY

NEW AND NOW

"They killed Him, finally, hanging Him on a tree, only to have God raise Him up on the third day." —Acts 10:40 Alleluia!

Today is one of the greatest days in our lives. This is the first day of the fifty-day Sunday, the Easter season. Alleluia! When we believe in our hearts that Jesus is risen from the dead, (everything is transformed and made new. Death no longer overshadows Life. The fear of death no longer enslaves us (Heb 2:15). Death has lost its sting (1 Cor 15:55). Death is not our enemy but our friend; it is not so much the end, but the beginning. We have "full confidence that now as always Christ will be exalted through" us, whether we "live or die" (Phil 1:20). For, to us, "'life' means Christ; hence dying is so much gain" (Phil 1:21). "Now all is new!" (2 Cor 5:17; cf Rv 21:5) We need not wait until our death to share in Christ's Resurrection. We can share in Jesus' Resurrection now. Through Baptism and a life of faith, we have already "been raised up in company with Christ" (Col 3:1). We set our hearts "on what pertains to higher realms where Christ is seated at God's right hand" (Col 3:1). We are "intent on things above rather than on things of earth" (Col 3:2). Now the main purpose of life is to be a witness that Jesus is risen from the dead (see Acts 10:41-42).

Alleluia! Easter is new and now.

SACRED HEART CHURCH

GREENWICH

Dear Parishioners,

Due to this Pandemic, we have been through a lot of inconveniences, struggles and sufferings. Often times it is not just that our patience has been challenged, but our faith has been tested too. We have been angry and upset for not being able to worship in our Church freely as before. This "signing up" thing, masks, 6 feet distancing for every Mass have caused inconvenience to all.

Amidst it all, I am hopeful. I am hopeful that we will be able to open our places of worship soon and life will as smooth and normal as before.

This morning, the Monday of Holy Week, I was captivated by the beautiful yellow daffodils surrounding the Rectory of Sacred Heart. The parking lot is enfolded with bright yellow Lilies and soon we will be able to enjoy the beauty that Spring brings, beauty enough both to make the heart sing and point to the joy of the crucified Christ raised from his tomb of death by His Father's unconditional love!

I wish you all a very Happy Easter!!!

With love and prayers, Fr. Mark D'Silva

During the Coronavirus crisis, our donations have and will continue to drop significantly. Won't you please consider helping us continue to pay our bills? Many thanks for your generosity and support!

Easter Reflections: How to Honor Christ Throughout the Year

There's plenty to love about eggs, bunnies and chocolates, but Easter Sunday holds a much deeper meaning. Yes, this highly anticipated holiday offers an opportunity to gather with family, but it can be so much more. On Easter, we remember the love Christ showed mankind when he gave the ultimate sacrifice on our behalf. He is risen from the dead, so we truly have reason to celebrate!

While this special day offers a valuable reminder and reason to celebrate, it should by no means be the only day on which we show our gratitude. After all, this holiday regularly changes dates in our modern calendar, reminding us that the essence of Easter is not exclusive to one single day. Below, we explain why the spirit of Easter is worth celebrating year-round — and we offer tips for incorporating the holiday's message into your daily life.

Finding Meaning Beyond Easter Day

The resurrection story can be told throughout the year, for it is always imbued with a deeper meaning. This story forms the essence of our faith; we know that, in Christ, death can be defeated and give way to everlasting life. By remembering this throughout the year, we can find relief from the burden of sin as well as greater joy in the blessings of everyday life. Christ's resurrection gives us a reason to live not only for today, but to sustain hope in our future, no matter how difficult the circumstances we currently face.

Please pray for the sick and deceased members of our parish.



Foundations in Education

VIRTUAL HYBRID BENEFIT



THURSDAY | MAY 6, 2021

Foundations in Education 2021 Virtual Hybrid Spring Benefit

Foundations in Education invites you to its re-imagined Virtual Hybrid Benefit on Thursday, May 6, 2021. Join Most Reverend Frank J. Caggiano to celebrate our Honorees Dr. Julia M. McNamara and Lynn and Frank Mara of the New York Giants and participate in an online auction from the comfort of your home. All to celebrate and support Catholic education! Proceeds support Foundations in Education, whose mission is to provide hundreds of children from low-and middle income families with quality education focused on Christian values and character formation. To purchase tickets and sponsorships or for more information, please contact Megan Quinn at 203.416.1671 or mquinn@foundationsineducation.org.