

SACRED HEART CHURCH, GREENWICH, CT 06830



5TH SUNDAY OF

EASTER

MAY 2, 2021

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9:00 AM— 1:00 PM Monday to Friday
Closed on Saturday and Sunday

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Church)
Saturdays: 3:00 – 3:30 PM or 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
in advance.
Call the parish office for information.

FOR LIVE STREAMING
OF THE 4:00 PM MASS.
PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.SACREDHEARTGREENWICH.ORG

Masses

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
Birthing 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 IN LOVING MEMORY OF
EUGENE McEVOY
FROM THE FAMILY



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Saturday, May 1
4:00 PM †John Zuccerella—Cecilia Bowers
Sunday, May 2
7:30 AM †Sally Kowaleski—Children & Grandchildren
9:30 AM †Eugene McEvoy—The Family
11:30 AM †Santo & Mary Bellantoni & Family—Lucy Cassidy
Monday, May 3
7:00 AM †Grace Catalano—Robert Carroll
Tuesday, May 4
7:00 AM †Anna & Domenick Latella and Daughter, Joanne Phin
—Virginia & Catherine Latella
Wednesday, May 5
7:00 AM †Grace Catalano—Patty Carroll
Thursday, May 6
7:00 AM †Souls in Purgatory
Friday, May 7
7:00 AM †Liguory & Grace D’Silva—Fr. Mark
Saturday, May 8
4:00 PM †Frank Keegan Sr. (51st Anniversary)—Alice Neal
Sunday, May 9
7:30 AM †Magarone Family—Diane, Kye & Family
9:30 AM †Barbara Sanford Gust—Roseanne & Family
11:30 AM †Stephen Catanzaro—Mom & Dad
Monday, May 10
7:00 AM †Grace Catalano—The Johansen Family
Tuesday, May 11
7:00 AM †James Keegan (26th Anniversary)—Alice Neal
Wednesday, May 12
7:00 AM †Rose Cicatelli—The Cicatelli Family
Thursday, May 13
7:00 AM †Peter Johansen—Wife & Children
Friday, May 14
7:00 AM †Grace Catalano—Rosemary Vita & Family;
Pietrafeso & Bruni Family

MAY CROWNING

Since social distancing rules are still in effect, we will not have the May Procession this year. We will do the crowning on Saturday, May 8 at 4:00 P.M. livestreamed mass.

Mass in Honor of all Healthcare Workers

Over this past year, many of our healthcare workers offered heroic service on behalf of those who fell ill with the Coronavirus, often risking their own lives to care for those who were sick. In order to recognize and honor their service, our Diocese is organizing a special celebration of Mass that will take place on Sunday, May 29, 2021 at 11:00 AM in Saint Joseph Church, Brookfield.

Given the limited capacity in Church due to the pandemic, participants will be required to register online. Registration will be available on the diocesan website beginning April 14.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/healthcare-workers>

In order to accommodate everyone, the Mass will also be livestreamed, both on the diocesan website and the parish website of Saint Joseph Church at Brookfield.

<https://www.stjosephbrookfield.com/>

THIS WEEK—REGIONAL SCHOOL
NEXT WEEK—CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION
April 25—THANK YOU!
Weekly Collection—\$1,389.50
Second Collection—\$567.50 CATHOLIC HOME, BLACK &
INDIAN MISSION
Miscellaneous —\$486.00

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

May 17, 21, 27 & 31. Jun. 1, 7, 10, 11., 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, & 29. Jul. 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 27, 28 & 29.

Aug. 2, 6, 9, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 22, 23, 26 & 27.

Sept. 1, 3, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 23, 24, 27 & 28.

For Altar Bread & Wine: May 23 & 30. Jun. 13 & 20.

Aug. 29.

For Altar Flowers: May 30. Jun. 13. July. 18. Aug. 22

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The battle over bearing fruit really shows who is lord of our lives, Jesus or us. We can bear any fruit God requires of us, because the energy required to produce the fruit comes unfailingly from Jesus, the Vine (Jn 15:1). Rooted in Jesus, we “will produce abundantly” (Jn 15:5). So it’s not a lack of energy, but either a lack of trust in His provision or a lack of desire to glorify God by staying rooted in Jesus and bearing His fruit (Jn 15:8).

What fruit don’t we want to produce? Is it having more children, increasing our tithing, fasting more, evangelizing door to door, witnessing to co-workers, giving up possessions, pruning our lifestyle, defending life, or going public with our faith? Are we satisfied with producing only our current quota of fruit? God wants to “increase [our] yield” (Jn 15:2), so He’ll be coming soon with the pruning shears.

Questions such as these pierce our hearts and reveal our desires. Do we desire to be pruned because we want so much for God to reap a greater harvest of faith? Or is it our desire to limit or control God’s pruning and intervention in our lives? With Mary, the expert on bearing fruit (see Lk 1:42), let’s answer God: “Be it done to me as You say” (see Lk 1:38).

—Don Schwager

CONFIRMATION

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

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR
FIRST COMMUNION CHILDREN!**

Karla Arboleda, Julieta Briseno, Nolan Brown,
Aria Cavallino, Erick Chabla, James Cruz, Aisha Estrada,
Maya Estrada, Axel Flores, Samuel Flores, Jack Francefort,
Shirley Gonzalez, Robert (R.C.) Harvey, Lia Analynn Javier,
Matthew Macias, Raelyn Matthews, Belinda Muniz,
Darvin Muniz, Ava Oshiro, John Ruben Pagan,
Alan (L.A.) Pesce, Kyle Renaldo, Valentina Reyes,
Carla Rodriguez, Rose Rodriguez, Livia Sereni,
Addilenny Suarez, Nicole Tafolla, Juliana Tejada,
Sofia Torres & Gustavo Valdovinos.

Our parish family congratulates the children and their families. We wish them many blessings as they continue their journey of faith together.

ATTENTION

There is no telephone calls or emails, or texting required anymore to attend Masses in-person. However, the ushers will continue to sign you up at every Mass as you arrive from the side door.

Those who come to Mass regularly, your names will stay on the list.

- Social distancing rules are still in effect.
- Masks must be worn.
- The 4 p.m. Mass on Saturdays will continue to be live streamed and recorded.

Please pray for the
sick and deceased members
of our parish, especially for
Stephanie O’Hara 4. 24. 2021



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!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We are going to resume Eucharistic Adoration Holy hour on every first Friday of the month in the Chapel, 38 Gold St.

Please join us this Friday, May 7 at 6:00—7:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Parish
congratulates and welcomes Alexandra Maldonado
baptized into God’s family on
April 24, 2021.

REFLECTION

Christ Is the True Vine

Jesus was not introducing a new idea by using the metaphor of a vine and branches. In the Old Testament, God's vine was Israel. He used them to accomplish His purpose in the world, and He blessed those connected with them. He was the vinedresser; He cared for the vine, trimmed it, and cut off branches that did not bear fruit. But God's vine degenerated and bore no fruit. The vinedresser grieved over the tragedy of Israel's fruitlessness:

God had done everything He could to make Israel bear fruit, yet it bore none. So He took away its wall and left it unprotected. It was then trampled down by foreign nations and laid waste. Israel was no longer God's vine; it had forfeited its privilege.

Now there is a new vine. No longer does blessing come through a covenantal relationship with Israel. Fruit and blessing come through connection with Jesus Christ.

Jesus is the true Vine. In Scripture, the word true is often used to describe what is eternal, heavenly, and divine. Israel was imperfect, but Christ is perfect; Israel was the type, but Christ is the reality.

Jesus chose the figure of a vine for several reasons. The lowliness of a vine demonstrates His humility. It also pictures a close, permanent, vital union between the vine and branches. It is symbolic of belonging, because branches belong entirely to the vine; if branches are to live and bear fruit, they must completely depend on the vine for nourishment, support, strength, and vitality.

Yet many who call themselves Christians fail to depend on Christ. Instead of being attached to the true vine, they are tied to a bank account. Others are attached to their education. Some have tried to make vines out of popularity, fame, personal skills, possessions, relationships, or fleshly desires. Some think the church is their vine, and try to attach themselves to a religious system. But none of those things can sustain or bear fruit. The vine is Christ.

—John MacArthur

DO YOU KNOW?

To be officially registered in any parish, you need to complete a Registration Form.

Even if you attend Mass regularly, contribute or receive Offertory envelopes, you are not registered in a parish if you haven’t completed a Registration Form.

These forms are available online, visit our website at www.sacredheartgreenwich.org to register online or download the form and mail completed form to 38 Gold Street, Greenwich CT 06830.

If you have never completed a Registration Form, or if you don’t remember if you completed it a while ago and your family information has changed, why not fill one out today? Thank you!

ARE YOU MISSING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES?

If you have not receive your set of envelopes please notify the Parish Office at 203-531-8730.