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THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2023

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Weekend Masses

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

*Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and
11:30 a.m.*

Weekday Masses (Chapel)

7:00 a.m. Monday to Friday

Holy Days of Obligation

Vigil Mass: 5:30 p.m.

Holy Day: 7:00 a.m., 12:15 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

*Saturdays: 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. or
by appointment*

Sacrament of Baptism

*Baptisms are celebrated on Sundays at
12:45 p.m. Please call the parish office
in advance to schedule a Baptism.*

*For those anticipating the birth and
subsequent Baptism of their first child,
class is held on the third Saturday
every month at noon in the Rectory.*

Sacrament of Matrimony

*The Sacrament of Matrimony should be
arranged at least 6 months in advance.
Call the parish office for more
information.*



The Perpetual Sanctuary Light Candle
burns this week in Thanksgiving

From The Bowers Family



Saturday, December 30

4:00 PM †Joan Rappoport--Sisters, Susan & Rachel

Sunday, December 31

7:30 AM †Deceased Members of the Rodriguez Family--
Family

9:30 AM †Adele Fuss--Family

11:30 AM Ashley Crawford-Convey--Parents

Vigil Mass - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

5:30 PM †Holy Souls in Purgatory

Monday, January 1 - Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

9:00 AM Conversion of Sinners

12:15 PM Domenico Piria--Daughter

Tuesday, January 2

7:00 AM **NO MASS TODAY**

Wednesday, January 3

7:00 AM †Fr. McDermott--Mike Kristoff

Thursday, January 4

7:00 AM †Mary Hinkley--Daughter, Pat Szechtman

Friday, January 5

7:00 AM Birthday Blessings for Hana--Cecilia

Saturday, January 6

4:00 PM †Paul Keegan (31st Anniversary)--Alice Neal

Sunday, January 7

7:30 AM †Philip Catalano, Sr.--Judy Catalano & Family

9:30 AM †Nino Jesus--Sigua & Vizhco Families

11:30 AM †Marie Bocchino--The LoDebole Family

Monday, January 8

7:00 AM †In Memory of Sister Marilyn Shuster--Jan
Gunnip

Tuesday, January 9

7:00 AM †Domenick & Anna Latella & Daughter, Joanne
Phin--Catherine & Virginia Latella

Wednesday, January 10

7:00 AM †Marla Mohr (1st Anniversary)--Mohr Family

Thursday, January 11

7:00 AM †John Connell (2nd Anniversary)--Wife &
Family

Friday, January 12

7:00 AM †Henry Mohr (32nd Anniversary)--Mohr Family

**ALTAR BREAD & WINE ARE IN
LOVING MEMORY OF
DONNA STEMPIEN**

FROM JOE & SUE CATALANO

Masses are available on following dates:

January: 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31

**February: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 15, 16,
18, 20, 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29**

**For Altar Bread & Wine, the dates
available are:**

January: 7, 21

February: 4, 18,

**For Altar Flowers, the dates available
are:**

January: 21

February: 4



NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS

Dear Parishioners,

**On behalf of our staff and all of the
Ministry Coordinators, I wish you and
your families a Happy and Healthy
New Year. May you and your families
be showered with God's blessings as
we celebrate this New Year.**

**Fr. Mark
Pastor**



Our next family Mass will be on Sunday, January 14 at 9:30 a.m. I would request all the parents and the children of all grades to participate in this beautiful celebration of the Eucharist and manifest our faith in the Sacrament.

Parish Office will be closed on the following dates:

**Monday, January 1st (Masses in the Church)
Tuesday, January 2nd (No Mass)**

January 1st, 2024

**Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God
[Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year (USA)]**

- 31st, Sun: New Year's Eve Celebration:
Vigil Mass: 5:30 p.m. in the Church**
- 1st, Mon: New Year's Day
Masses: 9:00 a.m. in the Church
12:15 p.m. in the Church**
- 2nd, Tues: Office is closed and there is no morning Mass**
- 3rd Wed: Religious Education Classes Resume**

Nathaniel Witherell expresses their gratitude for Angel Tree gifts:

**To the Sacred Heart Parishioners,
The residents of Nathaniel Witherell are extremely grateful for your congregations participation in the Angel Tree network.
Thank you for your kindness.
Best,
Justine Vaccaro, LMSW, Director of Social Work**

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

On behalf of our Parish Community, I would like to express my gratitude and appreciation to Jose Arana, who put his heart and soul into decorating our Church this Christmas: Altar, Nativity crib, Rectory, Chapel, and Christmas lights. Thank you, Jose.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Many thanks to Rick Masi for your hard work in setting up and arranging the tree lights by the church. They have been appreciated by us all. Many thanks, Rick!

THANK YOU

Thank you John Innominato, for the lovely floral and plant decorations on the front steps of the Church. You always create a sense of warm welcome to all those who attend our Christmas Masses. Sincere thanks!

CHRISTMAS ALTAR DECORTIONS

Special Thanks to our Flower Girls: Candace Hammond, Maria Carosella, Lea Oleas and Jose Arana for your hard work in arranging our Christmas Poinsettias. Your skill and creativity in floral arranging brought joy to many this Christmas!

A heartfelt thanks to all who made our Christmas Masses so lively and prayerful: Musicians, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. Special thanks to James Duffy for live streaming the Christmas Vigil Mass. Thank you very much.

I wish to also thank you in a personal way for your kind wishes and gifts – they are gratefully appreciated by me. Wish I could wish you personally. Kindly treat this as my personal gratitude and appreciation.

God bless you and thank you for your contribution to our Parish.

**Fr. Mark D'Silva
Pastor**

Collections ©IPPC thank you

THIS WEEK : Maintenance of Parish Buildings

NEXT WEEK : Utility Fund

DEC. 16 & 17

Weekly Offertory: \$ 1,907.70

2nd Collection: \$ 1,066.60

ARE YOU MISSING OFFERTORY ENVELOPES?

If you have not been receiving your set of Envelopes. Please notify the Parish Office at 203-531-8730.

ONLINE GIVING

Would you please consider online giving?

This is a direct payment program whereby your contribution is debited automatically from your checking, savings or credit card account into the parish bank account. Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer.



2024 MASS BOOK

The 2024 Mass Book opened on October 1 for Masses, Altar Flowers, Altar Bread & Wine and Sanctuary Candle. Weekend Mass requests are limited to 3 per family. There is no limit to weekday Mass requests. Fees are as follows:

Mass - \$10.00

Altar Bread & Wine - \$10.00

Altar Flowers - \$70.00

Sanctuary Candle - \$10.00

NEW PARISHIONERS???

If you are new to Greenwich and would like to become members of Sacred Heart Parish, please visit our website www.sacredheartgreenwich.org and fill in the Registration Form and submit online or contact the Rectory at 203-531-8730 during office hours, Monday thru Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.



Volunteers are needed for the following Ministries:

- Chapel Garden Ministry
- Hospitality
- Money Counters
- Prayer Shawl

If interested, please contact the office.

PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Group Meetings are held on **Thursdays** in the Chapel, 38 Gold Street from 4:00—5:00 p.m.

SCHOOL HALL RENTAL

Our School Hall is available for your use:

1. Business Meetings
2. Birthday Parties
3. Baptism Parties
4. Confirmation Party
5. Wedding Reception
6. Reception after Funeral
7. Halloween Party
8. Thanksgiving Party
9. Baby/Bridal Shower
10. Any other special event

If you are interested, please contact the office during the office hours, at 203-531-8730.



Sacred Heart Prayer Group will be happy to pray for anyone needing healing. If someone does not wish to be listed in the Parish bulletin, we can pray for a "special intention". Please contact the parish office.

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.



Would you like to become an ALTAR SERVER?

Altar servers assist the priest of the parish during the celebration of Mass. Some of the tasks they might perform include carrying the Cross, hold the book for the priest when he is not standing at the altar, present the bread, wine, and water to the priest and assist him in gathering the gifts from the people as well as many other things.

Eligibility:

- Boys or girls of 3rd grade and older.
- They must have received First Holy Communion.
- Adults are welcome.

If your child/children are interested, please visit our website at www.sacredheartgreenwich.org and sign up online or call the office at 203-531-8730.



We have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every first Friday of the month. It concludes with Benediction. Please come and pray with us on Friday, January 5, in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to invite parishioners who knit or crochet (or would like to learn) to join us to knit or crochet prayer shawls.

Their next monthly meeting is on Saturday, January 6 at 9:30 a.m. in the School Hall.

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