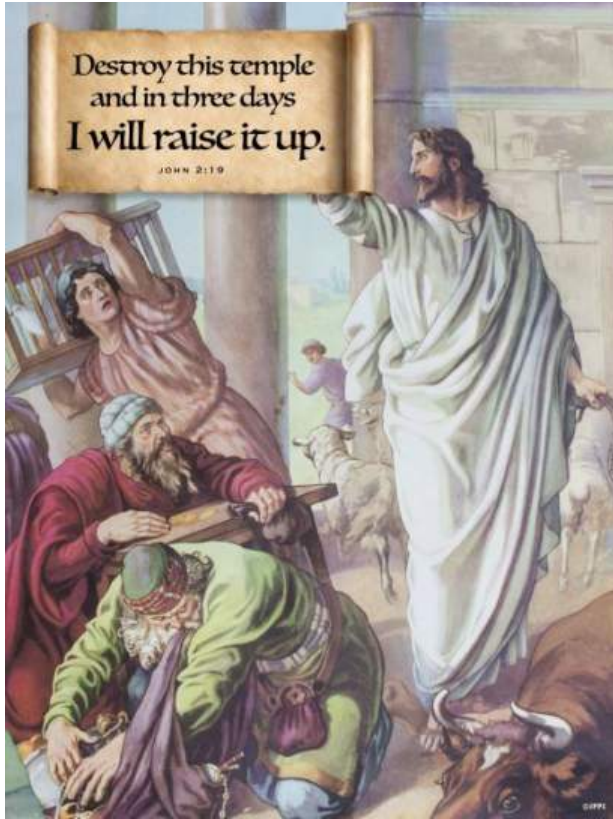


# SACRED HEART CHURCH

## 95A Henry St., Greenwich, CT 06830



**3rd Sunday of Lent**  
**SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 2024**

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#### **Office Hours:**

*Monday to Friday  
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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 Memory of Edward Gunnip**

**From: Wife**



**Saturday, March 2**

4:00 PM †Dorothy Bates (50th Anniversary)--Her Family

**Sunday, March 3**

7:30 AM †Adeline Costa--Alice Neal

9:30 AM †Michael J. Kitson

11:30 AM †In Memory of Edward Gunnip--Wife

**Monday, March 4**

7:00 AM †Joseph Castaldo--Wife, Virginia

**Tuesday, March 5**

7:00 AM Conversion of Sinners

**Wednesday, March 6**

7:00 AM †Robert & Patricia L'Heureux--Doug Flaherty

**Thursday, March 7**

7:00 AM †William Kocis--Harold Scuterud, Jr.

**Friday, March 8**

7:00 AM †Dyanna Dutra Borges--Doug Flaherty

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross (In the Church)

**Saturday, March 9**

4:00 PM †Anthony & Antoinette Valitutto--Family

**Sunday, March 10**

7:30 AM †Marge & Frank Valenti--Family

9:30 AM †In Memory of Raul Miranda--Family

11:30 AM †Dad, Joseph (Anniversary)--Daughter, Angela

**Monday, March 11**

7:00 AM Margaret Peet--Sister, Betsy

**Tuesday, March 12**

7:00 AM †Stephen Catanzaro (16th Anniversary)--Mom & Dad

**Wednesday, March 13**

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

**Thursday, March 14**

7:00 AM Sister Ellen McGrath--Doug Flaherty

**Friday, March 15**

7:00 AM †Lance Feldhun--Doug Flaherty

6:30 PM Stations of the Cross (In the Church)

**ALTAR BREAD & WINE ARE  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
EDWARD GUNNIP**

**BY WIFE**

**Masses are available on following dates:**

**March:** 26, 28

**April:** 8, 9, 13, 14, 19, 21, 22, 24, 25, 28

**May:** 5, 6, 21, 22, 23, 24, 26, 30

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

**March:** 24, 31

**April:** 14, 21

**May:** 19, 26

**For Sanctuary Candle, the dates available are:**

**March:** 31

**April:** 14, 21

**May:** 19 & 26

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

**April:** 21, 28

**May:** 26

**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  
Sanctuary Candle - \$10.00  
Altar Flowers - \$70.00



**Our next Family Mass will be on Sunday, March 10 at 9:30 a.m. This will be our 7th Monthly Family Mass of the 2023-2024 school year. I encourage all the parents and the children of all grades to join us in celebrating Holy Mass together. Mass is followed by breakfast served by our Parish Hospitality Team in the School Hall. All are welcome!**

**FIRST COMMUNION MANDATORY MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 5, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

**This meeting is required for both parents and children. The meeting will be held in the Church.**

**CONFIRMATION MANDATORY MEETING**

**Tuesday, March 5, 2024  
7:00 p.m.**

**This meeting is required for both parents and children. The meeting will be held in the Church.**

**Religious Education Lenten Confession Schedule 2024 (during classes)**

**February 21 : Grade 3 at 3:45 p.m.  
February 28 : Grade 4 at 3:45 p.m.  
March 6 : Grade 5 at 3:45 p.m.  
March 13 : Grade 6 at 6:30 p.m.  
March 20 : Grade 7 at 6:30 p.m.**

**PLEASE NOTE our New Email Address for Religious Education Program:**

Please send any inquiries regarding Religious Education Program to our new email address: [dre-sh-gr@diobpt.org](mailto:dre-sh-gr@diobpt.org)

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**First Communion**

**First Reconciliation (Confessions) for First Communion Class: Friday April 12th at 6:00 p.m.**

**Group A:**

**Rehearsal for First Communion: Friday, May 3rd at 5:00 p.m.**

**First Communion: Saturday, May 4th at 10:00 a.m.**

**Group B:**

**Rehearsal for First Communion: Friday, May 3rd at 6:15 p.m.**

**First Communion: Saturday, May 4th at 12:00 p.m.**

**Confirmation**

**Confessions/Reconciliation for Confirmation Students: Friday, May 10 at 6 p.m.**

**Rehearsal: Friday, May 17th at 6:00 p.m.**

**Confirmation: Saturday, May 18th at 10:00 a.m.**



**EASTER FOOD DRIVE**

Our annual Easter Food Drive is underway. We are collecting non-perishable food donations for Easter baskets. Please leave items at the front or rear entrances of the church each weekend through Sunday, March 17.

Suggested items: \$20 Store gift cards (*Stop & Shop or Shoprite*); canned tuna, chicken or turkey; pasta; stuffing; soups; rice; beans; peanut butter; jelly; powdered milk; cereals; coffee; tea; juice; spaghetti sauce; instant mashed potatoes; macaroni & cheeses; canned fruits and vegetables. **Please contact the Rectory if you know someone that could use a food basket.**

Thank you for your continuing generosity.

-John Innominato

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**THIS WEEK :** Utility Fund

**NEXT WEEK :** Catholic Relief Services for Central-Eastern Europe

**Feb. 24 & 25**

**Weekly Offertory:       \$ 2,163.50**

**2nd Collection:         \$ 1,164.50**

**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.



**“ONE IN CHRIST”**

Is the theme of 2024 Bishop’s Appeal. The Appeal theme, “One in Christ” is an opportunity to look beyond our Parish. It calls us as shares in the life and the mission of the Church, to proclaim with joy the Good News of the Gospel by example and witness in our Parish.

**IN-PEW WEEKEND FOR 2024 ANNUAL BISHOP’S APPEAL**

This upcoming weekend March 9 & 10 will be In-pew Weekend for the 2024 Bishop’s Appeal - “One In Christ.” There will be envelopes in the pews and you will have the opportunity to make a pledge. Please help us to reach our parish goal. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

**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.**

**BIRTHRIGHT NEEDS VOLUNTEERS**

Birthright is an emergency pregnancy service offering free pregnancy tests and caring and practical support. Our guiding principle: It is the **RIGHT** of every pregnant woman to give **BIRTH** and the **RIGHT** of every child to be **BORN**. Birthright volunteers have served in Connecticut since 1972. Thousands of expectant mothers have received the help they need to bring their babies into the world! There are seven Birthright chapters in our state. Training is provided. Spanish speaking volunteers are especially needed. Please call 1-800-550-4900 for the Birthright nearest you. Thank you.

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.



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## Lenten Campaign - Loaves and Fishes 2024

Will you and your family consider the Lenten sacrifice of a "meager meal" once a week during Lent and donate the money you would have spent on a more substantial meal to feed local families who can't afford to put food on their table? Please consider supporting Catholic Charities Loaves and Fishes Lenten Campaign to feed our most vulnerable neighbors. Food insecurity continues to be the number one issue impacting people in our community and your family's Lenten sacrifice can make a significant impact! Donations can be made online via the Catholic Charities website at:

[www.ccfairfield.org/loaves](http://www.ccfairfield.org/loaves). Checks made out to Catholic Charities may be mailed to:

Catholic Charities

ATT: Finance Dept/L&F Campaign

238 Jewett Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06606



SCAN ME



### Stations of the Cross In the Church at 6:30 p.m.

All Fridays during Lent  
All are Welcome!

(You may also view the pre-recorded version from home)

[www.sacredheartgreenwich.org](http://www.sacredheartgreenwich.org)

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** and all the Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence from meat for everyone over the age 14. If for some reason you are not able to abstain from meat on a Friday, you are encouraged to perform some other form of penance.

**Ash Wednesday and Good Friday** are also days of fasting for all who are 18 years of age, until their 59th birthday. On these days only one full meal is eaten, and two lesser meals may be eaten if needed.

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2024

### MARCH 24: PALM SUNDAY

Masses: **SATURDAY**- 4:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY** - 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

### MARCH 26 (TUESDAY): CONFESSIONS

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Church

### MARCH 28: HOLY THURSDAY

6:00 p.m. - Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper  
followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.

### MARCH 29: GOOD FRIDAY

3:00 p.m. - Passion of the Lord

6:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

### MARCH 30: HOLY SATURDAY

12:00 Noon - Blessing of the Easter Food

7:30 p.m. - Easter Vigil

### MARCH 31: EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: **SUNDAY** - 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

The following Masses/Services will be live streamed:

1. Palm Sunday Vigil - March 23 at 4:00 p.m.

2. Holy Thursday - March 28 at 6:00 p.m.

3. Good Friday - March 29 at 3:00 p.m.

4. Easter Vigil - Holy Saturday - March 30 at 7:30 p.m.

Dear Sacred Heart Parishioners,

Over five years ago, the Diocese of Bridgeport embarked on an ambitious fund-raising plan: *We Stand With Christ (WSWC)*. The purpose of this letter is to update you on the status of WSWC here at Sacred Heart.

At the beginning of the project each parishioner was asked to pledge an amount to be paid to the diocese over five years. However, a percentage of these donations were earmarked to be returned to the parish for specifically approved projects. Our projects were to repair our beautiful stained glass windows, and to provide improved handicapped access with a new ramp and re-modeled bathroom.

Here is a summary of the status of these projects:

**Stained Glass Windows - completed**

Total Expense:	\$45,989
Paid for by We Stand With Christ Income:	\$25,719
Paid for by contributions from parishioners:	\$20,270

**Handicapped Ramp - completed**

Total Expense:	\$53,450
Paid for by We Stand With Christ Income:	\$47,563
Paid for by contributions from parishioners:	\$ 5,887

**Handicapped Bathroom - in progress**

Estimated Expense:	\$26,875
We Stand With Christ funds available:	\$11,122
Shortfall:	\$15,753

You will not be surprised to learn that actual expenses exceeded initial estimates, resulting in a potential shortfall for our final project. While we have received over \$80k from the diocese for our projects, with possibly more to come as pledges are paid, these funds have not completely covered the cost of our projects.

So I am asking that if you have pledged to WSWC but have not yet paid the amount you pledged, please try to pay it as soon as possible so that we may complete the handicapped bathroom without using any parish savings. If you have completed your pledge, but would like to support the handicapped bathroom project, all donations are welcome!

Thank you for your continued faithful generosity to Sacred Heart parish.

*Fr. Mark J. Silva*  
3/2/2024

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