

SACRED HEART CHURCH

95A Henry St., Greenwich, CT 06830



I am baptizing you with water,
but one mightier than I is coming.
Luke 3:16

3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 15, 2024

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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 Candle burns this week
in Loving Memory of Margaret Carroll (Birthday)

Offered by Joe & Sue Catalano & Family

Please remember Margaret Carroll in your prayers.



Saturday, December 14

4:00 PM †George Skinner (Birthday)--Mary Ann & Ralph Amelio

Sunday, December 15

7:30 AM †Michael R. Kristoff--Family

9:30 AM †Thomas R. Williams--Sacred Heart Catechists

11:30 AM †The Antonio LaBate Family--Sacred Heart Parish

Monday, December 16

7:00 AM †Stanley Kowaleski--Family

Tuesday, December 17

7:00 AM †Harry & Mary Kalan--Michael & Joan Roina

Wednesday, December 18

7:00 AM †Marcella Spievak--Candace Hammond

Thursday, December 19

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

Friday, December 20

7:00 AM †Joseph DiFabio (Birthday)--Family

Saturday, December 21

4:00 PM †Thomas R. Williams--McEvoy Family

Sunday, December 22

7:30 AM † Adeline Costa--The Crocco & Gallup Families

9:30 AM †Michael R. Kristoff--Family

11:30 AM †Joseph Wojnas--Daughters, Jeannine & Marie

Monday, December 23

7:00 AM †Alice McCourt Keegan (Birthday)--Alice Neal

Tuesday, December 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

4:00 PM †Geraldine Fratello--Husband & Family

10:00PM †Mary, Ralph & Pat Loglisci--Family

Wednesday, December 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY MASSES

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

10:00AM †Frances D. Kristoff--Family

Thursday, December 26

7:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, December 27

7:00 AM †Rosa Hernandez--Family



ALTAR BREAD & WINE ARE
IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MARGARET CARROLL (BIRTHDAY)

FROM JOE & SUE CATALANO & FAMILY

Available for 2025:

Masses:

January: 24, 30

February: 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 13, 18, 20, 21, 24, 25

March: 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 15, 16, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25, 27, 29

Altar Bread & Wine:

March: 9, 23, 30

April: 6, 27

Sanctuary Candle:

April: 6

Altar Flowers: January: 19

PLEASE NOTE: In Observance of Lent, Altar Flowers are not offered Sunday, March 9 through Sunday, April 27.

2025 MASS BOOK

The 2025 Mass Book is open 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, January 12 at 9:30 a.m. We 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.

PLEASE NOTE Email Address for our Religious Education Program:

Please send any inquiries regarding Religious Education Program to our email address: dre-sh-gr@diobpt.org



Pray the Rosary

Join us in Praying the Holy Rosary before Mass

We have begun reciting the Rosary before weekend Masses in the month of October. If you would like to be a leader or would like more information, please contact Candace Hammond at (646) 713-6204.



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 3 in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m.

SCHOOL HALL RENTAL

Our School Hall is available for your use:

- 1. Business Meetings**
- 2. Birthday Parties**
- 3. Baptism Parties**
- 4. Confirmation Parties**
- 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.

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.

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.**

Safe Environment

The Diocese is requesting that all parents of our parish learn about Safe Environments. Information on Safe Environments can be found on our parish website Sacredheartgreenwich.org at the upper right corner drop down menu labeled "Safe Environments". Please read the contents carefully and implement it as its contents are critical to ensuring the safety of our children.

THIS WEEK : Monthly Offering

NEXT WEEK : No 2nd Collection

December 7 & December 8

Weekly Offertory: \$ 2,049.50

2nd Collection: \$ 1,137.25

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.



Reminder: Support Our Seminarians

Bishop Caggiano would like to remind us all to consider participating in the Seminarian Appeal. The formation of our future priests is a critical responsibility for our diocese, and we rely heavily on the support of generous donors like you to make this possible. The cost of educating and training a seminarian for the priesthood has risen to over \$60,000 annually, and it is becoming increasingly challenging to meet these expenses without additional assistance from our faithful community. Please support our future priests who will serve our communities for many years to come! Please give at www.bridgportpriest.org/give

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 - Friday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Accountability Sunday 2024

Our Parish Statement of Activities for 2023-2024 is available on our Parish website: sacredheartgreenwich.org - Financial Information - Accountability Sunday Year End June 30, 2024.

SACRED HEART PRAYER GROUP

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.

Prayer Group meets on **Thursdays** at 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. in the Chapel, 38 Gold Street. All are Welcome.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP

Divine Mercy Prayer Group, meets on **Wednesdays** at 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Please Join us.



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- Education for those in ministry, resources for families; marriage and post-wedding formation; preparation for those who wish to join the Church
- Discipleship for middle and high school students
- Catholic school scholarships
- Seminarian and Diaconate education
- Catholic Charities nutrition, housing, and counseling program assistance
- Special education at the Saint Catherine Center for Special Needs
- Care for the sick and elderly in nursing homes and hospitals
- "The Bridge" Center for Adult Entrepreneurship - Provides resources and mentorship to young adults
- Ambassador Program - Offers assistance to parishioners in their faith journey and welcomes back those who have left the Church
- Sacred Heart Guild - Celebrates Christ in the Arts through music, art, architecture and literature

To support the good works of the Bishop's Appeal, please consider making your gift today!
For additional programs and services supported by the Bishop's Appeal, and to make your gift, please visit : www.2024BishopsAppeal.org



Please pray for the deceased members of our Parish, especially:
Margaret R. Ambrogio
 Died on November 28, 2024

CONFESSIONS

There will be Confessions offered on Tuesday, December 17th from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the Church.

ALL ARE WELCOME



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Prayer Shawls will be blessed by Father Mark during 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 14 and will be available during all weekend Masses. If you know of someone who can benefit from a tangible example of God's love and care, a Prayer Shawl is the perfect gift! A nominal donation is appreciated.

December 2024

- 14th, Sat: **Blessing of Prayer Shawls at 4pm Mass**
- 14th, Sat: **Youth Group Christmas Potluck Dinner at 6:00 p.m. in the School Hall**
- 15th, Sun: **Youth Mass at 11:30 a.m.**
- 17th, Tues: **Confessions at 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Church**
- 24th, Tues: **Christmas Eve Masses: 4:00 p.m. in the Church [LIVESTREAM] 10:00 p.m. in the Church**
- 25th, Wed: **Christmas Day Masses: 7:30 a.m. in the Church 10:00 a.m. in the Church**

January 1st, 2025

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God [Holy Day of Obligation]

- 31st, Tues: **New Year's Eve Celebration Vigil Mass: 5:30 p.m. in the Church**
- 1st, Wed: **New Year's Day Masses: 9:00 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. in the Church**

YOUTH MASS

Please come and Join Us For our Youth Mass on Sunday, December 15 at 11:30 a.m.
 *We are saying the Rosary at 11:00a.m.

Christmas Eve: Tuesday, December 24

- 4:00 p.m. **Christmas Vigil Mass [LIVESTREAM]**
- 10:00 p.m. **Solemn Mass during the Night**

Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25

- 7:30 a.m. **Christmas Mass at Dawn: No Music**
- 10:00 a.m. **The Mass of Christmas Day**



2024 CHRISTMAS PAGEANT CAST

Stella Gramlich

Audrey Gramlich

Madison Russo

Noah Klauck

Kelly Lewis

Henry Lewis

Kit Lewis

Leo Ortiz

Sofia Rose Pagan

James Oxer

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Marisol Reyes

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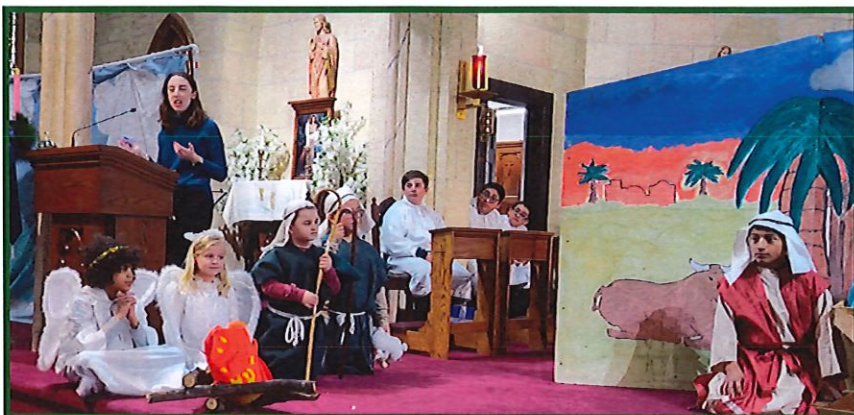
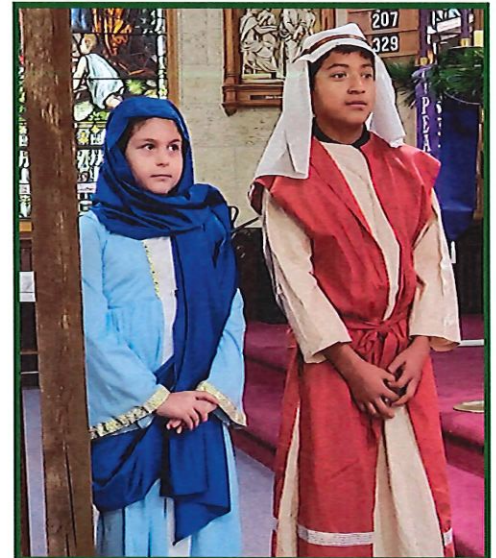
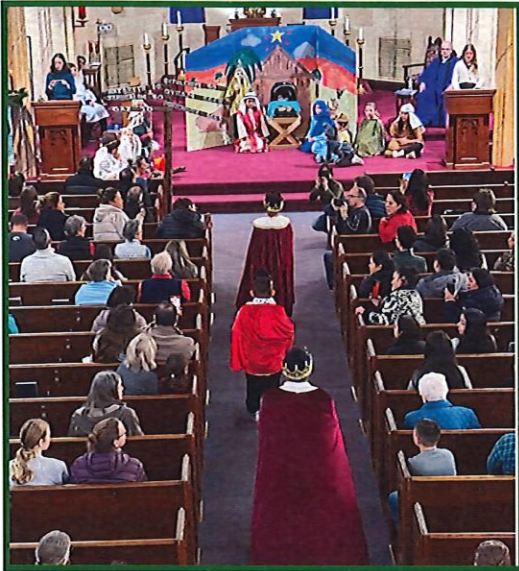
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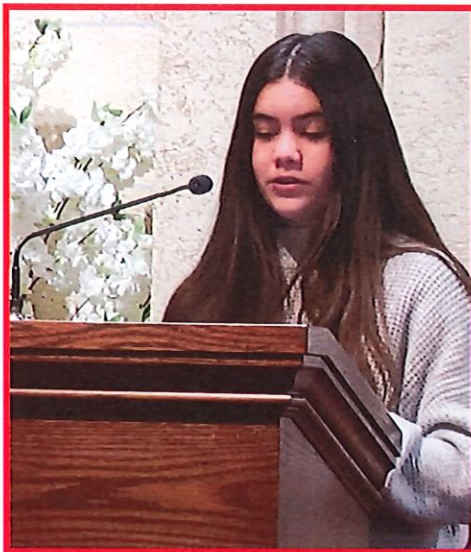
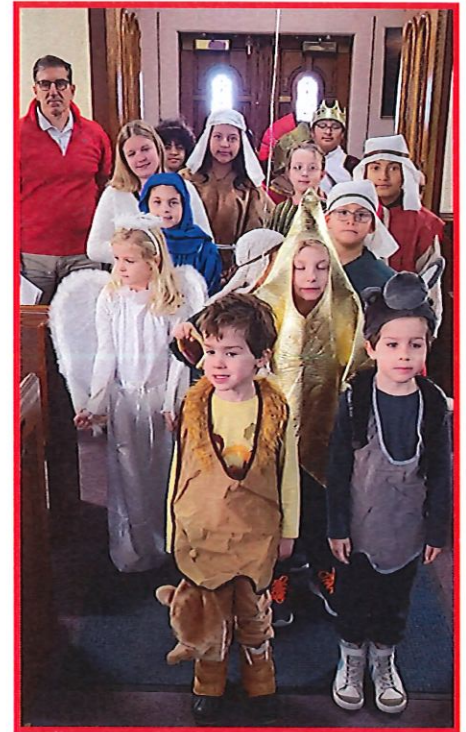
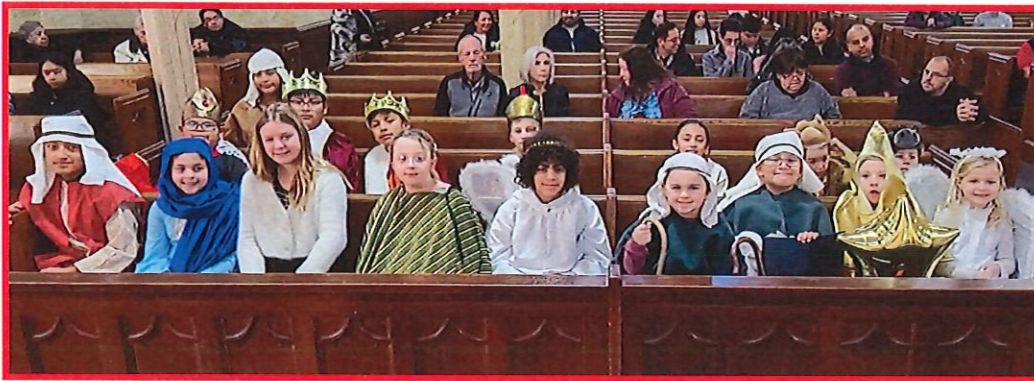
Julian Gan

Junior Chillogallo

Ricky Serocold (Baby Jesus)

Youth Group Volunteers : Taylor Tejada, Alejandra Gonzalez & William Duffy





Heartfelt thanks to our Christmas Pageant Director, Carl Marinaccio and yet again Carl organized the pageant with skill, grace and all for a superb job. We especially thank Carl for all his years of dedication to our Christmas Pageant. Thank you to Isabel Santana & her team for preparing a wonderful breakfast with Santa. Thank you to all of the wonderful people who participated and helped make the Pageant a success and a very special day for all!

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