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**Bulletin**

**Sacred Heart Parish**

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Each one of us can look into his own conscience today and discover to which class he or she belongs. Are some of us perhaps, like the seed that fell on the rocky ground? While Christianity makes no very difficult demand we are all for it, but when it demands mortification, the curbing of, real sacrifices for our neighbor, do we forget our Christian calling then and ignore its precepts? And how does our type of Christianity stand up to the temptations of the world—the desire to get all the enjoyment we can out of this life, licit or illicit, breaking God's commandments weekly or maybe daily? Are we chasing after wealth and power, using all our energies to rise in the world to be above our neighbor by fair or foul means? If the above are our aims in life, our Christianity has been or is being choked out of us.

There are millions of saints in heaven today, enjoying eternal happiness, who had some, if not all, of our present failings. We, too, can be with them one day,

provided we do what they did. They repented sincerely and remained God's close friends, until he called them to himself. May the merciful God give us the grace to imitate them while we yet have time.

Excerpted from The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

Collection for July 4/20

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| Envelopes | $775.00 |
| Loose | $25.00 |
| Cemetery Fund | $70.00 |
|  | $870.00 |

**July 11, 2020**

**Eucharist Schedule**

**Saturday 4:00**

**Protocols for Mass – see second page**

The **first reading** is taken from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah 55:10-11. The word of God which came to the Chosen People through the prophets, and the divinely inspired writers, came out of God's loving interest in His people. He wanted to prepare them for the inheritance, the real "promised land," that, when the messianic age (the "fullness of time") came, would be theirs, provided their lives on earth were lived as they should be. — The Sunday Readings by Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan, O.F.M.

The **second reading** is from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:18-23 and is about present suffering and the glory of God. Suffering is an essential part of the Christian life and one who truly believes will have his or her share of hardships and trials. Yet, these are not ends in themselves, as there is hope that they will terminate with the full revelation of the glory of God. The theme and message of St. Paul is not to lose hope in the Lord into whose risen life we have been initiated by Baptism. — A Celebrants Guide to the New Sacramentary - A Cycle by Kevin W. Irwin

**Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The **Gospel** is from St. Matthew 13:1-23. Christ's description of His audience, that day in Galilee, is unfortunately as true today as it was then. His message of salvation has been preached to a great part of the preached to a great part of the world's population, but the proportion of those who accept it and live up to it, is about the same today as it was then. There are millions of men and women today, in what was once Christian Europe, who are like the seed sown on the unplowed path. They refuse to accept the message, they have no thought for their future, they are content to end in the grave after their to end in the grave after their few years of misery and hardship on this planet.

There are others who see the truth and the consolation of the Christian gospel, but when it comes to making sacrifices for it, they give up. The message did not sink into their hearts and minds. They are like the seed which fell on rocky ground because the faith had no deep roots in their lives. Others again, and they are legion, are like the seed that fell among the briars and thorns. They accepted the faith and it took root in them, but later on, "the cares of the world and the delight in riches chokes the word and it proves unfruitful,"—these are our Lord's own words.

The last class of Christians, are like the seed sown on good soil. They not only accept Christ and his teaching, but they live up to it, and, come what may, they are faithful to it. These will produce fruit and will earn for themselves eternal happiness.

**Notices:**

**Take-out Cold Plate:**

Date: Saturday July 18th

Time: 4:45 pm

Pick-up: Johnstown Parish Hall

Cost: $10.00

We will also offer a delivery service, up as far as Soldiers Cove and down to Middle Cape.

Weather permitting we will put a few tables outside if you would like to eat there, they will be 6 ft apart.

For Tickets you can email me back or call the following numbers:

Louise: 902-535-3107

Barbara: 902-828-2079

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All public health orders will be followed.

We would need to know by Wednesday July 15th for numbers.

The other events will be:

Bake Sale – Aug 2nd

Cemetery Mass/Take out dinner – Aug 8

Tickets on a quilt

More details to follow on those events

**Corvid19 Protocols for Mass**

1. Entering the Church
	1. Only the side door will be open for entering the Church
	2. You should have a piece of paper with your name, phone number and email; this will be dropped in a basket as you enter. This information is to be kept for 30 days in the event that we need to do contact tracing. This is to be done at every mass you attend. If you forgot to bring the paper, one will be provided as you enter.
	3. Use the hand sanitizer that is provided, or bring you own, but use as soon as you enter the church
	4. Follow the marks, on the floor, to your seat, please keep 2m (6ft) apart for physical distancing
	5. You are to remain in your seat until communion
2. Communion
	1. The first rows to go to communion will start from the front of the church to the back, starting on the window aisle
	2. Remain in your seat until the usher has indicated that your row can start going to communion
	3. Keep 2m (6ft) apart while walking to communion
	4. Only one line will form down the middle aisle
	5. Once it is your turn to receive communion, stretch out your hands towards the Priest to receive Communion
	6. If using a mask, remove the mask using the straps and without touching the front of the mask, while the person ahead of you is receiving Holy Communion
	7. Walk back to your seat following the 2m (6ft) distance
3. Leaving the Church
	1. Both the side and back door will be open to leave the church
	2. The people who wish to leave by the back door, will follow the following procedure
		1. The last rows of seats in the church will leave first, once they have left then the next row will leave, the usher will be there to guide you on distancing.
		2. Please remain 2m (6ft) apart
		3. Use the hand sanitizer on the way out
		4. Leave the church without spending social time with the priest and fellow parishioners at the door
	3. The people who which to leave by the side door, will follow the following procedure
		1. The front rows will leave first, once they have left then the next row can leave, the usher will be there to guide you on distancing
		2. Please remain 2m (6ft) apart
		3. Use the hand sanitizer on the way out
4. Collections:
	1. There will be no collection during mass, please deposit your envelope or donation at the basket provide, on your way out of the church. A basket will be provided at both doors