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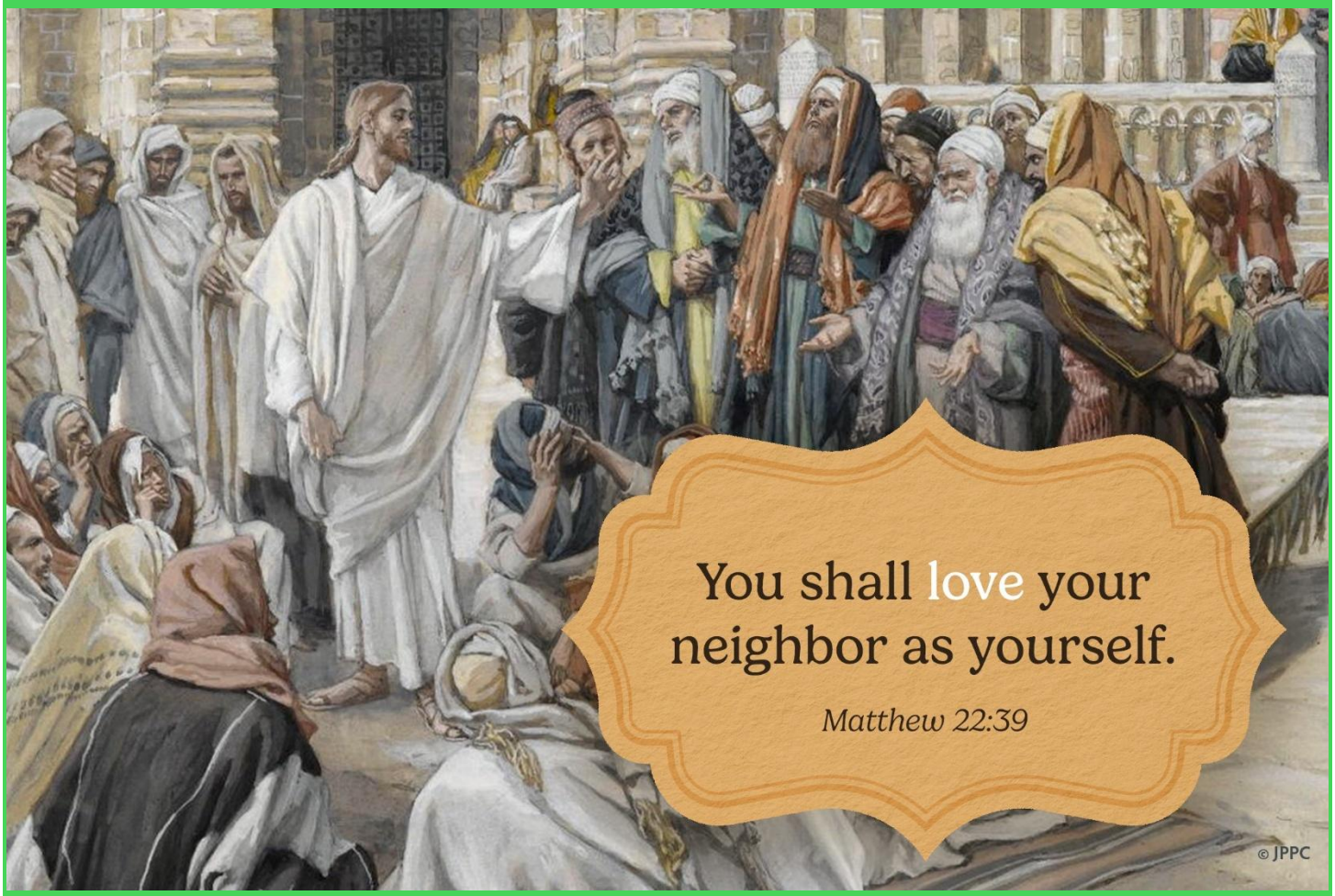

OCTOBER 25, 2026
30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

FR. PERI. ANANDARAYAR, SdC *Pastor*

FR. SILVIO DE NARD, SdC *Assistant Pastor*

Sacred Heart Parish is entrusted to the care of the Servants of Charity, an international Religious Order founded in 1908 by St. Luigi Guanella in Italy.

PARISH DIRECTORY

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WEEKEND MASSES
Saturday: ***3:30*** *pm (City View Manor) &* ***5:00*** *pm*
Sunday: ***9:00*** *am &* ***11:30*** *am*

DAILY MASS
Monday-Friday: ***7:00*** *am*
Saturday: ***8:00*** *am*

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION
9:00 *am &* ***7:00*** *pm (Church)*

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION (Chapel)
Tuesday & Wednesday: *7:30 am – 3:00 pm*
Saturday: *8:30 am – 4:00 pm*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
Saturday: 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm or by appointment

BAPTISM *Sunday at 12:30 pm*

CCD CLASSES
Sunday from 10am to 11am from September to April

REGISTRATION
Please call the rectory and make an appointment with the Pastor. We warmly welcome you to the Sacred Heart Parish Family.

MATRIMONY: *Contact the Pastor one year before the date of your wedding.*

COMMUNION CALLS: *Every Friday.*
Please call the Rectory when someone desires to receive a visit from one of the priests.

SENHOR SANTO CRISTO CHAPEL

O Senhor Santo Cristo, we thank You for all the benefits that You have given us. Keep us away from physical and spiritual dangers. May Your peace reign in this world so far away from You, the ultimate source of peace and love on earth. Bless our families and parish. Amen.

PRAYER LIST

We kindly ask you to keep the members of our parish family who are ill and suffering in your prayers:

Luz Ospina; Melissa M.; Jeff DeMedeiros; Fr. Jose Rocha; Michelle D.; Ligia McCormick; Cecelia Ceprano; RR; ST; Viriata Roderick; BD; Kim Bausch; Amanda Perry; Donna Lemos; Danielle Lachance; Susan Burcroff; Linda F.; Jody Nivins; Donna Lima Johnson; Kristen Conti.; Sara F; Joan Leonardo; Maria Costa; Dennis Rodrigues; Louise Peck; Stephen Evans; Dennis Shea; Joan Marie; Jean Vincent; Jeff Purcell; Gloria Pacheco; Anna L.; Amy Joy; Julie DaSilva; Maria Duarte; Freddy Rego; John Tavares; Richard Laiter; Marie Lawrence; Landon F.; Evelyn Cole; Lucia Dutra; Cheryl Dutra; Elizabeth Smith; Gabriela Costa; John & Jacob Thomson; Adriana; Megan Alix; Helia M. Nunes; Michael Adams; Francisco Gonzalez; Lisa Aguiar; Jennifer Griffith; Christine Luciano; Dorothy Hutson; John Carvalho; Gregory Zella; Kathy McCoy; Arlindo Borges; Roberto; Cheryl Parella; Marilyn Lucier; Derek; George Shea; James Barbosa; Ezequiel Melo; Hope Laiter; Matthew Boudreau; Daniel Lewis; Allison Roberto; Alex Wilson; Zachary Leiszler; Amy Federivicz; Carol Ladeira; TC; DC: Monica Rainville Baton; Fred Rioles; Rosa Maria Santos; Katie Gauthier; Theresa C.; Sofia Lima; Cheryl, Gloria & Maria Lima, Bill Lynch; Ryan Massey, and all our sick parishioners at home, in nursing homes, hospitals and hospices.

May ***God bless you all.***

Sanctuary Lamp Lit

for this week is in memory of

WILLIAM & ALICE MURPHY

By the Parish Family

If you would like to have the sanctuary Lamp lit for the week in memory of loved ones, please, put your intention in the collection basket along with a free-will donation.

SOMETHING TO REFLECT UPON…

OCTOBER 25, 2026

Today we celebrate the Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Time is surely running very fast towards November, the month that opens a new liturgical year, Advent. If time is running we too should run in our faith and hope, the two sisters of love.
This Sunday's Gospel talks about love. As usual Jesus' enemies were constantly bothering Him with questions upon questions not because they wanted to listen to his Gospel but only to trap Him and find Him wrong. Poor guys, they did not know better! How can we trap God? How can we corner Jesus? Are we so divine to teach God how to be God? Never, as you know! Creatures cannot teach the Creator. Thank God!

Today we see Pharisees and Sadducees united to trap Jesus, to check on what He will answer and to make Jesus' life more miserable if He gives the wrong answer.
The two parties were not usually loving each other. The Sadducees were the noble people, the rich and powerful, while the Pharisees were normal people more pious than the average Jews. They were the best of the best in believing and showing their faith. However, Jesus did not buy that faith. In fact, He called them 'hypocrites'. Hypocrisy means carrying a mask on the face. It is like being two faced according to the situation, so people never know what face is the true one. I think that has been happening among us since Adam and Eve. Right? Yes.

The two parties questioned Jesus regarding the greatest commandment in the Bible. Jesus' answer is: "*You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments*."

1. We shall love the Lord with all our heart.
We know that the heart is the symbol of love. Valentine's Day should be the celebration of love among us. But Who is love? God is love according to the Gospel. But love does not mean making love. This is a portion of love. So what is love? Love is welcoming everyone as a child of God. The Gospel says that Love is patient, kind, not jealous, not rude. Love does not seek its own interests, it is not quick-tempered, not rejoicing over wrongdoing but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, and endures all things. Love never fails. Faith, hope, love are three virtues, but the greatest is love according to the Bible. Why does love comes first?
Because the name and personality of God is LOVE.

2. We shall love the Lord with all our soul.
What is a soul? We see our body but we cannot see our soul. It is part of our being as human beings. We are created in body and soul. Soul is the breath of life coming directly from God Himself. The soul is giving life to our body. When death comes, the body dies, but not the soul. The soul is the reason why we are alive. I see the soul as the spiritual fuel allowing our bodies to be alive, like gasoline to a car. Once we die, our soul remains in God until the end of the world when God will make the miracle of giving us back our own body. What a miracle we are!

3. We shall love the Lord with all our mind.
It means to use our thoughts, reasoning, and intellect to know, understand, and honor God.
As a little boy at CCD classes I learned the following question and answer: "For what purpose did God create us? God created us to know, love, and serve Him in this life, and then to enjoy Him forever in Heaven." Now, how are we going to know God? By reading the Gospel, by listening to the homilies at Mass, by praying to Him every day. The more we know God the more we love Him. At least this is what I do every day.
During the Last Supper with his apostles, Jesus said: "**I give you a new commandment: love one other. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how people will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another other**." Jesus on the cross shows us how much He loved us. He suffered so much.

He, the innocent, saves us from sin and opens the doors of Paradise. He died for me and for you, and for humanity. His love was divine and He gave it to us good and bad people alike. It is up to the individual now to accept Him or not. Let us love Him.
May He bless us always! Amen. ***Fr. Silvio***

MASS INTENTIONS

October 25 – 1 November, 2026

Saturday, October 24th

ST. LUIGI GUANELLA, Italian priest
Founder of the Servants of Charity (d. 1915)

8:00am: ***CLIFFORD SILVA** and **ELAINE MAR** by friends
3:30pm: ***FERNANDO MARTI** by family
5:00pm: ***EUGENE and ZULMIRA CUNHA - MANUEL and EVELINA SILVA** by family
***MORT ROSENBERG** by friends
***ANGELA DE MARCK** by children

Sunday, October 25th

30th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

9:00am: ***ANNA JOAQUIN** by Maria Diniz
***MADELINE MAE** by family
***LUIS DaSILVA** by Maria Da Silva
***WILLIAM & ALICE MURPHY** by family
***SHEILA HOPKINS** by James Hopkins Jr
***JAMES DUTRA** by Barbara Dutra & family
***MURIEL & FRANK DUARTE** by Fran Clerx
***SOULS IN PURGATORY** by Tina Fernandes
11:30am: ***MANUEL & GRACE AZEVEDO** by family
***ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

Monday, October 26th

St. Humbert, German monk (d. 900)

7:00am: ***MAUREEN D'ALESSIO** by friends
***ELAINE BECKER** by friends
***CHRISTINE BOCCANFUSO** by family.

Tuesday, October 27th

St. Evaristus, 5th Pope, martyr (d. 105)

7:00am: ***NICOLAU COSTA** by Rosa Costa
***KATHLEEN ROY** by family
***RICK RICKERD** by a friend

Wednesday, October 28th

Saints Simon & Jude, Apostles, martyrs (d. 1st C.)

7:00am: ***BERNIE CULLEN** by Rosa Costa
***DECEASED of BRANDAO-DUARTE FAMILY** by S.D.

Thursday, October 29th

St. Ermelinda, Belgian nun (d. 590)

7:00am: ***HENRY TEUNE** by family
***KATHLEEN ROY** by family
***SOULS IN PURGATORY** by F.R.

Friday, October 30th

St. John Slade, English martyr (d. 1583)

7:00am: ***NANCY MASSIMINO** by friends
***AL & FRANKIE RUBINSTEIN** by a friend

Saturday, October 31st

Bl. Leon Nowakowski, Polish priest, martyr (d. 1939)

8:00am: ***SCOTT FILSTON** by friends
3:30pm: ***KENNETH & WINIFRED** by family
5:00pm: ***CLAIRE MULLEN** by family
***DECEASED OF BRAGA-RODRIGUES FAMILY** by family
***ALL LIVING & DECEASED PARISHIONERS**

Sunday, November 1st

ALL SAINTS

9:00am: ***CONCETTA HOPKINS** by James Hopkins Jr.
***MARIANA FARPELHA** by family
***LUIS DaSILVA** by Maria DaSilva
***JAMES DUTRA** by Barbara & family
***WILLIAM & ALICE MURPHY** by family
***MURIEL & FRANK DUARTE** by Fran Clerx
11:30am: ***MANUEL & GRACE AZEVEDO** by family
***EMIDIO & LOURDES DESOUSA-ROSA** by Manuela O'Connell

OCTOBER ROSARY

Our Pope Leo 14th is asking all Catholics around the world to pray the Rosary during the month of October in church or at home for the end of wars in the world. Let us pray also for him after his lung surgery.
Rosary will be recited in our church on Tuesday and Friday at 6:00 PM
- ALL ARE WELCOMED –

Sacred Heart Bible Study

"Learn the Bible and Grow Closer to God"
Monday, October 26
6:00 PM

<<< NOVEMBER 1st >>>

Turn Clock Back One Hour

< < CCD Corner > >

ALL SAINTS' DAY CELEBRATION

Sunday, November 1, 2026

Calling All Children and Parishioners of Sacred Heart!

In celebration of All Saints' Day, we joyfully invite all children of our parish to come dressed as their favorite Catholic saint for the

9:00 AM Mass Sunday, November 1!

Costumes can be simple and homemade. Let us celebrate the wonderful saints who inspire us to grow in faith, love, and holiness!

Following the 9:00 AM Mass, we warmly invite our entire parish community to join our CCD Family Class at 10:00 AM in the Church Hall for coffee, breakfast pastries, and fellowship!

Come share in this special celebration as we gather together as one parish family in faith and friendship.

All are welcome! We look forward to celebrating with you!

SACRED HEART 365 CLUB

April 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027

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THE BEST MALASSADAS IN EAST PROVIDENCE ARE BACK!

Sunday, November 15, 2026
8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
Sacred Heart Church Hall

Fresh, golden malassadas! 😋 Bring your family and friends and enjoy a sweet Portuguese tradition while supporting our parish.

Donations of whole milk, eggs, and oil welcomed at the sacristy after Mass.

Made with love, served with joy!

We can't wait to see you! Spread the word!

GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING

"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?"

SUNDAY COLLECTION A WEEK AGO

At Mass Giving	$ 3,173.00
Online Giving	$ 154.00
Total	$ 3,327.00

A Year Ago $ 2,797.00

THANK YOU for your generosity

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, December 5, 2026

Sacred Heart Church Hall

Come celebrate the joy of the Christmas season at our Christmas Bazaar! Join us for a festive day of fellowship, holiday treasures, and delicious homemade malassadas!

Donations of items for our Bazaar and malassadas (eggs, oil, milk, butter) are greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at the sacristy after any Mass.

Bring your family and friends and enjoy the Christmas spirit while supporting our parish!

Thank you for your generosity, and may God bless you this Christmas season!

2026 CHRISTMAS BINGO

DECEMBER 12, 2026

🎁 Honor a Loved One with a Gift of Giving! 🎁

As we prepare for our festive Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Bingo, we invite our parish family to help spread Christmas joy while honoring the memory of loved ones.

We are gratefully accepting $50 gift cards from local businesses, donated in memory of loved ones, to be awarded as Bingo prizes. Smaller denomination gift cards are also welcomed for our raffle prizes.

What a beautiful way to honor those we hold dear while spreading Christmas joy throughout our parish family! Thank you for your generosity! Your generosity helps bring our parish family together in joy and fellowship. May your kindness be blessed and the memories of your loved ones be honored through this act of giving. May God bless you and your loved ones this Christmas season!

2026 CHRISTMAS BINGO

Sacred Heart Church Hall
118 Taunton Avenue
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SATURDAY - DECEMBER 12, 2026

Doors open 6:00 p.m.
Games begin 6:30 p.m.
Under age 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

21 GAMES OF BINGO

20 regular games for the chance to win $50.00 gift cards from area businesses

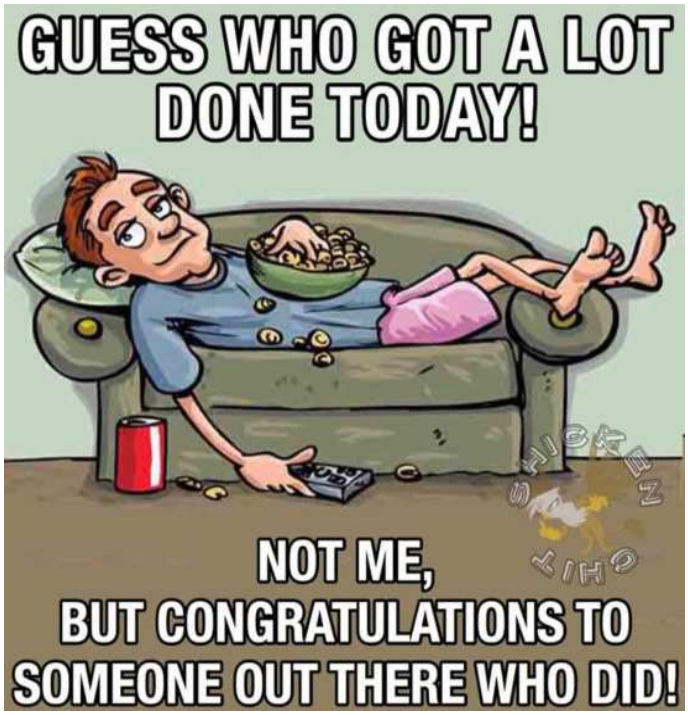
GRAND PRIZE GAME!!!:
PRIZE
50 inch flat screen TV

COME HUNGRY
Cacoila(pulled pork),
Chourico & Peppers,
Meatball Sub, Hot Dogs,
French Fries,
Malassadas(doughboys) and more

GIFT BASKETS RAFFLE
10 Tickets for $5.00
Prizes will be drawn after regular games of Bingo.

Sunday Chuckle

HAVE A BLESSED WEEK



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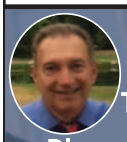
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