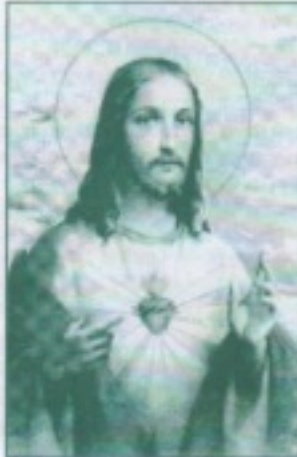


# Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Rev. J. Gabriel Piedraza, Pastor

Laura Uruchama, Faith Formation

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM  
Friday - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM      Saturday 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  
Closed For Lunch 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM      Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any change in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to notify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work/school or character reference.

## MASS SCHEDULE:

<b>Sunday:</b> English - Saturday 5:00pm Sunday 9:30am, 12:30pm Spanish - Saturday 7:00pm Sunday 11:00am	<b>Weekdays:</b> Monday - Friday 8:30am Wednesday - 8:30am Saturday - 9:00am Holy Days - see website for listing Holy Hour 7pm first Thursday of the month
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## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Baptism** - First Saturday of the month in English at 1:00 pm. Second Saturday of the month in Spanish at 1:00 PM. Parents must meet with the pastor prior to the Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend Baptismal instruction. Instruction is held same day as Baptism, prior to ceremony.

**Reconciliation** - 4:00 PM before the Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

**Marriage** - Couples are required to make arrangements one year to six months prior to the date of marriage. One party must be a registered and active member of this parish. Participation in Pre-marriage Program is required. Couple must meet with the pastor prior to any arrangements being made.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER APRIL 17, 2016

### First Reading: Acts 13:14, 43-52

Paul and Barnabas addressed many people, and large crowds gathered to hear them. Some of the Jews became jealous, and argued with whatever Paul said. But Paul and Barnabas continued preaching their message of salvation and everlasting life, until they were eventually forced to leave the town.

### Second Reading: Revelation 7:9, 14b-17

John saw a vision of many people surrounding a throne and the Lamb. One of the elders told him these were the people who had survived great periods of trial, but maintained strong faith in God. Now they would receive eternal protection and comfort from God as reward for their loyalty.

### Gospel: John 10:27-30

Jesus states that his sheep know his voice and follow him, and will receive eternal life. Jesus also says that no one can snatch his followers away, because God is greater than anyone who might try, and Jesus is one with God.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday April 16

9:00 AM For all souls

5:00 PM James & John Lulack (†)

7:00 PM The priest will announce the names and intentions

### Sunday April 17

9:30 AM Sarah & Jeffrey Beardsal (†)

11:00 AM The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30 PM Adam Marguard (†)

### Monday April 18

8:30 AM Virginia Santiago (†)

7:00pm Divino Niño Novena

### Tuesday April 19

8:30 AM

### Wednesday April 20

8:30 AM

### Thursday April 21

8:30 AM

### Friday April 22

8:30 AM George Designe (†)

### Saturday April 23

9:00 AM

5:00 PM Mary & Joseph DeBono (†)

7:00 PM The priest will announce the names and intentions

### Sunday April 24

9:30 AM

11:00 AM The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30 PM Deceased members of the DeSoto

## SUNDAY'S REFLECTION

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

**"My sheep hear my voice, I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish. No one can take them out of my hand."**

Three verbs – hear, know, follow. As I listen to the Good Shepherd, I ask three questions.

How clear is my hearing? What is the Lord saying to me, asking of me? How wrong it would be to presume that I have listened to His call, without taking time to reflect upon it.

How I wish I could know the Lord, as He knows me. He fills me with gifts, which I sometimes do not use. He wants the best for me, and I sometimes settle for less or mediocrity. He asks me to be responsible and accountable in my serving Him in others.

How closely do I give in to follow the Lord? Do I keep a safe distance or try to take giant steps to be closer to Him.

On this Good Shepherd weekend I find comfort as He calls, leads, feeds and heals me. I am also aware that I need to hear, listen, know and follow Him more closely.

### GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING/TITHING

Our Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a tithing parish. Tithing means to give back to God a portion of what God has given to us.

**Last Sunday's  
Collection**  
\$3,673.00

**Last Year's  
Collection**  
\$3,189.00

### Parishioner's Testimony

"The parish gives to me, my husband and children and my community. The parish offers me a community of worship and prayers and financially I want to help it continue to operate. Also, my parish gives to the sick, poor and others, and I want to be a part of that."

## ANOUNCEMENTS

**St. Gianna Molla 1922- 1962** from Italy- was a physician, a working mom, a professional woman and a loving wife. She gave her life so that her unborn child might live. She is a fine example of a other's love. She believed that being a mother is a special gift from God in bringing forth new life and that the life of a child must always be protected whether in or out of the womb.

### Collections

**Cardinal's Appeal 2016 In Pew collection:** today, as we have been announcing there will be a second collection at all masses; envelopes are available for parishioners to make their pledge and fill them out, or to donate a one time amount. We need the participation of at least 100 families. The appeal is a vital source of funding for the programs and ministries that sustain the parishes across our Archdiocese. It is not too late to make your gift. See the office if you may need help. Thank you.

### Faith Formation

**First Communion Retreat:** Saturday, April 30th, at 10 AM starting in the gym. Children must be accompanied.

**Sponsor Letters:** Please be aware as it is clearly stated on the front of our bulletin, that we can only issue any sponsor letters for those of you who are practicing Catholics and are registered with us as a parishioner for at least 3 months. Thanks.

**Volunteers for Catechesis:** As of now, we seek people who want to help teach the faith to children. Please talk to Father Gabriel.

*The Holy Candle  
Is offered for **Rachael Soto**  
In thanksgiving for life and work,  
May God and Our Lady of  
Guadalupe always bless us.*



If you would like to offer the Holy Candle or the wine and roast for your loved ones please visit the parish office.

If you celebrate a birthday or wedding anniversary this month, please contact the parish office to publish it in our bulletin.

### Events

**Free Concert/Dinner:** Next Thursday April 14th at 6 PM the students from The Guerin Catholic High School from Indiana will present a concert in the church followed by dinner in Campbell Hall. All are welcome, please join us!

**Mother's Day Raffle:** We will be raffling a 32' High Definition TV set. Each ticket is \$2.00 or \$10.00 per booklet. The winning ticket will be drawn on Sunday May 8th on the New York Lottery, Pick 3. Tickets are on sale now at the parish office.

### Respect Life

**St. Gianna Mass for couples struggling w/infertility and recurrent miscarriage:** Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM Couples, family & friends are invited to attend a Mass and veneration of the relics of St. Gianna, followed by a reception with Creighton physicians who specialize in assisting infertile couples. St. Catherine of Siena Church, 411 E. 68th St. More info contact 646-794-3196 or [sr.shirleyann@archny.org](mailto:sr.shirleyann@archny.org)

*Happy Birthday*  
Adeli Francisco  
Joseph Roldan  
Georgina Javier