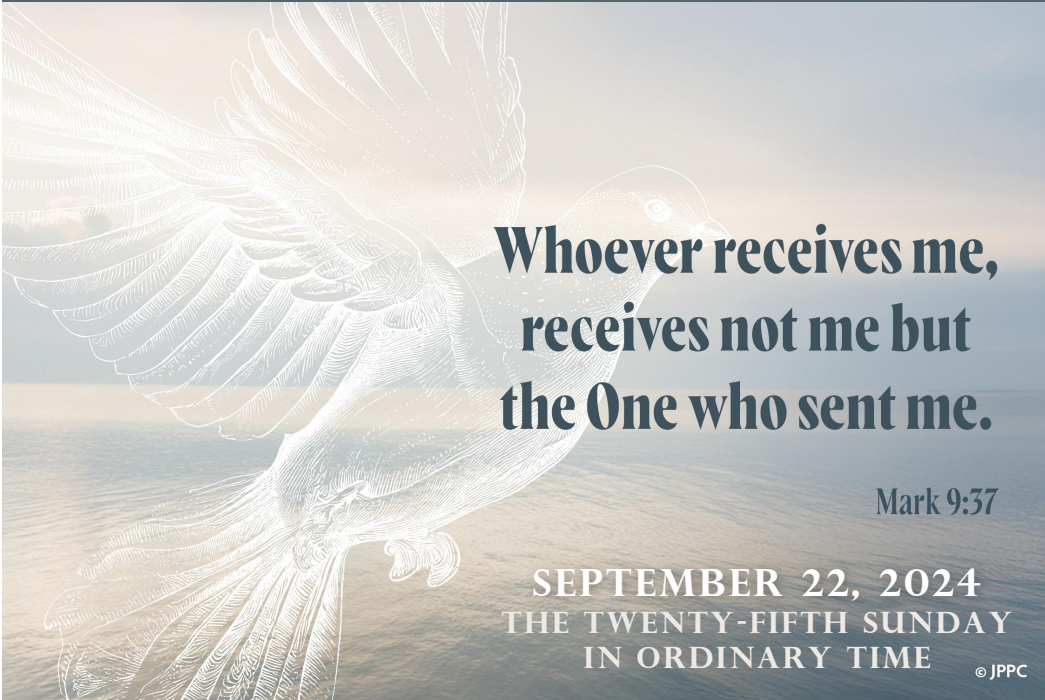


# CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

HARTSDALE, NEW YORK 10530



Whoever receives me,  
receives not me but  
the One who sent me.

Mark 9:37

SEPTEMBER 22, 2024  
THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

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## Served by

Rev. Michael Moon  
*Pastor*

Rev. Anthony Uwandu  
*Parochial Vicar*

Rev. Christian Goebel  
*German Cath. Cong. NY*

Rev. Ralph Barile  
*Retired*

Rev. Robert O'Neil  
*Mill Hill Fathers*

## **Weekend Masses**

Saturday Vigil

5:00 pm, 7:00 pm *Spanish*

Sunday

8:00 am, 10:00 am,  
12:00 pm and 7:00 pm  
2:00 pm *Korean*

10:00 am *German*

(Archbishop Stepinac HS  
Chapel, White Plains, NY)

## **Adoration**

Friday 11:00 am - 12:00 pm

## **Daily Masses**

Monday - Friday

7:00 am, 12:10 pm

Saturday

8:30 am

## **Holy Day Masses**

*When on a weekday*

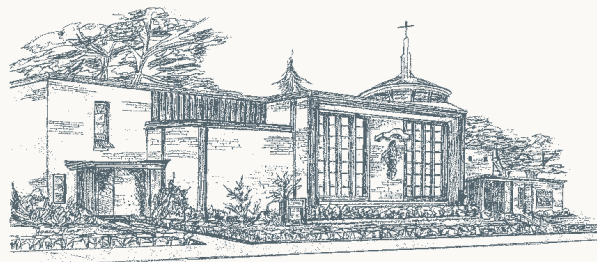
Vigil: 7:00 pm,

Day: 7:00 am, 12:10 pm

## **Reconciliation**

Saturday in Sacristy

3:45 pm - 4:30 pm



## **Parish Mission Statement**

The Church of the Sacred Heart is a Community of Disciples of the Lord, who invite us all to gather as one, to hear His word, to give thanks for that word amid prayer and praise, and to offer a loving hand of comfort and support to all, especially those in need.

## **Rectory**

10 Lawton Avenue  
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## **Hours:**

Monday - Friday  
9:00 am - 4:00 pm

For sacramental inquiries  
please call the rectory

## **School & Religious Education**

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*Organist*

Elizabeth Laskie-Gonzalez

Rosemary Clarizio

*Cantors*

Jonathan Goldwasser

*Folk Group Director*

## **Parish Website**

<https://shchartsdale.com>

## Week of September 22, 2024 The Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

LAST WEEK

# Collections

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thank you

September 1, 2024 - \$7,417  
September 8, 2024 - \$8,940  
September Parish Reserve Fund - \$2,930



the  
**CARDINAL'S**  
ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL  
*Sharing God's Gifts*

### Cardinal's Appeal Update

We have raised 69% of our \$72,400 goal! So far, **131** parishioners have generously pledged **\$50,029**. We need **\$22,371** more to reach our goal. If you have not already, please prayerfully consider participating.

Pray for our

*priests*

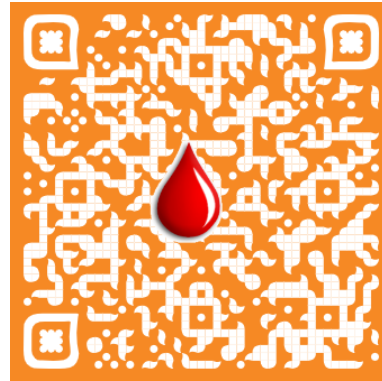


### Next week's second collection is for St. Joseph's Seminary

Saint Joseph's Seminary and College, also known as Dunwoodie after the Yonkers neighborhood it is located in, was founded in 1896. It is the Major Seminary of the Archdiocese of New York and the fifth educational institution of the Archdiocese for the formation of Catholic priests.

The good news is that the Catholic Church in the United States is growing. The bad news is that the number of ordinations is on the decline. In 2024 there were 475 ordinations in the United States, 7 of whom underwent formation in the Archdiocese of New York. Compare this to the nearly 1,000 nation-wide ordinations in 1970. That's an almost 50% decrease in vocations against a 46% increase in the Catholic population in 50 years. It is clear that we are in dire need of holy men to answer the call to be stewards of the Church.

The most important thing you can do for St. Joseph's Seminary is to pray for vocations and for their seminarians. Following this, your donations are critical to the Church's present and future. Please consider generously supporting these faithful men who will one day support us in our faith.



### Blood Drive

**Sunday,  
September 29<sup>th</sup>  
8am-2pm  
59 Wilson Street  
School Gym**

If you are able, please consider giving blood. Scan the QR code or visit:

[https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive\\_schedule/319395](https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/319395) to schedule an appointment. Thank you!

# RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

### Classes begin soon

RCIA classes are for people grades 9 and older looking to receive the sacraments of baptism, communion, and/or confirmation. Classes will be held Tuesday evenings from 7:30pm—8:30pm. Location to be determined. Students 18 years old or younger must be accompanied by an adult. If you are interested, please contact the rectory for the full schedule.

### Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday, **September 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 7pm in the school faculty room.

If you would like the name of a loved one to be placed on the Pray For the Sick list, please contact the rectory or leave a note in the collection basket.

We no longer have announced masses available for 2024. **The 2025 mass book is now open.** Please contact the rectory to reserve masses.

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**Saturday, September 21:**

5:00 Richard Paul (L)  
7:00 Special Intentions

**Sunday, September 22:**

8:00 Joanne Potenza (+)  
10:00 Angelina, Mary & Davide Villani (+)  
12:00 Francesco & Linda DiLello & Family (+)  
2:00 **Korean Mass**  
7:00 Henry Benvenuto (+)(B)

**Monday, September 23: Padre Pio**

7:00 Letty Jakasal (L)(B)  
12:10 Cesar Baviera (+)

**Tuesday, September 24:**

7:00 Bertita Rojas (+)  
12:10 Theresa Panicker (+)

**Wednesday, September 25:**

7:00 Anna Cunningham (+)(A)  
12:10 Jaime L. Guerrero (+)(4<sup>th</sup> A)

**Thursday, September 26:**

7:00 Christopher Matthew Terracciano (+)  
12:10 Fr. Francis J. Corry (+)(A)

**Friday, September 27: St. Vincent de Paul**

7:00 Aristides Mercado (+)  
12:10 The Deceased Members of the Mantione Family

**Saturday, September 28:**

8:30 Raymond Butler (+)  
5:00 Vivienne Dupre (+)  
7:00 The Deceased Members of the Catano-Valencia & Barrera Families

**Sunday, September 29:**

8:00 Patty LeGety (+)  
10:00 The Deceased Members of the D'Adamo & Fasano Family  
12:00 Pascual Oliveras (+)  
2:00 **Korean Mass**  
7:00 Domenico & Caterina Laratta (+)



Peter Tomasini, Joan Voight,  
Caroline Alongi, Andrea Kallaras,  
Julie Diaz, Jose Rivera, Leonardo Peñalosa  
Robert Muller, Geshika Chirinos,  
Marie Ruvo, Robert DeJour,  
Geraldine Towey, Dawn Ann Donnathan,  
Javier Zapata, Katherine Mary Rya,  
Rita Duque, Anna Fucci,  
Roseanne Lucid, Bette Schillberg,  
Andrea Cuevas, Jeff Haydon,  
Louise Fursich, Barbara Cautero,  
Aidan F., Tina Tan Soliven  
Maria P. Terracciano, Robert Cohen,  
George Mazzei, Ralph Quiñones,  
Maddy Cohen, Magdalena Flores

**The Most Powerful Healing Prayer by Padre Pio**

Heavenly Father, I thank you for loving me.  
I thank you for sending your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
to the world to save and to set me free.  
I trust in your power and grace that sustain and restore me.

Loving Father, touch me now with your healing hands,  
for I believe that your will is for me to be well  
in mind, body, soul and spirit.

Cover me with the most precious blood of your Son,  
our Lord, Jesus Christ

from the top of my head to the soles of my feet.

Cast anything that should not be in me.

Root out any unhealthy and abnormal cells.

Open any blocked arteries or veins  
and rebuild and replenish any damaged areas.

Remove all inflammation and cleanse any infection  
by the power of Jesus' precious blood.

Let the fire of your healing love  
pass through my entire body  
to heal and make new any diseased areas  
so that my body will function

the way you created it to function.  
Touch also my mind and my emotion,  
even the deepest recesses of my heart.

Saturate my entire being with your presence,  
love, joy and peace, and draw me ever closer to you  
every moment of my life.

And Father, fill me with your Holy Spirit  
and empower me to do your works  
so that my life will bring glory and honor  
to your holy name.

I ask this in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.



by Joe Paprocki, Loyola Press

Researchers tell us that the majority of us experience regular cravings for specific foods. It's important to remember that hunger and cravings are not synonymous. The former is driven by the body, while the latter is driven by the mind. Hunger seeks to satisfy a physical need. A craving seeks to satisfy an emotional need. That's why cravings are not limited to food. We can find ourselves craving any and all of the following: a drink, sleep, sex, power, possessions, friendship, novelty, intimacy, contentment, fun, pleasure, adventure, and so on. Ultimately, all of these can be attributed to three basic human cravings:

- We crave something **substantial** so that it **fulfills** us. If we crave something sweet, we prefer something substantial like a piece of fudge rather than a cheap candy bar.
- We crave something **delightful** so that it **pleases** us. Whether it is food, drink, or a piece of art, we gravitate toward those things that look, smell, taste, and feel pleasing.
- We crave something **valuable** so that it **benefits** us. It often seems as though we crave things that are just beyond our usual reach, either physically or financially.

We hope that, by possessing these three things, we will successfully transcend our present narrative of incompleteness to one of fulfillment, even if temporary. This brings us to the Sacrament of the Eucharist, the “food” that promises to satisfy our deepest cravings. St. Ignatius of Loyola taught that, ultimately, all of our desires can be traced to our desire for God. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that “the desire for God is written in the human heart.” (#27) In other words, our deepest craving is for a fulfillment that only God can provide. God, in turn, continually goes out of his way to provide us with access to the food that is his grace, culminating in the sending of his only Son, Jesus, who was born in Bethlehem—a name that means “house of bread”—and laid in a manger, which is a feeding trough for animals. Jesus referred to himself as the Bread of Life and, in his final act before giving himself up to be sacrificed like a lamb, he gave us the Eucharist: his presence in the form of simple bread and wine.

Through the Eucharist, we cultivate an awareness and integration of our desires and imperfections, not the re-

moval of them. The various negative behaviors that we too often engage in, seeking temporary relief from our cravings, ultimately dull our awareness. A life that is nourished by the Eucharist is a life focused on being awake and mindful, not about being asleep and mindless. It is about paying attention to our cravings.

We are invited to celebrate the Eucharist as an acknowledgment of our insatiable craving and a commitment to seek satisfaction of that craving in Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life—and not in those things that the false narratives of our culture offer as cheap substitutes. Ultimately, we are a people “in recovery” who, as a result of our Baptism, have embraced a new narrative to replace the “stinking thinking” that led to our addiction to sin. In the wisdom of 12-step groups, one of the most critical components of this recovery is attending regular meetings. While a variety of reasons are given for the necessity of attending regular meetings, some of the most compelling are:

1. Addiction is a lonely, self-centered disease. It is important to find healing within the context of relationships that the meetings provide.
2. It is important to share your recovery with newcomers lest they be left to fend for themselves.
3. Regular attendance at meetings keeps one focused on recovery, helps reduce relapse, and keeps one in his or her “right mind.”
4. Through regular attendance, one can find inspiration in the recovery of others.
5. Meetings provide a safe and healthy environment for working on recovery.
6. There is collective strength in people working together toward recovery in a group.
7. We need the support of others when cravings arise.
8. Regular attendance enables one to take stock of where he or she is in the recovery process.
9. Isolation, which is at the heart of addictions, is overcome by regular attendance at meetings.
10. Regular attendance enables one to go back to his or her humanity and focus on core values such as acceptance, faith, trust, honesty, courage, willingness, humility, forgiveness, freedom, perseverance, patience, and love.
11. Addiction is chronic; one is never “cured.”

I contend that each of the above compelling reasons for regularly attending and participating in 12-step meetings can and should be applied to attending and participating in a weekly celebration of the Eucharist. We go to Mass to be healed, to be saved, to experience “recovery” from our human addiction to sin. In the end, we go to Mass for the same reason an addict goes to meetings: not for entertainment or for a feel-good experience but for recovery.

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### Fun Facts about Padre Pio

- 1. He was devoted to the Lord from a young age.**  
Born May 25, 1887, in Pietrelcina, Italy, as Francesco Forgione, Padre Pio devoted himself to God at a very young age. Diaries from his spiritual director note that Francesco began to experience ecstasies and apparitions as early as age 4 or 5. And at age 16 he joined the Capuchin Friars.
- 2. His Masses often lasted hours.**  
In the early days of his priesthood, he took so long because he was in ecstasy. He once said that in this absorption in God, especially at the Consecration, he saw everyone who had asked his prayers. Later, the pain of the stigmata he endured also elongated Mass. Eye witnesses reported seeing Padre Pio struggle to move, in visible agony, and they even saw the crown of thorns on his head.
- 3. The blood from his stigmata smelled like flowers.**
- 4. He heard confession for 12-15 hours a day.**  
Pio had the charism of reading souls. Once his reputation spread the Capuchins had to implement a ticketing system. Some would wait up to two weeks to have confession with Padre Pio.
- 5. A sighting of a “flying friar” kept war planes from bombing Padre Pio’s town during World War II.**  
One of Padre Pio’s well known and well documented abilities was that of bilocation, or being in two places at once. The most incredible incident took place during World War II, when the city of San Giovanni Rotondo was under Nazi control. American bombers sent to area reported that a brown-robed friar appeared before their aircraft. And all attempts to release their bombs failed. One of the pilots later visited Pio’s friary and recognized him as the flying friar.
- 6. He established a hospital.**  
Pio founded a hospital near San Giovanni Rotondo called “Casa Sollieve della Sofferenza,” or the “Home for the Relief of Suffering” in 1956. The hospital still operates today and houses up to 1,000 patients.
- 7. He had a strong friendship with his guardian angel.**  
He was known to send and receive messages through his angelic protector and encouraged everyone to develop relationships with their angels. He said, “How consoling it is to know that we have a spirit who, from the womb to the tomb, never leaves us even for an instant, not even when we dare to sin. And this heavenly spirit guides and protects us like a friend, a brother.”
- 8. A biographical film on Padre Pio was released in 2022 and it led to the main actor’s conversion.**  
The film “Padre Pio” stars Shia LeBeouf as the titular saint. LeBeouf was a Disney child actor who had totally lost himself after his inner demons led to partying, work conflicts, and run-ins with the law. To research the role, LeBeouf met with the Capuchin Franciscans in Solvang, California and was drawn to the Catholic faith. He joined RCIA and was confirmed by Bishop Baron on New Years day 2024.

## Weekly Readings

HOLY BIBLE

**Monday:** Prv 3:27-34 | Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5 | Lk 8:16-18

**Tuesday:** Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 | Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44 | Lk 8:19-21

**Wednesday:** Prv 30:5-9 | Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163 | Lk 9:1-6

**Thursday:** Eccl 1:2-11 | Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17BC | Lk 9:7-9

**Friday:** Eccl 3:1-11 | Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4 | Lk 9:18-22

**Saturday:** Eccl 11:9-12:8 | Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 | Lk 9:43b-45

**Sunday:** Nm 11:25-29 | Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 | Jas 5:1-6 | Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



Sacred Heart School still has seats available for the new school year. The school serves Pre-K 3 year olds to 8th graders. If you'd like a tour and to speak to someone about the school, please email the principal, Dr. Fruner, at [jfruner@shshartsdale.org](mailto:jfruner@shshartsdale.org), or Mr. Rivera at [crivera@shshartsdale.org](mailto:crivera@shshartsdale.org) Stop in to see the students, teachers, and staff working with its students!

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<http://www.usccb.org>

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