

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church Newsletter
September 19, 2021

My Dear Parishioners,

In his Epistle, the Blessed Apostle St. James teaches what most of us already have accepted: that our Faith must be reflected in our way of living. Yet, this week, St James goes above and beyond that. This week he challenges us not just to let our Faith be reflected in the way we act, but also in the way we *think*.

St. James challenges us to renounce what is negative in our thoughts and to embrace the positive message of the Gospel, a message of love, mutual respect, healthy self-respect, kindness, mercy, peace, and obedience. St. James promises that this change in the way we think will lead to a better life for ourselves and all of those around us.

By challenging us in the way we think, St James is teaching us a lesson that he and the other disciples had learned some years before and is recorded in this week's Gospel.

As recorded, Our Blessed Savior challenged the disciples to start thinking on a higher level. He challenged them to think on a divine level. He challenged them to think like *saints*.

A saint is one who's only real ambition is Heaven, and this sole ambition then governs all of the thoughts and decisions of life. So, a saint becomes one who lives, eats, breaths, and thinks Jesus Christ and so truly becomes the eyes, ears, hands, feet, and mouth of Jesus Christ in this world.

If I may echo the words of Mother Angelica, we are all called to be great saints, not just saints, but *great saints*. From the bottom of my heart, I not only believe that this is possible but that what is possible is already happening right here in our own parish.

As saints in training, let us continue to encourage each other to act and think as saints.

I do thank everyone for helping to make our observance of 9/11 so touching and so meaningful. I have received so many notes of gratitude and so many notes saying that our observance really touched hearts. Through our observance, I think that more saints are in the making.

I also thank all who helped to make this past weekend's pancake breakfast such a great success. Through your generosity, our Mission Possible Group will touch many lives in one of the poorest areas of the country, and I do believe that through your generosity still more saints will be in the making.

Lastly, I thank everyone for their generous support of this weekend's pasta dinner benefiting our youth group and scouts, and also everyone's generosity for the clothing and toiletries drive benefiting the homeless of Central Bucks plus everyone's generosity toward our upcoming Christmas Bazaar which benefits the parish in general.

Through these and our many outreaches and activities, again, I believe, more saints are in the making.

Let us saints in training continue to lay siege to Heaven for the end of the pandemic, for first responders, for the sick, for the dead, and for each other.

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, pray for us!
St. Joseph, Patron of the Universal Church, pray for us!

Fr. Michael J Pawelko, pastor

SAVE
the
DATE

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

Volunteer Appreciation
Dinner

SATURDAY / OCTOBER 16 / 2021

More details will follow

Join Us for a
**RETIREMENT
PARTY**

honoring

Joanne Roberts

Saturday | September 25th | 5:15pm

Light Dinner will be held in

Father McBride Hall (Gymnasium)

***Please fill-out and return the tear off
by September 19th if you are attending.
This will help us plan for the light dinner.***

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Adults \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Children \_\_\_\_\_

***Tear-off can be dropped off at the Rectory Office  
Or Email at [olsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:olsacredheart@gmail.com)***

# COALITION TO SHELTER AND SUPPORT THE HOMELESS

## LIST OF NEEDS

Please do not donate any items in “kit” format as our homeless guests only take what they know they will use. CSSH organize all donations by item. Also, CSSH does not take any other clothing than what is listed below.

### **Guest Supplies - These items should be new**

**Outer Clothing - plain, darker colors (black, brown, navy, gray) are preferred, includes hats (adult only)**

#### **Men's:**

- Underwear (briefs or boxers): Sizes S - 1X (**Darker colors and smaller sizes needed**)
- Socks: Sizes M – XL
- Thermal Wear Shirts & Pants: Sizes M - 2X (**Larger sizes especially needed**)
- Gloves (Waterproof, warm winter, or work): Sizes M - 2X
- Hats

#### **Women's:**

- Underwear: Sizes 6 - 9
- Socks
- Thermal Wear Shirts & Pants: Sizes M - XL
- Gloves (Waterproof or water resistant): Sizes M or L

### **Toiletries (for both men and women)**

**Travel or trial sized Only: this is important, for if you are living out of a backpack, larger sizes are too heavy to carry and often wasted!**

- Mouthwash (no-alcohol) • Deodorant • Q-tips(travel size) • Dental Floss • Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Lip Balm • Wet Wipes (individually wrapped) • Nail Clippers: small & large(no scissors, or nail sticks)
- Individual Hand Sanitizer

### **Backpacks**

Lightweight/water-resistant (**These are especially needed!**)

#### **Collection Weekends**

September 18/19 & 25/26

Church Narthex

### **Gift Cards**

Please buy all food gift cards in **increments of \$5-** this simplifies distribution

- Local Eateries (Wawa, Wendy's, Burger King, McDonald's, or Starbucks) - \$5.00 • Pharmacies (CVS or Rite Aid) - \$5.00 • Walmart - \$10.00
- Local Gas Stations - \$25.00 • Sports Clips or Hair Cuttery • No Groceries as alcohol is now available

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Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

# BLOOD DRIVE

*We're All in this Together*

FROM  
2PM-7PM

Father McBride  
Hall  
(Gymnasium)

100 BROAD STREET  
HILLTOWN, PA 18927

**MONDAY, OCT. 4TH**

To schedule an appointment, please go to [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org) and use the  
Sponsor Code = sacred heart OR

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