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Thank you from Executive Committee

Dear Parishioners,

Over the past two months, Sacred Heart has taken up the challenge to continue to be a parish community in the absence of a pastor; with the absolute desire and cooperation for lay involvement, with guidance from our Bishop, to fill the needs of the parish, as our leadership develops and strengthens.

From a short list of priests, the Executive Committee has been able to schedule weekend Mass celebrations whenever they are available. We are grateful for their generous service.

To assist our parish to worship and pray as a community when we are unable to engage a priest for the weekend Masses, we rallied to organize a means to provide the lay-led Sunday Celebration of the Word in our parish. We are grateful to parishioners who came forward to sign up, and to Gwen Jahelka, Diocesan Director of Faith Formation and Evangelization who provided us with the training over the past two Wednesdays. For those who signed up but were unable to attend this first round of training, another will be scheduled this Fall.

The first group of Lay Liturgy Leaders will be commissioned by Bishop Gary Gordon at the 7 pm Mass on Friday, June 24th during the celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus – a witness to the visible sign of the gifts of the Holy Spirit working in our parish as we move forward. The newly trained Lay Liturgists who will be commissioned are Marilyn Bojko, Mayra Carvajal, Sigrune Fricke, Connie Haffey, Sylvain Leclerc, Catherine Minvielle, Miriam Podmoroff, Margaret Sasges, Marilyn Turner, and Kathy Weswick.

We are grateful to all who continue to join us at Sacred Heart Parish as we continue our commitment to building our community by supporting all the groups and events that help us celebrate our faith in times of change. In our journey through the unknown, we are upheld by our faith, courage, and belief that we are cared for by an awesome God whose Spirit leads us on.

Thank you, all, for helping us to continue to gather in our most familiar and sacred space.

Most gratefully,
Your Executive Committee
Sacred Heart Parish