

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.....	09:00 a.m.
Wednesday.....	05:00 p.m.
First Saturday.....	09:00 a.m.
Saturday Anticipated	05:00 p.m.
Sunday	08:00 a.m.
.....	10:00 a.m.
Holy Day Vigil (with obligation)	as announced
Holy Day.....	09:00 a.m.

PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration	All hours
.....	7 days a week

CONFESSION

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	08:40 to 08:55 a.m.
Wednesday	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.
Saturday	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.

OR by appointment with the Pastor

MAY 12, 2024

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	May 13
09:45 am	LOSH General Meeting, Lower Hall
01:00 pm	Walking with Purpose, All Classrooms
06:00 pm	Walking with Purpose, Classroom A
Tuesday	May 14
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
05:00 pm	Men's Club Meeting, Lower Hall
Wednesday	May 15
01:00 pm	Singles Hand & Foot, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Spades & Table Games, Upper Hall
01:30 pm	Choir Practice
03:30 pm	KofC 3rd Degree O & D Mtg, Classrooms A & B
05:00 pm	Mass
Thursday	May 16
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
09:30 am	Village Cancer Walk Meeting, Classroom A
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
06:00 pm	COR Group, Classroom D
Friday	May 17
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom D
Saturday	May 18
05:00 pm	Mass
Sunday	May 19
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass

SAVE THE DATE - TASTE OF FAITH

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce the 2024 SHJ Parish Taste of Faith dinner is scheduled for the evening of **Friday, August 9**. Proceeds and donations for this gala event support the education of Seminarians in our Diocese. Special guests are Bishop Taylor, Fr. Jeff Hebert, Fr. Mauricio Carrasco and several Seminarians.



*O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you;
of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not
your face from me, alleluia*

cf. Psalm 27 (26): 7-9

APRIL REGULAR COLLECTIONS

REGULAR COLLECTIONS	\$40,048.46
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$4,138.00

APRIL SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

BABY BOTTLE	\$20.00
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MOTHER'S DAY

"Motherhood then becomes a kind of priesthood. She brings God to man by preparing the flesh in which the soul will be implanted; she brings man to God in offering the child back again to the Creator...she is nature's constant challenge to death, the bearer of cosmic plenitude, the herald of eternal realities, God's greatest cooperator." *The Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen*



MEN'S CLUB MAY MEETING

The May meeting for the Sacred Heart Men's Club will be on Tuesday, May 14 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. All men or male spouses of a parish member are welcome to attend. Name badges are available for \$10. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall followed by social time. The Refreshment Center will open upon the Chaplet's completion. The 6:00 pm dinner, catered by Clampits is beef brisket, pulled chicken, baked potato salad, coleslaw and assorted cookies. Cost is \$15. The program for the night will be personal reflections of faith experiences from some of our members. Please call **501 922-1767** or email your meal reservation to russharrison68@gmail.com by **5:00 pm Sunday, May 12**. If you cancel after the meal reservation deadline you are still responsible for the cost.

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Next week our special collection supports the Catholic Communications Campaign. This campaign connects Catholics with Christ in the United States and developing countries using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half of the donations collected remain here in our own diocese in order to fund local communications efforts. Your support helps spread the gospel message! Learn more at www.usccb.org/cc.

KEEP IN TOUCH

Has your address, email or phone number changed? Please inform the church office if your contact information has changed. Change of Information forms are located in the Narthex or call the office at **501 922-2602 ext. 10**.

GIFT BEARERS

What an honor to carry the wine, hosts, and offerings at Mass for consecration. Gift Bearers actively participate in the celebration of the Mass by presenting the gifts of Bread and Wine at the Offertory. No special skill or permanent ministerial duty required. It enables us to appreciate how God invites man to participate in bringing to fulfillment his handiwork. Sign up in the white binder in the Narthex to be a part of this beautiful and significant part of Mass.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

The subject matter this week is Mass intentions and how they are handled when requests are made through our parish.

There is evidence that specific and general intentions were offered from the early days of the church as the Eucharist was celebrated. Tertullian (200) wrote that he offered "prayers and sacrifices" for a deceased one's spouse on the anniversary of their death. Historically, the faithful have given a monetary gift for a specific intention that normally is given to the priest for his support and as a means for the person asking for a "Mass Intention" to make a sacrifice. Please note that since it is a "gift" there is no requirement to give anything for a Mass intention. Neither the Church nor the priest is "charging" for the Mass to be offered for that intention. The challenge for our parish is to try to satisfy the many requests we get for Mass intentions for living or deceased persons or for specific needs. While we want to try to satisfy requests for a certain date for the death anniversary of a person or a birthday remembrance for a person who has died or is deceased (or a wedding anniversary of a living couple), we have to allow for other Masses to be said by a variety of people who ask for them. We may have to send some of those intentions to other priests in Arkansas who are needy for intentions for the daily Masses they celebrate. The Church also says that we MUST send Mass intentions off if that can't be said in a timely manner (within four months of when they are requested) especially when it is offered for the happy repose of someone's soul. Death anniversaries might be the exception to this. If more than one "anniversary" is requested, we can do both intentions at that one Mass and the priest can only accept one donation with the other being sent to the Diocesan Clergy Welfare Fund which supports our sick and retired priests. Gina, our parish secretary will not be able to tell you when the Mass being requested will be offered (except if it is for an anniversary or birthday) or even if it will be offered here if multiple Masses are being requested. Finally, our diocese has approved \$10 as a suggested gift for a Mass intention though more or less can be given for that intention. If you want to give let's say \$50 and have 5 Masses for the same person, then expect that some of those may have to be sent (with the corresponding monetary gift) to other priests.

I am impressed that so many Masses are requested at our parish. It speaks to and about those who recognize the spiritual benefits that are afforded to those for whom Masses are being offered. We ask your patience and understanding as we try to satisfy the requests that are made here.

LORD, SEND OUT
YOUR SPIRIT,
AND RENEW THE
FACE OF THE EARTH.

PEA:

"How to make a Holy Hour," a helpful resource as you spend time with the Lord and seek to grow in your relationship with him, can be found in the adoration chapel and on the table in the Narthex. Please pick up a copy!



WE continue to look for one person, or a group of people, wanting to share the hours of 1 - 3 am on Sundays. Get together with another couple or two, alternate/Share an hour and receive the blessings that result.

We continue to need subs for any hours you are able to offer during the summer months. Contact **Kathy Clark 203 816-7737** to enroll.

FORMED

"What Catholic Believe" is a recently added feature on Formed. It answers some of the internet's most asked questions. This feature has added many more discussions, usually lasting 15 minutes or less. Various church scholars answer questions about the beliefs of the Catholic Church. Examples are: "Are Catholics Cannibals?" and "Do you have to listen to EVERY thing the Pope says?" These short programs will help prepare you when you are asked questions regarding our religion. Go to FORMED.org to register as a SHJ parishioner for a free subscription.

SACRED HEART MISSION STATEMENT

We the people of Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish welcome you to our Catholic, Christian community in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We all believe our mission is to live and nurture our faith by:

***Worshipping, Praying,
Serving, Sharing,
Healing, Loving,
Together.***



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- ♥ May 13 at 8:45 am Guilds process into Mass with flowers for our Blessed Mother. Pews are reserved for each Guild to pray the living Rosary. Relocate outside for the May crowning.
- ♥ Come and hear Guest Speaker Ann Dierks speaking about fun activities to do with grandchildren when they visit. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ◆ May 15 Council O & D Meeting 3:00 pm Classrooms A & B
- ◆ May 16 St. Francis House Meal
- ◆ May 23 -25 Special Olympics
- ◆ May 27 Memorial Day Flags Rosary & Mass
- ◆ June 3 Assembly Officers Planning Mtg. 3:00 pm, Classrooms A & B
- ◆ June 7 Samaritan Ministries
- ◆ June 9 Parish Breakfast following both Masses Free will donation accepted

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:



Mike & Linda Gonda, 51st Anniversary
 Marie Radcliffe, IHO All mom's on Mothers Day
 Bob & Betty Mierzwiak IHO Betty's 90th Birthday

Your parish appreciates your donations of flowers for the altar. Sign-up in the white binder on counter in the Narthex. Questions, call **Judy Gordon**, at 719-930-1121

THE IMPORTANCE OF EXERCISE

Our SHJ "Fit'n Balance" class, every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:00 am in the Lower Hall, focuses on balance, strength & light to moderate aerobic activity. We also offer Chair Stretch & Balance (in the Lower Hall) and Mat Yoga (Upper Hall) on those same days at 11:30 am. Having good balance is an important way to help prevent falls, and there are many benefits to regular exercise, especially as we age. Physical activity along with a healthy diet are two of the most important lifestyle factors that help us age gracefully. Finding an exercise program that is fun and engaging is essential to help create a lasting habit. If you have questions or would like more information, reach out to **Linda Broome**, lcbroome@gmail.com, 870-995-2797.

GIFT BEARERS

The following parishioners have volunteered to bring up the gifts this weekend at the 5:00 pm and 10:00 am Masses:



Mike & Linda Gonda
 David & Cathy Patrick

Sign up to present the gifts at Mass in the white binder located in the Narthex. With questions, call **Marian LaVelle** at 501 209-2435.

SINGLES CORNER

- NO Social Sunday in May. Happy Mother's Day
- New Social Sunday time 2-4 pm starting June 9
- Weekly cards at 1:00 pm, Upper Hall
- Special 5th Weds, May 29, Hand, Knee & Foot
- **May 21:** Singles Luncheon at Charlie's Pizza at 1:30. Sign up sheet in book so number can be confirmed
- **June 14:** Muses "Into the Secret Garden" Broadway Cabaret. Special group pricing. Details in book. Payment due June 2. See Susan with questions.
- SAVE THE DATE **October 30**, Wednesday matinee, Murry's Dinner Theatre "Murder on the Nile."
- More details for activities in the **Singles Book** or contact singles.hvsacredheart@gmail.com

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



- ♥ Ralph & Marilyn Stiefvater, 62 years on May 19
- ♥ Bill & Tina Taylor, 53 years on May 22
- ♥ Derek & Erin Teter, 25 years on May 22
- ♥ Dick & Diane Condon, 60 years on May 23
- ♥ Bill & Marylou Peterson, 61 years on May 25

* Call the church office if you didn't recently sign up and provide your anniversary date

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Bereavement Support	Gary Christoff	573-645-6814
Caregiver Support	Evelyn Garrison	501-204-4134
	Maureen Halloran	228-342-0491
Columbarium	Gary Wolfer	501-204-1192
Eucharist: Homebound	Rose Farrell	860-208-9813
Helping Hands	Cathy Wedwick	501-915-8456
	Pat Widlowski	501-922-1395
Perpetual Adoration	Kathy Clark	203-816-7737
Youth Faith Formation	Lou Ann Kemper	469-323-2505

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL		
David Witchger	Grounds, Chair	501-922-9058	Deb Troxel	Education	515-240-6729
Carolyn Bowers	Administration	501-915-8022	Lou Ann Kemper	Education	469-323-2505
Bob Honzik	Stewardship	501-922-2702	Sandy Darnell, Chair	Liturgy	602-418-3414
Murray Claassen	Stewardship	501-908-4346	Marian LaVelle	Liturgy	501-209-2435
Pat Kalisz	Building Complex/ Equipment	630-926-6637	Mark Leslie	Parish Life	501-226-0074
Bill Patterson	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-8631	Becky Jordan	Parish Life	901-605-0333
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-922-9047
Larry Stein	Finance	501-226-5105	Pietro Tomassi	Social Justice	501-282-4427
			David Witchger	Finance Council	501-922-9058

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Effective immediately, the deadline for submitting bulletin announcements is the **Friday** one week prior to the weekend the bulletin is to be distributed. The deadline time is **12:00 pm**. Please submit announcements to hvsacredheart@gmail.com

Sick List - Names in bold italics have been recently added. A * next to last name Indicates non-parishioners.

Parishioners will be placed on the Sick List when a request has been made. To ensure privacy, remember to ask the person needing prayers if (s)he would like to be included in the listing. Recipients will remain on the Sick List for 60 days unless asked to be removed sooner or a request to stay on has been received.

Tony Bertrand*	Susan Garcia*	Albert Nickel*	Linda Skaggs*
William "Bill" Butler	John Guida	Diane Prescott	Darin Wells*
Vivian Centenio*	James Heaser	Don Prescott	Patty Wilson*
Douglas Cepicky*	Betty Hoepner	Larry Sack*	Mary Zelhofer
Theresa Drumwright	Alice Justus	Kenny Seghers	



PRAYER WARRIORS

PRAYERS NEEDED?

We all need a prayer warrior in times of crisis, a critical or dangerous situation that needs serious attention, including emergencies, surgery, imminent death or the loss of a loved one. Our Parish Prayer Warriors are ready to help. Some ninety Parish Prayer Warriors will offer intercessory prayers to God for you and your loved ones at these and other critical times. Please call: **Mary Costello 209-0008, Jim Goodson 204-2494, Lucy or Marvin Young 915-8028; or Chris Stein, 226-5105** to get your prayers started. They will continue for 30 days, unless cancelled by you, and may be continued by request. You too may become a member of our Parish Prayer Warriors by calling Mary, Jim, Lucy, Marvin or Chris.



Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you... Jeremiah 29:12

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

May 11	5:00 pm	FRANK KULAS	BOB KULAS
May 12	8:00 am	KATHLEEN HOESS	M/M BOB KOSCIELNIAK
	10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
May 13	9:00 am	LOSH INTERNTIONS	ST. TERESA GUILD
May 14	9:00 am	COLE BRATKOVIC**	PHYLLIS MELENSON
		WENDY ROBINSON**	ED/SARAH AUCOIN
May 15	5:00 pm	JAN LIPSMEYER	MAUREEN HALLOREN
May 16	9:00 am	MARIA DEL PAPA	MARIE RADCLIFFE
May 17	9:00 am	JOHN LUTZ	MIKE/LINDA GONDA
May 18	5:00pm	BILL NOSEK	OLIVER FIELD
		LEO CEPICKY	CANDY CHEW
May 19	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
	10:00 am	RALPH/MARILYN STIEFVATER**	M/M RALPH STIEFVATER