

# SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.....	09:00 a.m.
Wednesday.....	04:00 p.m.
First Saturday.....	09:00 a.m.
Saturday Anticipated . .....	04:00 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 .....	03:40 to 03:55 p.m.
Saturday .....	03:15 to 03 :45 p.m.

OR by appointment with the Pastor

FEBRUARY 4, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

## PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 5</b>
09:45 am	LOSH Board Meeting, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Bible Study, All Classrooms
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 6</b>
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Bereavement Sessions, Classroom A
01:00 pm	Shawl Ministry, Classroom D
05:00 pm	K of C Council Meeting, Lower Hall
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 7</b>
10:00 am	COR Group, Classroom A
01:00 pm	Singles Hand & Foot, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Spades & Table Games, Upper Hall
01:30 pm	Jesus & the Eucharist, Lower Hall
04:00 pm	Mass
05:30 pm	Jesus and the Eucharist, Lower Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>February 8</b>
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom A
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
10:00 am	OCIA, Classroom D
11:30 am	Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
06:00 pm	COR Group, Classroom A
<b>Friday</b>	<b>February 9</b>
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom A
09:45 am	Liturgy Committee Meeting, Classroom D
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 10</b>
11:00 am	Centering Prayer Group, Classroom A
04:00 pm	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 11</b>
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass
11:15 am	Youth Faith Formation, All Classrooms
03:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour & Confessions

### BABY SHOWER SUCCESS

Our annual baby shower for 2024 was an outstanding success. Catholic Adoption Services (Little Rock), Change Point (Hot Springs) and New Beginnings (Benton) each received an abundance of items. We distributed two strollers, seven car seats, twelve diaper bags, 4,025 diapers, 9,472 wipes, 243 clothing pieces a crib bumper, blankets, toiletries, bottles and toys. We also collected \$1,791 in donations - much higher than in previous years. The items were delivered to the charities by Pat Miller, JoAnn Arnold and Diane Shaw. We thank them and all the volunteers who helped move, count and sort for pick up and, of course, our generous parishioners!

### ACMC

The Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference, the annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock, will be held Saturday, February 10, 2024 at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. It was founded in 2010 and has featured speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church. For free registration go to [arcatholicmen.com](http://arcatholicmen.com).

### K OF C VALENTINE'S DINNER/DANCE

To honor our wives and significant others, our 4th Degree Knights are sponsoring a Valentine's dinner and dance Saturday, February 17, 2024. The social hour begins at 5:15 pm with dinner at 6:00 pm and the dance starting at 7:00 pm. Music for this event is provided by Marcus Suggs. The menu will be a dinner salad, prime rib, twice baked potato, freshly baked yeast roll and assorted cheesecake for dessert. The cost is \$30 per person with table selection available upon ticket purchase. ***Ticket sales will be prior to and after all Masses the weekends of February 3/4 and 10/11.***



### SINGLE'S SOCIAL SUNDAY

The Singles ministry is for anyone who is single for any reason. Being single doesn't mean you should be alone. We Singles at Sacred Heart would love for you to join us. A good starting place is Social Sunday. It's a chance to socialize with and truly get to know others. Please join us the second Sunday of each month in the Upper Hall at 1:00 pm. Bring your own beverage plus an appetizer to share. With questions call **Debbie Doughty 414 313-0415**.

### WINTER 2024 BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY

The Sacred Heart Grief Support Group is for those who have faced or are facing challenges in their lives, perhaps the death of a loved one, a spouse, sibling, or child. There may be other events in your life that have shaken your ground such as serious illness, divorce or something that has made you view life differently. The SHJCC Bereavement Ministry's Grief Support Group is a safe space where we can learn and grow together. We are grateful you have survived and will assist in helping you reclaim your life, increase happiness and be inspired to be the person you were born to be. The Support Group will meet each Tuesday, February 6 - March 5 between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. We will use a program titled Grieving with Great Hope produced by the Good Mourning Ministry. It comes to us via FORMED; a free subscription to us as SHJ parishioners. To register, contact the SHJCC Bereavement Ministry **Deacon Gary Christoff** via email [goforit542@gmail.com](mailto:goforit542@gmail.com) or phone **573-645-6814** or **Bob Hoffmann 501-922-3611**. You may also register by calling the Parish Office **501-922-2062**

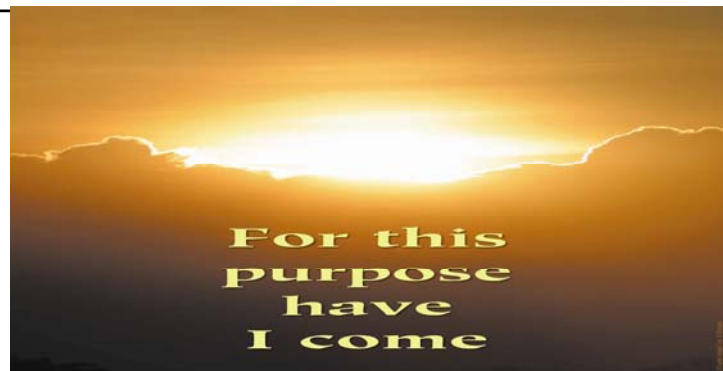
### CASA

Did you know that your CASA offerings are a source of funding for the education of our seminarians? Your faithful support helps provide the training that our seminarians deserve. They give everything for us and the Church. Let's support them in return. Become a Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal Supporter. Envelopes are provided in the pews.

## PASTOR'S COLUMN

See if you can fill in the blanks to the following: "I am a \_\_\_\_\_ Catholic." "I belong to the Diocese of \_\_\_\_\_." "I am a parishioner of \_\_\_\_\_." (see answers below.)

I hope you got all three right. I also hope you are proud to be counted among a large, larger, and largest group of faith-filled believers in Jesus Christ! We are blessed in many ways by our connection to one another in these groups of people. We are also called to be a blessing to the members and ministries that are offered to various people both within and outside of the Catholic faith. The "Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal" is the opportunity (and really, a calling) for every Catholic household in the Diocese of Little Rock to support ministries that have partial funding from various sources, and that NEED the support of ALL Catholics in Arkansas financially in order to fulfill their mission of doing the Lord's work in their area of ministry. I say "All" knowing that sadly less than twenty percent of all Catholic households in Arkansas traditionally have given something for the pastoral work that is going on, besides what their parishes are funding and doing. While our numbers at Sacred Heart Church are thankfully higher than that, we have quite a way to go to even be at the fifty percent level of participation. While I sincerely ask that those approximately 234 Sacred Heart Parish families who gave to CASA in 2023 be faithful in giving generously again in 2024, I strongly ask that those who did not give last year, will give SOMETHING this year and be counted as those who have a compassionate, caring heart for children, other youth, college students, seminarians, and many adults whose lives are being made more Christ-like and/or who are coming to know Christ through the help that is being given to them. Prayerfully consider what you will give and use the envelope you received in the mail or at church to make a pledge that can be satisfied over a ten month period this year or at least give a one-time contribution. Next week's bulletin will list all the ministries and groups of people that will be receiving needed help from Catholics all over Arkansas. My goal and emphasis this year will not only be on reaching and exceeding the financial goal the diocese has given us (which we thankfully have done almost every year) but to FAR EXCEED the numbers of households who give! PLEASE be one of those and know you are counted among the BLESSED in Arkansas for your gift! (Answers to the fill in the blanks above are *Roman, Little Rock, and Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church*)



*Jesus in the Eucharist!* Small group studies begin on Weds. Feb. 7 1:30-3:30 pm, prior to 4:00 pm Mass or evening after the Lenten supper in the lower hall. The Monday 1-3 pm group begins Feb. 12. You may still sign up with **Deb Troxel 515 314-6955**. We'll find you a spot. All are welcome! **\*\* No Holy Hour this afternoon \*\***

Considering attending the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July? Discounts from the website, for Knights at EWTN, etc. abound. Daily/weekend passes are available. Visit [www.eucharisticcongress.org](http://www.eucharisticcongress.org) for details.

### PEA

We have a short-term need (most likely less than 2 months) for adorers for the hours of 1-4 am on Sundays. If you or a group can fill this need, contact **Lori Vincent 337 654-2871**.

### LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY MEAL

The February 7 Lenten meal will be provided by the NER Core team group. They will be serving pizza and tossed green salad after 4:00pm Mass and before the evening group



### FORMED

"Hostis: The Power and Presence of the Eucharist" is a short film on Formed. Watching it will enhance your understanding of the importance of the parish wide "Eucharistic Revival" and get you ready for the Lenten small group study, "Jesus and the Eucharist". Go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) to get your free subscription if you haven't already signed up as a SHJ parishioner.

### JESUS ASKS: "WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?"

Spiritual Direction may be a good way to help answer in each of us. Are you looking for ways to grow in your faith in 2024? Are you drawn to deepen your prayer life? Do you have questions regarding the faith or God's direction in decision making? Do you struggle with old hurts that linger? Our parish has two certified spiritual directors who are trained to accompany you in these areas with compassion and confidentiality. Sessions are normally monthly and last about an hour. For more information or to see if this may be the right fit for you, please contact **Deb Troxel 515 314-6955** [dvglrn@yahoo.com](mailto:dvglrn@yahoo.com) or **Cherry Schwulst 309 831-7230** [cherryjoschwulst@gmail.com](mailto:cherryjoschwulst@gmail.com).



## LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- ♥ Mon. Feb. 5, 9:45 am LOSH Board Mtg., Upper Hall
- ♥ Thurs. Feb. 8 Guild 2 11:30 am lunch at Dolce Vita
- ♥ Mon. Feb. 12 LOSH General Mtg. after morning Mass. Meet in the Lower Hall for Lisa Goodwin, guest speaker, presenting "Growing up at the Majestic."

\*\* Something extra: birthday cake kits and donations for Golf Fundraiser snacks

### CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Please pray for our youth preparing for Confirmation: Bethany Benson, Adrian & Natalia Pineda. They will attend an all day retreat in Little Rock on February 11. We ask that the Lord continue to strengthen their faith and lead their confirmation journey. May God also bless their parents, guardian and leaders for their guidance along the way.

### CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregiver Support Group meets once a month on the second Wednesday of each month in Classroom D from 10:30am - 12:30pm. A light lunch is provided. You are welcome to attend even if you do not have the care receiver living in your home. We also have trained men and women from our parish who will come to your home in order for you to attend the meeting. Call **Evelyn 501 204-4134** or **Maureen 228 342-0491** for more information.



### ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:



- Bruce & Noreen Mode IMO Rolland C. Martin
- Pietro & Jackie Tomassi IMO Annetta Tomassi
- Joe & Shirley Lemmler, 67th Anniversary

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**.

### OLD PALMS

We will be collecting your old palms. You may bring in any that you have and place them in the container in the Narthex in order to be properly disposed.

### 2023 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

Your 2023 Contribution Statements are available for pick up at the church office Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm or call the office 501 922-2062 to request your statement be mailed.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ♦ Feb. 6 Monthly Council Mtg 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday
- ♦ Feb. 17 Valentine Prime Rib Dinner and Dance 5:30 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Feb. 19 President's Day, Flags, Rosary & Continental Breakfast after Mass, Lower Hall
- ♦ Feb. 21 Council O & D Meeting 2:30 pm

### FEBRUARY 6 K OF C COUNCIL MEETING

We are fortunate to have Daniel Ellis. longtime friend and Finance/Insurance Representative for our district as our next Guest Speaker. Daniel brings a host of product information focused on the latest offerings of benefits to all Knights and their families. If your wife has questions please invite her to join you for the meeting and her complimentary dinner. If she is not registered, contact Gary Wolfer [garywolfer@gmail.com](mailto:garywolfer@gmail.com) or **501 204-1192** by Feb. 4. The importance of staying current on these matters cannot be overstated!

### GIFT BEARERS

The following parishioners have volunteered to bring up the gifts this weekend at the 5:00 pm Mass:



- ♦ Joe & Shirley Lemmler

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**.

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER EXPERIENCE

Spend a weekend away with your spouse discussing what really matters. Sign up for the upcoming WWME: February 9-11, 2024 Subiaco Coury House, Subiaco, AR. Receive all the tools you need to have the best marriage ever. \$200/couple at [WWME.org](http://WWME.org) or **501 733-1235**. Early registration discount available.

### PARISH DIRECTORY UPDATE

Our directory information was sent to Universal for compilation. Once the rough draft is returned and proofed we will resubmit for completion. This entire process may take 8-12 weeks. Thank you for your patience.

### 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, <u>Chair</u>	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 [hsvsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:hsvsacredheart@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\*  
William "Bill" Butler  
Vivian Centenio\*  
Douglas Cepicky\*  
Theresa Drumwright

Emmanuel Goff\*  
John Guida  
James Heaser  
Judy Heaser  
Betty Hoepner

Diane Prescott  
Don Prescott  
Larry Sack\*  
Linda Skaggs\*

Jack Wallisch  
***Darin Wells\****



### 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

Feb	3	4:00 pm	PAT AKE	LEW AKE
Feb	4	8:00 am	ANNE KASTEN	M/M JOHN PURCELL
		10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
Feb	5	9:00 am	ROLLAND C MARTIN	BRUCE/NOREEN MODE
Feb	6	9:00 am	CURTIS BRANDT	MARIAN BRANDT
Feb	7	4:00 pm	ANGELA BORONI	MIKE/LINDA GONDA
Feb	8	9:00 am	SCOTT RENNER**	KATERI AMRHEIN
Feb	9	9:00 am	PATRICIA ANN VEST	BARBARA BECHAM
Feb	10	4:00 pm	LORI CEPICKY	CANDY CHEW
Feb	11	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 am	MARGUERITE ERNST	ALLEN FAMILY