

# SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Monday through Friday  
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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 18, 2024

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

## PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

<b>Monday</b>	<b>February 19</b>
12:00 pm	Family Assistance Meeting, Classroom A
01:00 pm	Jesus & the Eucharist, Lower Hall
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>February 20</b>
09:45 am	Walking with Purpose Leadership Meeting, Classroom D
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
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>February 21</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
02:30 pm	KofC3rd Degree O & D Mtg, Classrooms A & B
04:00 pm	Mass
05:30 pm	Jesus and the Eucharist, Lower Hall
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>February 22</b>
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
10:00 am	OCIA, Classroom D
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 A
<b>Friday</b>	<b>February 23</b>
09:45 am	Pastoral Council Meeting, Classroom D
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom A
04:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>February 24</b>
11:00 am	Centering Prayer Group, Classroom A
04:00 pm	Mass
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>February 25</b>
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass
11:15 am	Youth Faith Formation, All Classrooms

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS


Different versions of the Stations of the Cross will be prayed in community every Friday of Lent. Please join us at 4:30 pm.



## COLLECTION FOR CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

This week our special collection supports the church in Central and Eastern Europe. Communism in this region fell more than 30 years ago, but the church still struggles to rebuild after decades of oppressive rule. Religion and religious practices were openly persecuted and atheism was actively propagated and enforced. Your support of this collection funds grants that support vital pastoral ministries throughout the region. That means you support seminary programs, promote ministries and education for children and families, rebuild churches and renew community life. As always, thank you for your generosity with regard to special collections.

## K OF C CATFISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be serving a Catfish Dinner on Friday, March 8 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. Come and enjoy a  delicious dinner prepared by Melinda's for only \$15 with net proceeds benefitting local charities. There will be sign up sheets in the Narthex at all Masses February 24/25 and March 2/3 for planning purposes or contact **Mike Gonda 501 226-3102 [img573@comcast.net](mailto:img573@comcast.net)** or **Rick Phillips 610 308-2613 [rickphillips@gmail.com](mailto:rickphillips@gmail.com)** to register for this dinner which includes fried catfish and shrimp (US farm raised), baked potato w/toppings, cole slaw, roll, cocktail & tartar sauce and a cookie.

## 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.

## SINGLES CORNER

The planning committee and leadership team have organized the following events which we encourage you to attend as part of our group. You may print or pick up a copy from the *Singles* book located on the cabinet in the Narthex. Email is [singles.hsvsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:singles.hsvsacredheart@gmail.com). Sign up sheets now available for these activities:

- \* March 8: Join us at the K of C Fish Fry in the Lower Hall and then to enjoy the Muses Celtic Spring performance at The Woodlands. Special group price, contact us for specifics.
- \* March 24: Sunday 2:00 pm matinee. HSV Players present "Madam Has Been Murdered, Tea Will Be Late" at the Coronado Center. Purchase tickets and sign up to join us for lunch after Mass at Dolce Vita.
- \* April 11: Rick Thomas, Illusionist at The Woodlands. Purchase tickets and sign up for a pre-show dinner at Sunset Grill. Reservations for dinner required by April 1.
- \* April 26: Lake Ouachita boat tour. Meet at Sacred Heart at 9:00 am to carpool. Bring a sack lunch; water provided. Cost is \$14.28 payable at boarding, cash or checks ONLY. No credit cards accepted.
- \* SAVE THE DATE October 30: Wednesday matinee, Murray's Dinner Theater "Murder on the Nile." More details to follow soon and are in the book.

## PARISH MEN'S RETREAT

Our annual retreat is Monday, March 11 - Thursday March 14 at St. John's Center in Little Rock. Bishop Taylor is the leader, don't miss out! This cost is \$200 for a private room and all meals. Sign up with **Ed Doyle 501 922-5771** or [eddoyle73@gmail.com](mailto:eddoyle73@gmail.com). Checks payable to Knights of Columbus and mail to Mark Leslie, 13 Accesso Circle, HSV 71909. **All** men of the parish are invited to this memorable event!

## PASTOR'S COLUMN

In this day and age when so many people are not making commitments or are not keeping them like so many in the past have, it is a compliment to say that someone is a "regular" at doing something and rarely, if ever, misses. Such can certainly be said for Rick and Karen Meyers, our "Very Important Persons" (V.I.P's) for the month of February when it comes to their participation in the 8:00 a.m. Mass EVERY Sunday. In addition to their attentiveness and participation in the whole of the Mass, Rick at times (and whenever asked) steps out from the pews to help the ushers take up the collection and is a "regular" extraordinary minister of Holy Communion at that Mass. Not surprisingly, they are also active in other ways that bless them and their fellow parishioners. Rick is an active member of the Knights of Columbus in the 3rd degree and will soon be joining the 4th degree. He either works at or is present and supportive of most of the Knight's activities and fundraisers and co-chairs the "Toys for Kids" efforts of the Knights for needy kids at Christmas through Jackson House. He is also active in the Sacred Heart Men's Club and was a regular waiter at the Men's Club' chicken and fish bake fundraisers of happy memories. Rick is a weekly Eucharistic adorer. He, along with Karen serve on the church committee that decorates the church for Christmas and Easter, and they take it upon themselves to decorate around the Blessed Mother's Statue out front and other flowers around the front entrance to the church. He and Karen are monthly BINGO callers for the folks who live at Good Samaritan's Greenwood Manor. Karen has been an active member of LOSH for more than 20 years and is a Eucharistic Adorer. She has created decorations and centerpieces for many parish functions over the years. Besides the BINGO commitment with Rick at Greenwood Manor, she has spent an hour a week there talking to and entertaining the residents. She has sung with the Resurrection choir for funerals. Both she and Rick have shared in delivering food baskets to needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas. On a personal note, Rick invited me years ago to join a tennis group that he oversees on Tuesdays and Fridays which has been a blessing for me whether I win or lose the matches Rick schedules for me and the other players.

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He and Karen are very wonderful ambassadors of Sacred Heart Church and Jesus Christ for others to see! Please thank them when you see them for all they have done and for the many activities and ministries they continue to do! God bless both of you for what you do and for who you are in this busy parish family!

## BEGIN YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY



Join with the many parishioners who had a wonderful time of fellowship and growth last week in small study groups! *There is room for you to join this week.* Catch up on the session you may have missed by logging in to [Eucharisticrevival.org/watch/Jesus in the Eucharist](http://Eucharisticrevival.org/watch/Jesus in the Eucharist). Call **Deb Troxel** at 515 314-6955 for more info.

Considering attending the Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July? Join with thousands of Catholics in thanking God for his gift to us in the Eucharist. 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.

*Holy Hour will now be held on the first Wednesday of each month at 3:00 pm. Mark your calendars for March 6.*

### PEA

Are you curious as to why the person next to you in your pew participates in Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration? Go to [www.shjpea.com](http://www.shjpea.com) to read the testimony of an adorer. Each month we feature a different adorer and offer their perspective on why they adore.

There is a need for adorers from 1:00-4:00 am on Sunday mornings. Commit to an hour yourself or share one or more of these hours with a group. Contact **Lori Vincent** 337 654-2871 for information.

### LENTEN SMALL GROUP STUDY MEAL

The February 21 Lenten meal will be provided by the SINGLES. They will be serving Amish vegetable soup with ham & cheese sandwiches after 4:00pm Mass and before the evening group session. Sign up in the Narthex or call the church office by Monday to share in the meal. Donations to help cover the cost are encouraged.



### FORMED

A great discussion on Formed is "Science the Origin of the Universe and God" by Fr. Robert Spitzer SJ. Fr. Robert is an expert in physics, philosophy and theology and has an informative talk that discusses the Big Bang and the origin of the universe. He debunks the popular trend which pits science against Faith. His discussion uses sound reason, credible science and Faith. Go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) and get your free subscription to enjoy this discussion.



## LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- ♥ Wednesday, Feb, 28 Guild 4 Memorial Mass (4:00 pm) for our deceased members. Attend parish Lenten meal after Mass together.
  - ♥ Monday, March 4 LOSH Board meeting 9:45 am, Upper Hall
  - ♥ Monday, March 11 LOSH General meeting 9:35 Lower Hall. Speaker James Wilborn, Ouachita State Park Superintendent, "The Eclipse."
- \*\* Something extra for March: Undie Monday for Jackson House (email info to come)
- \*\* **SAVE THE DATE:** LOSH Charity Golf Scramble at Isabella. Flyer and online registration at [hsvlosh.com](http://hsvlosh.com)

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ♦ Feb. 19 President's Day, Flags, Rosary & Continental Breakfast after Mass, Lower Hall
- ♦ Feb. 21 Council O & D Meeting 2:30 pm Classrooms A & B ( Google Meet)
- ♦ Mar 5 Monthly Council Meeting 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Mar 8 Fish Fry 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Mar 11- 14 Parish Men's Retreat, St. John's Center DOLR

## K of C CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



It's once again time for the 16th Annual Knights of Columbus benefitting St. John's School student financial assistance. There are currently 34 students experiencing a superb education due to this charity. Since the inception of this event over 300 children have received financial aid from this charity. The tournament is scheduled to take place on June 15, 2024 at Granada Golf Course. Due to the extreme rise in green fees, this year's cost is \$100 per player. Teams may be all male, all female or a combination. **Entry deadline is June 1. Please do not wait to enter. Last year 6 teams were unable to participate because the tournament filled prior to the deadline.** Obtain entry forms at [hsvsacrdheart.com](http://hsvsacrdheart.com) or [hsvofc.org](http://hsvofc.org). The tournament cannot be successful without individual and business sponsor support. Hole sponsorship starts at \$100. For any entry, sponsor or tournament information contact **Scott Krantz 512 626-7711** or [scojean@yahoo.com](mailto:scojean@yahoo.com)

## VOICES RISING "IN LOVE WITH LOVE"



Voices Rising will present a concert of love songs Sunday, February 25 at 3:00 pm at The Village Bible Church. Selections range from old standards to Broadway and movie show tunes to contemporary hits you are sure to recognize and enjoy. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and will be sold at the door on concert day. You can also contact Sacred Heart parishioners **Bill Lamoureux** and **Maureen Morgan** for tickets. Thank you, Sacred Heart, for your continued support of this chorus.

## CASA



Giving is a lifestyle. Generosity, whether it is selfless giving of your time, talents or treasure, is a true mark of a follower of Christ. In the Diocese of Little Rock we are blessed with many individuals and families that have joined together to make a difference in our world by being long-time monthly supports of the Catholic Arkansas sharing Appeal. Use the envelopes that were sent to your home or those provided in the pews.

***When he call on me, I will answer him;  
I will deliver him and give him God's glory,  
I will grant him length of days.***  
cf, Psalm 91 (90):15-16

## GIFT BEARERS



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

⇒ Daniel & Julie Woodend

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.

## JANUARY REGULAR COLLECTIONS

REGULAR COLLECTIONS	\$43,292.00
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$2,882.50

## JANUARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

BLACK & INDIAN MISSIONS COLLECTION	\$1,334.00
BABY BOTTLE/SHOWER	\$20 & \$40

## 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  
***Kathy Heroman\****

Betty Hoepner  
***Mary Keith\****  
Diane Prescott  
Don Prescott  
Larry Sack\*

Linda Skaggs\*  
Jack Wallisch  
Darin Wells\*  
Jim Wleklinski



### 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	17	4:00 pm	DAMIAN JANUSH	GUILD 5
Feb	18	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 am	EBBY ELSER	M/M DAVE WITCHGER
Feb	19	9:00 am	CURTIS BRANDT	MARIAN BRANDT
Feb	20	9:00 am	DELORES EPPING	RICK/KAREN MEYERS
Feb	21	4:00 pm	KATHY GONDA	MIKE/LINDA GONDA
Feb	22	9:00 am	KATIE KIRBY**	KATERI AMRHEIN
Feb	23	9:00 am	SANDY CARLE**	CANDY CALHOUN
Feb	24	4:00 pm	CHUCK GRAY	JANE GRAY
Feb	25	8:00 am	DENNIS CANEZARO	BILL/MARY LOU GEORGE
		10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER