

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon Gary Christoff 573 645-6814

MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.....	09:00 a.m.
Wednesday.....	04:00 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	03:00 to 03:50 p.m.
Saturday	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.

OR by appointment with the Pastor

MARCH 24, 2024

PALM SUNDAY

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	March 25
Tuesday	March 26
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
Wednesday	March 27
10:00 am	COR Group, Classroom A
01:00 pm	Singles Hand, Knee & Foot, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Spades & Table Games, Upper Hall
01:30 pm	Jesus & the Eucharist, Lower Hall
01:30 pm	10:00 am Choir Practice
03:00 pm	Holy Hour and Confessions
04:00 pm	Mass
Thursday	March 28 Holy Thursday
08:45 am	LOSH Funds Distribution, Classrooms A & B
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
10:00 am	OCIA, Library
10:00 am	COR Group, 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
05:00 pm	Parish Supper
06:30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday	March 29 Good Friday
12:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
12:30 pm	Meatless Soup Meal
01:00 pm	Video
03:00 pm	Liturgy of the Word/Veneration of the Cross/Holy Communion
Saturday	March 30 Easter Vigil
05:00 pm	No Mass
08:00 pm	Easter Vigil Liturgy Reception, Lower Hall
Sunday	March 31 Easter
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass

HOLY THURSDAY & GOOD FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Before and after we enter into the "Three Days" known as the Triduum, we invite you to gather to share in two meals on Holy Thursday and Good Friday and a welcome reception following the Easter Vigil liturgy. The Holy Thursday meal (at 5:00 pm) will be prepared by Chef Johnna and served by volunteers from our Sacred Heart Men's Club (thanks guys!) and will consist of salad, herb baked chicken with Dijon cream sauce, wild rice pilaf, grilled corn on the cob and a roll. Dessert will also be provided. Donations of at least \$10 per person are encouraged and will help pay for a portion of this delicious meal. Sign up in the Narthex or call the church office to reserve by **Monday, March 25**. The Good Friday meal will be a simple meatless soup and crackers or bread after the 12:00 pm Stations of the Cross in the Lower Hall with donations accepted. Sign up in the Narthex or by phone with the deadline also **Monday, March 25**. Finally, there will be a welcome reception for our newly baptized and/or Confirmed (Kyle Carter and Cindy Norlin) after the Easter Vigil in the Lower Hall with cake, punch and coffee served. No sign ups necessary for this gathering.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support Christians in the Holy Land. Through the Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world to stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace in a troubled land. Christians, along with the clergy and religious who serve in the Holy Land deeply appreciate your financial help. Like Simon of Cyrene, you can help carry the cross under very difficult circumstances in the Holy Land.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Please plan to participate in the Novena at home or at church beginning Good Friday at 3:00 pm and concluding the second Sunday of Easter (April 7). The intention for each day and chaplet will be prayed after each daily Mass and before the Masses on Divine Mercy weekend. There will be a Holy Hour here at Sacred Heart Sunday, April 7 at 3:00 pm.

ONE CHURCH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are pleased to announce our One Church Dinner on April 4. The beneficiary this year is Blessed Stanley Rother Mission in Decatur. This is the first church in the world named for the first US born priest and martyr to be beatified. The church is in need of MANY costly repairs (which total more than \$100K). Special guests for the evening are Bishop Taylor and Fr. Samy, the church's Pastor. Please pray for the Blessed Stanley Rother parish and consider donating generously at the dinner. Enjoy a traditional spaghetti dinner prepared by Tom Donnelly with Fr. Bill's ice cream for dessert in the Lower Hall. Social time begins at 4:30 pm. Tickets are \$15. Call the Knight's ticket line **501 404-5195** for instructions on purchasing. Remaining tickets will be sold at Masses March 23/24 & 31 for those that would rather select seats (no computer required). If unable to attend but wish to support, mail checks made out to Knights of Columbus to Mark Leslie, 13 Access Circle, HSV 71909

SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS NOTRE DAME, IN

Dear Stamp Savers of Sacred Heart of Jesus, Thank You! Your in-kind donation of canceled US and foreign stamps, which benefits our Ministry with the Poor has been received. Your gift will make a difference to so many people here at home and abroad. I pray that each of you has a quiet and peaceful Lent. Sister M Rose Edward

FEBRUARY REGULAR COLLECTIONS

REGULAR COLLECTIONS	\$64,314.00
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$5,167.42

FEBRUARY ECIAL COLLECTIONS

CHURCH IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE	\$2,627.00
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PASTOR'S COLUMN

I was talking to someone, the other day, about the Easter Vigil liturgy and the fact that since I was 7 or 8 years old, I have not missed participating in the "holiest" and most "beautiful" night of the Church's year, except in the early time of the COVID pandemic when we did not have it since we were restricted from gathering for the Triduum. While I did the Holy Thursday and Good Friday liturgies that year with only a few helpers present and had them posted for people to watch and participate at home, I chose (in part for practical reasons) not to celebrate the Easter Vigil liturgy. Even if we had been able to livestream it, I don't believe I would have done it because one truly needs to be there to make it the blessing it is meant to be for those who "come" to it. To not gather in the "darkness" outside especially symbolic that night of death, and witness the Easter Candle been marked with symbols of Christ, the Beginning and the End, the Alpha and the Omega, to whom all time belongs; and to see the Easter Candle lit and focusing on that flame (light) as we walk behind it in the darkness, would mean missing something that makes the Easter Vigil so special and powerful. Our movements outside of church and inside of church bearing individual candles lit from the Easter Candle speaks to every person there that Christ is OUR LIGHT, who overcame and overcomes the darkness of death. With all the lights in the church turned on after the deacon sings "Christ Our Light" for the third time, we listen to the Easter Proclamation (also known as the Exsultet) as it beautifully proclaims the significance of God's plan of Salvation History and its fulfillment in Jesus Christ especially in and through His passion, death and resurrection. There are other unique visuals and actions for us to see and participate in that night that makes this liturgy "not to be missed" by all Catholics (though we recognize some can't come for health and other impairment reasons). Starting in the dark of night certainly means ending past some of our bedtimes (like me). I would hope that many of us can make this sacrifice out of love for the Lord and the blessings he gives us while we are there. As far as the liturgy being LONG, the Church (and I) would say that any and all time given to the Lord has the potential to bless us and others long after this unique liturgy is ended. I will honestly say at no point, no matter what age I was, did I hesitate to participate in the Easter Vigil because of its length. That speaks among other things of the impact it has made and continues to make on me. (cont)

It ALWAYS makes me a little sad at the end of the liturgy that I have to wait another year (and this time more than a year, April 19, 2025) to participate in the "The Holiest Night" of the year the Easter Vigil!!! (Please read more about the Vigil in the handout we made available this weekend).



The final *Jesus and the Eucharist* study session is Monday, March 25, 1-3 pm.

Holy Hour of Adoration in the church continues on Wednesdays during Lent at 3:00 pm prior to Mass.

Join with other Catholics across the country including a Eucharistic pilgrimage in your Spring/Summer travel plans. Watch the bulletin for details.

PEA

Jesus is waiting for you to receive the gift of himself in the following hours:

Sunday 1-3 am Contact [Lori Vincent 337 654-2871](tel:3376542871)

THE LITURGY OF THE TRIDUUM

March 28	Holy Thursday	6:30 pm (no 9:00 am mass)
March 29	Good Friday	3:00 pm (no 9:00 am Mass)
March 30	Easter Vigil	8:00 pm (no 5:00 pm Mass)
March 31	Easter Sunday	8:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass

FORMED

There are several offerings on Formed that will help you prepare for this week's Holy Week. "The Spirituality of Lent" a discussion by Dr. Tim Gray reminds you, for instance, why this season features purple and why the practices of Penance, now and previously, are especially important this week. Hopefully, you will be reenergized for the coming week's activities as he goes on the discuss how we can prepare ourselves during Lent for the celebration of Easter. Now is the perfect time to go to [FORMED.org](https://www.formed.org) and register for your free parish subscription..



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

Please support All Saints Guild 2 bake sale this weekend!

- ♥ Guild 7, St Anthony will be having a lunch meeting Saturday, March 23 at 12:00 pm at the DeSoto Club.
- ♥ April 1 LOSH Board meets at 9:45 am, Upper Hall

Save the Date: April 22: LOSH Charity Golf Scramble Go to hsvlosh.com for online registration.

HOLY THURSDAY SEMINARIAN COLLECTION

The annual collection to support the education and formation of our diocesan priests will take place at Holy Thursday Mass. If you are unable to come specifically to the Mass, please donate your financial gift in the collection basket anytime over the next few weeks. You may also mail it directly to the church.

SOCIABLE SIX

Our Sociable Six will return for the months of April, May and June 2024. Three couples will be grouped together and then arrange among themselves to share a simple brunch, lunch or dinner at alternate homes each month. Participants will enjoy getting to know their fellow parishioners in an informal setting. It is a great way for newcomers to get acquainted with members of our parish family. To sign up call **Nancy or Howard Emery 815 861-0820** or email emeryfam@hotmail.com. Please provide your name, address, phone number and email address. Final sign up for this session is March 27. You will receive a letter/email with the three couples in your group the first week of April.

GIFT BEARERS

The following parishioners have volunteered to bring up the gifts this weekend at 8:00 am and 10:00 am:



Walt & Rita Miller
Sandra & Greg Gates, 46th Anniversary

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**.

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Greg & Sandra Gates
Celebrating 46 years on March 31



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

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ♦ Mar 29 K of C Founders Day
- ♦ April 2 Monthly Council Mtg., 5:00pm Lower Hall
- ♦ Apr. 4 One Church Spaghetti Dinner with Bishop Taylor. Social begins at 4:30 pm
- ♦ April 5 Samaritan Ministries
- ♦ April 13 4th Degree Exemplification 1:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ April 16 4th Degree Officer's Meeting 1:00 pm, Classrooms A & B
- ♦ April 17 Council O & D Meeting 3:00 pm, Classrooms A & B

CPR CLASS

Arrangements are in the process of being made for a CPR class. Please Call or text **Mary Ann Dale at 240 298-1218** if you would like to participate. Class date and time TBA.



RICE BOWL COLLECTIONS

Return your rice bowls with the money you have collected during Lent and place them in the "big" rice bowl in the Narthex, preferably on Holy Thursday, before Mass or anytime during the first two weeks of the Easter season. Catholic Relief Services and diocesan Catholic Charities are the beneficiaries both of whom help the poor.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will be praying the Stations of the Cross communally on Good Friday at 12:00 pm. Various Stations of the Cross booklets will be in the Narthex for individual use throughout the day and into the evening.



GUILD 2 PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE

The annual LOSH Guild 2 Palm Sunday bake sale will take place after all Masses this weekend. Come and enjoy all the goodies while supporting local charities.



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 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*
William "Bill" Butler
Vivian Centenio*
Douglas Cepicky*
Theresa Drumwright

Emmanuel Goff*
John Guida
James Heaser
Kathy Heroman*
Betty Hoepner

Alice Justus
Mary Keith*
Diane Prescott
Don Prescott
Larry Sack*

Linda Skaggs*
Darin Wells*
Jim Wleklinski
Mary Zelhofer



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

Mar	23	5:00 pm	JOE LUYET	TOM & LINDA LUYET
Mar	24	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 am	CARL SUTOR	ANNA SUTOR
Mar	25	9:00 am	MICHELE CHERNESKY	CATHY RANEY
Mar	26	9:00 am	BOBBY WILLIAMS	RENEE DEEGE
Mar	27	4:00 pm	EBBY ELSER	M/M RICK MEYERS
Mar	28	6:30 pm	ANDREA HALSTEAD & FAMILY **	MARGARET URIDGE
Mar	29	3:00 pm	NO INTENTION	
Mar	30	8:00 pm	PAT AKE	LEW AKE
Mar	31	8:00 am	EUGENE SCHULTZ	RITA MILLER
		10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER