

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Tuesday through Friday	09:00 a.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.

ADORATION

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration	24 hours a day
.....	07 days a week

CONFESSION

Tuesday - Friday	8:30 to 8:55 a.m.
Saturday	4:15 to 4:45 p.m.
Sunday.....	7:15 to 7:45 a.m. by appointment

December 3, 2017

First Sunday of Advent

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	December 04
09:00 a.m.	Mass
09:30 a.m.	Board Meeting—LOSH
04:00 p.m.	Officers — S/H Men's Club
Tuesday	December 05
01:00 p.m.	Shawl Ministry — Classroom D
05:00 p.m.	General Meeting — K/C 10208, Lower Hall
Wednesday	December 06
01:00 p.m.	Hand & Foot for Singles Only
	Spades/Table Games—Upper Hall
03:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
06:00 p.m.	REY—Senior High School—Classrooms
06:30 p.m.	Parish Life Commission — Classrooms A & B
Thursday	December 07
09:45 a.m.	Education Commission
	Rosary Makers
02:00 p.m.	Sacred Heart Bowling League—Fiesta Bowl
06:30 p.m.	Anticipated Mass
	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Friday	December 08
09:00 a.m.	Holyday of Obligation
	Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
09:45 a.m.	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group—Classrooms A & B
Saturday	December 09—Christmas Cookie Sale after Mass
04:00 p.m.	Mass — Food Collection, Jackson House
Sunday	December 10—Christmas Cookie Sale after Masses
08:00 a.m.	Mass—Food Collection, Jackson House
08:50 a.m.	REY—Kindergarten through Grade 7
09:00 a.m.	Parish Breakfast — Lower Hall
10:00 a.m.	Mass—Food Collection, Jackson House
11:00 a.m.	Parish Breakfast — Lower Hall
12:00 p.m.	Hall Set-up, LOSH

PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION RESULTS

In the election for members of the Pastoral Council and its commissions, 547 ballots were submitted. The parishioners to serve on each commission are:

Education Commission	Evelyn Garrison
Liturgy Commission	Mary Ann Farner
Parish Life Commission	Sherrie Nichols Jennifer Rivera
Social Justice and Charitable Outreach	Dick Hill

The Election Committee thanks all parishioners who participated, and especially thanks all candidates.

DOMINO'S PIZZA Last Sale this Weekend!

The Knights of Columbus have worked out a special fundraising program with our local Domino's Pizza Shop. This weekend is the last time to purchase a "Slice the Price" card, before or after Mass. The card is sold for \$10 each which entitles the holder to use the card as many times as desired — until June 30, 2018! Pay for these fundraising cards by cash or check. Cards should be available for pick-up December 16/17.

When a card holder purchases one large-size pizza (14 inch) at regular price, that person will receive one large (or smaller) pizza for FREE. The \$10 card purchase does not go toward the purchase of your pizza. It is a donation. So, when you pay for one large-size pizza, you get the second pizza at no extra cost! The card can also be used for larger purchases.

See your Knights of Columbus this weekend!

FATHER RUBIO'S FIRST MASS

Come join your fellow parishioners and other guests for the first Mass of newly-ordained Father Nelson Rubio on Sunday, December 17.



Mass is at 10:00 a.m. with a reception immediately following in the Lower Hall. Sign-ups available in the narthex. Limited seating is available so please sign up early! Dessert, wine, punch, coffee will be provided. Donations of reception-style FINGER FOODS are being sought. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet what FINGER FOOD you would like to share, if any. Suggestions: Fresh Fruit, Fresh Veggies, Cheese/Crackers, Shrimp Cocktail, Deviled Eggs, Finger Sandwiches, Meatballs or Chicken Wings. Any questions, please contact Cathy Silk at (908) 938-5545.

CHRISTMAS BASKETS ANGEL TREE PRESENTS

Thank you to those who have donated to the basket fund and to those who have taken an angel from the Angel Tree. Please return the presents no later than Monday, December 4. Place the presents under the tree. Do not put them in the boxes in the upper level hall. *Any presents returned after Monday cannot be used for these families.*

SOLEMNITY—IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

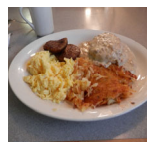
The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, patroness of the United States, will be celebrated, among other ways, as a Holyday of Obligation with Masses at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church on Thursday, December 7, at 6:30 p.m. and on Friday, December 8, at 9:00 a.m. Please make every effort to participate in one of these two Masses.

PHOTOS—MEMORIAL TABLE

Please take home the photos of your loved ones. May their souls rest in peace.

Please bring a red ornament with your name printed for our parish family Christmas tree if your family is not already represented on the tree. Place in basket in narthex.

PARISH BREAKFAST



Next Sunday, December 10, all are invited to attend our Parish Breakfast as sponsored by the Knights of Columbus in the Lower Hall. The menu includes: sausage and eggs, biscuits, gravy, hash browns, juice, coffee or milk. We will welcome new parishioners who will be guests. Please join us in welcoming them. Breakfast is only \$6.00 a plate, and, as always, children 12 years and under eat free. All breakfast proceeds are used to help fund Knights Charitable activities. Your support is appreciated. This breakfast will be underwritten by Dick and Ruth Breckon.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Normally, as we enter the month of December, I start looking ahead, in terms of liturgies to our Advent Reconciliation Service (this year on December 19) and our Christmas Masses (which will be a challenge for priests and congregations this year since the Fourth Sunday of Advent is Christmas Eve). This, however, is no normal December, since we will be hosting the "First Mass" of Nelson Rubio, our adopted seminararian, on Sunday, [December 17](#) at 10:00 a.m. I hope many of you will choose to come to this Mass and will sign-up to join us for the reception for Nelson after Mass in the lower hall. Cards and gifts for Father Nelson will be accepted before and after Mass. We are expecting people from outside our parish to join us, including at least 60 from a parish in Wisconsin where Nelson has been ministering to as a Deacon.

I want to also encourage you to come to Nelson's [Ordination Mass](#) at the Cathedral of St. Andrew in Little Rock on Saturday, [December 16](#), at 10:00 a.m. If you have never been to an Ordination Mass, I can testify that it is a moving liturgy with many priests in attendance to pray for, lay hands on, and embrace Nelson upon his Ordination to the priesthood. We will consider renting a bus to take parishioners over to the ordination if there is enough interest and a need to do so (and if we can get a bus). Please sign-up if you would like to ride over either on a bus or with someone who has room in their vehicle. Also sign-up if you are willing to drive some people over to the Ordination with you. The sign-up sheets are in the narthex.

We have supported Nelson over these last few years and it's almost time for us to come together to celebrate his priesthood and continue our prayerful support as he becomes an associate pastor in parishes in North Little Rock and Marche. With all this taking place on Gaudette Sunday weekend with its theme of "REJOICING", we have a special reason to gather and rejoice, the Ordination and/or First Mass of Nelson Rubio. PLEASE make plans to come!

Harvey's Chapel in Mountain Pine will have a Christmas room where the needy in their community can pick out gifts for their children for Christmas. If you want to donate, leave gifts in our closet in the narthex. Used clothing and household items also appreciated.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Helping Hands	Cathy Wedwick Pat Widlowski	915-8456 922-1395
Phone Chain	Ellen Meyer	922-3127
Communion - Homebound	Marge Stehling Jeanne Sanders	922-3837 915-0748
Grief Support	Deacon John Froning	226-5506
Memorial Garden	Buddy Dixon	922-2811

CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE



The Ladies of the Sacred Heart Annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be held after all regular Masses on Saturday and Sunday, [December 9/10](#). Members of Guild 4 will be sorting and packaging the cookies on Saturday morning, December 9, in the Lower Hall. All women of the parish who like to bake are invited to donate homemade cookies for the sale. Please delivery your goodies to the Lower Hall of the church by 10:00 a.m. on Saturday. If you have questions, please call Carol Barrett at [922-0071](#). Cookies will be sold at \$4.00 per dozen.

HAND AND FOOT CLUB

[Schedules](#) for January—May are in white envelopes with your name alphabetically listed and can be found in the narthex. Look for a box marked HAND & FOOT. Please pick-up your envelope. Call Ann Krawczynski at [501-915-9629](#).

DONATIONS TO THE VILLAGE OUTREACH SHOE FUND



Once again this year we have placed a decorated shoe box in the hallway of the Administration and Education Building for donations to the Village Outreach Shoe Fund. Your donations are used to pay for the shoes given to children in the families receiving a Christmas Basket. If helping by check, please make checks out to Sacred Heart with the notation "shoe fund". Thanks for your generous support throughout the years!

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

If you have a lost love one(s) to death in this past year, whether they lived in the Village or elsewhere, you are invited to participate in our annual special Mass of Remembrance on Wednesday, [December 13](#) at [9:00 a.m.](#) at Sacred Heart Church. We invite and encourage all parishioners to come to this Mass to pray with and support all those whose loved ones have died over the last 12 months. Please come early for Mass if you lost a loved one so we can get their name for use during the Mass. A reception will follow in the Lower Hall sponsored by Parish Life.

BEST ADVENT EVER

We prepare for everything we consider important in life. And that includes Christmas. Join our parish for Best Advent Ever, a free e-mail program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a unique way. Each day you'll receive an e-mail with:

- * Short inspirational videos from Matthew Kelly
- * Practical tips for your everyday life
- * Real-life stories of hope

Sign-up at [BestAdventEver.com/Beautiful_Hope](#) as sponsored by the [Dynamic Catholic](#).

MEN'S CLUB MEETING



The December meeting is a Holiday Meeting with Wives or Dates, and will be held on Tuesday, December 12. At 5:00 p.m., we will join others in the Upper Hall to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for family, Church, our nation, world peace and your personal intentions. Social gathering follows in the Lower Hall from 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Dinner will be served before 6:00 p.m. For fun, we will have an "Ugliest Christmas Sweater Contest" with nice prizes for the winner. Be sure and wear the ugliest Christmas sweater you can find. After the contest, there will be a special music program. Dress for the dinner is evening casual, except the ugly sweater wearers will be gleefully accepted.

The dinner for the evening, prepared and served by employees of Chef Johnna, will include: choice of entrees, Prime Rib, Citrus Salmon, or Herb Grilled Chicken. These will be served with Green Salad with crackers, Truffle Mashed Potatoes, asparagus, rolls, and cheesecake for dessert. The cost of the meal is \$18 per person. Send your check, with the entrée you have chosen indicated on the check, payable to Sacred Heart Men's Club, to Bill Patterson, 7 Doscientos Lane, HSV 71909. Your check must be received by December 10. It is most important that you include your choices of entrees on your check. You can reserve a table of eight with payment of \$144. Call Bill Patterson at [922-6965](tel:922-6965) with questions, or e-mail him at wpatters133@gmail.com.

During the seasons of Advent and Christmas, Mass will be celebrated at Sacred Heart on Monday at 9:00 a.m.

POT OF GOLD DINNER AND RAFFLE

Mark Your Calendars



The Ladies of the Sacred Heart (LOSH) is sponsoring a fundraiser for the benefit of women and children on Friday, January 26, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. Please mark your calendar and know that a ticket will entitle you to two dinners of Pot of Chicken Ranch Casserole, family-style salad and dessert. Also included will be an exciting raffle that will present a one-time chance to get a return on your monetary donations of \$100 per ticket. The first ticket drawn returns \$100, every tenth ticket returns \$100, the 97th ticket returns \$100, the 98th ticket gives \$200, the 99th ticket gives \$500 and the 100th tickets returns \$2,500! Won't you take a chance?

Each ticket sells for \$100 and can be purchased from any member of the LOSH. If paying by check, please make payable to Ladies of the Sacred Heart. Come for a barrel of fun, good food, good drink, and the building excitement of the raffle! Bar service will be available courtesy of the Knights of Columbus.

CONGRATS ON THE 4TH ANNIVERSARY
OF PERPETUAL EUCHRISTIC ADORATION



Hush, Shush &
✠ Enjoy the Peace

ASK AN ADORER ABOUT THE
BENEFITS OF THE "QUIET ZONE"
THEN CALL MIKE 922-1531

K/C COUNCIL 10208 MEETING

Members will meet Tuesday, December 5, in the Lower Hall with recitation of the Rosary at 5:00 p.m. and dinner around 5:45 p.m. Menu includes Barbeque Beef Brisket, Butternut Squash, Cole Slaw, roll and dessert. Each member attending is asked to bring a small toy. A \$10 toy will make a BIG difference in Christmas for children. Please do not wrap your toys so we can separate them for boys, girls and ages. And please, no battery toys. There will be a large Christmas Gift Box waiting for your toys when you enter the hall before the meeting. Please help us make this Christmas special for a family in need. This is an easy way to each of us to share our many blessings.

If you have invited guests, please advise Ron Cuba at rpcuba@suddenloink.net or call him at [922-6037](tel:922-6037) so name tags can be available.

HAM/TURKEY GIFT CARDS



Get your HoneyBake gift cards at website hsvkofc.org by selecting the button on the upper left side of the Knights of Columbus home page. Please allow seven to ten days delivery by mail or pick-up after weekend Masses. Redeem by phone, online, or at any Honey Bake store. In Little Rock, 9112 North Rodney Parham Road. Any questions, call Russ Harrison, Fundraiser Chairman, at [501-276-7837](tel:501-276-7837).

GIFT BEARERS

Thank you to those who serve this weekend: Bud & Rose Campbell, Wayne & Dee Kapple, celebrating 61 years of marriage, Del & Agnes Scheid, celebrating their 66th wedding anniversary, and Walter & Judy Free who are celebrating their 57th wedding anniversary. Congratulations! Please sign-up in the narthex and call Marcie at [922-9366](tel:922-9366) with questions. *Count yourself blessed everyday, and you will find yourself living in a world of blessings.*

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL		
David Witchger	<u>Chair</u> & Grounds	922-9058	Tom Canavan,	<u>Chair</u> & Education	501 204-9546
Ed Crahan	Building	915-0788	Sharon Board	Education	922-6995
Carolyn Bowers	Administration	915-8022	Karen Feckler	Liturgy	501 209-1499
Bob Honzik	Stewardship	922-2702	Reneè Steinpreis	Liturgy	922-4480
Larry Stein	Finance	226-5105	Jennifer Rivera	Parish Life Chair	928 358-9069
				Parish Life	
			Rebecca Huber, VC	Social Justice/Outreach	922-0966
			Bill Gribbon	Social Justice/Outreach	984-3429
			Finance Council	David Witchger	922-9058

Requests to have names of parishioners placed on the Prayer List will be honored within 10—14 days. To ensure privacy, remember to ask the person needing prayers if (s)he would like to be included with the listing. Requests to have names removed from the Prayer List will also be honored within 10—14 days after the request.

PRAYER LIST — Names in *bold italics* have been added within the past 14 days

Mary Albert	Patricia Goodson	Lucine Lakebrink	Mary Parks	John Sutey
Pat Becker	Mary Ann Hill	Don LaVelle	Marge Payne	Marge Thornton
Bob Berna	Betty Hoepner	Tom Liszka	Judie Pearson	Tom Thornton
Pat Billings	Ken Huber	Marcie Margel	Larry Poldrack	Barb Wallisch
Madonna Brown	Joyce Iselin	Pat Massanelli	Ida Porterfield	Marylin Wietlispach
Darlene Butler	Damian Janush	Bob McClelland	Diane Prescott	Gene Wigley
Diane Castor	Georgia Janush	Shirley Meltz	John Rachwal	Junior Wilken
Curt Costello	Pat Jester	Roberta Metz	Shirley Reid	Wilma Willmer
Jeannie Culpepper	Billy Jones	Betty Mierzwiak	Barbara Roberts	James Wleklinski, Sr.
Theresa Drumwright	Wayne Kapple	Bob Mierzwiak	Edward Roberts	
Pat Dunne	Dianne Kleinke	Barb Mika	Dave Rochna	
Azelia Efferson	Scott Krantz	Gerry Millhouse	Wanda Schmitz	
Joyce Fleming	Richard Kroetz	Walter Mitchell	Marlene Smigel	
Marshall Garrison	Al Kuhn	Joe Moreau	Dorothy Sobczak	
Mary Teresa Gil	Marianne Kuhn	Barbara Myers	Jim Staudt	



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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December 02	09:00	MARY DAVIS *	Friends	December 09	04:00	PAT AKE	Lenore Ziolkowski
	04:00	M/M BOB BRANDT	67th Anniversary			LOUIS COSTELLO	Lew Ake
December 03	08:00	S/H PARISHIONERS	Father Bill	December 10	08:00	S/H PARISHIONERS	
	10:00	KAVANAGH FAMILY	M/M G. Farrell		10:00	JOHN MATTINGLY *	M/M R. Stiefvater
December 04	09:00	GARY BIVIANO	Brenda Matthews				
December 05	09:00	BILL BURKE	Friends				
December 06	09:00	M/M TOM DENOMIE	Tom DeNomie				
December 07	09:00	S/H PARISHIONERS					
	06:30	FATHER GREG HART	Father Bill				
December 08	09:00	MARILYN BURKE *	Friends				

* Living