

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Dc. Larry Lipsmeyer 922-3283

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.
..... 06:30 p.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

January 21, 2018

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	January 22
08:30 a.m.	Patriotic Rosary
09:00 a.m.	Mass for the Legal Protection of the Unborn
Tuesday	January 23
05:00 p.m.	Fourth Degree Membership Meeting, Lower Hall
Wednesday	January 24
09:45 a.m.	Social Justice & Charitable Outreach Meeting, A & B
01:00 p.m.	Spades/Table Games, Upper Hall
03:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
03:30 p.m.	Ping Pong Players (Lower Hall)
06:00 p.m.	REY—Senior High School—Classrooms
Thursday	January 25
09:45 a.m.	Rosary Makers—Classroom C
02:00 p.m.	S/H Bowling League—Fiesta Bowl
Friday	January 26
09:45 a.m.	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group—Classrooms A & B
05:00 p.m.	Pot of Gold Dinner and Drawing, Lower Hall
Saturday	January 27
04:00 p.m.	Mass — Food Collection, Jackson House
Sunday	January 28
08:00 a.m.	Mass—Food Collection, Jackson House
08:45 a.m.	REY K-7th Grade—Classrooms

HELP WANTED

STUCK at home with no one to talk to? **TIRED** of feeling useless, sad and lonely? **OVERWHELMED** by the unrelenting demands of caring for a loved one? **UNSURE** of what steps to take next to get help?

DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS VOLUNTEERS ARE AVAILABLE to all parishioners for regular visits and calls if you, a friend or loved one, would like to talk with someone now and then, or need transportation to Mass or medical appointments — or errands?

DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS VOLUNTEERS ARE AVAILABLE to provide respite to family caregivers by sitting with your loved one for a few minutes or a few hours to give you a break?

DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS COORDINATORS ARE AVAILABLE to assist you in gathering the necessary information and assessing your options for ongoing skilled care when circumstances change because of declining health?

DID YOU KNOW THAT IT IS DIFFICULT AND HUMBLING FOR ALL OF US when we reach the point at which we must admit that we can't go it alone and do everything by ourselves any more?

DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS VOLUNTEERS are standing by, eager to help and waiting for the opportunity to be answer to someone's prayer? **DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS** can't help you if we don't know who you are? **DID YOU KNOW THAT HELPING HANDS** can't help you if you don't ask?

PLEASE CALL TODAY. PLEASE HONOR US WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO HELP YOU: Cathy Wedwick at 915-8456 or Pat Widlowski at 922-1395.

Parishioners: Please consider taking a bulletin to those who can't get to church. Encourage them to call Helping Hands for assistance. Consider being a Helping Hands volunteer: we always need drivers.

BOOKS FOR SALE

The parish has nine books available entitled *The 7 Secrets of the Eucharist* for \$7.00 a copy and nine workbooks entitled *The 7 Secrets of the Eucharist, A Study Guide* for \$6.00 a copy. You can purchase either or both. Anyone interested in this very good book on the Eucharist, please contact Deacon Larry Lipsmeyer at 501-922-3283.

MEN OF SACRED HEART

Consider attending the Lenten Retreat scheduled for Monday afternoon until noon on Thursday, **February 26 to March 1**, at St. John's Center in Little Rock.



Monsignor Scott Friend, our Vicar General and Vocational Seminarian Director, has agreed to be our Retreat Master for this event. There will be a combination of talks from Monsignor Friend, silent time for reflection and prayer, discussion and social times, daily Mass and other sacramental opportunities.

The cost of \$225 will cover lodging for three nights at the newly-renovated Fletcher Hall and meals (provided by members of our own Knights of Columbus) starting with dinner on Monday, February 26, and ending with breakfast, March 1 — a total of eight meals.

Please commit early to be assured of a spot at this first ever **Sacred Heart Retreat** at St. John's Center. Sign-up in the narthex or call Ed Doyle at [922-5771](tel:922-5771) or transmit an e-mail to eddoyle@suddenlink.net.

FOURTH DEGREE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a general membership meeting on Tuesday, **January 23**, starting with the meal which will include: garden salad, Papa Murphy Pizza, and a fruit salad for dessert. Meet in the Lower Hall at 5:00 p.m.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Please continue to pray for strength and courage for all our military men and women and their family members. Remember service men and women in your prayers each day, as we thank them for their sacrifice and ongoing dedication to our freedom.

BASKET PROGRAM SUMMARY—2017

 Thank you to all who helped with the basket program for 2017. We delivered 31 baskets at Easter, 30 baskets during the summer, 20 baskets at Thanksgiving and 52 baskets at Christmas. This is a **total of 142 baskets** to families that included 432 children. Our area has many families that are living with incomes below the poverty line. This is our way of making their lives a little easier! Thank you.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

While the numbers attending and participating in the annual March For Life have certainly dropped over the years, my hope is that the number of people praying for an end to abortion and for the legal protection of the unborn has increased — especially on January 22. That is the day that our United States Bishops have asked us to pray privately and in public, for legal protection of unborn children.

PLEASE join with millions of Catholics in our country to flood heaven on this day for this life-saving cause. We will pray the patriotic rosary this Monday, January 22, at 8:30 a.m. as this special rosary prays particularly for our elected and appointed officials who make and preserve the laws of our land. The Mass that follows at 9:00 is a special Mass for the legal protection of the unborn. If you cannot join us for the patriotic rosary and/or Mass this Monday, please say a rosary for life on your own (especially in our Perpetual Adoration Chapel if you can) and/or pray the prayer penned by then Pope Benedict XVII, which follows in this pastors column.

Lord Jesus: You who faithfully visit and fulfill with your Presence the Church and the history of men; You who in the miraculous Sacrament of your Body and Blood render us participants in divine Life and allow us a foretaste of the joy of eternal Life; We adore and bless you.

Prostrated before You, source and lover of Life, truly present and alive among us, we beg you.

Reawaken in us respect for every unborn life, make us capable of seeing in the fruit of the maternal womb the miraculous work of the Creator, open our hearts to generously welcoming every child that comes into life.

Bless all families, sanctify the union of spouses, render fruitful their love.

Accompany the choices of legislative assemblies with the light of your Spirit, so that peoples and nations may recognize and respect the sacred nature of life, of every human life.

Guide the work of scientists and doctors, so that all progress contributes to the integral well-being of the person, and no one endures suppression or injustice.

Give creative charity to administrators and economists, so they may realize and promote sufficient conditions so that young families can serenely embrace the birth of new children.

Console the married couples who suffer because they are unable to have children and in Your goodness provide for them.

Teach us all to care for orphaned or abandoned children, so they may experience the warmth of your Charity, the consolation of your divine Heart. Together with Mary, Your Mother, the great believer, in whose womb you took on our human nature, we wait to receive from You, our Only True Good and Savior, the strength to love and serve life, in anticipation of living forever in You, in communion with the Blessed Trinity.

PARISH BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus invite everyone to a parish Breakfast on Sunday, [February 4](#). This breakfast is being underwritten by Anna Suttor in memory of Carl. The menu includes French Toast, link sausage, hash browns, juice, coffee or milk. We will be welcoming new parishioners who will be guests of the Knights. Breakfast is only [\\$6.00](#) and children under 12 years eat free. All proceeds are used to help fund Knights charitable activities. See you there!

WHAT'S ON FORMED?

On January 25, the Church will celebrate the Conversion of St. Paul. FORMED, our new parish online resource of audio, video, and print materials for Catholics, gives us several ways to think about the importance of conversion in the lives of the saints and in our own lives. On the FORMED website, check out the short video "Paul of Tarsus" or the audio book The World of St. Paul to gain insight into the events of St. Paul's life that led to the moment of his conversion and acceptance of Christ. Or for something more contemporary, sample Paul Kim's reflection on his conversion in That Awkward Moment When God Changed My Life or Jennifer Fulwiler's From Atheism to Catholicism: My Conversion Diary. These and hundreds more resources are available to those who register or have registered on the FORMED website. If you haven't registered yet, just type FORMED.org into your browser, enter the parish's code — [CNT7WK](#) -- on the FORMED homepage, and create a password for your continued use of the website, allowing you unlimited access to its library of materials.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Last weekend, altar flowers were donated by Joan Ahearn in memory of her husband, Jack.

This weekend, flower arrangements on the sides of the tabernacle were donated by Dan & Marge Stehling in celebration of their 63rd wedding anniversary and by Carol & Larry Cruz in honor of their 58th wedding anniversary. In front of the altar are flowers donated by Jim Anderson in memory of his wife, Pat.

SOCIABLE SIX

Sign-up for our spring Sociable Six program. It is a great way to promote fellowship and get to know all those fellow parishioners you see at Mass every week.



Three couples will be grouped together and then arrange among themselves to share a simple dinner or lunch at alternate homes — once each month for [March, April and May](#). We need both new members and long-time parishioners. Get to know your Sacred Heart family! To sign-up, call Dotti or Dennis Kessen at [501-226-5090](#) or transmit an e-mail message to Dotti Kessen at kessendoti@gmail.com. Final sign-up date for spring session is February 20.

75% RETIRED

Hello parishioners. My name is Carol Cruz, and I am now a 75% retired sacristan! Can you help me towards my 99% retirement?

There is a need for someone to coordinate the Flower Book. That person would check to see who has ordered altar flowers and who has asked that flowers be ordered by the Altar Flowers Coordinator. Each party is then called for information on special colors or flower variety. With that information, the florist is contacted and arrangements are made for delivery to the church. On arrival, bouquets are placed in the sanctuary before the Saturday Vigil Mass. That review covers the basics of coordinating the purchase of flowers for the altar. For more information, call me at home at [922-1428](tel:922-1428) or call me on my cell, [984-1524](tel:984-1524). Your help in assuming this responsibility would be appreciated. Also needed is someone to water the plants in the chapel and narthex; usually about twice weekly.

Please consider helping with Altar Flower Arrangement or Plant Moisturizing. I will help you until you feel comfortable with the responsibility. And then, I'll be 99% retired! I appreciate your consideration.



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

POST-ABORTION SUPPORT GROUP

Do you feel along, hurting or unforgiven from a past abortion? The Respect Life Office, through Project Rachel, is starting a support group for men and women, beginning [February 19, 2018](text:February 19, 2018). The spiritual journey lasts nine weeks, with small groups for four to six. Groups will be formed in Little Rock, Fayetteville, and the Hot Springs area — and other areas in Arkansas depending on the geographic locations of the participants. All names and meeting places are held confidentially. For details, call the diocese at [501-664-0340](tel:501-664-0340), extension 357, or transmit an e-mail to helenevans@sbcglobal.net.

CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



This conference will be held Saturday, [February 3, 2018](text:February 3, 2018) at Christ the King Church in Little Rock from 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The theme is: "Hearing God's Voice in a Noisy World." Bishop

Brendan J. Cahill of the Diocese of Victoria, Texas and Jim Drake, founder of Miracles for Mary Ministry, will be the featured speakers. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m., and Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will celebrate Mass at 7:50 a.m. The conference begins at 9:00 a.m. The cost to attend is \$25 per person which includes breakfast and lunch. Registration increases to \$35 after January 20, 2018. For more information, contact Brian Gilmartin at [\(501\) 765-1300](tel:501-765-1300) or transmit an e-mail to brian.gilmartin@sbcglobal.net or visit the conference Facebook page.

LENTE ROSARIES

Lenten Rosaries will be available in the hallway between the church narthex and the A & E Building beginning two weeks prior to Lent. These rosaries were made and are provided free-of-charge by the Sacred Heart Rosary Makers to anyone who wants one.

The tradition of the Lenten Rosary began in Venezuela and was brought to the United States by a Minnesota priest. The rosary consists of a cross on a cord with seven sets of three beads (the Our Father, the Hail Mary and the Glory Be). You are encouraged to say the rosary every day for the 40-day Lenten period, beginning Ash Wednesday, for someone special in your life; and, after Lent, you are encouraged to give the rosary to that special person that you were praying for.

CANCELLED STAMPS

We have found a group that will benefit from receiving cancelled stamps. They are appreciative of our ability to collect them for the benefit of their "Ministry with the Poor fund." It is through the Sisters of the Holy Cross in Notre Dame, in Indiana.

Please drop your stamps in the available container on the credenza of the A & E Hallway, and thank you!

GIFT BEARERS

Gift Bearers for last weekend were Joan Smith and Mary Ellen Padilla. This weekend couples are celebrating their anniversaries as they serve as Gift Bearers. They are: Larry & Carol Cruz (58 years), Fred & Linney Rohrer (38 years), and Dan & Marge Stehling (64 years). Congratulations! Please sign-up in the narthex, and call Marcie at 922-9366 with questions.

To live by love is to go through life sowing peace and joy in hearts.

LIFETOUCH PORTRAITS

Please drop your "I Can Help" forms in Lynne Border's drop file in the hallway distribution room.

JANUARY



PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL		
David Witchger	<u>Chair</u> & Grounds	922-9058	Evelyn Garrison	Education	501 204-4134
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	Mary Ann Farner	Liturgy	915-9873
Murray Claassen		501 908-4346	Jennifer Rivera	Parish Life	928 358-9069
Larry Stein	Finance	226-5105	Sherrie Nichols	Parish Life	617 733-1395
			Rebecca Huber, <u>Chair</u>	Social Justice/Outreach	922-0966
			Dick Hill	Social Justice/Outreach	922-3945
			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	Betty Hoepner	Tom Liszka	Larry Poldrack	Barb Wallisch
Pat Becker	Ken Huber	Marcie Margel	Ida Porterfield	Marylin Wietlispach
Pat Billings	Joyce Iselin	Pat Massanelli	Diane Prescott	Junior Wilken
Madonna Brown	Damian Janush	Bob McClelland	John Rachwal	Wilma Willmer
Darlene Butler	Georgia Janush	Shirley Meltz	Shirley Reid	James Wleklinski, Sr.
Diane Castor	Pat Jester	Roberta Metz	Barbara Roberts	
Curt Costello	Billy Jones	Betty Mierzwiak	Edward Roberts	
Jeannie Culpepper	Wayne Kapple	Bob Mierzwiak	Dave Rochna	
Theresa Drumwright	Dianne Kleinke	Barb Mika	Wanda Schmitz	
Pat Dunne	Scott Krantz	Gerry Millhouse	Marlene Smigel	
Azalia Efferson	Richard Kroetz	Walter Mitchell	Dorothy Sobczak	
Joyce Fleming	Al Kuhn	Barbara Myers	Jim Staudt	
Marshall Garrison	Marianne Kuhn	Mary Parks	John Sutey	
Patricia Goodson	Lucine Lakebrink	Marge Payne	Marge Thornton	
Mary Ann Hill	Don LaVelle	Judie Pearson	Tom Thornton	



WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

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January	20	04:00	JOHN GARWACKI	Family	Saturday	27	04:00	BOB ALLEN	Family
January	21	08:00	S/H PARISHIONERS					CHUCK GRAY	Jane Gray
		10:00	MARGARET GARWACKI	Family	Sunday	28	08:00	S/H PARISHIONERS	Father Bill
			DAN & JOAN MURPHY *	M/M Nosek			10:00	VERONICA GARWACKI	Stan Garwacki
Monday	22	09:00	UNBORN CHILDREN	Father Bill					
Tuesday	23	09:00	GENE WIGLEY	M/M E. David					
Wednesday	24	09:00	WILLIAM A. EFFERSON	M/M Efferson					
Thursday	25	09:00	ARNO KASSAUTZKI	Eva Blattner					
Friday	26	09:00	JUDY MCALLISTER	Sissie Arnoult					* Living