

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon B.J. Bowen 501-831-1742

MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday.....	08:30 a.m.
Wednesday.....	04:00 p.m.
First Saturday.....	08:30 a.m.
Saturday Anticipated	04:00 p.m.
Sunday	08:00 a.m. (Live Streamed)
.....	10:00 a.m.
Holy Day Vigil (with obligation).....	as announced
Holy Day	08:30 a.m.

ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration	All hours except 1-3 a.m.
.....	7 days a week

CONFESSION

Tuesday - Friday	08:10 to 08:25 a.m.
Wednesday and Saturday.....	03:15 to 03:45 p.m.

OR by appointment with the Pastor

DECEMBER 11, 2022

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	December 12
08:30 am	Mass
09:00 am	LOSH Christmas Brunch, Lower Hall
Tuesday	December 13
10:00 am	Fit 'n Balanced Fitness Class, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Fit 'n Balanced Fitness Class, Lower Hall
01:00 pm	Chair Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
01:00 pm	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
05:00 pm	Men's Club Holiday Mtg., Lower Hall
Wednesday	December 14
10:30 am	Caregiver Support., Classroom D
01:00 pm	Spades, Upper Hall
1:00 pm	Single's Game Day, Upper Hall
01:30 pm	Sunday Choir Practice , Church Choir Area
04:00 pm	Mass
06:00 pm	REY - Holiday Party, Upper Hall
Thursday	December 15
10:00 am	Fit 'n Balanced Fitness Class, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Fit 'n Balanced Fitness Class, Lower Hall
01:00 pm	Chair Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
01:00 pm	Mat Yoga, Upper Hall
02:00 pm	Family Assistance Meeting, Classrooms A & B
04:00 pm	Advent Reconciliation until 06:00 pm
Friday	December 16
09:15 am	Pastoral Council Meeting, Classroom D
Saturday	December 17
10:00 am	LOSH Christmas Cookie Sale, All Classrooms
11:00 am	Centering Prayer Group, Classroom D
04:00 pm	Mass
Sunday	December 18
07:00 am	LOSH Christmas /cookie Sale, All Classrooms
08:00 am	Mass - Live Streamed
10:00 am	Mass
03:00 pm	The Mother Mary Prayer Group, Classroom D

ADVENT RECONCILIATION

Our Sacred Heart of Jesus Advent Reconciliation service with opportunity for individual reception of the sacrament will take place starting at 4:00pm Thursday, December 15. There will be 9 or 10 priests available for the sacrament until 6:00pm. Come and make straight the path for the Lord to truly touch our lives and make them ready for the celebration of the incarnation at Christmas and throughout the Christmas season.

RELIGIOUS GIVE THANKS

A sister writes: "We remember the many people who believe in the Retirement Fund for Religious, thanking them in prayer for their great generosity and compassion." God bless you for donating to last week's second collection. Visit retiredreligious.org to learn how your gift supports all elderly religious.

BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINES

For the December 24/25 bulletin the deadline for article submission is **Wednesday, December 14**. For the December 31/January 1 bulletin deadline for article submission is **Monday, December 19**.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

The annual parish Mass of Remembrance for those in our parish who died this year as well as parishioners who lost loved ones who live elsewhere will take place on Wednesday, December 14 at the 4:00pm Mass. If you have a loved one you would like to be remembered at this Mass, please put their name along with your name in the book in the Narthex or call the church office with that information at [501 922-2062 ext. 10](tel:5019222062).



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Sacred Heart Parish will have its bi-monthly meeting this coming Friday, December 16 at 9:15am in classrooms A & B. All parishioners are invited to attend and discover what is "happening" in our parish as well as what plans are being made for the future.

CHURCH CALENDARS

The new church calendars for the year 2023 will be available for parishioners the weekend of December 17/18 in the Narthex after all Masses. Please take one per family. Also, note that Cedarvale Funeral Home generously sponsored our calendar for this year.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

Women of Sacred Heart, gift yourself a Christmas present for 2023. There will be two Walking with Purpose Bible studies beginning January 16. The first course, "Opening your Heart," is a 22 week study that began in 2019 and is open to all women in our parish. In addition, "Touching the Divine," a more advanced study, based on John's Gospel, with the same timeline, will also be available. Each program is \$40 for the book and each will be separated into two or three segments of 6-7 weeks long. Registration begins at the church the weekend of Dec. 17/18 and ends the first weekend of January. If unable to register here, mail your check (WWP on memo) to **Paula Doyle at 10 Vecilla Lane, HSV, AR 71909**. Please indicate which study you plan on attending. With questions you may email pauladoyle70@gmail.com or call her at **501 922-5771**.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Sacred Heart is once again offering a Christmas Lunch, prepared on site by Chef Johnna Westerman on Christmas Day at 12:00pm. The menu will be stuffed pork roulade, roasted copper carrots, mashed potatoes, corn casserole, rolls & butter and Fr. Bill's holiday ice cream. The cost is \$15 per person. This event is open to parishioners along with their family members (no more than 4 per family.) Please sign up in the Narthex and pay for your meal(s) with checks made out to Sacred Heart Church. You may also commit by sending your check to the church office 295 Balearic Rd. HSV, AR 71909 by Dec. 19. Please include the names of those attending and "Christmas Lunch" on the outside of the envelope.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

As I was giving thought to our V.I.P. for the month of December, Tom Yerina, the word "leader" came into my mind, I believe, for good reason. As I share with you Tom's activities and ministries in the past and the present since he and his wife Martha (of happy memory) moved to the Village and our parish in 1998, you will see that he was not only actively involved, but he also was a leader or took the lead in a number of areas and ways. When I think of his active participation in our Knights of Columbus Council and Assembly (as a transfer from his previous Council and Assembly), I give thanks for his leadership on the initiation team for new members of the Knights of Columbus and how well he had his lines memorized for the part he played to exemplify new members. In our Assembly, he accepted the role of Captain of our 4th degree honor guard and served with distinction in that role for 19 years! Recognizing his efforts and the support he received from his dear wife, Martha, his fellow Knights voted he and Martha to be family of the Year for our Council in the fraternal year 2000-2001 and he was awarded Knight of the year in 2006-2007. Tom served on the parish council as the chairman and was largely responsible for having AED (emergency medical) units brought to the gathering areas of our parish facilities. He set up training sessions for all of the ushers at the time. That training is still available and encouraged of our ushers now. Tom was a member of the committee that worked on growing the parish facilities by adding on the current administrative and classroom sections of our parish facilities. For several years he coordinated and encouraged men of the parish to go on a 3 day silent retreat that was held in a Jesuit retreat place in Dallas, Texas. Tom has been active over the years in liturgical ministries that included being a lector (which he continues to do at daily Mass), an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion at Mass and for our homebound parishioners, and as a member of the Sunday choir (as one of the few male members) and for a while as cantor at Mass. He has been a Eucharistic Adorer (who, for a long time took on one of the late night hours) and continues to invite and encourage parishioners to participate with him in this ministry. Tom is often a participant in daily Mass, and for a while "took the lead" in inviting people to join with him right before Mass in a prayer for religious liberty. He has been a long-time volunteer at CHi St. Vincent Hospital where I saw him many times manning the information desk. Tom's leadership and long-standing participation in so much that goes on in this parish including the Tuesday/Thursday afternoon exercise class is truly commendable, to me, especially now, when he is challenged by age to get around.

All of us should say a prayer or prayers of thanks to God for Tom Yerina and thank him when you see him. I must not forget to mention his marriage to his dear wife, the love of his life, Martha that lasted over 60 years until her passing to the Lord! Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord!

CAREGIVER SUPPORT

The Caregiver Support Group now meets once a month on the second Wednesday of each month in Classroom D from 10:30am - 12:30pm. A light lunch will be provided. You are welcome to attend regardless if you do not have the caregiver 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** at **501 204-4134** or **Maureen** at **228 342-0491** for more information.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

"...in solitude God will speak to us - not as a magical voice but as knowledge that grows gradually over the years. And in that word from God, we will find the inner place from which we live our lives. Solitude is where Jesus listened to God. It is where we listen to God. Solitude is where community begins." Additional information on Perpetual Eucharistic Adorations is available from **Kathy Clark**, Coordinator at **203 816-7737** or one of the division leaders listed on the home page of the PEA website www.shjea.com

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say rejoice.
Indeed, the Lord is near.

Philippians 4:4-5

MEN'S CLUB DECEMBER MEETING

The next meeting for the 2022-2023 year for the Sacred Heart Men's Club will be Tuesday, December 13 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. This is our annual dinner program with wives or your guest. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be at 5:00 pm followed by social time. The refreshment center opens at the chaplet's completion. Dinner will be served before 6:00 pm. Home Plate is providing the meal which includes salad, prime rib, rosemary potatoes, and-squash/zucchini. For dessert, cheesecake. The evening's entertainment is piano arrangements by Thomas Sinclair followed by our best rendition of The Twelve Days of Christmas. Please mail checks for \$30/person made out to Sacred Heart of Jesus with Men's Club Dinner on the memo line to **Bob Bowman, 16 Isabella Way, HSV, AR 71909** to be **received by December 10. Your check is your reservation.**



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- ♥ Dec. 12 Christmas Brunch following 8:30am Mass
- ♥ Dec. 17/18 Christmas Cookie Sale. Members bring your 3 dz. Cookies to Classrooms A & B Dec. 17 between 9-11am
- ♥ Jan. 3 (Tues) LOSH Board Meeting 9:15am, Classrooms A & B
- ♥ Jan. 9 LOSH General Meeting 9:45am
- ♥ Feb. 7/8/9 LOSH Retreat at Subiaco. More info to come via email

SOCIABLE SIX 2023

Our Sociable Six program is returning in January, February and March 2023. This program is simple and flexible. Three couples will be grouped together and arrange to share a dinner, lunch or brunch at alternate homes monthly. Participants will enjoy getting to know fellow parishioners in an informal setting. It is a great opportunity for parish newcomers. To sign up call **Nancy or Howard Emery 815 861-0820** or email emeryfam@hotmail.com. Please provide your names, address, phone number and email. The final sign up date is December 28. You will receive a letter with the couples in your group the first week of January.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers this weekend were donated by:

- ♦ Mary Koscielniak IMO Ruth Evelyn Mauch
- ♦ M/M Al Hanschmann IHO St. Joseph & the Holy Family
- ♦ Robert Goodson IHO church return
- ♦ M/M Gilbert Duran, 30th Anniversary



Your parish appreciates your donations of flowers for the altar. Sign-up in the white binder on the counter in the Narthex or call **Judy Gordon, at 719-930-1121** for more information.

GIFT BEARERS SIGN-UP

There is a new Sign-Up book on the credenza in the Narthex. The original was removed and has not been located. Please consider the privilege of signing up to bring up the gifts at whichever Mass you usually attend. This negates the ushers having to pursue gift bearers at the last minute, No special occasion necessary. If you have questions, call **Marian LaVelle at 501-209-2435**.

GIFT BEARERS

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



*M/M Gilbert Duran

You can sign-up to present the gifts at Mass in the white binder located in the Narthex. If you have questions, call **Marian LaVelle at 501-209-2435**.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ♦ Dec. 20 O & D Mtg. 4:00 pm, Upper Hall
- ♦ Dec. 31 K of C New Year's Eve Dance 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Jan. 3 Monthly Council Mg., 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Jan, 7 Spaghetti Dinner, Lower Hall

MEN'S CLUB 50/50 SUPERBOWL SQUARES

This 50/50 will work like any typical Super Bowl squares. Donation per square is \$20 and the payout is as follows: 1st quarter \$200, 2nd quarter \$250, 3rd quarter \$200 and final score \$350. This year you may purchase 12 squares per person as we plan to fill 3 boards. Family members, neighbors, etc. are welcome to participate. If any squares remain the final week of January, then additional squares will be available to purchase. **This is a Men's Club fundraiser enabling us to make financial donations to select charities or any in house projects deemed worthy.** Checks should be to Sacred Heart Church with 50/50 squares on the Memo line. Checks can be dropped into my folder in the Mail Room or mailed to: **Mike Webster 32 Alteza Dr. HSV, AR 71909** any time during the months of December & January. No entries will be permitted after January 29. The Super Bowl is Sunday, February 12. Numbers will be drawn by the Men's Club Board Members on January 30 at our board meeting. Completed boards with all numbers will be sent to each Clubs' representative on February 1. Thanks in advance for your participation.

SHOE CERTIFICATES

Each year HSV Village Outreach provides a shoe certificate to children of the families who receive Christmas baskets. Over 500 certificates have been given each year for the past several years. The cost has been over \$14,000.00 every year and is covered by donations from our Village churches, organizations and individual donations. If you would like to contribute to this program please place your donation in the decorated shoe box in the A & E hallway. Make checks payable to Sacred Heart Catholic Church with "shoe fund" on the Memo line. Thanks for past and future donations!

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Bereavement Support	Gary Christoff	573-645-6814
Buddy Phone Chain	Gisela Heumann	224-565-0266
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
Religious Ed Youth	Cathy Kraus	501-922-2062

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL 		
David Witchger	Grounds, <u>Chair</u>	501-922-9058	Linda Durrett	Education	972-768-1574
Carolyn Bowers	Administration	501-915-8022	Janet Liszka	Education	501-922-0103
Bob Honzik	Stewardship	501-922-2702	Christine Cash	Liturgy	501-922-1933
Murray Claassen	Stewardship	501-908-4346	Ann Bowman	Liturgy	501-922-6619
Pat Kalisz	Building Complex/ Equipment	630-926-6637	Bonnie Blue	Parish Life	501-922-1844
Bill Patterson	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-8631	Linda Broome	Parish Life	870-995-2797
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	Barb Potter	Social Justice, <u>Chair</u>	501-762-3103
Larry Stein	Finance	501-226-5105	Karen Feckler	Social Justice	501-209-1499
			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

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.

Sick List - Names in bold italics have been added in the past 14 days. A * next to last name Indicates non-parishioners.

Lois Bonfiglio
Leo Cepicky
Frank Cox
Rose Drake Campbell
Theresa Drumwright
Stephen Earley
Jackie Fayman
Joyce Field

Patricia Goodson
Betty Hoepner
Bill Hurley
Mickey Jordan
Lucine Lakebrink
Kevin Pfenning
Don Prescott
Joan Rankin Aykens

Marty Sack*
Bobbie Starcevich
Bobi Stewart
Julian Tylka
Jack Wallisch
Kathi Wilkinson Jones*



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

Dec	10	4:00 pm	JOLENE COOK	LEW AKE
Dec	11	8:00 am	REGINA HAERER	KATERI AMRHEIN
		10:00 am	FOR THE PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
Dec	12	8:30 am	DCN BERNIE BAUER	LOSH MEMBERS
Dec	13	8:30 am	ALBERTINE LUYET	M/M TOM LUYET
Dec.	14	4:00 pm	BETTY GONDA	M/M MIKE GONDA
Dec	15	8:30 am	BOB HIGHLAND	PAT HIGHLAND
Dec	16	8:30 am	MILT SPANIEL	M/M BOB LENNEN
Dec	17	4:00 pm	HELEN AKE	LEW AKE
Dec	18	8:00 am	FOR THE PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 am	JOHN MATTINGLY & JOHN STIEFVATER	M/M RALPH STIEFVATER