SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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MASSES

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	09:00 a.m.	
Wednesday	05:00 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	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.	
Saturday	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.	
OR by appointment with the Pastor		

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday April 29 10:00 am Caregiver Workshop, Upper Hall 01:00 pm Walking with Purpose, All Classrooms 06:00 pm Walking with Purpose, Classroom A Tuesday April 30 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 May 1 09:45 am COR Group, Classroom D 01:00 pm Singles Hand & Foot, Upper Hall 01:00 pm Spades & Table Games, Upper Hall 01:30 pm **Choir Practice** 04:00 pm **Eucharistic Holy Hour & Confessions** 05:00 pm Mass **Thursday** May 2 Rosary Makers, Classroom D 09:30 am 10:00 am Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall 11:30 am Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall 11:30 am Mat Yoga, Upper Hall Health & Wellness Ministry, Classroom A 03:00 pm COR Group. Classroom D 06:00 pm Friday May 3 09:00 am First Friday & Devotions Saturday May 4 09:00 am **First Saturday Mass & Devotions** 09:45 am LOSH Funds Distribution, Classroom D 05:00 pm Mass Sunday May 5 08:00 am Mass 10:00 am Mass 11:15 am Youth Faith Formation Reception, Lower Hall

WHEN IS A GOOD TIME FOR SPIRITUAL DIRECTION?

St. Faustina lamented not always having a spiritual director: "Oh, if only I had had a spiritual director from the beginning, then I would not have wasted so many of God's graces." She identified some of the benefits of having a spiritual director: "Oh, how great a grace it is to have a spiritual director! One makes more rapid progress in virtue, sees the will of God more clearly, fulfills it more faithfully and follows a road that is sure and free of dangers. The director knows how to avoid the rocks against which the soul could be shattered. The Lord gave me this grace rather late, to be sure, but I rejoice in it greatly."

A spiritual director can help God to be more tangibly present. Sometimes we simply cannot put it all together and it takes another person to listen to our story and also listen to the Holy Spirit to spot gaps and help us to connect the dots. Our parish has two certified spiritual directors who see male and female directees ranging in age from 30-80+. *Anytime is the right time to seek spiritual direction.* To take the first step contact Deb Troxel 515 314-6955 dvglrn@yahoo.com or Cherry Schwulst 309 831-7230 cherryoschwulst@gmail.com.

K OF C BLOOD DRIVE

The next Arkansas Blood Institute Blood Drive supported by the K of C and hosted by Village United Methodist Church, 200



Carmona Rd., is 8:00 am -2:00 pm Tuesday, May 7, 2024. *There is an urgent need for blood at this time*. Previous donors with emails have been sent an email reminder. New donors may contact Connie at 501 922 -4891. Thank you in advance for your "gift of life."

O sing a new song unto the Lord, For he has worked wonders; In the sight of the nations He has shown deliverance, alleluia cf. Psalm 98(97): 1-2

HSV PRO-LIFE CELEBRATION

The Arkansas Right to Life HSV Pro-life Celebration "Every Life is a Gift" is on Friday, May 3, 2024 at the Balboa Outreach Center from 5:30 - 8:00 pm. There will be a presentation by Rose Mimms, Executive Director of ARTL, dinner & silent auction plus a baby shower for Change Point and New Beginnings Pregnancy Resource Centers. Arkansas Lieutenant Governor Leslie Rutledge will be the guest speaker. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at ARTL.org or 501 663-4237 or Bob Bowman 501 226-0209 robowman1@gmail.com.



SHJ CEMETERY & MEMORIAL NEWS

Cemetery Committee members Rick Martinek and Pat Kalisz stand next to the newly installed Columbarium V the 5th unit in the Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church Cemetery. Please consider our cemetery as the final resting place for you and your family. The Memorial Garden and Columbaria on our church grounds are a beautiful, peaceful place to visit and pray. For cemetery information contact Gary Wolfer 501 504-1192 or garywolfer@gmail.com.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

The beautiful ferns on our altar have once again been donated by Travis Smith from Village True Value Hardware Home Center.



PASTOR'S COLUMN

At some of our Masses of Resurrection (especially those which have guests of other faith traditions), I usually take time before the homily to welcome them and share with them briefly that during our liturgy we exhibit three different postures at various times during Mass. While I don't take time to explain it to them, I hope you know that our unity in posture and gesture speaks, in part, of our willingness to give over for the sake of as the "Body of Christ".

I tell our visitors that at various times "WE" stand, sit, or kneel. Unfortunately, an exception to this occurs during the distribution and reception of Holy Communion. Thankfully, I have never had a visitor question why at this time of the Mass we seem to same time.

At the start of Communion at our weekend Masses. our cantor invites everyone to stand and prepare to come forward to receive Holy Communion. This is different from the pre-Vatican II (and for a long-time post-Vatican II liturgies) when the congregation remained kneeling until it was time for their pew to these times in order to maintain Perpetual Adoration. get in line. In the pre-Vatican II Mass we then knelt to receive Holy Communion at the altar rail and then returned to kneel and say our own personal prayer to Jesus. Practically speaking the unified posture for the entire time of the congregation receiving Holy Communion was kneeling.

In the year 2002 the bishops of the United States reiterated the blessings of our common postures throughout Mass, and as a visible sign of unity promulgated the common posture of standing throughout the whole of the time when Communion was being distributed. While I cannot explain it, some priests either "didn't get the memo" or did and never explained and/or never instituted the "standing throughout Communion way".

Next week's pastor's column will continue this subject and speak of what has happened in our parish since I first brought up and instituted this practice within the first year or so after I became your pastor.





"what I might choose to do" (in posture and gesture) Holy Hour of Adoration in the church continues on Wednesdays, now at 4:00 pm, prior to Mass. Come be blessed by an Easter gift of quiet prayer with the Risen Eucharistic Lord and other parishioners.

PEA:

"...if one is willing to assert that Christ Jesus is fully present in the Eucharist, then how can spending time have up to three different postures occurring at the with his physical Presence--talking with Christ, resting with Christ, 'watching one hour' with Christ--be without real value?" Elizabeth Scalia

> Unfilled hours: Saturday 1-2 am; Sunday 1-3 am Contact Lori Vincent 337 654-2871

There are numerous sub opportunities as we head into prime travel months, especially in the 1-6 am hours. Please consider visiting with the Lord during

FORMED

Are you aware that many new entries have been added to Formed? For instance, Dr. Barber, professor of scripture and theology at the Augustine Institute Graduate School of Theology has a program called "What Catholics Believe" that has become very popular. He answers some of the internet's questions regarding the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. One program "Was Jesus just a Ghost When He Appeared to the Apostles" is perfect for the Easter season. Try these at FORMED.org to register for your free subscription.

PARISH MISSION

Sacred Heart of Jesus will be hosting a Parish Mission to close out the Eucharistic Revival year. The mission Session one "The leader is Fr. John Marconi. Passover - Prefigures the Eucharist" will be Wednesday, May 8 at 6:00 pm in the Lower Hall. Session two "The Last Supper - Eucharist" will be Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 pm in the Lower Hall. The final session "The Mass - Eucharist Celebration will be Friday, May 10 at 6:00 pm in the church. Please consider joining Fr. Marconi for all or any of these mission sessions.



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

◆ April 30, Tuesday, Guild 6 St. Teresa of Calcutta will have our Spring Couples Social at The Beehive from 5 - 8:00 pm.

Thank you to all our volunteers and golfers from the parish for the LOSH Charity Golf Scramble. So much fun for great causes!

- May 5 Guild 8 is having an End of the Year party for the Youth Faith Formation kids and their families after 10:00 am Mass.
- ♥ May 6 LOSH Board meets at 9:45 am, Upper Hall
- May 13 at 8:45 am Guilds process into Mass with flowers for our Blessed Mother. Pews are reserved for each Guild to pray the living Rosary.
- ▼ May 13 LOSH General Meeting Lower Hall at 10:00 am. Installation of new executive committee. Guest Speaker Ann Dierks presents "Granny Camp."

FAMILY CAREGIVER WORKSHOP

Our Health and Wellness ministry along with Oakland Center on Aging and McAuley Senior Center will be offering a free Family Caregiver workshop on April 29 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm with lunch provided. This workshop will focus on empowering those who care for people with dementia and other health issues. Information will include and overview of dementia and Alzheimer's disease and provide caregiving tips in order to maintain dignity, respect and quality of life for those living with these afflictions. Additional information will address techniques and tips for caring for your person while caring for yourself. Make your reservation by calling Evelyn Garrison 501 762-5317 or Kathy Packard (Oakland Center on Aging) 501 623-0020 or kathy@oaklandcenteronaging.com. If your loved one is enrolled at the Caring Place in Hot Springs, respite care provided.



GIFT BEARERS

The following parishioners have volunteered to bring up the gifts this weekend:



05:00 pm Karen Feckler & Marian LaVelle 08:00 am Deb Sprecher & Patty Doublin

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER

- ♦ May 3 Samaritan Ministries
- May 7 Monthly Council Meeting 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ May 9 Bimonthly Blood Drive
- May 12 Mother's Day Recognition
- ♦ May 15 Council O & D Meeting, Classrooms A & B
- ♦ May 16 St. Francis House Meal

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:



Karen Feckler IMO Robert Feckler (50th Anniversary)
Sissie Arnoult IHO Wedding Anniversary

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

THANK YOU

Thank you for your cards, concerns, prayers, visits and treasures of time and gifts. I am overwhelmed by the love of Jesus ministered to me through you all. I am recovering in rehab at Good Samaritan. I miss you at the door and at Mass and am praying that I will come back! Blessings to you all and please keep us in your prayers.

Kenny Seghers

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



- ✓ Jack & Sharon Board Celebrating 59 years on May 1
- ▼ Tom & Linda Luyet Celebrating 60 years on May 2
- ♥ Wayne & Charmaine Gahr Celebrating 58 years on May 4
- * Call the church office if you didn't recently sign up and provide your anniversary date

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Bereavement Support Gary Christoff 573-645-6814 **Caregiver Support Evelyn Garrison** 501-204-4134 Maureen Halloran 228-342-0491 501-204-1192 Columbarium Garv Wolfer Rose Farrell 860-208-9813 Eucharist: Homebound 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, Chair	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/	501-922-8631	Becky Jordan	Parish Life	901-605-0333
Dill'i decersori	Columbarium		Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-922-9047
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	Pietro Tomassi	Social Justice	501-282-4427
Larry Stein	Finance	501-226-5105	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

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*	Susan Garcia*	Albert Nickel*	Linda Skaggs*
William "Bill" Butler	John Guida	Diane Prescott	Darin Wells*
Vivian Centenio*	James Heaser	Don Prescott	Patty Wilson*
Douglas Cepicky*	Betty Hoepner	Larry Sack*	Mary Zelhofer
Theresa Drumwright	Alice Justus	Kenny Seghers	•



PRAYER WARRIORS **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS** Apr 27 5:00 pm **CHUCK GRAY** JANE GRAY PRAYERS NEEDED? **BOB FECKLER** KAREN FECKLER We all need a prayer warrior in times of 🕷 crisis, a critical or dangerous situation Apr 28 8:00 am SHJ PARISHIONERS FR. BILL ELSER that needs serious attention, including emergencies, 10:00 am JOHN & ROSE RIETCHECK PHYLLIS MELENSON surgery, imminent death or the loss of a loved one. Our Parish Prayer Warriors are ready to help. Some Apr 9:00 am TAWNIE STROMMER** MARIE RADCLIFFE ninety Parish Prayer Warriors will offer intercessory prayers to God for you and your loved ones at these Apr 30 9:00 am **CURTIS BRANDT** MARIA BRANDT and other critical times. Please call: Mary Costello May 1 5:00 pm ANTHONY CALDERON STEVE/YOLANDA EARLEY 209-0008, Jim Goodson 204-2494, Lucy or Marvin 9:00 am **CAROL CRUZ** DIEGO/TERESA MICELI Young 915-8028; or Chris Stein, 226-5105 to get your May prayers started. They will continue for 30 days, May 3 9:00 am JAN LIPSMEYER HELPING HANDS unless cancelled by you, and may be continued by NAMES ON May 9:00am FR. BILL ELSER request. You too may become a member of our REMEMBRANCE TREE Parish Prayer Warriors by calling Mary, Jim, Lucy, PAT AKE 5:00 pm LEW AKE Marvin or Chris. May 5 8:00 am SHJ PARISHIONERS FR. BILL ELSER Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you... Jeremiah 29:12 10:00 am **ROSEMARY JAHNKE** CHRISTINA BRAHM