# SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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### **MASSES**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	09:00 a.m.
Wednesday	04:00 p.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.
PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION	
Eucharistic Adoration	All hours
	7 days a week
CONFESSION	
Tuesday, Thursday, Friday	08:40 to 08:55 a.m.
Wednesday	03:30 to 03:50 p.m.
Saturday	03:15 to 03:45 p.m.
OR by appo	intment with the Pastor

#### **PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK**

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Monday	Jan. 20
08:20 am 09:00 am	Patriotic Rosary
10:00 am	Mass St. Flizabeth Guild Business Meeting
10:00 am	St. Elizabeth Guild Business Meeting,
02.00	Classrooms A & B
03:00 pm	Family Assistance Meeting, Classroom D
Tuesday	Jan. 21
10:00 am	LOSH Golf Tournament Mtg., Classrooms A&B
10:00 am	Fit'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Stretch, Strength & Balance, Upper Hall
03:00 pm	Guild 6 Book Club, Classroom D
05:00 pm	K of C Assembly 2316 Meeting, Lower Hall
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09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom A
01:00 pm	Guild 6 Game Day, Classrooms A & B
01:00 pm	Singles Hand & Foot, Upper Hall
01:00 pm 01:30 pm	Spades and Table Games, Upper Hall Choir Practice
Thursday	Jan 23
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
10:00 am	Fit'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Chair Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Stretch, Strength & Balance, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Guild 6 Financial Meeting, Classrooms A&B
	COR Group, Classroom D
06:00pm	Jan 24
<b>Friday</b>   09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom C
09:45 am	Social Justice Meeting, Classroom D
Saturday	Jan 25
	Mass
04:00 pm <b>Sunday</b>	Jan 26
08:00 am	Mass
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11:15 am	Youth Faith Formation, Classroom B
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#### **2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

Your 2024 Contribution Statements will be available for pick up at the church office, *beginning January* 31, Tuesday through Friday 8:00 am - 1:00 pm or call the office 501 922-2062 to request your statement be mailed.

All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, And shall sing to you, shall sing your name, O Most High!

Psalm 66 (65):4

# DECEMBER REGULAR COLLECTIONS

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REGULAR COLLECTIONS	\$56,327.45
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$5,310.00

DECEMBER SPECIAL COLLE	CTIONS
DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIESTS	\$6,105.00
RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND	\$5,198.00

#### **WOMEN'S DAY RETREAT**

Christ the King Church in Little Rock will host this one day retreat from 8:00 am-3:00 pm Saturday, February 1. "Women of Hope, A Day Retreat" provides a simple and sacred day of retreat in which women can be filled with Jesus, the author of hope. The day will fill your souls and transform your heart. All women in the Diocese of Little Rock are invited. Lisa Cotter is the feature speaker. Franchelle Jaeger will be retreat guide and Sarah Kroger is to lead praise and worship. The event will include Mass with Bishop Taylor, reconciliation, adoration, presentations, music and lunch. An evening preparation will be offered from 5:15 pm to 8:00 pm Friday, January 31. It will include quiet meditation, reconciliation, guided reflection, adoration and benediction. The cost is \$70per person. Register at womenofhopear.org.



### MEN'S CLUB 50/50 SUPER BOWL SQUARES

The 50/50 will work like your typical super bowl squares. The per square donation is \$20 and payout is as follows:

1st quarter: \$200, 2nd quarter: \$250 3rd quarter: \$200 and final score: \$350

You are allowed a max of 5 squares per person. Family members/relatives can participate. Our goal is to fill two boards (200 squares). If squares remain the final week in January, then you may purchase additional.

# This Men's Club fundraiser is to increase our financial donations to our selected charities.

Checks made payable to Sacred Heart Church, memo line: 50/50 raffle squares. Please indicate name and how many squares for each person. All checks mailed to: David Banaszynski 22 Fachado Way HSV, AR 71909 prior to the January 25 deadline. Numbers will be drawn by Men's Club Board Officers on January 27. Completed boards with all numbers will be sent to each Club's representative on January 29, 11 days prior to the Super Bowl. If you have any questions please contact Dave Banaszynski at 401-332-5999 or email

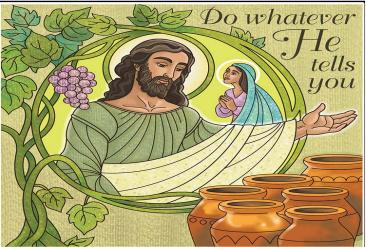
#### **BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS COLLECTION**

This special collection is taken up in all parishes across Arkansas. The support the Dioceses of Little Rock receives from this national collection helps the Diocesan Council for Black Catholics and other ministries, events and formation to encourage the Christian life in culturally appropriate ways. This collection has supported evangelization programs in almost every diocese in the United States for more than 130 years. For additional information, contact the Stewardship and Development Office at 501 664-0340.

#### **PASTORS COLUMN**

If I were to ask you what significant event took place in Christianity 1700 years ago this year, I hope you would take time to do the math and come up with the year 325. That was the year that Church leaders gathered in Nicaea (near Constantinople) to discuss a number of matters including (most importantly) a Creed that sought to define the essential common foundations on which to build local Christian communities that would recognized each other as sister churches, each respecting the diversity of the other. Disputes and disagreements had arisen in previous decades over such things as the nature of Christ in relation to the Father, the question of a single date to celebrate Easter, and opposition to theological opinions that were considered heretical, and how to re-integrate believers who had abandoned the faith during the years of persecution before the Emperor Constantine declared Christianity to be not only allowed but favored by the empire. During the Council, a significant number of Council Fathers argued against belief in the divinity of Christ. These came to be called Arians after its original proponent, a priest named Arius. Due to the efforts of Church Fathers such as Athanasius and Nicholas, the divinity of Christ was ultimately accepted as dogma and was a key part of the Nicean Creed. The approved text originally (and for the longest time when we recited it at Mass) was in the first person plural as it started out: "We believe.... This form emphasized the unity of belief of Christians (something that we need to pray for always especially during the annual "Week of Christian Prayer for Unity" from January 18-25). We are all aware (I hope) that the Creed is divided into three parts dedicated to the three Persons of the Blessed Trinity. Interestingly, the original Nicene Creed concluded with condemnations of affirmations that were considered heretical. The Creed was revised and expanded at the Council of Constantinople in 381 AD at which time the condemnations were removed. So what we often profess at weekend Masses should rightly be called the Nicene-Constantinople Creed.

I would encourage you to make the time (maybe before Mass) and reflect a little at a time on what we believe about God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and the rest of what is contained in this most ancient and important document of the Church. Then pray that every baptized believer takes everything in it to heart and strives to share it with others with conviction, living out the hopes that it gives to us beyond the life we live in this world!



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#### **GIFT OF ADORATION**

"All grace flows from mercy and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night. God's mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace and then God will do the rest."

Jesus to St. Faustina

There is a need for regular Adorers on Sunday at 7 - 8:00 pm and 8 - 9:00 pm

Contact Mike Ritch regarding PEA 832 231-7469

#### AR CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

The annual men's conference held in the Diocese of Little Rock will be Saturday, February 8, 2025 at Christ the King Church in Little Rock. It features speakers who impact men's lives with their passion for Christ and His Church. Free registration at arcatholicmen.com

#### **FATHER BILL**

Father Bill will be taking some vacation time this week from Tuesday thru Friday. There will be no weekday Masses here



on those days. Masses in Hot Springs are 8:00 am on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday at St. John's and Wednesday at 5:30 pm, Thursday at 8:00 am and Friday at 12:00 pm at St. Mary's.

#### **PATRIOTIC ROSARY AND MASS**

The patriotic rosary will be prayed on Monday, January 20 as our country honors the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King. It will be followed by Mass at 9:00 am.



# LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- Jan. 20 Guild 4 meets at 10:00 am in Classrooms A&B
- Jan 31st/Feb 1st Women of Hope Retreat at Christ the King in Little Rock. Register at womenofhopear.org
- Feb. 3 LOSH Board Meeting 9:45 am, Upper Hall
- Feb. 10 General Meeting 9:45 am, Lower Hall. Guest Speaker Kathy Sanders about Oklahoma City bombing, and forgiveness.
- Keep in touch with your "Growing in Grace".

Keep recycling your beverage cans at the bin in the large church parking lot.

#### HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



- Bob & Mary Koscielniak, 39 years on January 25
- ♥ Jim & JoAnn Arnold, 40 years on January 26
- \* Call the church office to provide your anniversary date.

#### **GIFT BEARERS**

Being a gift bearer is a privilege that we should all consider. Please sign up to present the gifts on the Mass that you regularly attend. It does not have to be just for a special occasion! You can sign-up to present the gifts at Mass in the white binder located in the Narthex. If you have

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS THIS WEEKEND**



John & Connie Weidert IHO 56th Anniversary

questions, call Marian LaVelle at 501-209-2435

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.

#### **JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE**

Arkansas Catholic is traveling to Italy October 28-November 8 for the Holy Year and we'd like you to join. Fr. Brian Cundall, pastor of Christ the King Church in Fort Smith, will be the Spiritual Director for the tour. Experience Florence and Siena on All Saint's and All Soul's Day, plus stops in Milan, Turin, Orvieto and Montecassino. Pilgrims will have 4 days in Rome and walk through the Holy /doors. There will be an informational meeting held Sunday, February 16 at 3:00 pm at the Parish Hall in Fort Smith. RSVP to https://bit.ly?ACpilgrimage2025. With questions, contact Kathy Primm at Sue Smith Vacations kathy@suesmithvacations.com or 501 771-0987.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER**

- Jan. 23 Bow Ties for Babies Fundraiser
   (Benton Event Center) 5:30-9:00 pm
- ◆ Jan. 23 Arkansas Right to Life Fundraiser, Texarkana, AR
- Jan. 25 Symposium Against Human Trafficking, Christ the King Church, LR 7:30 am-400 pm
- ♦ Feb. 2 Parish Breakfast sfter both Masses
- Feb. 4 Monthly Council Meeting 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- Feb. 7 Samaritan Ministries
- ♦ Feb. 14 4th Degree Valentine's Day Appreciation
- \*\* To join the Knights call Bob Ward at 501-416-1479

#### **PARISH BREAKFAST**

On Sunday, February 2, the Knights of Columbus woild like to invite everyone to a Parish Breakfast after both Masses. The



menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage patties, hash browns, biscuits and gravy, juice, coffee tea and water. Cost of this breakfast is a **good will offering payable by CASH or CHECK.** There will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex for planning purposes. All breakfast proceeds are used to help fund Knight charitable activities throughout the year. Your support is greatly appreciated!

#### **SACRED HEART MEN'S RETREAT 2025**

As you begin planning your 2025 activities, all men of the parish should set aside *March 17 - 20*. These are the dates of our annual Sacred Heart Men's Retreat at the St. John's Center in Little Rock. Back by popular demand, our retreat leader will be Fr. Stephen Gadberry. You won't want to miss these spiritually uplifting presentations from this dynamic young priest. With questions, please call Ed Doyle at 501 922-5771.

#### **2025 SHJ CALENDARS**

The 2025 calendars are available to parishioners this weekend in The Narthex after al Masses. Please take one per family. Our benefactor this year is The Ike Eisenhauer Insurance Agency.

### IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Youth Faith Formation Lou Ann Kemper

Bereavement Support Gary Christoff 573-645-6814 Evelyn Garrison 501-204-4134 **Caregiver Support** Maureen Halloran 228-342-0491 Columbarium Gary Wolfer 501-204-1192 Rose Farrell 860-208-9813 **Eucharist: Homebound Helping Hands** Cathy Wedwick 501-915-8456 Pat Widlowski 501-922-1395 Perpetual Adoration 832-231-7469 Mike Ritch

469-323-2505

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL		PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL			
David Witchger	Grounds, Chair	501-922-9058	Lou Ann Kemper	Education	469-323-2505
Carolyn Bowers	Administration	501-915-8022	Marian LaVelle	Liturgy Chair	501-209-2435
Bob Honzik	Stewardship	501-922-2702	Alison Kordsmeier	Liturgy	501-463-8625
Murray Claassen	Stewardship	501-908-4346	Larry Helton	Parish Life	903-278-9761
Pat Kalisz	Building Complex/ Equipment	630-926-6637	Becky Jordan	Parish Life	901-605-0333
Russ Harrison	Cemetery/	501-922-1767	Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-922-9047
11433 1141113011	Columbarium	Jackie Fox Tomassi	Social Justice	501-282-3427	
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	David Witchger	Finance Council	501-922-9058
Larry Stein	Finance	501-226-5105			

#### **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.

Lew Ake	Theresa Drumwright	Hoa Huynh*	Jeffrey Smith*
Nick Amrhein*	Mary Gerau*	Georgia Janush	Mary Szczepaniak*
Dennis Becker	Ken Gordon	Alice Justus	Tillie Tylka
Brenda Benson	Tim Gray*	Vivian Le*	Darin Wells*
Tony Bertrand*	Larry Gremillion	Diane Prescott	
Evelyn Donnelly	Joan Hardt	Rustie Seghers	B

**Betty Hoepner** 

Tom Donnelly

#### PRAYER WARRIORS **WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS** PRAYERS NEEDED? 18 4:00 pm **BOB STEINPREIS** RICK/KAREN MEYERS We all need a prayer warrior in times of Jan 19 8:00 am SUSIE CARDENAS JAIME CARDENAS crisis, a critical or dangerous situation that needs serious attention, including emergencies, 10:00 am SHJ PARISHIONERS FR. BILL ELSER surgery, imminent death or the loss of a loved one. 20 9:00 am **DENNIS PINSON BOB/EMMA PINSON** Our Parish Prayer Warriors are ready to help. Some Jan ninety Parish Prayer Warriors will offer intercessory 21 9:00 am NO MASS prayers to God for you and your loved ones at these 22 4:00 Pm NO MASS and other critical times. Please call: Jim Goodson Jan 204-2494 or Chris Stein, at 226-5105 to get your Jan 23 9:00am NO MASS prayers started. They will continue for 30 days, Jan 24 9:00 am NO MASS unless cancelled by you, and may be continued by request. You too may become a member of our Jan 4:00 pm DON PRESCOTT FRANK BENDA Parish Prayer Warriors by calling Jim or Chris. Jan 26 8:00 am SHJ PARISHIONERS FR. BILL ELSER Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, WALLY/MARGE 10:00 am ELAINE REYNOLDS and I will listen to you... Jeremiah 29:12 **NEWBURN**

Audrey Sitkowski

<sup>\*\*</sup> indicates living