

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon Larry Lipsmeyer 501 922-3283
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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 appointment with the Pastor

MARCH 2, 2025

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	Mar. 3
09:45 am	LOSH Board Meeting, Classroom D
Tuesday	Mar. 4
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	Shawl Ministry, Classroom D
05:00 pm	K of C Monthly Council Meeting, Lower Hall
Wednesday	Mar. 5 Ash Wednesday
09:00 am	Mass w/Distribution of Ashes
10:15 am	Choir Practice
01:00 pm	Singles Hand, Knee & Foot, Upper Hall
01:00 pm	Spades and Table Games, Upper Hall
04:00 pm	Mass w/ Distribution of Ashes
Thursday	Mar.6
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom D
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
02:00 pm	Guild 4 Funeral Committee Mtg., Classroom D
06:00pm	COR Group, Classroom D
Friday	Mar. 7 First Friday Mass & Devotions
03:00 pm	LOSH Golf Club Committee Mtg., Classroom D
04:30 pm	Stations of the Cross
05:00 pm	Men's Club Lenten Dinner, Lower Hall
Saturday	Mar. 8
10:30 am	Mass of Resurrection - Jerry Nolte
01:30 pm	4th Degree Exemplification, Lower Hall
04:00 pm	Mass
Sunday	Mar. 9
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass
11:15 am	Youth Faith Formation, Classroom B

MEN'S CLUB MARCH MEETING

The March meeting for the Sacred Heart Men's Club will be on Tuesday, March 11 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 5:00 pm followed by social time. The 5:45 pm dinner, catered by Chef Johnna, will be cole slaw and potato salad, BBQ pulled pork slider and 2 ribs, baked beans and bread pudding for dessert. Meal cost is \$15. Guest speaker, Jennifer Allen with the Village Voice, will talk of the history of the Voice and their travel club. Please call [501 922-1767](tel:5019221767) or email your meal reservation to rushharrison68@gmail.com by **5:00 pm Sunday, March 9**. No shows are responsible for the meal cost.

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, March 4, 2025. **There is an urgent need for blood at this time.** Previous donors with emails have been sent an email reminder. New donors may contact **Debbie** at [913 209-8571](tel:9132098571). Thank you in advance for your "gift of life."



SHJ MEN'S CLUB FISH BAKE

The Sacred Heart of Jesus Men's Club invites you to a sit-down dinner on Friday, March 7 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall.



Enjoy: Chopped green salad and rolls, parmesan lemon butter baked whitefish, wild rice pilaf and asparagus. LOsh Guild 8 will be offering dessert. Sign up for the dinner before or after Masses this weekend. The sheet will remain in the Narthex until Tuesday, March 3. You may also call or email **Bob Bowman** at [501 922-6619](tel:5019226619) or roboman1@gmail.com. All monies need to be received by **March 4**. Please make checks payable for \$17 per person to: Sacred Heart of Jesus and on the memo indicate Men's Club Fish Bake. Mail to: Bob Bowman 16 Isabella Way, HSV, AR 71909. *This event is a major fundraiser for SHJ Men's Club.*

INVITING YOU BACK

Experience part of your Lenten and Easter faith journey by participating in seven sessions of "Jesus and the Eucharist," produced by the Eucharistic Revival and shown for the first time last spring. This masterful video series is modern and engaging and presented by well known clergy and lay ministers who teach and inspire. Ordinary folks also share their faith experiences. General Kevin Chilton, an astronaut, even shares how his Catholic faith was deepened by space travel! There are also periodic breaks to share small group thoughts and insights. Please consider signing up in the Narthex next weekend February 22/23. One of the best fasts we can choose in Lent is a personal time fast to grow closer to the Lord. We will skip Holy Week.



- * **Mondays 1 - 3:00 pm** March 10, 17, 24, 31; April 7, 21, 28 (those at the golf scramble can attend either Wednesday session)
 - * **Wednesdays 1:30 - 3:30 pm** March 12, 19, 26; April 2, 9, 23, 30
 - * **Wednesdays 5:20 pm - 7:20 pm** after 4:00 pm Mass (daily Mass Liturgy) and the Lenten Suppers
- Jesus is always inviting us to journey deeper with Him every day. Invite someone to journey with Jesus and you too!



For additional information contact Lou Ann Kemper lou.ann.kemper.shj@gmail.com or text [469 323-2505](tel:4693232505). Please identify yourself if you leave a message.



LAST YEAR'S PALMS

It's time to collect your old palms. You may bring in any that you have and place them in the marked container in the Narthex in order to be properly disposed.



PASTORS COLUMN

It won't be long (March 7 at 4:30) that we will offer on that day and every Friday of Lent the opportunity to come together and pray the Stations of the Cross as we journey toward the Easter Triduum (April 17-20). Each Friday we will use a different set of reflections on Jesus's passion, death and resurrection, and how they speak to our lives in Christ in a variety of ways.

While Catholics in general are very familiar with the "Stations of the Cross" of Jesus Christ, I would say that they are few in number who have heard of and prayed the "Stations of the Eucharist". I was recently introduced to these by a parishioner who attended the Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference in Little Rock a few weeks ago. They are written by Fr. Jonathan Meyer who was a speaker at that conference. In the introduction to these "stations" he says that they "walk us through the Bible and show references that support the doctrine of the Eucharist in Sacred Scripture AND our 2,000 year Catholic Tradition".

The seventh of these stations is "Bethlehem, the House of Bread" In addition to quoting part of the Infancy Narrative according to Luke (2:1-7) which describes Mary and Joseph going to Bethlehem for the Roman census and the subsequent birth of Jesus, he shares and reflects on the fact that the word "Bethlehem" literally means "House of Bread". This makes sense as Jesus said "I am the Living Bread, come down from Heaven." (Jn 6:41). We might therefore look at Bethlehem as the birthplace of the Eucharist". Jesus came down from heaven to earth to save us and give us the food of immortality, Himself. There are also Eucharistic connotations in the fact that the newborn child Jesus was laid in a feeding trough, a manger. The animals fed from a trough known as a manger and in faith we feed on the one who was placed in that "feeding trough" in the Eucharistic food that is Jesus at every Mass. In some sense every Mass is a "little Christmas".

I will try to share more of these "Eucharistic Stations" in future pastor's columns, and if I can get copies of this booklet, we may have a communal praying of these stations in the future. I want to close this column with the prayer that accompanies this Seventh Station in Fr. Meyer's booklet. He does say in the back of the booklet that these stations (and I assume prayers) were inspired by the Poor Clare of Perpetual Adoration in Hanceville, Alabama.

Let us pray....

Dear Lord, You are the Bread of Life. You were born to become our Food. You are our daily bread, born in Bethlehem and laid in a manger. Thank You for giving us Your very self. Thank You for Your Body and Blood. Help me to see every celebration of Holy Mass as another Christmas, as You come down from heaven to be with us and save us. Amen.



GIFT OF ADORATION



There is a need for regular Adorers on Monday from 12:00 - 1:00 am (until April 1) and 2:30 - 4:00 am, Thursday 4 - 5:00 am and 6 -7:00 pm and Saturday 01:30 - 3:00 am.

Contact Mike Ritch regarding PEA [832 231-7469](tel:832-231-7469)

ALTAR FLOWERS



The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:

- Jerry & Allison Kordsmeier, 50th Anniversary
- Barb Wallisch IMO Jack Wallisch
- Marie Radcliffe IMO William Schank

Your parish appreciates your donations of flowers for the altar. Sign-up in the white binder on counter in the Narthex. Questions, call [Mark Lukasavige](tel:314-443-9257), at [314-443-9257](tel:314-443-9257).

ALMOST 140,000 ROSARIES!

The Sacred Heart Rosary Makers have sent out almost 140,000 rosaries around the world. Each week, the Rosary Makers meet to turn in the rosaries that were made at home. These are then checked one by one prior to packaging and shipping. We currently average about 600 rosaries monthly. We invite you to join our mission. Please call [Marge Newburn](tel:501-922-9047) at [501 922-9047](tel:501-922-9047) for additional information.

MEN'S RETREAT

All Sacred Heart men are invited to attend our annual retreat March 17-20. Details and sign up sheets are available in the Narthex. Our popular retreat leader, Fr. Stephen Gadberry, will be returning. The cost is only \$225 which covers 8 meals and 3 nights in a private room at St. John's Center in Little Rock. This is a great opportunity to improve your relationship with Jesus! Contact [Ed Doyle](tel:501-922-5771) for details at [501 922-5771](tel:501-922-5771).



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- March 3 LOSH Board Meeting 9:45 am, Upper Hall
- March 10 8:30 am Rosary, Mass and 9:45 am meeting, Lower Hall. Speaker Lacey Goff from "Living Wall: A Monument to the Unborn-Arkansas Right to Life".
- Something Extra: Jackson House "Undie Monday" (New members always welcome!)
- April 28 LOSH Golf Scramble at Isabella Golf Course. Register on the parish website. Please sign up!
- Great recycling results! Please continue.

LOSH CHARITY GOLF SCRAMBLE

Announcing the LOSH Charity Golf Scramble! Open to ALL golfers, Monday April 28 at Isabella Golf Course. Shotgun start at 9:30 am.



4 person teams: all men, all women or mixed. \$100 per person. Visit hsvlosh.com for the online reservation form and additional information.

Hole sponsorships are available for \$100 and feature a sign with your name or business name and logo. A list of all sponsors is given to each golfer. For other sponsorship opportunities, please email loshfundraising.shj@gmail.com or contact Marie Hylden.

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



- ♥ Robert & Monica Hahn, 3 years on March 7
- ♥ Jerry & Alison Kordsmeier, 50 years on March 8

* Call the church office to provide your anniversary date.

ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be two Masses, one at 9:00 am and one at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, March 5 with the distribution of ashes. Please make one a priority to begin your Lenten journey.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will begin praying the Stations of the Cross Friday, March 7 and continue every Friday throughout Lent at 4:30 pm. Various Stations of the Cross booklets will be utilized.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER



- ♦ Mar. 4 Bimonthly Blood Drive-Village United Methodist 8:00 am-2:00 pm
- ♦ Mar. 4 Monthly Council Meeting 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Mar. 7 Samaritan Ministries 5:30 pm
- ♦ Mar. 8 4th Degree Exemplification 1-6:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ♦ Mar. 14 Fish Fry 5:00 pm, Lower Hall. Free will offering
- ♦ Mar. 17-20 Men's Retreat St. John's Center, LR

** To join the Knights call **Bob Ward** at **501 416-1479**

K OF C CATFISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be serving a catfish dinner on Friday, March 14 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. Come enjoy a catfish dinner prepared by "Master Chef" Danny Elser with net proceeds benefitting local charities. There will be sign-up sheets in the Narthex at all Masses the weekends of March 1/2 and March 8/9 for planning purposes. You may also contact **Mike Gonda** 501 226-3102 or img573@comcast.net and let him know if you will be participating in this delicious meal which will include 2 catfish fillets, baked potato, green beans a roll and dessert. **Free will offerings will be accepted.**



K OF C 4TH DEGREE EXEMPLIFICATION

This 4th Degree exemplification will be held Saturday, March 8, 2025 in the Lower Hall. Schedule as follows:

- ◇ 1:30 pm Registration
- ◇ 2:15 pm Exemplification
- ◇ 4:00 pm Mass

A reception with drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be held in the Lower Hall following Mass.

This is a great opportunity here at Sacred Heart to join the 4th Degree Assembly in honoring God and country. Any candidates and potential candidates for 4th Degree exemplification contact **Russell Tessier** at **225 955-4596**. We encourage our brother Knights to attend in support of our candidates.

IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

Bereavement Support	Gary Christoff	573-645-6814
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	Mike Ritch	832-231-7469
Youth Faith Formation	Lou Ann Kemper	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	501-282-2030
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/ Columbarium	501-922-1767	Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-922-9047
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	Jackie Fox Tomassi	Social Justice	501-282-3427
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 hvsacredheart@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
Nick Amrhein*
Darlene Barta
Dennis Becker
Tony Bertrand*
Buddy Dixon*

Evelyn Donnelly
Tom Donnelly
Theresa Drumwright
Ken Gordon
Larry Gremillion
Joan Hardt

Sheila Harrison
Betty Hoepner
Alice Justus
Elizabeth Naeger*
Rustie Seghers
Audrey Sitkowski

Jeffrey Smith*
Patti Svitak*
Mary Szczepaniak*
Tillie Tylka
Pat Widlowski



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: **Jim Goodson 204-2494** or **Chris Stein, at 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 Jim 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

Mar	1	4:00 pm	MARY BURKE	KEN/CATHY RANEY
			JOHN MIERZWIAK	JOHN/BETTY MIERZWIAK
Mar	2	8:00 am	KATHY GONDA	MIKE/LINDA GONDA
		10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
Mar	3	9:00 am	DON RITTER	FRANK BENDA
Mar	4	9:00 am	PAT GARROT	PIERRE/MARIE FAURE
Mar	5	9:00 am	GORDON WILSON	SCOTT/KAREN WILSON
		4:00 pm	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
Mar	6	9:00 am	ROBERT/REGINA DITTO	PHIL/KATERI AMRHEIN
Mar	7	9:00 am	JACK WALLISCH	BARB WALLISCH
			MARIE MURDOUGH	MARIE RADCLIFFE
Mar	8	4:00 p,	TOM AUEL	GWEN AUEL
Mar	9	8:00 am	KELLY FARNER-SWICKARD	BOB/MARY ANN FARNER
		10:00 am	JOHN KOLODZIEJZYK	JIM/LORI BERGSTROM
			SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER

** indicates living