## 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	03:40 to 03:55 p.m.
Saturday	03:15 to 03 :45 p.m.
OR by appo	intment with the Pastor

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

Monday January 22

1:00 pm Bible Study, All Classrooms

**Tuesday January 23** 

10:00 am Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall

11:30 am Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall

11:30 am Mat Yoga, Upper Hall

05:00 pm 4th Degree Assembly Meeting, Lower Hall

Wednesday January 24

01:00 pm Singles Hand, Knee & Foot, Upper Hall Spades & Table Games, Upper Hall Mass - Blessed Michael McGiveny Relic

Thursday January 25

09:30 am Rosary Makers, Classroom C 09:45 am COR Group, Classroom A 10:00 am Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall

11:00 am OCIA, Classroom D

11:30 am Chair, Stretch & Balance, Lower Hall

11:30 am Mat Ýoga, Upper Hall

01:00 pm SHJ Singles Meeting, Classroom D

06:00 pm COR Group, Classroom A

Friday January 26

09:45 am COR Group, Classroom A

09:45 am Social Justice/Charitable Outreach

Commission email meeting

Saturday January 27

11:00 am Centering Prayer Group, Classroom A

04:00 pm Mass

05:00 pm K of C Spaghetti Dinner, Lower Hall

**Sunday** January 28 08:00 am Mass

10:00 am Mass

03:00 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour & Confessions

#### **WOMEN OF HOPE - A DAY RETREAT**

The Women of Hope Day Retreat takes place Saturday, February 3, 2024 from 8:45 am to 3:00 pm at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. Join us on a journey as we begin to discover how surrendering to the Lord brings healing to our hearts. There is a bonus Evening of Preparation Friday, February 2 from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. For information and registration go to WomenofHopeAR/org.

#### FOURTH DEGREE ASSEMBLY DINNER/MEETING

The Fourth Degree Assembly 2316 meeting will be held Tuesday, January 23 in the Lower Hall. Praying the Rosary begins at 5:00 pm. The evening meal will be Chicken Cordon Bleu with Bearnaise sauce, French peas with onion and bacon, twice baked potato, freshly baked yeast rolls and cake and pie for dessert. The Patriotic speaker for the night will be Greg Chastine, Director of the St. Francis House. The meal cost is \$12. There will be an email sent from Rick Darnell for online sign-up. With questions, contact Rick at rickdarnell@gmail.com.

#### SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Knights of Columbus will be serving a spaghetti dinner Saturday, January 27 after the 4:00 pm Mass in the Lower Hall. Enjoy spaghetti with meat sauce, salad, roll,

coffee and water. The Refreshment Center will be open as well. All net proceeds benefit charities. Sign up sheets, for planning purposes, are in the Narthex or contact Mike Gonda at <a href="mailto:lmg573@comcast.net">lmg573@comcast.net</a>.

DECEMBER REGULAR COLLECTIONS		
REGULAR COLLECTIONS	\$84,515.00	
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$4,904.37	

DECEMBER SPECIAL COLLECT	IONS	
RETIREMENT FUND FOR THE RELIGIOUS	\$8,263.00	
DIOCESAN RETIRED PRIEST	\$12,681.00	

#### **WINTER 2024 BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY**

The Sacred Heart Grief Support Group is for those who have faced or are facing challenges in their lives, perhaps the death of a loved one, a spouse, sibling, or child. There may be other events in your life that have shaken your ground such as serious illness, divorce or something that has made you view life differently. The SHJCC Bereavement Ministry's Grief Support Group is a safe space where we can learn and grow together. We are grateful you have survived and will assist in helping you reclaim your life, increase happiness and be inspired to be the person you were born to be. The Support Group will meet each Tuesday, February 6 March 5 between 1:00 and 3:00 pm. We will use a program titled Grieving with Great Hope produced by the Good Mourning Ministry. It comes to us via FORMED; a free subscription to us as SHJ parishioners. To register, contact the SHJCC Bereavement Ministry Deacon Gary Christoff via email goforit542@gmail.com or phone 573-645-6814 or Bob Hoffmann 501-922-3611. You may also register by calling the Parish Office 501-922-2062

#### **DAY OF PRAYER**

Monday, January 22 is once again designated by the bishops of the United States as a day of prayer for the legal protection of the unborn. While we rejoice that Roe v Wade was overturned by the US Supreme Court, innocent lives continue to be threatened and killed in states that continue to allow abortion. Please come to Mass at 9:00 am that day to pray the greatest prayer we have for this or any intention and/or pray at home or in our Adoration Chapel to the Lord for a change

of hearts and laws to protect the unborn child!!

#### **PASTOR'S COLUMN**

In the world of professional sports it has been said over and over again that when a player who is known as an active and successful player on a previous team or teams joins a new team, even before they begin playing on a new team, his or her PRESENCE makes a positive impact on the team. I believe such can also be the case when people come into a parish with an active past in previous parishes. They can come to a new parish and their presence can, early on, make an impact that is felt by a few or many. Such is the case in people who have moved into this wonderful parish and certainly Deacon Gary Christoff and his wife, Doris (who moved here in December 2021). They made an almost immediate impact on me, and in a short time, others, by bringing their love for the Lord and His people to Sacred Heart Church from their previous experiences in Jefferson City Missouri. When they started coming to daily Mass and revealed to me that Gary is a "senior" deacon from that diocese, both he and his wife of (almost 60 years) got involved beyond being a regular part of the 9:00 a.m. daily Mass community here and offering themselves as Eucharistic Ministers at that Mass. While indicating that he, in his "senior" status, did not want to resume serving as a deacon on the altar and preaching, he was open to doing other forms of ministry that needed him. He took over the bereavement support ministry that provides a range of help immediately and ongoing to those in our parish who have lost loved ones. He agreed to take turns with Deacon B.J in providing a monthly prayer service at Samaritan Ministries in Hot Springs before other members of our parish serve a meal to the homeless men who reside there. He and Doris became Eucharistic Adorers, with Deacon Gary taking on one of the latenight hours and Doris an evening adorer and now a codivision leader of the evening adoration hours. Gary became and is an active member of our Knights of Columbus and the Men's Club and Doris is active in L.O.S.H and serves as co-captain of St. Monica's Guild. Doris has been and still is an active participant in one of our physical fitness groups and recently, Gary has joined her. (I hope other men and women will give this a try in the new year) Doris has gotten involved through her guild in tutoring at Mountain Pine School. I hope you realize by now that the Christoffs, though members of our parish for a short time, have been chosen our V.I.P.s (Very Important Parishioners) for the month of January. They are almost a daily presence here and have already made an impact on parishioners and people outside of the parish as well. (cont.)

They have endeared themselves to our parishioners and me and I know that will continue in the future. Thank the Lord and then them for who they are in our parish family!

#### **PARISH MEN'S RETREAT**

Our annual retreat is Monday, March 11 - Thursday March 14 at St. John's Center in Little Rock. Bishop Taylor is the leader. This cost is \$200 for a private room and all meals. Sign up with Ed Doyle 501 922-5771 or eddoyle73@gmail.com. Checks payable to Knights of Columbus and mail to Mark Leslie, 13 Accesso Circle, HSV 71909. All men of the parish are invited to this memorable event!

To everything there is a season and a time for every person to come to the small group study Jesus and the Eucharist! The Eucharistic Revival Core team has worked diligently to provide you with convenient (and interchangeable) times when each of us can come each week to participate. Times offered are Mondays 1-3pm, Wednesdays prior to 4:00 pm Mass and Wednesday evening after the Lenten supper. Sign up this weekend! Why participate in the Sunday Holy Hour at 3:00 pm? Silent prayer, joined with the prayer of others, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament with more frequent reception of Reconciliation is all available to us. You are invited! Come and see how, in giving an hour, you will gain so much more.

#### PEA

We are in the thick of winter weather. Adorers are always encouraged to stay home if they feel unsafe on the roads. Please try to give ample notice to the adorer before & after you if you will not be coming so they will cover/uncover the monstrance or perhaps share your hour between them. \*Please try to use the website when requesting a sub before calling leadership.

#### **FORMED**

Are you ready to explore your free parish subscription to FORMED? It is easy to manage since it is organized by subjects. Two interesting presentations to get ready for Lent are found under "Faith and Science" and are about the Shroud of Turin. Fr. Robert Spitzer, a Jesuit scientist and scholar, is a guest on "The Truth about the Shroud" on Chris Stefanick's show. Another program on the Ben Akers Show, "The Shroud of Turin" includes a talk with Fr. Francis Peffley regarding the Shroud's authenticity. Go to FORMED.org to register.

#### **BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**

Next week, our parish will take up the 139th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support helps build the Church in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities. Schools, parish religious education programs and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help in spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Our dioceses received \$29K in grants from last year's collection.



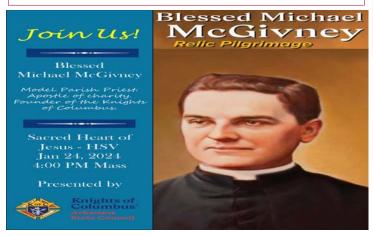
# LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

- Tues. Jan. 23 St. Monica Guild 1 will have their own retreat here at SHJ called "Body, Soul & Service" Including 9:00 am Mass, Adoration, cake kits and lunch at Dolce Vita.
- ♥ Mon. Feb. 5, 9:45 am LOSH Board Mtg., Upper Hall
- Mon. Feb. 12 LOSH General Mtg. after morning Mass. All ladies are invited to jin in the Lower Hall for Lisa Wolfe Goodwin, guest speaker, presenting "Life at the Majestic."
- \*\* Something extra: cake kits Funds for snacks for our Spring golf tournament

#### K of C RELIC PILGRIMMAGE MASS

Miracles do happen! The parish is invited to join the Knights for Mass on January 24th at 4:00pm. We will hear the story of an astounded young couple whose lives were changed because of prayer.

Also, at this mass, we will participate in a relic pilgrimage of Blessed Michael McGivney, model priest, Apostle of Charity and Founder of the Knights of Columbus. Bring your rosary and touch a Class 1 relic of this blessed visionary. Pray for the Canonization of Blessed Michael McGivney. Let's fill the church with prayer and become part of a very special moment.



#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:



- John Sutey IMO Peggy Sutey
- John & Connie Weidert, 55th Anniversary
- Linney & Fred Rohrer, 44th 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.

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

- ♦ Jan. 21 March for Life, State Capitol, 2:00 pm
- Jan. 22 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn
- ♦ Jan. 23 Assembly 2316 Mtg, 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- Jan. 24 Fr. Michael McGivney Relic Pilgrimage 4:00 pm Mass
- Jan. 27 K of C Spaghetti Dinner after 4:00 pm Mass, Lower Hall, free will donation
- ♦ Jan. 28 Exemplification 1:00 pm, Upper Hall
- ♦ Feb. 6 Monthly Council Mtg 5:00 pm, Lower Hall

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EXEMPLIFICATION

The Knights of Columbus will conduct an exemplification on Sunday, January 28 at 1:00 pm in the Upper Hall. The journey within the Knights progresses through three degrees; each symbolizing different aspects of the organization's mission. The Exemplification to the Third Degree marks the pinnacle of this journey, signifying a profound commitment to faith, family, community and life. We encourage all Brother Knights to attend and show their support for our new Brothers' journey into Knighthood.

#### **GIFT BEARERS**

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



8:00 am Mass - Linney & Fred Rohrer

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.

#### JESUS ASKS: "WHAT ARE YOU LOOKING FOR?"

Spiritual Direction may be a good way to help answer in each of us. Are you looking for ways to grow in your faith in 2024? Are you drawn to deepen your prayer life? Do you have questions regarding the faith or God's direction in decision making? Do you struggle with old hurts that linger? Our parish has two certified spiritual directors who are trained to accompany you in these areas with compassion and confidentiality. Session are normally monthly and last about an hour. For more information or to see if this may be the right fit for you, please contact Deb Troxel 515 314-6955 dvglrn@yahoo.com or Cherry Schwulst 309 831-7230 cherryjoschwulst@gmail.com.

#### 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 **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 Youth Faith Formation Lou Ann Kemper 469-323-2505

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL		
David Witchger	Grounds, <u>Chair</u>	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
Din raccison	Columbarium 501-522-0		Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-204-2000
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

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 recently added. A \* next to last name Indicates non-parishioners.

Tony Bertrand\*
Vivian Centenio\*
Douglas Cepicky\*
Theresa Drumwright

Emmanuel Goff\*

John Guida

James Heaser
Judy Heaser

Wally Newburn\* Diane Prescott Don Prescott Larry Sack\* Linda Skaggs\*



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#### **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**

•	Jan	20	4:00 pm	SANDY OTERO	KENNY/RUSTIE SEGHERS
	Jan	21	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
			10:00 am	TOM YERINA	M/M BILL NOSEK
r	Jan	22	9:00 am	DENNIS PINSON	ROBERT/EMMA PINSON
k :	Jan	23	9:00 am	EBBY ELSER	SUSIE ARNOLD
,	Jan	24	4:00 pm	FRANCIS MCCAIG	LINDA LUYET
-	Jan	25	9:00 am	WALT MACKIN	YOLANDA/STEVE EARLEY
9	Jan	26	9:00 am	DOLORES EPPING	RICK/KAREN MEYERS
3	Jan	27	4:00pm	SANDY OTERO	TED OTERO
	Jan	28	8:00 am	MARYLOU/BILL GEORGE**	M/M RALPH STIEFVATER
			10:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER