

SACRED HEART OF JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Deacon B.J. Bowen 501 831-1742
Deacon Gary Christoff 573 645-6814

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	04:30 to 04:50 p.m.
Saturday	04:00 to 04:45 p.m.

OR by appointment with the Pastor

SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday	Sept 30
10:00 pm	Bereavement Session, Classroom D
01:00 pm	WWP Bible Study, Classrooms A, B & D
06:00 pm	WWP Bible Study, Classroom A
Tuesday	Oct. 1
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 Council Meeting, Lower Hall
Wednesday	Oct. 2
09:30 am	Guild 2 Book Club, Classroom D
10:00 am	Book Reflection, Classrooms A & B
01:00 pm	Spades and Table Games, Upper Hall
03:00 pm	Book Reflection, Classrooms A & B
Thursday	Oct 3
09:30 am	Rosary Makers, Classroom B
09:45 am	COR Group, Classroom C
09:45 am	Education Commission Mtg., Classroom D
10:00 am	Fit 'n Go Fitness, Lower Hall
11:00 am	LOSH Card Party Meeting, Classroom D
11:30 am	Chair Stretch, & Balance, Lower Hall
11:30 am	Mat Stretch, Strength & Balance, Upper Hall
06:00 pm	COR Group, Classroom D
Friday	Oct 4 First Friday Mass & Devotions
09:00 am	Mass
	Singles at Hot Springs Arts & Crafts Fair
Saturday	Oct 5 First Saturday Mass & Devotions
09:00 am	Mass
05:00 pm	Mass
Sunday	Oct 6
08:00 am	Mass
10:00 am	Mass
11:15 am	Youth Faith Formation, Classroom D

MEN'S CLUB OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting for the Sacred Heart Men's Club will be on Tuesday Oct. 8 at 5:00 pm in the Lower Hall. All men or male spouses of a parish member are welcome to attend. Name badges are available for \$12. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will take place at 5:00 pm followed by social time. The Refreshment Center will open upon the Chaplet's completion. The 6:00 pm dinner, catered by Chef Johnna will be glazed pork chop with apple pecan wild rice stuffing, baby carrots, green salad, roll and a chocolate brownie sundae for dessert. Cost is \$15. Don Levac, club member will discuss how maple is extracted from trees, processed and prepared for market. Please call [501 922-1767](tel:501-922-1767) or email your meal reservation to russharrison68@gmail.com by 5:00 pm Sunday, October 6. If you cancel or no show after the deadline you are still responsible for the meal cost.

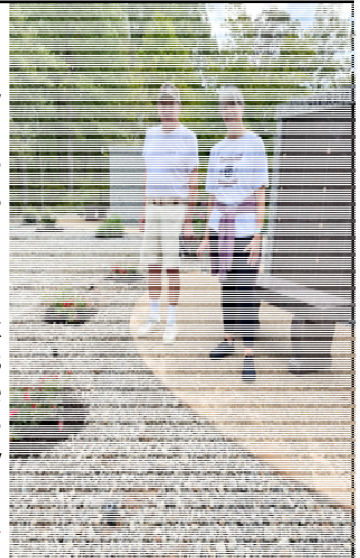
FATHER BILL'S 65TH BIRTHDAY

Please include Fr. Bill in your prayers on October 2 as he celebrates his 65th birthday. **HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. BILL!!**



CEMETERY SPRUCE UP

Sara Pilgrim and Bill Patterson inspect the new plants recently added to the cemetery which will provide color next Spring. Old plants have been replaced and the sprinkler system expanded to keep everything green. With the help of Rick Martinek, the landscape is being refreshed before winter comes calling. Please consider the SHJ Cemetery in your family planning. Contact [Gary Wolfer 501 922-3052](tel:501-922-3052) for availability.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL MEETING

The October 1 meeting will be in the Lower Hall with the praying of the Rosary at 5:00 pm. The Great Wall will be our caterer serving broccoli beef, General Tso chicken, fried rice and a shrimp dish. Brad Lovan, Executive Director of SOZO, Men's Addiction Recovery Center will be the speaker. Meal cost is \$15. Deadline for online signup is Friday, *September 27 at 4:00 pm*. If you have not registered online contact [John Weidert 501 915-0719](tel:501-915-0719) or hsvjdw@att.net before 4:00 pm Sunday, *September 29*.

SOCIABLE SIX!

Our Sociable Six program will return for the months of October, November and December 2024. This program is very simple and flexible. Three couples will be grouped together and then arrange among themselves to share a simple dinner, lunch or brunch at alternate homes, once each month. Participants will enjoy getting to know their fellow parishioners better in an informal setting. It is a great way for newcomers to get acquainted with the members of their parish family. To sign up or if you have questions call [Nancy or Howard Emery at 815-861-0820](tel:815-861-0820) or email emeryfam@hotmail.com. Please provide your names, address, phone number and email address. Final signup date for this season is **Sept. 29th**. You will receive a letter/email with the three couples in your group the first week of October.

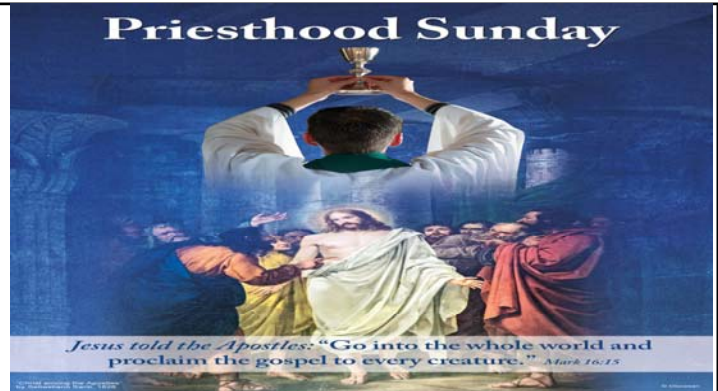
PARISH BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus would like to extend an invitation on Sunday, October 13, for a parish breakfast after both Masses. The meal includes scrambled eggs, sausage patties, biscuits & gravy, hash browns, juice, coffee, tea and water. The cost is a **cash only** good will offering. All proceeds are used to help K of C charitable activities throughout the year. Your support is greatly appreciated.



PASTORS COLUMN

After providing last weekend, an insert from our United States Bishops about the dignity of the human person, which is the first of four principles of Catholic Social Teaching, this week's insert touches on the principle of the "Common Good". PLEASE take time to read and reflect on it! Going back to the first insert we provided a number of weeks ago, the bishops talked about the many threats to human dignity that exist in our time. Knowing what these are and then seeing where our candidates for elected office stand on these issues and the way or ways they have acted or failed to act on these issues, is important for us to consider BEFORE making our choices at election time. The bishops say, "The threat of abortion remains our pre-eminent priority because it directly attacks our most vulnerable and voiceless brothers and sisters and destroys more than a million lives per year in our country alone." They go on to teach us that there are other grave threats to the life and dignity of the human person. These include euthanasia, gun violence, terrorism, the death penalty and human trafficking. They also speak of the threat of those who would redefine marriage and gender, those who threaten religious freedom at home and abroad, the lack of justice for the poor, the suffering of migrants and refugees, wars and famines around the world, racism, the need for greater access to healthcare and education, the care for our common home and more. There is no doubt it takes time to find out where candidates for public office stand on these issues and to what extent these are a much of a priority for them now and in the future if they are elected. I realize and I hope you do, that it is quite a challenge to get an honest answer to these questions given the deceptiveness and bias of so much of our media outlets today. Even some "religious based" forms of information do not in ways present "just the facts" on where all candidates stand on these issues. A real problem exists as well whenever candidates fail to address where they stand on issues and/or when they have priorities that are not in the list that the bishops have given for us to strongly consider. While the temptation is there for us to "strongly consider" which candidate, when elected, will do the most to help me (and my family) to prosper economically and in other ways, we are called to keep our attention at election time and ALWAYS on what is best for the "common good" which I hope we would all agree is the Christ-like way to think and act, (while obviously not ignoring our own basic needs). My concern (and even fear) at this point is that too many have already made up their minds about who to vote for or who not to vote for without taking the time and real effort to ultimately make the best decision when going to the polls. I would suggest taking the time and bringing all this to prayer about who will do the most good for those most people in our country and throughout the world, recognizing that some of our elected officials can and hopefully will be attentive to what will establish and keep peace between peoples in other parts of our world. One thing is for sure, there is MUCH for us to bring to prayer!



ADORERS NEEDED

At this time we have the following hours unfilled. These need at least one adorer assigned:

Mon. 2:30 am - 4:00 am	Lori Vincent
Wed. 3:00 am - 4:00 am	337-654-2871
Mon. 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Jerry/Alison Kordsmeyer 463-8325 or 282-2030
Sat. 8:00 am - 9:00 am	Debbie Garrett
Sat. 11:00 am - 12:00 pm	512-460-9903 (partner)

Contact Mike Ritch regarding PEA 832 231-7469

ANIMAL BLESSING

The annual pet blessing will take place this Friday, October 4 at 1:00 pm in the small church parking lot off Ponderosa. Please have your dogs on a leash and cats in a cage as we pray for the intercession of St. Francis for our pets. Invite your non-Catholic friends to join us with their pets too.

EXPERIENCE THE BLESSINGS OF OUR DAY OF EUCHARISTIC REFLECTION Saturday, October 12, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Lower Hall



We are grateful to have Stephen Binz, award winning author, biblical scholar and sought-after speaker for this special day. His ministry seeks to build bridges between the ancient world and contemporary life, sacred Scripture and personal spirituality with all its current challenges. Join us as we reflect on three messages:

- A Biblical Understanding of the Eucharist
- The Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist
- Becoming a Eucharistic Disciple of Jesus

Lunch provided by Chef Johnna will be butternut squash soup and apple cranberry chicken salad with Fr. Bill's ice cream for dessert. Donations to help cover the food cost are accepted and appreciated. Binz's many books will be available for purchase. Sign up in the Narthex between September 28 and October 6 or call the church office at 501 922-2062.



LADIES OF SACRED HEART CORNER

Upcoming Events General meetings: Oct 14, Nov 11, Jan 17, Feb 10, Mar 10, Apr 10 & May 12

- ◆ Oct. 7 LOSH Board Mtg. 9:45 am, Upper Hall
- ◆ Oct. 14 LOSH General Mtg. after Patriotic Rosary (led by K of C) and 9:00 am Mass
- ◆ Nov. 15 "Fall into Fun" Card Party Fundraiser loshfundraising.shj@gmail.com. Tickets c/o Guild Captains
- ◆ Dec. 9 President's Brunch
- ◆ Dec. 14/15 Christmas Bake sale
- ◆ Apr. 2025 (TBD) Golf Tournament

** Collecting school supplies

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER

- ◆ Oct. 1 Monthly Council Mtg, 5:00 pm, Lower Hall
- ◆ Oct. 4 Samaritan Ministries
- ◆ Oct. 4-6, CPID Tootsie Rolls Gates
- ◆ Oct. 6 Adoration for Life Cathedral of St. Andrew, 11:20 am
- ◆ Oct. 13 Parish Breakfast following both Masses
- ◆ Oct. 14 Columbus Day: Flags, Rosary and Mass
- ◆ Oct. 15 4th Degree Officer Meeting 3:00 pm, Classroom A
- ◆ Oct. 16 Council O & D Meeting 2:30 pm, Classrooms A & B

** To join the Knights call **Bob Ward** at 501 446-1479

SINGLES CORNER

The Singles Ministry welcomes all single members of SHJ to join us for our planned activities. We provide a socialization opportunity for you to meet other singles. Contact Debbie or Susan at singles.hvsacredheart@gmail.com.

October 13 Social Sunday 2:00 pm at Café Isabella. On the patio (weather permitting.) Join us for drinks, food and fellowship.

- Oct. 4 Hot Springs Arts & Crafts Fair; Carpool to GCFG
- Oct. 15 Gangster Museum, Hot Springs Trolley and lunch at Diablos
- Oct. 30 Murry's Dinner Theatre Matinee; Murder on the Nile
- Nov. 24 HSV Players present: *A Christmas Carol, the Musical* at The Woodlands. Lunch reservations at the Sunset Grille for 11:30 am.

Additional details and instructions are in the **Red Singles Book** located across from the elevator in the Narthex.

GIFT BEARERS

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



*Cathy & Ken Raney
Mary Lou & Jess Hamill*

Contact **Marian LaVelle** at 501 209-2435 or sign up in the book in the Narthex if you'd like to bring up the gifts.

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The beautiful altar flowers this weekend are donated by:



- ⇒ St. Michael Guild, IHO Feast Day
- ⇒ Randy and Lori Bussone, 57th Anniversary
- ⇒ Jess and Mary Lou Hamill, 59th 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.

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

- ♥ Randy & Lori Bussone, 57 years on Sept. 30
- ♥ Jess & Mary Lou Hamill, 59 years on Oct. 2nd
- ♥ Paul & Colleen Dimitry, 53 years on Oct. 2nd
- ♥ John & Diane Holtz, 45 years on Oct. 6th
- ♥ Gary & Ruth Wolfer, 12 years on Oct. 6



* Call the church office to provide your anniversary date.

O Lord, have mercy on our great nation. Fill all citizens with clear direction in their civic duty. Help all who lead to bring forth Your Kingdom. This day, dear Lord, we join the Commission of Saints in prayers for the United States. May your will and Your will alone be done in our November elections. May You and You alone guide the legislators and those in executive office. May Your Truth and Your Truth alone guide our judges. May You and You alone guide every voter.

Mother Mary, take up your Queenship in our lives and in our country. St. Joseph, be our protector now and always. Angels of God, guard us against all evil.

PARISH FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION COUNCIL			PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL		
David Witchger	Grounds, Chair	501-922-9058	Deb Troxel	Education	515-314-6955
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
Russ Harrison	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-1767	Becky Jordan	Parish Life	901-605-0333
Larry Lipsmeyer	Cemetery/ Columbarium	501-922-3283	Marge Newburn	Social Justice	501-922-9047
Larry Stein	Finance	501-226-5105	Pietro Tomassi	Social Justice	501-282-4427
			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 hvsSacredHeart@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*
Dennis Becker
Tony Bertrand*
Vivian Botkin
William J. "Bill" Butler
Evelyn Donnelly

Tom Donnelly
Theresa Drumwright
John Guida
Joan Hardt
Betty Hoepner
Georgia Janush
Alice Justus

Norman Lubbers
Diane Prescott
Don Prescott
Kenny Seghers
Audrey Sitkowski
Jeffrey Smith*
Mary Szczepaniak*

Darin Wells*



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, 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 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

Sep	28	5:00 pm	WALTER/ANN HAUS	M/M RON OSTENDORF
Sep	29	8:00 am	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 am	CECIL GRATTAFIORI	GRATTAFIORI FAMILY
Sep	30		NO MASS	
Oct	1	9:00 am	SISTER MARY VALERIA	KATERI AMRHEIN
Oct	2	5:00 pm	JACK WALLISCH	RICK/KAREN MEYERS
Oct	3	9:00 am	MICHAEL DUANE ZACK	CINDY CALHOUN
Oct	4	9:00 am	HANK SCHMIDT	ALLEN FAMILY
Oct	5	9:00 am	NAMES ON REMEMBRANCE TREE	FR. BILL ELSER
		5:00 pm	PAT AKE/HENRY HUSK	LEW AKE
OCT	6	8:00 AM	SHJ PARISHIONERS	FR. BILL ELSER
		10:00 AM	ANGELA BORONI	MIKE/LINDA GONDA
			ED HARRINGTON	ROSE HARRINGTON