

ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday-6:30 PM Second & Third Wednesday-6:00 PM

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"Our Catholic parish family welcomes all to share in Christ and the call to everlasting life through faith, prayer and fellowship."

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday-December 20 8:30a Mass Jake Francka+/SH 6:00p Adoration/SH

Thursday-December 21 8:30a Mass Charles Howard+/SH

Friday-December 22 6:00p Mass Fr. Pat Wissman/SH

Saturday-December 23 3:30-3:45p Confession/StC 4:00p Mass Jimmy Thibault+/StC 6:00-6:15p Confession/SH 6:30p Mass Rachel Gabani+/SH

Sunday-December 24 7:30-7:45a Confession/SH 8:00a Mass Fr. Greg Petri, OFM+/SH 10:30a Mass Paul Bruffett (living) & Shirley Bruffett+/SH

December 24 Christmas Eve Masses 5:00p Mass Parish Family/SH 10:00p Mass Barb Busby/SH

December 25 Christmas Day Masses 8:00a Mass Parish Family/StC 10:00a Mass Parish Family/SH

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OR HOME-

BOUND: Please pray for our friends and family: Kevin Breesawitz, Arlene & Charles Burt, Judy Chaney, Lisa Doyle, John Enderle, Linda Francka, Michael Lomax, Laura Silguero, Fr. Scott Sunnenberg, Fr. Pat Wissman. Those in skilled care facilities: Judy Gailey, Ann Kathka, David Sandgren, Sue Shields, & Angeline Stanek.

SACRED HEART PARISH OUR GIFTS TO GOD @ SACRED HEART

12/10/2023

 Env/Cks:
 \$ 2,519.00

 Plate:
 336.00

 Maintenance:
 180.00

 Giving Tuesday:
 500.00

 Share Your Christmas:
 533.00

 Catholic Charities:
 20.00

Parish Information & Contacts

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The Very Rev. Fr. Scott M. Sunnenberg, Pastor 417-326-8764(rectory)

Rev. Mr. James Farrar, Permanent Deacon jfrrrr77@gmail.com

Mary Rowley, Office Manager 417-326-5596 (office) Office Hours: M-F 8-4

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Debbie Thompson, 417-880-9755

FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR: Darlene Arendt, 417-298-6237

MUSIC MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Carol Divin, 417-326-6576

Practice for the Mass choirs are on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month from 6:30-8:00 p.m. in the choir practice room.

PARISH COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (SH)-Joan Woods, President, 417-777-1694

(StC)-Alice McIntosh, President, 417-754-8447

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Contact Bob Bowes, 417-770-3158

ST. WENCESLAUS CEMETERY: Jim & Jane Otradovec 417-327-5660

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION:

Baptism: Please contact the Pastor for a meeting/class.

Marriage: Please contact the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding for marriage prep classes.

RCIA Classes: Inquiry classes for adults who are interested in joining the Catholic

Church contact Fr. Scott or Deacon Jim.

REDISCOVERING GOD'S LOVE AND GRACE IN THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION!

Saturday: 3:30 p.m. at St. Catherine of Siena; 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart or call the Parish Office for an appointment.

HEART TO HEART.....by V. Rev. Scott M. Sunnenberg

Dear Parishioners:

I want to thank Bishop Rice for being here Friday to bless our new altar. Due to having a virus, I was unable to attend, but was there in spirit. Many thanks to everyone involved who helped make this such a beautiful, prayerful and wonderful liturgy.

This Sunday is Gaudete Sunday or Rejoice in the Lord always. We are to express the joy of anticipation at the approach of the Christmas celebration. I will bless our 2024 calendars after the Masses and you may take one for your home. Also the parish ordered a special Christmas ornament for each household to take this weekend too. It has a card along with it that tells the meaning of the holly wreath.

Today, Sunday, December 17th, the third Sunday of Advent, at 4:00 p.m. we will have a parish Advent Penance Service as part of our preparation for Christmas. Please don't miss this opportunity even if it's been a while, since your last confession, remember the Lord welcomes a contrite and humble heart with abundant mercy.

In this bulletin you will find the last insert of the Polish family article from the September 2023 issue of Knights of Columbus "Columbia" magazine.

Blessings,

Fr. Scott

TO THE PARISH: Please join in welcoming the following newly registered families to Sacred Heart Parish. Within the last couple of weeks we have had several new families. Here are the latest ones to

register. Craig & Pam Robinson of Wheatland and William & Wendy Turk of Halfway. Please get to know them and welcome them to our parish.

SHARE YOUR CHRISTMAS THANK YOU: Thank you for being part of Share Your Christmas with your generous gifts throughout the year. We were able to provide 131 gift bags of towels, hygiene products and warm apparel for young men and women at distribution this past week. Your support means a brighter Christmas for so many of our neighbors in need.

Also we want to thank all of you who donated from the last two weekends to the love offering for Share Your Christmas. Between Sacred Heart & St. Catherine of Siena we collected \$1,594 total of both weekends. In total we gave SYC \$2,344 between the love offering and the budgeted amount offered. Thank you all so very much!!

UPCOMING SACRED HEART PILGRIMAGE: Dec. 27. 2023-Dec. 27. 2024

This **December 27, 2023**, will mark the 350th anniversary of the revelation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque. Our diocese is blessed with 12 parishes named in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. During the 350th anniversary, which begins on the date of the first apparition, Dec. 27, and will conclude next year on Dec. 27, 2024, I encourage all Catholics to grow in their devotion and love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. On the diocesan Website, you will find a collection of time-honored prayers and resources to encourage and enhance your devotion. In addition, I am encouraging the faithful to make a "pilgrimage" to each of the 12 parishes (please consult with the local parishes for available times). The Office of Communications has partnered with the Office of Faith Formation to create a kit for the 12 parishes, which includes a stamp, prayers to pray during your visit, and Sacred Heart devotionals. A "passport" for this purpose can be easily downloaded from the Website, here, or it may be clipped from the Nov. 24 edition of **The Mirror**. Then, with each visit, pilgrims can stamp the "passport" of the parish they are visiting. Once the 12-parish pilgrimage is completed, simply mail the passport to the Office of the Bishop, and I will send a gift, along with a certificate of completion.

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH: For anyone who would like to come, there will be a group of parishioners having Christmas lunch at the parish hall Christmas day. You are invited. Questions? Call Renee at 720-628-7067.

HOLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS: The rosary for vocations is said on the First Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. Please join us.

SACRED HEART PARISH LIBRARY: Have questions about a particular saint or want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Our parish library has a great selection of books and audio information that you can borrow. Be sure to check it out!

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MISSION

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER: Please remember those in our parish who are sick and are unable to be with us especially: Robert Agee, Myrna Bressner, Clara Clements, Kelly Conger, Sienna Cortes, Carol Gorman, Jan & Kenny Holmes, Ann Kathka, Bobette Owens, Annette Petrone, Tony Petrone, Henri Thibault. If you need to call for prayers, please call Alice 754-8447, Paula 754-8067 or Fr. Scott 326-8764.

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Env/Cks:	\$ 160.00
Plate:	28.00
Christmas Memorials:	25.00
Retired Clergy:	5.00
Total:	\$ 218.00