



ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday-6:30 PM

**Second & Third
Wednesday-6:00 PM**

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday-January 10

8:30a Mass PCCW Member Mary Wick/SH

6:00p Adoration/SH

Thursday-January 11

8:30a Mass Brad Swihart+/SH

Friday-January 12

6:00p Mass James Briggs+/SH

Saturday-January 13

4:00p Mass Parish Family/StC

6:00-6:15p Confession/SH

6:30p Mass Health of Fr. Scott/SH

Sunday-January 14

7:30-7:45a Confession/SH

8:00a Mass K of C Council #8931/SH

**10:30a Mass 40th Wedding Anniversary
of David & Virginia Sandgren/SH**

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OR HOME-

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

SACRED HEART PARISH

OUR GIFTS TO GOD @ SACRED HEART

12/25/2023 & 12/31/2023

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| Env/Cks: | \$ 2,587.00 |
| Plate: | 351.00 |
| Maintenance: | 270.00 |
| Catholic Charities: | 20.00 |
| Retired Clergy/Seminarian: | 1,962.00 |
| Total: | \$ 5,190.00 |

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

Parish Information & Contacts

Sacred Heart Catholic Church: 1405 W. Fair Play, Bolivar, 65613 417-326-5596

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St. Catherine of Siena Mission: P.O. Box 42, Humansville, 65674 417-754-8825

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,

Our heartfelt condolences and prayers remain with Jim Chaney and his family upon the passing of Judy, his beloved spouse. A service will be held according to the families wishes at Butler Funeral Home on January 13th, at 10:00 a.m. All are invited to join in this time of prayer and support for Jim. With Judy having passed shortly before Christmas, I know it would be a deep consolation to see many familiar parish family faces in this Christmas season time reminding Jim and the family that the coming of Jesus in the manger scatters the darkness and brought light to the waiting world.

“Happy New Year of our Lord 2024!” Having had the opportunity to share greetings for this calendar new year with many of you at holy day Masses on January 1, and the vigil Mass the night before, I'd like to extend that greeting to those I might have missed at that time. The first day of the new year is always dedicated to remembering our Blessed Mother, Mary, under her title “Mother of God.” Mama Mary gave God permission and God did great things through her. Recently I saw a quote from St. Mother Teresa which I'd like to share with you as we step into 2024. I hope it will bring us all much comfort and closer to Jesus through Mary as we hold it in our hearts and reflect upon it. It reads as follows, **“If you ever feel distressed during your day, call upon our Lady, just say this simple prayer: ‘Mary, mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now’. I must admit, this prayer has never failed me.” -St. Mother Teresa**

If you or someone you know has been struggling with actively living our Catholic life and placing faith in the center of all things, the new year is a great time to renew our commitment to following Jesus with deep conviction of heart and not only when convenient. Consider letting weekend Mass be the conclusion of your week and the beginning of the following week, make it a non negotiable for yourself. The Lord can do great things. The choirs of saints and angels are on our side. Grace awaits us. All we have to do is come, ready to receive. Mark Twain in his unique way put it as follows: **“(If) people can't bare to sit in church for an hour on Sundays...how are they supposed to live somewhere very similar to it for eternity?”**

Perhaps you may have noticed the long table located at the entrance of the church in the vestibule. If not please take a moment to check it out. You will find a tray that contains Sacred Heart Pilgrimage Passports along with a passport stamp, a sticker for pilgrims and an adoration prayer card. Bishop Rice has invited all individuals and or families over the course of the next year to visit each of the twelve Sacred Heart Parishes in the diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. The passport has an image and information of each of the Sacred Heart Churches to be stamped when you visit that location. Once you have completed the full pilgrimage and have all twelve stamps, mail your passport to the bishop and receive a special pilgrims gift and certificate of completion with a letter from Bishop Rice. Only one passport is necessary per household.

Blessings to you all,

Fr. Scott

“WELCOME TO OUR FAITH” RECEPTION: Please join us on Sunday, January 21st, after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to welcome all who joined our faith on Christmas Day. This is a nice chance to show our fellowship to one another in welcoming them.

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH! PCCW (Parish Council of Catholic Women) are in the midst of helping to plan fundraisers for the women wanting to attend the nearby 104th NCCW (National Council of Catholic Women) Convention in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma that is August 13-18, 2024. If you think you might be interested in attending the convention or even finding out a little more about it, please contact Mary Rowley in the Parish Office, Joan Woods, 417-777-1694 or Frances Haralson, 417-599-3125.

HOLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS: Join us on the First Sunday of the month at 7:30 a.m. as we pray the rosary for increased vocations.

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. Check it out!

SACRED HEART PILGRIMAGE: Dec. 27, 2023-Dec. 27, 2024
We are in the 350th anniversary year 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 this blessed year, you are encouraged to grow in their devotion and love for the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Please pick up a “passport”, sticker & prayer card from the table in the gathering space by the Sacred Heart statue.

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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| Plate: | 135.00 |
| Maintenance: | 25.00 |
| Retired Clergy/Seminarian: | 50.00 |
| Total: | \$ 350.00 |