

MORE SACRED HEART ANNOUNCEMENTS



PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 28: Priesthood Sunday is a day to honor and show appreciation for our priests. It serves as an opportunity for Catholic parishes and communities to affirm the vital role of the priesthood, thank priests for their service, and encourage young people to learn about the priesthood and religious vocations. *Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Amen.*

ATTENTION PARISH SENIOR CITIZENS: Do you have a need for a handyman at your home? We have a group of men in the parish that are willing to come do some light work for you. For information, call Dave at 509-230-3938 or John at 314-560-7771.

PARISH OFFICE: The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday, September 29 and Friday, October 3.



COATS FOR KIDS: The Knights of Columbus are collecting donations of NEW OR GENTLY USED COATS for kids ages 3 years through teenagers. This is to help offset the many, many coats that have been purchased for the give-away that is going on throughout the state. A donation box will be placed in the gathering space.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND UPDATE: We are very close to meeting our parish goal. Currently we have met 96% of our donation goal and 95% of our donor goal. We are \$1,633 away and 6 donors away from our total goals. We are hoping to have this campaign complete by the end of September. Please help us meet our goals. **Thank you to everyone who has donated to this campaign.**



St. Catherine of Siena Mission

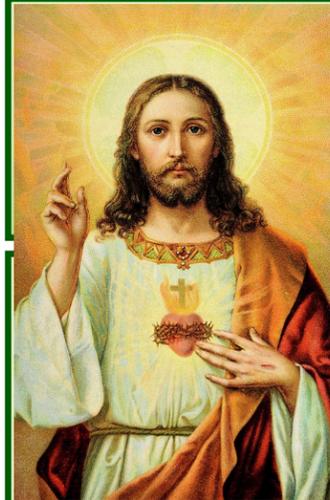
Humansville, Missouri

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: We remember those in our mission who are sick or unable to be with us: Robert Agee, Myrna Bressner, Sienna Cortes, Carol Gorman, Paula Keller, Gary Kirkpatrick, Matthew Limbrick, Bobette & Phillip Owens, Annette Petrone, Tony Petrone, Henri Thibault, Logan Tillmon, Danny Vasquez. If you need prayers, please call Alice 754-8447, Paula 754-8067 or Fr. Scott 326-8764.

PCCW PRESIDENT: For information on meetings & projects contact Alice McIntosh, 417-754-8447.

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MISSION
OUR GIFTS TO GOD
9/21/2025**

Env/Cks:	\$ 260.00
Plate:	5.00
Religious Retirement:	101.00
Total:	\$ 366.00



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, Missouri

September 28, 2025

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

Saint of the Week: Holy Guardian Angels

“For he hath given his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.” - Psalm 90:11

The truth that each and every human soul has a Guardian Angel who protects us from both spiritual and physical evil has been shown throughout the Old Testament, and is made very clear in the New. It is written that the Lord Jesus was strengthened by an angel in the Garden of Gethsemane, and that an angel delivered St. Peter from prison in the Acts of the Apostles.

But Jesus makes the existence and function of guardian angels explicit when he says, "See that you despise not one of these little ones: for I say to you, that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father who is in heaven." (Mt 18:10).

In saying this Jesus points out that all people, even little children, have a guardian angel, and that the angels are always in Heaven, always looking at the face of God throughout their mission on earth, which is to guide and protect us throughout our pilgrimage to the house of our Father. As St. Paul says, "Are they not all ministering spirits, sent to minister for them, who shall receive the inheritance of salvation?" (Hebrews 1:14).

However, they guide us to Heaven only if we desire it. St. Thomas Aquinas wrote that angels cannot act directly upon our will or intellect, although they can do so on our senses and imaginations – thus encouraging us to make the right decisions. In Heaven our guardian angels, though no longer needing to guide us to salvation, will continually enlighten us. Prayer to the guardian angels is encouraged, and the habit of remembering their presence and support leads to friendship with them. The prayer to the guardian angels has been present in the Church since at least the beginning of the 12th century:

*Angel of God, my Guardian dear,
to whom His love commits me here,
ever this day be at my side,
to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.*

“Let us affectionately love His angels as counselors and defenders appointed by the Father and placed over us. They are faithful; they are prudent; they are powerful; Let us only follow them, let us remain close to them, and in the protection of the God of heaven let us abide.” St. Bernard of Clairvaux

PARISH INFORMATION

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417-754-8825

PASTOR: The Very Rev. Fr. Scott M. Sunnenberg, 417-326-8764

PERMANENT DEACON: Rev. Mr. James Farrar, 417-818-0600
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OFFICE MANAGER: Mary Rowley, 417-326-5596

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00a-4:00p

FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR

Kindergarten-High School: 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 (PCCW)

Barbara Ball, President, 515-480-3545 *Meeting is the 3rd Monday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Conference Room. We meet in the chapel at 5:30 p.m. for prayer. All women of the parish are invited.*

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Eric Shinault, 417-350-2686

PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Ryan Skopec, 515-414-9257

ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CEMETERY INFORMATION: 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.

OCIA Classes: Inquiry classes for adults who are interested in joining the Catholic Church contact Fr. Scott or Deacon Jim.

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

A LOOK AT LEO: “Christ enters into...dark realities to bear witness to the love of the Father. Not to judge, but to set free. Not to blame, but to save. He does so quietly, on tiptoe...” *Pope Leo—Sept. 24, 2025*

2015: Named Bishop of Chiclayo. Obtained Peruvian citizenship.

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome to Bishop Rice who is with us this weekend to offer Mass and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at 10:30 Sunday Mass. Thank you Bishop Rice for your time with us, for your ministry as our Shepherd and for your words of wisdom and guidance for our young people as they are sealed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome to Fr. Fergus Monaghan, a dear friend of Sacred Heart Parish and St. Catherine Mission, and a retired priest of the diocese. It is always a delight to see Fr. Fergus at weekend Masses when he assists us. Thank you Fr. Fergus for covering this weekend.

Please pray for the Fall Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend being held in our diocese. The greater Kansas City WWME team will gather in Carthage at the Congregation of the Mother of the Redeemer to present the weekend to ten couples from our diocese as well as from the multi-state area. Please pray for open hearts, open ears, and open communication as we support, strengthen and renew marriages.

Congratulations to Colin Carrel, Daniel & Lucy Day, Wyatt Fox, Domenic Realmuto, Maddie Schick, Arwen Tyler as they are Confirmed this weekend. Our thoughts and prayers have been with you during your time of preparation and remain with you as you unpack the sacramental gift you receive this weekend. Your parish family is proud of you and looks forward to the ways in which you will continue to love Jesus, serve Jesus and share Jesus in the days to come.

With fall upon us and the leaves falling around us, it is time for a parish grounds work day. Please keep an eye out for the sign-up sheet when it is posted in the vestibule. We will set a date in October and post the sign up sheet soon. Many hands make for light work. Please help us...bring your spouse, your kids, and anyone else. Lunch will be provided.

This is the second request...Attention to our gardeners and growers of crops, the parish would like two cornstalk bundles for decoration at the main entrance. Would you be willing to provide these for all to enjoy? Please call the Parish Office if you can do so.

October 4th is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi and it is also the First Saturday of October. A Mass will be offered ON SATURDAY MORNING AT 8:30 A.M. followed by the blessing of pets. The Mass will be held in the garden space between the church and hall, pets are welcome to attend. Bring your own lawn chair for seating arrangement.

Through the Hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Scott



*Bee aware of your children's computers and phone.
Know what they are viewing.*



ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

First Friday-7:00 AM-5:30 PM

Second & Third Wednesday-6:00 PM

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday-October 1

8:30a Mass Fr. Scott Sunnenberg/SH

Thursday-October 2

8:30a Mass Joe Hubbert+/SH

Friday-October 3

7:00a-5:30p All Day Adoration/SH

6:00p Mass Becky Briggs, In Thanksgiving/SH

6:30-6:50p Confession/SH

7:00p Benediction/SH

Saturday-October 4

8:30a Mass followed by blessing of animals/
Courtyard garden

4:00p Mass Joe Hubbert+/StC

6:00-6:15p Confession/SH

6:30p Mass Parish Family/SH

Sunday-October 5

7:30-7:45a Confession/SH

8:00a Mass Fr. Scott Sunnenberg/SH

10:30a Mass Gaet Martino+/SH

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Sacred Heart Parish

9/21/2025

Env/Cks:	\$3,227.00
Plate:	438.00
Maintenance:	70.00
Religious Retirement:	848.00
Total:	\$4,583.00

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND: Laura and Rick Bigler, Kevin Breesawitz, Becky Briggs, Ron Dane, Carol Divin, Ken Divin, Lisa Doyle, Jim Estes, Jackie Lore, Mary McGinnis, Kathleen Ricke, Sandra Samek, David Sandgren, Sue Shields, Jerry Sukovaty, Bev & Sam Swihart, Fr. Pat Wissman, and Jim Young. Those in skilled care facilities: Carol Francka, Judy Gailey, Shirley Harris, Ann Kathka, Mary E. McGinnis, and Barbara Wood.

MILITARY PRAYER ROSTER: Please remember those in our parish families serving in the military: Airman Alex Ball, Airman Blane Breth, Airman Blake Gitner, PFC Samuel Wick, and 2 Lt. Nick Yocom.

NEW ADDRESS FOR RICK BIGLER: If you would like to send a card to Rick Bigler, his new address is: The Grand Royale, Room B-202, 2900 NE Kendallwood Parkway, Gladstone, MO 64119

FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION: Please sign up for the all day First Friday Adoration on October 3rd, from 7:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. These are thirty minute prayer times with Jesus. We are trying to make it so that you can come by to pray before work, after work, on your lunch break or sometime in-between. We need two households to sign up for each time just in case one is unable to make it. Please check your schedule and write down where you can come spend time in prayer with Jesus.



BLESSING BAGS FOR THOSE IN NEED: Our Council of Catholic Women organization are gathering items to assemble Blessing Bags for October. A list of items we are collecting can be found on the large PCCW bulletin board on the north side of the gathering space. Please stop by and pick one up and help where you can. We are hoping to assemble around 50 bags at our October 20th meeting/activity. These bags will be given to individuals in need.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

First Friday: 6:30-6:50 p.m.

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 7:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart or by appointment.