

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR AT SACRED HEART: The Knights of Columbus Council #8931 will offer a college scholarship opportunity to high school seniors who are a member at Sacred Heart. If you would like the information, please contact Grand Knight, Eric Shinault, 417-350-2686.

DEANERY 3 VOCATION DAY: Mark your calendars now for April 18th, 2026, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This will be a Deanery 3 wide Vocation Day held at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church, Lebanon. Fr. Scott is working with pastors to prepare and plan for this day with representatives from all of our parishes in the deanery. As a reminder, Deanery 3 includes El Dorado Springs, Stockton, Bolivar, Humansville, Buffalo, Marshfield, Conway, and Lebanon. This event will be a first of its kind for us bringing together the deanery as a whole. It will include great guest speakers, a keynote presentation, breakout sessions, prayer and activities for all ages, lunch and a 4:00 p.m. Sunday vigil Mass. Each of us has a vocation to serve God as a priest or religious, a married man or woman, or a dedicated single person. To know God's plans for our vocation we must learn to pray and discern asking His will and listening for His voice. Once we have discerned His will, then we must live it and do so with generosity and joyful hearts. This is for everybody, those currently living their vocation, those discerning their vocation, and those who want to learn more about how to discern.



FRESH STRAWBERRIES FOR SALE: The PCCW is taking orders for Fresh Strawberries that are coming from Florida. You can order a whole flat (which is 8, 1 pound tubs) or a half flat (which is 4, 1 pound tubs) Cost is \$28 per flat or \$16 per half flat. Orders must be prepaid by February 16. Delivery will be made between March 9-12. Details will be coming about a strawberry cookoff.



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 & Daniel Gorman, Paula Keller, Gary Kirkpatrick, Matthew Limbrick, Bobette & Phillip Owens, Annette Petrone, Tony Petrone, Dean Siemer, Henri Thibault, Logan Tillmon, Danny Vasquez. If you need prayers, please call Alice 754-8447, Paula 754-8067 or Fr. Scott 326-8764.

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA MISSION
OUR GIFTS TO GOD
1/11/2026 & 1/18/2026**

Env/Cks:	\$	340.00
Plate:		75.00
Total:	\$	415.00

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, Missouri

January 25, 2026

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

CATHOLIC FAITH SHARING

SHARING OUR GRACE

For the next few weeks we will be looking at a series of three scripture verses and asking questions around the verses. The thought is to offer some sharing of our own graces of how we receive the scripture and live it. Today we will look at 1 Peter 3:15

"But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."

Question: How do you put God first in your life outside of attending Mass?



CHURCH CANCELLATION POLICY DURING INCLEMENT WEATHER: When Bolivar school is closed due to snow or ice, all church activities scheduled for that day will also be cancelled as well, i.e. Mass, meetings, Parish Office, etc. If the weather is bad over the weekend, please stay alert to the Sacred Heart Parish Facebook page for any and all updates regarding the Mass schedule. If Mass is cancelled on Sunday then there will not be PSR or OCIA. If you do not have a presence on Facebook, now would be a good time to arrange with a friend or family member who does so that they might give you a call when they see the notice posted.

PARISH INFORMATION

Sacred Heart Catholic Church: 1405 W. Fair Play, Bolivar, 65613
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website: www.sacredheartbolivar.org

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

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

PERMANENT DEACON: Rev. Mr. James Farrar, 417-818-0600
jfarrar@dioscrg.org

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,
417-399-2709

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)
Dana Landwehr, President, 660-223-2969 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: “A society is healthy and truly progresses only when it safeguards the sanctity of human life and works actively to promote it. In this regard, I would encourage you, especially the young people, to continue striving to ensure that life is respected in all of its stages...” January 17, 2026

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend our parish family bids a very fond and heartfelt farewell to Barbara and Ed Ball. Barbara and Ed have been active and involved members of our parish on so many levels over the years. From leadership roles in PCCW, to membership in our Knights of Columbus and on our PLT, to liturgical ministries and social and spiritual works. The Ball's will be moving back to Kansas to be closer to family, but they will always have a parish family here. I personally want to say thank you for being a living witness to our Catholic faith and shared parish life. I will always remember the wonderful Confirmation retreats hosted by the Ball family on their farm for the past two Confirmation classes. It is always sad to say goodbye, so as for me I will simply say God bless you and go with you until we meet again. Please keep the Ball family in your prayers during this time of transition.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WITH THE CURRENT FORECAST OF SEVERE WINTER WEATHER WE MAY NEED TO CANCEL WEEKEND MASS TIMES. THIS WILL BE DONE VIA OUR FACEBOOK PAGE. PLEASE WATCH IT CLOSELY FOR CURRENT UPDATES. If you know someone who does not have Facebook in your family or close circle of friends and you do, please give them a call with any updates.

Thank you to the Mark Otradovec family for their generous gift of several historical pieces from our St. Wenceslaus history and heritage in Karlin. Mark and his wife Patti recently met with me to hand on a beautiful wooden framed image of St. Wenceslaus on horseback from the original church, a papal blessing imparted to Msgr. Francka by his holiness, Pope Pius XII, and a set of tubular hand bells also from the original church. These items are now proudly displayed at the St. Wenceslaus shrine to the left of the interior church doors. The bells may be viewed in the curio cabinet in the kitchenette. Thank you again to the Otradovec family.

I'm happy to announce that our parish will be the host location for the summer Totus Tuus youth experience. It has been several years since we have hosted this wonderful, faith-filled experience for grades 1 through 6/ 7 through 12. I would like to especially thank Browning Proctor and Renee Schick for agreeing to be our parish co-coordinators for this event. We will welcome the Totus Tuus missionary team during the months of June/July with the exact dates to be announced. Our parish will be the ONLY parish in Deanery 3 to host this event. DON'T MISS OUT.

If you have not yet noticed, the bulletin blurb over the past several weeks regarding the men's conference to be held in February at Springfield Catholic High School, please take a moment to do so.

With the flu season upon us and Missouri reporting unusually high incidents of infection for this time period, please remember that if you are ill or taking care of others who are ill, it is not a sin to miss Mass. It is an obligation to care for the sick and to prevent others from getting sick by spreading illness. If you have a persistent cough, a temperature higher than 100.4 (with or without medicine), vomiting or diarrhea, crusty discharge from eyes, nose, etc. it is prudent to stay home and know that you are prayed for. Please do join us online at our Facebook page in real time or after to attend Mass that way.

Bishop Rice is encouraging all parishioners to DRAW CLOSER to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Beginning in February we will offer a monthly gathering to stir and strengthen our faith and devotion centered upon the Most Holy Eucharist and looking toward the August Diocesan Eucharist Congress in West Plains. If you have not already noticed the posters all around the parish, or the advertisements in print and media, please take a moment to check them out this weekend. Much is planned and will be offered for all those who attend.

Through the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Scott

7TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE: Is your life stuck in a rut? Is your faith feeling stale? Join hundreds of men for a day of life-changing motivation at the 7th annual Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 21, 2026, at Catholic High School. This year's Keynote speaker, Marcel LeJeune, will help you take your faith to the next level! He has decades of experience leading men closer to Christ—so they can lead those around them to Christ. No matter where you are in your faith journey, you will gain the knowledge and motivation you need to be a true disciple. We're building a culture of men who will transform our families & communities. Don't miss this opportunity. Register for free today by visiting www.CatholicConference.men or scan the QR.



ADORATION TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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

Second & Third Wednesday-6:00 PM

Fourth Sunday-between Masses

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday-January 28

8:30a Mass Patti Hittler/SH
6:00p Parish Council meeting/SH

Thursday-January 29

8:30a Mass Billy Clouse+/SH

Friday-January 30

6:00p Mass Anniversary of Eric & Becky
Briggs/SH

Saturday-January 31

4:00p Mass Parish Family/StC
6:00-6:15p Confession/SH
6:30p Mass Angeline Stanek+/SH

Sunday-February 1

7:30-7:45a Confession/SH
8:00a Mass Jim Estes+/SH
9:15a Faith Formation
10:30a Mass Alexander & Charlotte Neumann

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Sacred Heart Parish

1/18/2026

Env/Cks:	\$2,873.00
Plate:	300.00
Maintenance:	170.00
Total:	\$3,343.00

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND: Dennie Austin, Rick Bigler, Kevin Breesawitz, Becky Briggs, Ron Dane, Carol Divin, Ken Divin, Lisa Doyle, Deacon Jim Farrar, Mary Jane Hubbert, Fred Letterman, Jackie Lore, Mary McGinnis, Jim Otradovec, Kathleen Ricke, Sandra Samek, Mary Lou Sanders, David Sandgren, Sue Shields, Mark Stanek, Jerry Sukovaty, Bev & Sam Swihart, and Fr. Pat Wissman. Those in skilled care facilities: Carol Francka, Judy Gailey, Shirley Harris, Ann Kathka, Don Keiter, Tim Smith, 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, Navy E3 Fireman Lucas Guynn, LCpl. Samuel Wick, and 2 Lt. Nick Yocom.



YOUNG WOMEN OR YOUNG MOMS??? Are you a young woman or a young mom and looking for support or a way to connect with others in the parish? Call Erin, 816-500-8437 and let's talk.



HELPING HANDS MINISTRY FOR PARISH SENIOR CITIZENS: Do you have a need for a handyman at your home? The parish men's Helping Hands ministry are willing to come do some light work for you. For information, call Dave at 509-230-3938 or John at 314-560-7771.

DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN: In case you haven't heard, August 15, 2026, in West Plains, MO at the civic center, our diocese will celebrate it's 70th year by having an all day Eucharistic Congress. There are special keynote speakers who will be here; special activities for youth to be involved with, Mass, breakout sessions and many things for all of us to take part in. Registration for this is \$10 per person or \$45 per household. Do not wait to get registered for this. You can go online to find out more information by going to: <https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress>

SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY: The PCCW will have their Souper Bowl Weekend fundraiser on February 7/8, after all Masses. If you are interested in making a soup, please contact Dana Landwehr or Frances Haralson. All soups donated will be for sale after the Masses for a donation.

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.*