



DEANERY 3 VOCATION DAY UPDATE: Mark your calendars now for **SATURDAY, MAY 9TH, SACRED HEART CHURCH BOLIVAR.** PLEASE NOTE...the original April 18th date has been changed to May 9th. This event will be 9:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M. This will be a Deanery 3 wide Vocation Day held at SACRED HEART in Bolivar and 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. Mass with Bishop Rice will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. 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.



DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS GET REGISTERED NOW: Don't wait to register for the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress in West Plains, MO. This is planned for Saturday, August 15, 2026, at the civic center, as our diocese will celebrate it's 70th year by having an all day Eucharistic Congress. Be sure to look at the posters that are scattered throughout the gathering space to see the special keynote speakers who will be here; special activities for youth, 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. You can go online to find out more information by going to: <https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress>

ATTENTION ALL KIDS FOR TOTUS TUUS: Mark your summer calendars for an energetic, fun and faith filled week for all youth, elementary through high school at Totus Tuus youth camp!! Sacred Heart is blessed to be hosting this dynamic missionary program from June 14th through June 19th. The Elementary School program for grades 1-6 will meet Monday through Friday from 9am to 2:30pm and Junior/Highschool will meet Sunday through Thursday from 7:00 to 9:00pm. Watch the bulletin for more information and registration announcement. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for your children!!



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, 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**

March 1, 2026

Env/Cks:	\$	140.00
Plate:		86.00
Total:	\$	226.00



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, Missouri

March 8, 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

The third and final scripture verse has us thinking of grace in our lives.

Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go."

Question: How has your Catholic faith given you courage?

**THE PSR BAKE SALE
WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!!**

A BIG THANK YOU to our PSR students and parents, and also to our amazing parish family! Because of everyone's help and support we raised \$1,200 for Bishop Rice's Lenten Project, "The Mother's House."



PARISH INFORMATION

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

website: www.sacredheartbolivar.org

email: sheartbolivar@gmail.com

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@dioscg.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: *“For disarmament and peace. That leaders choose the path of dialogue instead of violence.” Pope Leo, XIV prayer intention for March*

Dear Parishioners,

Join us for a March —*Drawing Closer to Jesus in the Eucharist Moment* as we gather to view the movie *“Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist” on Passion Palm Sunday.* For more information see this bulletin. We will also have several priests available following the movie and lunch for our Lenten Penance service at 2:00 p.m. If you come, you can fill your soul, fill your belly and spill your sins!

Thank you to those who have assisted in any way with liturgical ministries. It is always necessary to have trained liturgical ministers for the celebration of Mass and other sacramentally oriented activities in our parish. Recently, a young parishioner stepped forward to be trained as a reader. She has begun reading at daily Masses and will eventually read at weekend Masses as well. Congratulations to Angie Larimer for hearing the call God placed on her heart and doing something about it. If you are interested in liturgical ministry and did not attend a previous training session, call the office so that we may place your name on a future training list.

Have you been reading the bulletin? If you have, have you noticed our questions for reflection feature? This is a great discussion opener for spouse or families, young and old, centered upon recognizing and sharing the graces we have received. Look in this edition of the bulletin on the front page for this week’s question.

I recently received word that the Marriage Encounter Weekend scheduled for Carthage has been cancelled due to low registration. It is sad when these things happen because it will eventually mean having to drive three or more hours to attend a weekend rather than just down the road to Carthage. Instead of having to drive to Kansas City or St. Louis, why not give yourself and your marriage the gift of an encounter weekend right here in our diocese? Mark your calendars now for September 18-20, 2026, in Carthage....don’t miss out.

The annual Chrism Mass will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish in Springfield (not St. Agnes Cathedral due to construction). As always this is a very special time in preparation for Easter for our local church to gather and celebrate the renewal of priestly promises and the blessing by our bishop of the holy oils (Sacred Chrism, Oil of Catechumens, and the Oil of the Sick) to be used in the celebration of the sacraments throughout the year in all of our parishes. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m. with a reception to follow. All parishioners of Sacred Heart and St. Catherine are invited and encouraged to attend on Tuesday, March 31st. Those wishing to ride our parish bus leaving from Sacred Heart, please call the Parish Office to place your name on the list. There are limited seats available.

May your Lenten journey be blessed as we take up our crosses and keep our eyes fixed on Jesus.

Through the hearts of Jesus and Mary,

Fr. Scott

EASTER MEMORIALS: If you would like to make a donation for Easter Memorials for a loved one who has passed away, in honor of someone living, or for special blessings received, please complete the section below and return this to the Parish Office by March 29th. A list of the memorials will be in the Easter bulletin.

INTENTION: _____

DONOR: _____

AMOUNT: _____



**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-March 11

8:30a Mass Adren Stockton+/SH

Thursday-March 12

8:30a Mass Health of Greg Foster & Marvin Sokolik/SH

First Friday-March 13

5:00-7:00p Fish Fry/McKenna Hall

6:00p Mass JJ Bledsoe+/SH

Stations of the Cross following

First Saturday-March 14

4:00p Mass Paul Michael Stevenson+/StC

6:00-6:15p Confession/SH

6:30p Mass Laura Miller+/SH

Sunday-March 15

7:30-7:45a Confession/SH

8:00a Mass George & Lorene Stander+/SH

9:15a Faith Formation

10:30a Mass Parish Family/SH

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Sacred Heart Parish

3/1/2026

Env/Cks:	\$4,559.00
Plate:	406.00
Maintenance:	1,492.00
Latin America:	30.00
The Mirror:	20.00
Mother’s House Bake Sale:	1,200.00
Mass Offerings:	240.00
Total:	\$7,947.00

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.*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK OR HOMEBOUND: Danni Beer, Rick Bigler, Kevin & Donna Breesawitz, Becky Briggs, Ron Dane, Lisa Doyle, Mel Hendrickson, Mary Jane Hubbert, Jackie Lore, Mary McGinnis, Norene Osburn, 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, Fern Griggs, Shirley Harris, Ann Kathka, and Don Keiter.

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, Lt. Jenn Jordan, LCpl. Samuel Wick, and 2 Lt. Nick Yocom.



EASTER EGG HUNT FOR KIDS: Sacred Heart Parish will have it’s annual Easter Egg hunt for kids of all ages on Sunday, April 5, following the late morning Mass. Currently we have 1164 eggs that need filled with candy. We will accept candy donations of small wrapped candy that can fit in small plastic eggs until Sunday, March 29. Please bring the candy donations and place them on the table in the kitchenette. Thank you for your donation.

COME PRAY WITH US FOR OUR BELOVED DEAD: Starting this Lent and once a month all parishioners are invited to join the Purgatory Society here at Sacred Heart beginning Wednesday, March 25, at 1:00 p.m. as we offer thirty minutes of prayer here at Sacred Heart in praying for the dead as a spiritual work of mercy. We will pray for our deceased loved ones, those in our parish who have died, and the poor souls in purgatory.

DRAWING CLOSER TO JESUS: On Sunday, March 29, immediately following 10:30 a.m. Mass, join us in the Immaculate Heart of Mary conference room as we will watch the movie *“Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist.”* We will have pizza and drinks for you so an RSVP is necessary. Please call the Parish Office by Friday, March 27th, at noon if you plan to attend. After the movie and lunch we will conclude the day with our Lenten Penance service starting at 2:00 p.m. This is a great way to spend the day drawing closer to Jesus and preparing for Easter.