

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 or if you would like to be a volunteer.



The Diocesan Eucharistic Congress is August 15, 2026 and will be held at the West Plains Civic Center in West Plains, Mo. Seating is limited so please register now! Join us in praying, learning, and celebrating the 70th Anniversary of the Diocese of Springfield-Cape Girardeau. Now is the time to see that your online registration as a family/individual is made. To learn more about the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress and register online, visit <https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress/>. **DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS JULY 31.**

LOOKING FOR MORE SPIRITUALITY? SOUTHERN MISSOURI CURSILLO FOR WOMEN AND MEN: Cursillo in Christianity is the Proclamation of Being Christian. The retreat is a “Short Course in Christianity.” During the three days retreat you will work together, as you listen to talks given by priests and laity. There will be Mass daily, time for meditation, Way of the Cross, Rosary, and Reconciliation.

The Cursillo Movement can have incredibly positive results in the spiritual revitalization of the person and in turn, the world. The goal of Cursillo is that Christ be the prime influence in society. The goals are to develop a consciousness of the uniqueness, originality, and creativity of the person. Our mission is to be a leader in the work of Christian renewal. It will sustain you and provide a Christian leaven of your environments, society and in the world. The Cursillo Movement continued after the weekend retreat with “Friendship Groups” and Ultreya that included all men and women that had attended Cursillo Retreats. *“Make a Friend, Be a Friend, Bring a Friend to Christ.”* ***The Women’s Cursillo will be October 15-18, 2026, and the Men’s Cursillo will be November 12-15, 2026, both held at Vietnamese Martyrs Retreat Center in Carthage, MO. For additional information, please contact Mary Williams at 417-371-3588 or by email at williams6mi@gmail.com***



LIFE LINE HEALTH SCREENING: You are invited to a Life Line screening event! Where? Sacred Heart McKenna Hall; When? Thursday, July 30, 2026. This screening is the nation’s leader in stroke and cardiovascular disease risk screenings. Who should attend? Anyone over the age of 40. There are 4 ways to book an appointment. 1. Call 888-814-0466 and use promo code HSCA001 2. Text the word ‘circle’ to 216-279-1607 3. visit LLSA.SOCIAL/HSCA or 4. scan the QR code that is on the Life

Line flyer found on the bulletin board.



ATTENTION CATHOLIC MEN: Are you interested in attending a men’s retreat? There will be a men’s retreat at Whitehouse Retreat Center in St. Louis, MO, October 29-November 1, 2026. There is room for 6 men to attend who are seeking God in silence and in prayer. For more information, contact James Long, 573-382-0738.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, Missouri

July 12, 2026

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

PARISH INFORMATION

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

website: www.sacredheartbolivar.org **Office Hours:** Monday-Friday 8:00a-4:00p

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 **email:** sheartbolivar@gmail.com
(Please turn in articles for the parish bulletin by Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.)

Online giving: If you would like to donate online rather than using parish envelopes, please go to our parish website and click on online giving. This can be set up for continuous giving or can be a one-time gift.

FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR Kindergarten-High School: Darlene Arendt, 417-298-6237

MUSIC MINISTRY COORDINATOR: Carol Divin, 417-399-2709
Practice for the 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. 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: Co-Presidents— Dana Landwehr, 660-223-2969 & Kim Martin, 417-849-4345

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS GRAND KNIGHT & PARISH COUNCIL CHAIR: Ryan Skopec, 515-414-9257

ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CEMETERY: Jane Otradovec, 417-327-5660 or Jennifer Otradovec, 417-777-0644

RECEIVING THE SACRAMENTS

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 Dcn. Jim.

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.*

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

A LOOK AT LEO: “ I encourage you to place your lives under God’s loving providence...as well as to cultivate a strong Eucharistic life among your families, friends, and communities.” -July 3, 2026 Pope Leo XIV

Dear Parishioners,

Throughout the month of July we will be collecting baby wipes and diapers (especially sizes 3-5) to support the work of Alpha House. These items may be left in the vestibule around the large bank of windows at the foot of the Cross. Items will be delivered at the end of the month to Alpha House. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Congratulations to our Knights of Columbus who installed officers this past Wednesday at their regular meeting. The new officers are: Ryan Skopec, Grand Knight; Rick Carr, Deputy Grand Knight; JR Fleeman, Treasurer; and Charles Stanek, Financial Secretary. Congratulations to all of those who were installed and will be serving throughout this year.

Annually, the month of July is devoted to the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ. Having just spent the month of June contemplating the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, how fitting it is that we now cast our collective Gaze upon the Blood of our Savior that was shed for love of us and to expiate our sins. The Litany of the Precious Blood is a most wonderful prayer to take up in this month and offer as individuals and families! This Litany in honor of Jesus in His Most Precious Blood was given by the Sacred Congregation of Rites and promulgated by Pope Saint John XXIII on February 24, 1960. Devotion to Jesus in His Most Precious Blood was popularized by Saint Gaspar del Bufalo (1786-1837) who founded the Missionaries of the Most Precious Blood. A partial indulgence is granted to the faithful who recite prayerfully this Litany and under the usual conditions (Being in a state of grace, have complete detachment from sin, receive sacramental confession proximate to the act for which the indulgence is given, receive Holy Communion proximately and pray for the intentions of the Pope).

Have you heard my heartfelt call to our Sacred Heart Parish Family encouraging and inviting, asking and imploring all to register and attend the August 15 Diocesan Eucharistic Congress and 70th Anniversary of the Founding of The Diocese of Springfield Cape-Girardeau? Have you seen it in the bulletin, the Mirror publication, the Sacred Heart Parish website, social media? Have you heard me speak about it in the pulpit at Masses or in the gatherings and conversations these past many months? NOW IS THE TIME, today is the hour, please do not let this fall on closed hearts of deaf ears! Get registered TODAY using the parish or diocesan website or by using the QR code that is on the vestibule posters and save the date cards we have handed out these past months. This is a most important Spiritual and Historical happening in the Church in Southern Missouri. PLEASE, DON’T MISS OUT. *This is the second week for this blurb to be in the bulletin, little to no additional registrations for Sacred Heart Parish have yet occurred in that time. What more must I do??!!*

Through the Hearts of Jesus & Mary,
Fr. Scott



**ADORATION
TO THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**
First Friday-7:00 AM-6:00 PM
Second & Third Wednesday-6:00 PM
Fourth Sunday-between Masses

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday-July 15
8:30a Mass Maria Stanek+
6:00p Adoration
Thursday-July 16
8:30a Mass Emily Rowley
Friday-July 17
No Mass today
Saturday-July 18
6:00-6:15p Confessions
6:30p Mass Parish Family
Sunday-July 19
7:30-7:50a Confession
8:00a Mass Rob Olsen+
10:30a Mass Jim Schick+

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD
Sacred Heart Parish
7/5/2026

Env/Cks:	\$ 4,318.00
Plate:	400.00
Maintenance:	1,195.00
Peter’s Pence:	30.00
DDF:	100.00
Total:	\$ 6,043.00

PURGATORIAL SOCIETY: Come join us July 22, at 1:00 p.m. to pray for our beloved dead and deceased members of the parish family and Holy Souls in purgatory. Afterwards join us for refreshments as we get to know each other. If you have any questions, please call 417-350-2682.

PRAYERS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND

Robert Agee	Shirley Harris	Mary Lou Sanders
Rick Bigler	Mel Hendrickson	David Sandgren
Elizabeth Bock	Ann Kathka	Carolyn Shaw
Kevin & Donna Breesawitz	Don Keiter	Dean Siemer
Myrna Bressner	Paula Keller	Linda Smith
Becky Briggs	Gary Kirkpatrick	Charles Stanek
Sienna Cortes	Jackie Lore	Mark Stanek
Ron Dane	Mary McGinnis	Jerry Sukovaty
Lisa Doyle	Jim Otradovec	Bev & Sam Swihart
JR Fleeman	Bobette & Phillip Owens	Henri Thibault
Carol Francka	Annette & Tony Petrone	Kay Torgerson
Carol & Dan Gorman	Kathleen Ricke	Jaylynn Williams
Shannon Hancock	Sandra Samek	Fr. Pat Wissman

MILITARY PRAYER ROSTER: Please remember those in our parish families serving in the military: Navy E3 Fireman Lucas Guynn, Lt. Jenn Jordan, LCpl. Samuel Wick, and 1 Lt. Nick Yocom.

ALPHA HOUSE BABY BOTTLES RETURN: Don’t forget to return your baby bottle for the annual Alpha House fundraiser. **We have 6 that are still out.**

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND PARISH UPDATE: Thank you all who have given to the 2026 Diocesan Development Fund. Our goal is to reach 118 donor households. So far we have received pledges from 65 which is 55% of our goal.

MANY THANKS: I want to thank the Sacred Heart Parish family for the prayers, cards, Masses, flowers, plants, and all acts of genuine kindness during the sickness and death of my sister Tery Howard. It is truly something special to feel the love of so many when going through such a difficult time, especially seeing so many come to the funeral that was in Springfield. God bless you all. *-Mary Rowley and the Howard Family*

I would like to thank everyone who came to St. Catherine of Siena for our closing Mass. It was a beautiful day. I want to thank Brenda for bringing Fr. Pat and for coming early and helping to set things up and for staying and after to help clean up. Also the ladies who helped after. I would like to thank Bishop Rice, Fr. Scott and Fr. Pat for the beautiful Mass. We will miss you all. *—Alice McIntosh*