

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***

Register Now

FOR FAITH FORMATION OF ALL AGES

Faith Formation classes for K-12th grade will start September 20, 2026 and will be on Sundays at 9:15am-10:15am. Please register online for classes before August 22nd. <https://sacredheartbolivar.org/faith-formation-registration-form/>



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH IN GRADES 7TH THROUGH 12TH!

Sacred Heart Parish is forming a Youth Group and we would love to have you there! Join us for our next get together SUNDAY, September 13, 6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M. for Faith, Food, and Fellowship! Julia Becker & Stephanie Aug are the youth leaders.



Share the Grace and come to story time on Friday, August 21, 10:30 a.m. and afterward there is an activity.



PURGATORIAL SOCIETY: CORRECTION!! Come join us on Wednesday, August 26th, as we pray for our dear loved ones who have died and all the souls in purgatory. We will meet in the main church at 1:00 p.m., pray for thirty minutes then have social time and refreshments.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, MO

August 16, 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

ALL ABOUT LEO: “Never doubt the goodness of God, and do not be afraid of the plan the Lord has for each of your lives.” Pope Leo XIV, July 2026

Dear Parishioners,

Please remember in your prayers those who attended the Diocesan Eucharistic Congress. Thanks again to all who registered and made the effort to be present for this historic event in the spiritual life of the Catholic Church in Southern Missouri. Thank you to our Knights of Columbus who provided the bus for our parish transportation needs. ADDITIONALLY, there will be a Post Congress Gathering Wednesday, August 19th, here at Sacred Heart. All are invited (even if you didn’t go to West Plains), please see the insert in this bulletin for more information.

Congratulations and thanks to our attendees last Sunday for the launch of our junior/senior high school youth group! Seven youth were in attendance. Special thanks to Stephanie Aug and Julia Becker for their leadership and dedication to our youth. Mark your calendars now for the second Sunday of September from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and plan to join and feel free to bring a friend.

At the Knights of Columbus regular meeting this past Wednesday, Charles Stanek resigned his position as Financial Secretary. Charles has been battling some health related issues which figured heavily in his decision. I would be remiss both as a fellow Knight and as pastor, if I did not take this opportunity to thank and congratulate Charles for more than 30 years of faithful service in this capacity and dedication to the Knights of Columbus, his parish, and his Catholic faith. Thank you Charles for you witness and example.

ATTENTION SBU CATHOLIC STUDENTS! Welcome back to Bolivar and Sacred Heart Parish! We hope your summer was blessed and restful. Sacred Heart Parish is your parish family away from home! With that in mind we invite all of you to attend a Welcome Back BBQ held in your honor. Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 13th, in the afternoon—(time to be announced.) Feel free to bring a friend, get to know your fellow Catholic students attending SBU, meet parish leadership, and enjoy food, faith and fellowship.

We are currently at 84 individuals/family donors toward our goal of 118 total donors for our annual DDF (Diocesan Development Fund). Remember that the DDF supports the bishop’s shared ministries that benefit our individual parishes as well as, our diocesan activities. Because of the DDF, the diocese does not assess each of the parishes a high percentage of the monthly collection to fund these necessary expenses. By giving to the DDF, you support the local and diocesan wide church in her mission to evangelize, catechize, and raise up the faithful. If you have not yet given to the 2026 DDF, PLEASE do so today. Every gift makes a difference, no gift is to great or too small when given in love and out of sacrifice. I firmly believe that 118 individuals/family donors is much less than what we can achieve when all who have been blessed recognize and respond to the call to bless in turn. Thank you to those who have already given and in advance to those who will give to this plea. Envelopes were mailed out to all registered households several months ago. Additional envelopes can be found in the pews at Mass. You may also give online utilizing the QR code on the DDF posters hanging in the gathering space.

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-August 19
8:30a Mass John David Daly+
6:00p Post Eucharistic Congress
gathering & Adoration

Thursday-August 20
8:30a Mass Tery Howard+

Friday-August 21
10:30a Kids Storytime Reading
6:00p Mass Foster & Sokolik Families
for healing

Saturday-August 22
6:00p Confession
6:30p Mass Fern Griggs

Sunday-August 23
7:30-7:50a Confession
8:00a Mass Dave & Cheryl Morley
10:30a Mass Parish Family

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Sacred Heart Parish

8/9/2026

Env/Cks:	\$ 3,002.00
Plate:	325.25
Maintenance:	120.00
Mass Offerings:	20.00
Total:	\$ 3,467.25

PRAYERS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND

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

*Please note names will remain on the sick list for one month before coming off. If you wish to remain longer you must let the Parish Office know to extend the listing.

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.

DIOCESAN DEVELOPMENT FUND PARISH UPDATE: We are trying to wrap up our DDF campaign this month and would like to see all of our members make an effort in giving to this annual drive. We have been focusing on reaching our donor goal—everyone can give something. We are 34 households away from meeting our goal. If you have not pledged, won’t you help us meet our goal?

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.

WE NEED YOU: Our Faith Formation (PSR) is looking for a volunteer to teach our 5th/6th grade class. Do you have a love for sharing your faith? A love for working with kids? This could be for you! We are also looking for extra adults to help out in our classrooms. If you would like to help, please contact Darlene Arendt 417-298-6237 or Fr. Scott.