

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 haven 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 williams6mj@gmail.com***



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.**

WELCOME BACK BBQ FOR CATHOLIC SBU STUDENTS: ATTENTION SBU CATHOLIC STUDENTS...a welcome back BBQ will be happening for you on Sunday, September 13th, at 3:00 p.m. Feel free to bring a friend, get to know your fellow Catholic students attending SBU, meet parish leadership, and enjoy food, faith, and fellowship. Mark your calendars now.



MEN’S BREAKFAST: *The Catholic Men’s Conference would like to invite all men to attend our Monthly Men’s Prayer Breakfast. This event includes breakfast, short presentation, small group discussion, and prayer. When: Saturday, September 12, 2026, from 7:00-8:30 AM---Donations Accepted; Place: Immaculate Conception Church-Community Room A. To properly plan food preparation, please RSVP by going here: <https://tinyurl.com/2wb3mnuj>*

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Bolivar, MO

September 6, 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: “Through sport we learn...to accept defeat without despair and victory without arrogance.” April 9, 2026 Pope Leo XIV

Dear Parishioners,

All SBU students attending Catholic Mass, please see in this bulletin the blurb for the upcoming Welcome Back BBQ. Be sure your calendars are marked for Sunday, September 13th. A reminder will be coming in your emails/texts with more information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING OUR REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE FOLLOWS: Recently I announced my appointment as pastor of St. William Parish in Buffalo as I continue my appointment as your pastor at Sacred Heart. Taking on these additional responsibilities requires flexibility on my part as well as on the parts of parishioners at St. William and here at Sacred Heart. Part of that flexibility that I mentioned upon my announcement to you of these new responsibilities involves the Mass schedules. With that in mind, please note the following changes to the Mass schedule at Sacred Heart:

- Wednesday Mass, 8:30 a.m. (as before)
- Thursday NO MASS
- Friday Mass at 12:15 p.m. This Mass will end sharply at 12:45 p.m. (with the exception of First Friday to remain at 6:00 p.m.)
- Saturday vigil Mass at 4:30 p.m.
- Sunday Mass at 9:00 a.m.

These changes will take place beginning on **Thursday, October 1** and will replace our current Mass schedule for the foreseeable future.

OCIA will begin on Sunday, September 13th, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you are interested in becoming Catholic and receiving the sacraments of initiation, this is for you. If you know someone interested in becoming Catholic, please let them know about OCIA. Currently we have a growing list of 2026-2027 OCIA participants to be included on the list for information and updates, call the Parish Office. The first two sessions will be general inquiry, no obligation. Following the initial sessions, one is expected to commit to regular Mass attendance and participation in OCIA meetings. Hope to see you there. Those interested in being OCIA sponsors may also call the Parish Office in order to be included on our sponsor list. A sponsor must be a baptized Catholic, fully initiated into the Church, through the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation and in good standing (regularly practicing the faith by Mass attendance and lifestyle).

Nominations for Parish Council will be forthcoming followed by elections which will take place in the pews during weekend Masses at the end of September. Please keep the Parish Council, the outgoing members, the new to be elected members and the process of election to the council in your prayers.

Have you made a Cursillo? If so, then you know what a gift to one's faith this weekend retreat that journeys with companions deeper into our Catholic faith. If you have not made a Cursillo weekend, please consider doing so. The upcoming women's weekend is October 15-18, 2026, the men's weekend is November 12-15. 2026. Both will be held in Carthage at the Monastery of the Congregation of the Mother of the Redeemer. For more information go to our diocesan website at diocsg.org and search Cursillo.

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-September 9

8:30a Mass Mary Ellen Stroud's Family

6:00p Adoration

7:00p Knights of Columbus meeting

Thursday-September 10

8:30a Mass Amanda Porter

Friday-September 11

6:00p Mass For all estranged families

Saturday-September 12

6:00p Confession

6:30p Mass Parish Family

Sunday-September 13

7:30-7:50a Confession

8:00a Mass Cliff & Shawn Foster+

10:30a Mass JJ Bledsoe+

6:30p-8:00p Youth Group

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Sacred Heart Parish

8/30/2026

Env/Cks:	\$ 3,104.00
Plate:	449.00
Votive Candles:	251.60
Mass Offering:	130.00
Total:	\$ 3,934.60

August Online Donations

\$2,695.68

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
Carol Coleman	Jackie Lore	Bev & Sam Swihart
Sienna Cortes	Jim Otradovec	Henri Thibault
Ron Dane	Bobette & Phillip Owens	Kay Torgerson
Jerry Divin	Annette & Tony Petrone	Jaylynn Williams
JR Fleeman		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.

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY FOR PARISH SENIOR CITIZENS: Fall and winter weather will be here before we know it. 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 so that your home is ready for the changing seasons. For information, call Dave at 509-230-3938 or John at 314-560-7771 or if you would like to be a volunteer.

FAITH FORMATION(PSR) CLASSES START DATE: With our parish making some changes to Masses times starting in October, the Parish School of Religion will wait until October 4th to begin classes. We are however still needing some help filling our classes with extra adults to help in the classrooms so that we meet the child safety regulations that our diocese requires and we are looking for a volunteer to teach the 5th/6th grade class. If this is something you would like to do, please email the Parish Office or call Darlene Arendt, 417-298-6237.

YOUNG WOMEN OR YOUNG MOMS??? Looking for community and friendship with other young Catholic mothers? Reach out to Erin Rippee to be connected with women in the parish, 816-500-8437 and let's talk.