

SACRED HEART

Sunday, Sept. 27, 2026

Bolivar, MO

www.sacredheartbolivar.org



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



Vote YES on Amendment 3

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Missouri from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. God Almighty, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life and accompanying pregnant women in need.

We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family, pray for us!

St. Joseph, protector of the unborn, pray for us!

HEART TO HEART BY V. REV. SCOTT M. SUNNENBERG

FROM THE PASTOR

DEAR PARISHIONERS,

This is our Fourth Sunday Adoration between the Masses. Please make every attempt to come and pray with our Lord during this Holy Hour and spend some time with Him. Plan to stay after the 8:00 a.m. Mass or come early for the 10:30 a.m. and spend some time. Let us remember to pray for one another, for an increase in vocations and for our country and world.

I am pleased to announce that the following parishioners who were nominated by Parish Council to appear on the ballot for election have accepted their nominations. They are: Bob Bowes, Kurt Swihart, Rick Carr, Landon Landwehr, Tina Hedges, and Ann Day. I wish to thank each of these fellow parishioners for their willingness to be elected and to serve in an advisory role as members of the Parish Council should they be elected. Their "YES" speaks so well to their servant hearts.

I wish to thank John and Lori Enderle who opened their home recently to host our Parish Leadership Team and our SBU Catholic Students for a welcome back BBQ. Eight students were present and prayer, food and fellowship was shared. We look forward to this school year as we make Sacred Heart Parish a home away from home for all of our SBU Catholic students.

Beginning in October, Thursday nights from 5:30-8:30, will be SBU Catholic student open house. During this time SBU Catholic students are invited to have a meal, enjoy and relax in the gathering space, make use of the parish library, study in a relaxed environment, take part in a Bible study, pray in the church, enjoy games and fellowship, or just hangout. We are asking that on Thursday nights parishioners sign up to prepare a meal that would feed 10-12 hungry college students as we kick this off. The meal would include a main dish, 1-2 sides, a salad of some sort, and a dessert. Several parishioners may want to team up to provide this meal. The sign up sheet to provide a meal will be on the refrigeration in the kitchenette. With enough parishioners pitching in we can make a home cooked meal a regular part of our SBU Catholic student open house nights. Those preparing and bringing the meal are not required to stay. The meal will be served buffet/family style. *Containers and dishes that are not disposable may be picked up, washed and ready, on Saturday or Sunday's at Masses from the kitchenette.*

This past Thursday in St. Louis the Catholic Church worldwide gathered via livestream and in-person to celebrate the beatification of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen. Now known as Blessed Fulton J. Sheen, he is a step away from becoming a canonized saint. Let us take this opportunity to ask for his prayers and intercessions and to continue praying for the day that we will call him saint!!! If you did not have an opportunity to watch or attend the events and the Mass of beautification have been posted on various sites where you may access and view.

I would ask that parishioners raise up in prayer Mary Lou Sanders and family and Jackie Lore and family, both of whom are in the period of final perseverance preparing to meet the Lord face to face. Having received the last rites, your prayers will be a comfort and a strength to them at this time.

Through the hearts of Jesus & Mary,

Fr. Scott

ALL ABOUT LEO

"Just as
no one is born
a champion,
no one is born a saint. It
is a daily training in love."



Pope Leo XIV
June 2025 homily

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY FOR PARISH SENIOR CITIZENS

Do you have a need for a handy-man 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 volunteer.



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.

PLEASE NOTE: Ole & Kay Torgerson have moved to Springfield. Here is their new address: 2675 S. Jefferson Ave., Unit 126B, Springfield, MO 65807-3785. Please keep them in prayer as Kay continues her treatments and as they become accustomed to their new home and arrangements.



Are you registered to vote in the November 3rd election? If not, you have time to register. There will be voter registration here at Sacred Heart this weekend, September 26/27, after the Masses.



The youth group is growing! Our next youth group get together is **Sunday, October 11th, from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Join us for faith, food, and fellowship. This is for grades 7th-12th. Bring a friend! Contact Stephanie 417-777-1752 or Julia 636-206-9377 if you have questions.



Bolivar Community Outreach Ministries will have its

SECOND ANNUAL COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

December 10-12, 2026. They will need volunteers to help with this **Community Christmas Market**. If you want to help out in any way, please go to www.bolivarcom.org to find out more about the Community Christmas Market.

COM is also starting to sign up families for the Christmas Market. If you have children age 0-18 and need some help with Christmas gifts this year, contact COM and see how they can help you meet your budget needs.



FAITH FORMATION PSR STARTS SOON

The Parish School of Religion for grades Kindergarten through high school will begin **NEXT Sunday, October 4th, at 10:15 a.m.** For information on classes, contact Darlene Arendt, 417-298-6237.

MASS TIME CHANGES STARTING OCTOBER 1

Please make note of these Mass time changes for Sacred Heart beginning October 1.
Those in bold are a NEW CHANGE



Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.

Thursday: NO MASS

Friday: 12:15 p.m. and First Friday: is only 6:00 p.m.

First Saturday: 8:30 a.m.

Saturday: 4:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

PARKING may be somewhat irregular with the beginning of our Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Mass on October 4th. Please be aware that additional parking will be made available and clearly marked in the green space (grass area) north and east of the parking lot and parish hall. We ask that these spaces be utilized as marked and that vehicles use the exits as marked.



Purgatorial Society: Our prayer group will meet Wednesday, October 28, at 1:00 p.m. to pray for our dearly departed and all the holy souls in purgatory. Come join us in the main church for prayer, then for refreshments afterwards. If you have questions, please call Louisa, 417-413-3910 or LuAnn, 417-350-2682.

Schedule of the Week

Wednesday-September 30

8:30a Mass John McAndrews+

Thursday-October 1

No Morning Mass

New Mass changes take effect

First Friday-October 2

7:00a-6:00p All Day Adoration

6:00p Mass Marie McAndrews+

First Saturday-October 3

8:30a Mass Deborah Courter+

4:00p-4:20p Confessions

4:30p Mass Parish Family

Sunday-October 4

8:30a-8:50a Confessions

9:00a Mass Jim Perry+

10:15a PSR & OCIA

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

Robert Agee

Becky Briggs

Sienna Cortes

JR Fleeman

Bill Francka

Dan Gorman

Paula Keller

Jackie Lore

Mary Lou Sanders

David Sandgren

Alan Smith

Bev & Sam Swihart

Henri Thibault

Kay Torgerson

Fr. Pat Wissman

PLEASE NOTE: THAT UPON NOTIFICATION TO THE PARISH OFFICE, NAMES ON THE BULLETIN PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK WILL REMAIN FOR FOUR WEEKS. FOLLOWING THIS TIME, NAMES WILL BE REMOVED UNLESS WE ARE NOTIFIED TO EXTEND THE LISTING. LET US REMEMBER TO PRAY, ESPECIALLY FOR THOSE NAMES INCLUDED HERE.



MILITARY PRAYER ROSTER:

Please remember all in our parish families serving in the military: Navy E3 Fireman

Lucas Guynn, Lt. Jenn Jordan, LCpl. Samuel Wick, and 1 Lt. Nick Yocom.



Look what was in our parking lot this week in the middle of the night!



THROUGH OUR GIVING Weekly Financial offering September 20, 2026

Envelopes:	\$4,510.00
Plate:	460.00
Maintenance:	25.00
Mass Offering:	10.00
Religious Retire:	1,302.50
Total:	\$6,307.50