

SACRED HEART

Sunday, October 4, 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 month we began SBU Catholic student open house Thursday nights from 5:30-8:00. Thank you to parishioners John & Lori Enderle and Eric & LuAnn Shinault who provided the meal on 10/1. We had seven students who enjoyed the evening and were able to take home leftovers. 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 for these 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 is on the refrigerator 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.

It's not too late to sign up for and attend a fall Cursillo retreat. The upcoming women's weekend is October 15-18, the men's weekend is November 12-15. Both weekends' will take place in Carthage, MO. Please go online to the diocesan website to register or call the diocesan office of Faith Formation, 417-866-0841.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 25th and plan to attend Sacred Heart Parish Oktoberfest! There will be live music, brats, traditional fare, a bier garden, games for all with fun and fellowship. We ask that those attending bring a side to be shared, perhaps an ethnic dish or a family favorite. Time is 3:30-6:00 p.m., dinner will be served at 4:30 p.m. in McKenna Hall. For more information, please contact Jean Kelchen, 816-830-9502.

Thank you to all who came to adore on Friday (First Friday of the month) and spend time in quiet prayer before our Blessed Lord. Reminder October Adoration opportunities will be the second and third Wednesday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. and the fourth Sunday after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Please remember that beginning this weekend Mass is on Sunday only at 9:00 a.m. (no 8:00 or 10:30). Please also remember, as previously announced, there will be *designated* additional parking in the green space. Thank you to Scott & Mel Hendrickson, and Ben Divin for arranging the extra parking area.

Please be aware that in the next week or so tree trimming and removal will be taking place on the campus of the church, if you are attending weekday Masses, gatherings, or appointments at Sacred Heart. Once accomplished there will be an opportunity to plant a few additional trees. If you are interested in making a memorial or donation of a tree in honor or memory, please call the Parish Office.

Through the hearts of Jesus & Mary,



ALL ABOUT LEO

"The Church does not exist for herself, but to lead every person to an encounter with the Lord."

-Pope Leo XIV



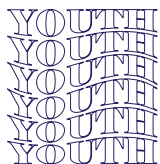
HELPING HANDS MINISTRY FOR PARISH SENIOR CITIZENS

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.



Our youth group is growing! The next youth group is **Sunday, October 11th from 6:30-8:00 p.m.** Join us for faith, food, and fellowship for grades 7-12. 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.



MASS TIMES HAVE CHANGED

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 for a few weekends. 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.



"ROAD TRIP"!!! The Parish Council of Catholic Women are taking a day trip to Branson to see **The Miracle of Christmas** show at the Sight and Sound Theater on Saturday, December 5, at 11:30 a.m. and then have lunch and some shopping if time allows. If you would like to purchase a group rate ticket of roughly \$75 per person, please RSVP by Sunday, November 1. We hope to take the bus, but if needed we will carpool. For information or to RSVP please contact Kim Martin at 417-849-4345.

Schedule of the Week

Wednesday-October 7

8:30a Mass Fern Griggs+

Thursday-October 8

5:30p-8:00p SBU Catholics
Open House

Friday-October 9

12:15p Mass All deceased family
members of the Parish

Saturday-October 10

4:00p-4:20p Confessions

4:30p Mass Mary Lou Sanders+

Sunday-October 11

8:30a-8:50a Confessions

9:00a Mass Dave & Cheryl Morley

10:15a PSR & OCIA

**COME PRAY WITH US! Did you
know we gather 30 minutes
before Mass to pray the rosary?**

Does the new Mass schedule
allow you to come a little early to
pray with us? We will be starting
at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday nights
and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
Please consider joining us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

Bob Bowes, Kurt Swihart & Ann Day who won and are now
on the Parish Council for the 2026-2029 term. We are very
grateful to Rick Carr, Landon Landwehr & Tina Hedges for
having agreed to the nomination and running on the ballot.
We had a very good team of candidates.

REMEMBERING IN PRAYER

Robert Agee
Becky Briggs
Sienna Cortes
JR Fleeman
Bill Francka
Dan Gorman
Paula Keller

Jackie Lore
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.



THROUGH OUR GIVING Weekly Financial offering September 27, 2026

Envelopes:	\$2,667.00
Plate:	584.00
Religious Retirement:	273.00
Total:	\$3,524.00

SEPTEMBER ONLINE DONATIONS

Weekly:	\$2,178.60
Maintenance:	95.64
Religious Retirement:	19.42
Total:	\$2,293.66