



SACRED HEART Catholic Parish

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time February 19, 2023



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A note from Fr. Michal . . .

This Wednesday, Feb. 22, is Ash Wednesday and Masses are at 8:30am, 12:10pm, and 6:30pm. Please join us for Mass and make plans to join us for the opportunities we are offering throughout this Lenten season. (see page 3 for details)



Please pick up your free Lenten copy of *the Word among us*. The booklet has the daily meditations and readings from Ash Wednesday through Easter. There are many articles on how to pattern your daily prayers and how to do God's will. As we journey through Lent, may we all enhance our prayer life.

We are excited to announce that we are adding some beautiful artwork to our church and parish center! For centuries, artists have been interested in and inspired by the lives of Christ, the Virgin Mary, and the saints. It is fascinating to see how those artists interpret the stories and people of the Bible, and then portray them in their artwork. These religious paintings help us visualize the truths Jesus taught, even more so when you contemplate and study the original images firsthand. You can find meaning behind every masterpiece! Such art has inspired generations of men and women to be more faithful to the teachings of our Lord.

Over the next 14 weeks, we will be introducing replicas of some of the most famous Catholic artwork to our church! Each week a different piece of artwork will be unveiled. *Thank you to the anonymous donor for the paintings!*

This week's artwork was hung in the parish center. It depicts Jesus and the saints, and is a replica of famous artwork originally painted in an Italian church. Make sure to check it out when you come for the Fish Fry this Friday (4:00-7:00pm in the parish center)!



Welcome to Sacred Heart - we're glad that you're here!

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22, and ends just prior to the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. All



the faithful are urged to develop and maintain a voluntary program of self-denial (in addition to the Lenten regulations that follow), serious prayer, and performing deeds of charity and mercy, including the giving of alms.

Lenten Regulations

- ABSTINENCE** – Everyone 14 years of age and over is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- FAST** – Everyone 18 years of age and under 59 is required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On these two days of fast and abstinence, only one full meatless meal is permitted. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each person's needs, but together these two should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids (including milk and fruit juices) are allowed.
- To disregard completely the law of fast and abstinence is seriously sinful.

Michelle Kruger will facilitate two small fellowship study groups in the church narthex during Lent.



The first one will begin on Tuesday, Feb. 21, after the 8:30am Mass and continue through Lent. The book will be "No Greater Love, a Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion" by Edward Sri.

Michelle will also facilitate another Lenten study group on the book "Holy is His Name" by Scott Hahn on Thursday nights during Lent at 6:00pm. Scott traces the meaning of holiness from its origins in Scripture to its appearance in our lives today. Soup will be served during the evening.

Please send an email to shchurch@sheff.org or talk to Michelle after Masses this weekend if you are interested, so we can make sure we have enough books. Everyone is welcome!

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 20, for Presidents' Day.

~ Prayer List ~

Marilyn Shoffstall, Lauren Greuel, Bonnie Nuxoll Kinney, Tom Hewing, Lisa Crosson, Louise Weber, Jim Feldhake, Barb Hoefft, Mary Westfall, Britney (Walters) Chester



Sacred Heart Church Calendar

Monday, February 20

Parish office is closed

6:00pm: Building & Grounds Meeting @ Church Office

Tuesday, February 21

9:15am: Lenten Study Group @ Church Narthex

12:00pm: Young Hearts Potluck @ S. H. Parish Center

Wednesday, February 22

6:30pm: PSR attends Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, February 23

6:00pm: Lenten Study Group @ Church Narthex

Friday, February 24

4:00pm-7:00pm: Fish Fry @ Sacred Heart Parish Center

5:30pm: Stations of the Cross @ Sacred Heart Church

Sunday, February 26

2:30pm: Rite of Election @ Cathedral in Springfield



Our Young Hearts Potluck will be Tuesday, Feb. 21, at noon, in the Sacred Heart Parish Center. Meat is furnished, so just bring your favorite side dish and enjoy the fellowship.

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, February 20

8:30am: †Michael Gallo, †Earl & †Jerry Vonderheide Family

Tuesday, February 21

8:30am: †Richard & †Madelyn Koester

Wednesday, February 22

8:30am: †Doug Bushue

12:10pm: †Jerry Stock

6:30pm: †Don Went

Thursday, February 23

8:30am: †Fred Schaefer

Friday, February 24

8:30am: †Clark Wise

Saturday, February 25

4:00pm: For Our Parishioners

Sunday, February 26

8:30am: Living & Deceased Members of the †Donald & †Lucille Rentfrow Family

10:30am: †Leroy & †Maryann Borries

Grow in Faith

at Sacred Heart Parish



Join us for:

Lenten Retreat, Holy Week, & Easter

Ash Wednesday: Wednesday, February 22

Masses: 8:30am, 12:10pm, & 6:30pm

Fish Fry: Friday, February 24

4:00-7:00pm in parish center

Proceeds benefit our diocesan seminarians

Lenten Retreat with Fr. John Titus

March 18 & 19 Weekend Masses; March 20-22 Retreat

Living Stations: Friday, March 31

5:30pm in church; presented by SHS students

PTA Breakfast: Sunday, April 2

7:00am-Noon in parish center

Palm Sunday: Sunday, April 2

Saturday Mass: 4:00pm

Sunday Mass: 8:30am & 10:30am

Holy Thursday: Thursday, April 6

Mass: 6:30pm; Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00pm

Good Friday: Friday, April 7

Stations of the Cross: 12:10pm

Chaplet of Divine Mercy: 3:00pm

Good Friday Liturgy: 6:30pm

Holy Saturday: Saturday, April 8

Blessing of Easter Baskets: 8:30am in the church narthex

Easter Vigil: 8:00pm

Easter: Sunday, April 9

Easter Mass: 8:30am & 10:30am

Weekdays

Monday-Friday: 8:30am Mass

Mondays: Adoration 9:00am-8:00pm;
(Reconciliation 7:00-8:00pm)

Tuesdays: 9:15am Study Group: "No Greater Love,
a Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion"

Thursdays: 6:00pm Soup & Study Group:
"Holy is His Name"

Fridays: 9:15am and 5:30pm Stations of the Cross

Retreat "Seek the Eucharist, Go to Joseph"

Monday, March 20

8:30am Mass;

9:00am-8:00pm Adoration;

5:30pm Social & Soup in the church narthex;

6:30pm Presentation & 8:00pm Benediction

Tuesday, March 21

8:30am Mass;

6:30pm Presentation & Private Reconciliation

Wednesday, March 22

8:30am School Mass;

6:30pm Closing Mass;

7:30pm Social in the church narthex

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Saturday, March 18, 2023

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Per Person

*Proceeds benefit
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5:15pm - Doors Open

5:45pm - Dinner: Ochs Street Smoked Meats

Pork Loin, Smoked Garlic Chicken,
Twice Baked Potato Casserole, Sweet Ranch Carrots, Salad, Rolls

7:00pm - Entertainment: Windy City Dueling Pianos

There will only be 400 tickets sold. Purchase tickets at the parish office!

Sacred Heart School Calendar

Monday, February 20

No School

Tuesday, February 21

4:15pm: Volleyball vs St. John's Mattoon @ home

5:30pm: Open House for New Families @ SHS

Wednesday, February 22

4:30pm: Track meeting with parents @ Parish Center

Thursday, February 23-Monday, February 27

5/6 Basketball Shamrock Tournament @ SHS

Congratulations to our eighth grade volleyball players!

We had a great eighth grade recognition night on Monday night to celebrate these girls and their parents!

School News . . .

Join us for the Open House for preschool students and new/prospective K-8 students on Tuesday, Feb. 21, from 5:30pm to 7:00pm. Please come and check it out and encourage your family & friends!

Preschool early enrollment for Sacred Heart parishioners and current school families will end on Feb. 21. Enrollment will then open up to the general public and our wait list. If you are interested in Sacred Heart Preschool, please contact Andrea Wright at 217.347.7177 or email a.wright@sheff.org.

Congratulations to our 8th grade basketball team who played at state last Saturday. They played on Thursday night for third place. *Way to go!!*



Sacred Heart Parish Council presents a.....

LENTEN FISH FRY

Friday, February 24th, 2023

4pm to 7pm

Sacred Heart Parish Center

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR DIOCESAN SEMINARIANS

\$14 per adult plate

\$10 per child plate



Menu is AYCE: fried fish, mac-n-cheese, hush puppies, slaw, baked beans, potato salad, steak fries, and applesauce.

Carry-outs are available.



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Deanery Prayer Vigil for Life will be on Monday, Feb. 20, at St. Michael Church, Sigel. Praying the rosary will begin at 6:00pm and Fr. Sunder Ery will celebrate the 6:30pm Mass. The business meeting will be held in the grade school council room.



St. Isidore Youth Ministry is hosting their annual soup supper on Sunday, Feb. 26, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm, in the St. Aloysius Parish Center in Bishop Creek. The menu includes chili, chicken noodle soup, sauerkraut soup, sandwiches, and dessert. There will also be a basket raffle.

St. Michael's Swine and Dine Breakfast at St. Michael School, Sigel will be held Sunday, Feb. 26, from 7:00am to noon. The menu includes whole hog sausage, pancakes, scrambled/fried eggs, homemade rolls, breads, orange juice, milk, and coffee. There will be a craft store, raffle items, and mystery boxes.



Effingham Catholic Charities Trivia Night, sponsored by J & J Gaming, will be held on Saturday, March 4, at the Effingham Event Center. Doors open at 6:00pm and trivia will begin at 6:30pm. Tickets are \$360 for a team of 8 or individual tickets are \$50 each (individual ticket holders will be placed with others to make a team of 8). Tickets will be sold on Facebook at Effingham Catholic Charities Events Page, on cc.dio.org, or at the door. This is a beach themed event, so dress in your favorite tropical attire. Food will be provided for a free-will donation and drinks are available to purchase.

Our Stewardship of Treasure

Sunday, February 12, 2023

Envelopes:	\$ 12,391.00
Loose Collection	\$ <u>1,110.00</u>
Total:	\$ 13,501.00

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."
(1Peter 4:10)*

Thank you for sharing your "Treasure" with Sacred Heart Parish

After 11 years at Sacred Heart, our school custodian, Dennis Slone, will be retiring this summer. With this in mind, we will be hiring a full or part-time custodian. Pay is based on experience. Full-time benefits offered include paid vacation and sick days, health insurance, and pension. Send your resume or contact information to Mrs. Angela Sheehan at a.sheehan@sheff.org.



Space Camp Fundraiser: Get a large, two topping carry-out pizza from Joe's Pizza for \$15. A portion of each sale goes toward the Space Camp trip. Coupons can be purchased from any SHS fifth or sixth grade student, or in the church office. Coupons will be sold until Feb. 28.

Pecans are available in the church narthex until all are sold. The proceeds will also benefit the Space Camp trip in the spring.

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