



Christ the King November 26, 2023



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Starting Sunday, December 3, we will officially be using the Saint Augustine Hymnals. You will now notice a new row of letters/numbers at the top of the song board. The letter (A, B, or C) will denote which liturgical year we are in. The following number will denote the page number for the readings for that day's Mass. (In the example shown here, we are in liturgical year 'A' and the readings can be found on page 951.) The remaining rows of numbers will denote song numbers—as they have in the past.

Due to the ongoing conflict there, Fr. Michal's pilgrimage to the Holy Land has been cancelled. However, he is now planning a pilgrimage to Ireland instead! It will be for the same dates originally reserved (April 18-28, 2024). More details coming soon!

During Advent, our Tuesday study group will be doing a video and discussion on Walking with Mary in Advent by Ed Sri. They will meet on December 12 and 19 at 9:15am in the narthex. A 6:30pm group will also be offered if there is enough interest in that class time. If you are interested in the 6:30pm class, please sign up in the narthex. Everyone is welcome! (no signup needed for the morning class)

SPECIAL ADVENT SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Starting Monday, December 4, and every Monday in Advent, we will be hosting the following:

- ⇒ 6:30am Rorate (candlelight) Mass (no 8:30am Mass these days)
- ⇒ Adoration from 7:00am 8:00pm
- ⇒ Confession from 7:00pm 8:00pm

Our Advent Angels program will deliver holiday gift bags to the homebound and those living in nursing homes and assisted living homes. If you would like to donate, please drop items off at the parish office or in the basket in the narthex. Suitable items are soaps, lotions, air fresheners, socks, small religious statues, picture frame, or doily. Please, no candles or food. Cash donations should be placed in an envelope marked "Advent Angels" and put in the collection. Thank you!

Effective Sunday, December 3, Masses will no longer be recorded and saved on our YouTube page for viewing throughout the day. However, they will still be livestreamed in real time, and available on our YouTube page at Mass time (8:30am). This will allow viewers to be part of the Eucharistic experience while it is really happening.

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CALENDAR

Tuesday, November 28

Boys' BB Home vs. Sigel St. Michael 6:00pm
—GREEN OUT & ALUMNI NIGHT

Wednesday, November 29

Choir & Mass Musicians Photo after Mass

Thursday, November 30

Boys' BB Home vs. Stew-Stras 6:00pm

Friday, December 1-Thursday, December 7

Boys' BB 7th Grade NTC Tournament at Sigel



SHS Booster Club is hosting a 'GREEN OUT & ALUMNI NIGHT' at the home 7th/8th boys' basketball game on Tuesday, November 28.

Game time is 6:00pm against Sigel St. Michael. All SHS students and all SHS alumni will get in free! Let's pack the gym with green and cheer on the Shamrocks!



SACRED HEART CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, November 26

RCIA 11:30am

Tuesday, November 28

Study Group in church narthex 9:15am & 6:30pm;

Liturgy Committee meeting 5:30pm

Wednesday, November 29

Choir practice in church 5:30pm;

PSR Classes in Sacred Heart School 6:30pm

Thursday, November 30

Men's Prayer Group in church narthex 7:00pm

Friday, December 1

Pray the Rosary in the church 9:00am

~ Prayer List ~

Pat Prichard, Britney (Walters) Chester, Barb Hoefft, Carolyn Ordner, Tom Hewing, Bill Foreman, Jackson Gaitros, Avery Gardewine Braunecker, Holly Althoff Newburn, Dawson Althoff, Bill Frese, Linda Frese, Mindy Reardon, Sister Pat Thies

Sacred Heart School invites you to "The Legend of the Christmas King"! This K-8 Christmas Program and Band Concert is Thursday, December 14 at 6:15pm in the gym. Dress rehearsal is Wednesday, December 13 at 1:00pm. Parents, grandparents, and friends are welcome at both performances.

SHS alumni: We did this same Christmas program in 2006. We would love to welcome back anyone from the Class of 2007 (or anyone who remembers the play from 2006) to come reminisce and enjoy the show!

Last Sunday we sent an email with a digital survey about our parish. Please take the time to prayerfully answer the questions. The survey ends November 30. There are also paper copies in the narthex.

The Art & Environment Committee would like to borrow PENCIL Christmas trees ranging from 3' to 6' tall to put around our nativity scene in church. They would be used from December 23 through the end of January. Contact Vicki Walker at 217.821.6179 for details.

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule

Monday, November 27

8:30am: †Marilyn Lane

Tuesday, November 28 8:30am: †Tim Wendt

Wednesday, November 29 8:30am: †Rockney Weber

Thursday, November 30

8:30am: For the Living & Deceased Members

of the Nick & Mary Jo Althoff Family

Friday, December 1

8:30am: †George Westjohn

Saturday, December 2

4:00pm: †Andrew Fuesting

Sunday, December 3

8:30am: For the Living & Deceased Members

of the Tom & Marilyn Purcell Family

10:30am: For Our Parishioners

Envelopes for Christmas flowers & decorations are in the December packets. Please note on the back of the envelope if the donation is made in memory or in honor of a loved one. A special memorial page will be included in the bulletin. Please return envelopes by December 15.

The St. Hildegard Von Bingen Schola will present their annual Holiday concert at Sacred Heart Church on Sunday, November 26. The concert begins at 2:30pm, featuring a piano prelude of the works of Bach, Mozart, and Chopin, followed by sacred music of the season.

The Effingham Knights of Columbus Kids Christmas Party is Sunday, December 3. Doors open at 3:00pm with Santa arriving shortly thereafter. Christmas cards will be available for kids and parents to draw a picture and/or write a note to friends and family in area nursing homes. Cookies, hotdogs and nachos will be served.

St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Island Grove will be commemorating 150 years as a Faith Community throughout 2024. A public celebration is in the planning for September 8, 2024. Orders for spiral reprints of prior centennial books are now being accepted. Samples of the centennial books are available for viewing in the Sacred Heart Parish office. Pickup dates for purchases will be conducive for Christmas (2023) gift giving on orders placed by December 1. The purchase price for the 1974/1999 combination reprint is \$25 dollars; \$15 for the 1924 reprint. Please contact Sandy Meinhart: 217-273-1758/sameinhart@gmail.com or St. Isidore Parish Office: 217-925-5788/office@stisidore.dio.org with inquiries and orders.





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"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

SHS sixth and seventh grade classes are raising money for their trip to Space Camp in the Spring of 2025.

- •Count Down to Christmas Calendar Raffle Purchase a calendar for \$25 for your chance to win up to 25 times as we count down to Christmas. Prizes include gift certificates, cash, and even a White Elephant gift! Drawing will be held daily from December 1-25!
- •**Pecans** Students are harvesting pecans from the trees located at Sacred Heart. The pecans will be sold at the back of church on the honor system.

Students will be selling items in the Narthex following weekend Masses from now until December 17.

Upcoming Natural Family Planning Classes:

- Saturday, December 9, 9:00-10:30am at St. Anthony Church, Effingham
- Saturday, February 10, 1:00-2:30pm on WebEx

To register please contact Kate Pruemer. Call or text 217-821-1840 or email kpruemer@gmail.com.



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