



Sacred Heart Parish

The United Parish Family of Sacred Heart and Saint Joseph

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Office Hours: Mon. thru Thurs, 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Office Closed on Friday



Mass Times:

Weekends: Saturdays: 4:00pm **Sundays:** 8:30am and 10:30am.

Daily Mass: 8:00AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday (NO Thursday Mass)

Holy Day: Please consult the Bulletin.

Sacraments:

Confessions: Saturdays 2:30 - 3:30pm or by appointment.

Baptisms: Sundays after the last Mass. Please call the Rectory to schedule a date.

Holy Matrimony: At least six months of notice should be given to arrange weddings.

Anointing of the Sick Please call the office.

On going devotions:

Weekly Morning Rosary: Tuesdays at 7:30 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 6 to 7 PM (Fall-Spring 3-4PM), Fridays 7:30 to 8 AM

Rosary: First Sunday of the Month 8:00 AM

Parish Prayer Line: Shc.prayerline@yahoo.com Diane Gilleran

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joseph Keough Email: frjfk@aol.com

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Assistant : Jackie Dion

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***Please note that neither Fr. J Keough nor any staff member, volunteers, or members of Sacred Heart Parish will ever call or text requesting donations of gift cards online, bitcoin or electronic transfer of funds.**

Please report any suspicious activity to the parish office and/or Suffield Police.

To report an incident of sexual abuse in the Archdiocese, visit our website or the archdioceseofhartford.com

July 5, 2026 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Tabernacle Candle this week burns in Honor and Memory of **Tom Thayer**.



Dedicated by Paul & Linda Formanek

Saturday, July 4~ Happy Birthday America 250th

8:00 PM Carolyn & Gregory Stack

Sunday, July 5

8:30 AM Roy Family

10:30 AM Florentine Ehongo(L)~Birthday Wishes

Monday, July 6

8:00 AM Savitts Family

6 – 7 PM Holy Hour

Tuesday, July 7

8:00 AM Mary Anna Keough

Wednesday, July 8

8:00 AM **NO MASS**

Thursday, July 9

8:00 AM **NO MASS**

Friday, July 10

8:00 AM Charles Krut

Saturday, July 11

4:00 PM Bernard "Bernie" Heizman

Sunday, July 12

8:30 AM Lise Roy

10:30 AM Ann Connelly

***Apologies for any misspelled names**

Baptized in Christ
Cooper James Stevens
Luke John Armstrong
Juniper Raine Cole
Rory James Cole



Our Weekly Offertory

On **June 28**, **482** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

June 28, 2026, Parish Support:

\$6,367.85	Offertory
\$681.69	Online Giving
\$7,049.54	Total

Thank you for your support!



Parish Support made easy: Online giving is always available (and safe). Visit our website for information at www.sacredheartct.com or scan the QR Code in this bulletin for My E-Offering. Thank you for your generous support!

SAVE THE DATE

July 6th – Men's Group 7:10PM in the Rectory

July 17th – Pray Date 3:30PM in Church

September 19th – 10:00AM CONFIRMATION CEREMONY at the Cathedral of St. Joseph

September 26th & 27th – Sr. Regina, Maranatha Caring Mission Appeal

October 7th–12th – Pilgrimage to Mexico, Our Lady of Guadalupe

October 18th – Incredible Pancake Breakfast

October 24th – Barn Dance

Bible Study is on break until September.

Traveling this summer? Check out the churches near your destination at www.masstimes.org

NO MASS ON WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY THIS WEEK 7/8, 7/9. Fr. Joe is on his annual Emmaus (Priest Support Group) Retreat. Pray for them!

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

NAME/s: _____

(Please include all family member names and children's age)

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL: _____

☐ New Registration ☐ Request Envelopes

☐ Change Address, E-Mail, Phone Number

☐ Moving out of parish.

STATUS: Single, Married, Divorced, Widowed (circle one)

Would you like to receive ENVELOPES: YES NO

You may leave it in the marked basket in the church lobby or drop it in the mailbox outside the rectory office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Summer office hours: By appointment only

Closed holidays and school vacations

Donna Swols, DRE: shc_dre@aol.com (temporary)

Jackie Dion, Adm. Asst.

Please use voicemail, email, or our handy outdoor mailbox as necessary to conduct Religious Ed business.



A JULY 4TH REMINDER: Take time this 4th of July holiday to remember those who founded this great country and those who fought for the freedoms that we now enjoy! Blessed July 4th to everyone! Have a safe weekend.

PLEASE NOTE

2026-2027 REGISTRATION INFORMATION: Registration information for the 2026-2027 Religious Education year will be available July 2026. This is for both new and returning families/students. Please note that families/students must register each year for Religious Education at Sacred Heart as well as being a registered and active member of the parish. The bulletin, email and our website will be updated soon with information about re-registering and registering your children for the Sacred Heart Religious Education Program. Thank you.

Peter's Pence Collection

Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! As a parish, we collected **\$2,189.56**. Our contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Leo XIV in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 11:28-30 "Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." Give your marriage a rest from the world and renew your love by participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. Here are some dates listed below. For more dates and info go to wwme.org:
August 28-30, 2026, Holy Family Retreat House, West Hartford, CT
September 18-20, 2026, Huntington Seminary, Huntington, NY
Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, seven days a week. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration limited; \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or wwme.org.



God Bless America!

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Living Faith booklets for July, August and September are available in the vestibule while supply lasts. FREE daily devotional for your faith development. Take some for friends and family.

Jesus Wept is our newest parish ministry for anyone experiencing any type of loss or grief. You are always welcome to join us—every other Thursday in Fr. Ted Hall beginning at 6PM. The next gathering will be **Thursday, July 9th**.

PRAY DATE for our youngest members, **Friday July 17th 3:30 PM** in the church with Eucharistic Adoration then crafts and activities outside afterwards (or in Fr. Ted Hall). All families with kids from newborn to ?? are welcome to join us. This month's theme: **Praying for and with our kids.**
It's chaotic! It's fun! It's important!



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Suffield Council # 6281

Ed McAnaney, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- In recognition of potential family holiday related commitments, the next Suffield Council # 6281 meeting has been delayed a week, so it will be scheduled for **Sunday, July 12th at 7:00 p.m.** in Father Ted Hall. At this meeting we will welcome Anthony Mandrola as the next Grand Knight. Further, Council 6281 wishes to recognize and express appreciation for the past three years of leadership by Brother Knight Ed McAnaney.
- The Suffield Council # 6281 will again be working with the Suffield Rotary Club to host the Annual **Suffield on the Green** weekend. Anyone interested in volunteering to assist with the Information Booth or in some other way on **Saturday, September 12th and/or Sunday September 13th** are asked to contact Brian Kruczek at 203.886.8884 or BK60611@Gmail.com.
- In celebration of the 250th birthday of the United States, the exhibit **In God We Trust: The Knights of Columbus and the American Experience** explores how the history of the United States helped shape the 1882 founding of the Knights in New Haven, CT. The exhibition illustrates the Knights' development into a global institution that has persevered in improving society through its core principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism. Plan a visit from **now until September 5, 2026**, to the Blessed Michael McGivney Pilgrimage Center, 1 State Street, New Haven, open Wednesday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. With **free admission and free parking**.

From the Pastor's Desk

Our gospel this weekend is a statement by Jesus of the value of each person, no matter their social status. In a society that values wealth, productivity, and success, the words of Jesus are an open invitation to everyone to come to him. Why does Jesus want followers who are poor and lowly? People who find life burdensome, uneducated and simple? If we consider ourselves to be well educated, comfortable, and confident, can we be followers of Christ? Jesus wants to save all of us. He wants us all to want to be come to him.

*This Fourth of July weekend can we see the parallels imbedded in our American heritage? Two hundred and fifty years ago, our nation's founders composed the Declaration of Independence, a unique document for the world at that time based on these same values. **"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness."** The theme repeated again and again throughout our history as we try to make the dream a reality for all.*

From nearby New York harbor, Lady Liberty boldly stands with her lamp raised high welcoming all who are seeking the opportunity to be recognized for their human dignity.

"Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tost to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

From Emma Lazarus' epic poem, "The New Colossus".

This weekend, our nation pauses to celebrate the forming of a new understanding of government recognizing and protecting the God given dignity of all people. This did not happen overnight and in some ways, we are still working on it, but the sentiment has always been the true heart of these United States. Founded as one nation under God, we are free to worship our God and follow our Savior Jesus Christ.

"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart, and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy and my burden light." MT11:28-30.

God bless America and God bless you!

Fr. Joe Keough

CAN YOU HELP SAVE THE LIFE OF A PRIEST?

Fr. Josh Wilbur, a priest of the Archdiocese of Hartford is in desperate need of a liver donor (yours will grow back). He is a young pastor currently serving in Oxford, CT at St Thomas the Apostle Parish. Fr. Josh has a rare liver disease and is in the "end stage" unless a donor is found. For more information on how you could help (ages 22-55) please visit www.frjoshwilbur.com Whether you can donate a liver or not, please keep Fr. Josh in your prayers!



Last call to sign up for the pilgrimage to Mexico, October 7-12, 2026:

Don't miss your opportunity to experience the beauty and wonder of Our Lady of Guadalupe! Sign up by July 9th to join Fr. Joe and other pilgrims on this faith-filled experience. English guide, airport transfers, one hotel for the whole trip. This prayerful, safe and fun journey will lead us not just to Mexico but to Mary or Mother. Daily Mass and visits to the tilma as well as all the apparition sites. Additional details and information are available at www.versoministries.com/sacred-heart-mexico

