



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 attention Diane.

Parish Staff

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

Administrative Assistant: Jackie Dion email: SacredHeartSuffield1@gmail.com

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Director: Miss Donna M. Swols email: shc_dre@aol.com (Temporary)

Assistant : Jackie Dion

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Floyd Higgins & Gretchen Collins floydandgretchen@comcast.net

***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

August 30, 2026 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Tabernacle Candle this week burns in Memory
and Honor of **Carl A. Piecyk**



At the request of Amy Hinkle

Saturday, August 29

4:00 PM Mary Anna Keough

Sunday, August 30

8:30 AM Roy Family

10:30 AM Madeleine Ehongo(L)~*Birthday Wishes*

Monday, August 31

8:00 AM Isabel Escolastica

Jose Firmino

6 – 7 PM Holy Hour

Tuesday, September 1

8:00 AM Carl Anthony Piecyk(D)*Birthday Blessings*

Wednesday, September 2

8:00 AM Anne Connelly

Thursday, September 3

8:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, September 4

8:00 AM Charles Krut(D)

Saturday, September 5

4:00 PM Carolyn & Gregory Stack

Sunday, September 6

8:30 AM Leo & Regina Morency

10:30 AM Carl Anthony Piecyk

***Apologies for any misspelled names**

**Suffield on the Green is coming up soon.
You can be part of the BEST booth on the
green this year by assisting at our parish
booth AKA the Train Station! Sign-up
with the Parish Office!**

Our Weekly Offertory

On **August 23**, **594** members and visitors
worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

August 23, 2026, Parish Support:

\$6,240.00	Offertory
\$899.42	Online Giving
\$7,139.42	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

September 3rd – Jesus Wept Ministry 6:00PM prompt.

September 8th – Men's Group 7:00PM in the Rectory

September 12th & 13th – Suffield on the Green

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September 15th – Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary Devotion

September 17th – Jesus Wept Ministry 6:00PM prompt.

September 18th – Bingo Night

September 19th – **10:00AM** Confirmation Ceremony at the
Cathedral of St. Joseph

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

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

October 10th – CT Catholic Men's Conference

October 18th – **Incredible** Pancake Breakfast

October 21st – Book Club meets 10:30-11:30AM Fr. Ted Hall

The Family of Spies by *Christine Kuehn*

October 24th – Barn Dance

Bible Study is on break until September.

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.



JOIN US FOR A SUMMER SOCIAL: Come on over for a SUMMER SOCIAL after all Masses *next Sunday*, September 6, 2026 sponsored by the Religious Education program! Stop by Fr. Ted Hall after the 8:30am or 10:30am Mass and enjoy a treat or two and take a break from a busy day! See you then!

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Sign up for an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter. The next Encounter dates are listed below. For more dates and info go to wwme.org:

September 18-20, 2026, Huntington Seminary, Huntington, NY

October 6-27 (Virtual), Coastal New England-2 nights a week

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, seven weekdays. 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.

Mass with Archbishop Coyne on the Occasion of the 25th Anniversary of September 11

All are invited to join Archbishop Coyne for Mass commemorating the 25th anniversary of September 11 on Friday, September 11, at 12:10 pm at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph in Hartford.

Present at the Mass will be First Responders from around Connecticut

The Cathedral tower bells will toll throughout the morning to remember those who died in the terrorist attacks that day and beyond.

8:46 am: American Airlines Flight 11 crashes into the North Tower

9:03 am: United Airlines Flight 175 crashes into the South Tower

9:37 am: American Airlines Flight 77 crashes into the Pentagon

9:59 am: The South Tower Collapses

10:03 am: United Airlines Flight 93 crashes near Shanksville, PA.

10:28 am: The North Tower collapses

Finally, at 12:00 noon, the Cathedral bells will toll to remember Those who died in the weeks, months, and years after the attack due to 9/11 related health issues.



Knights of Columbus®

Suffield Council # 6281

Anthony Mandrola, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- 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 help by working at the Information Booth, handing out train ride tickets, 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.
- Attention all Suffield Council # 6281 members, come help make the Knights of Columbus booth(s) set up easier for the Annual Suffield on the Green weekend planned for **Thursday, September 10th (meet at church garage at 5:00 p.m.)** and/or take down on **Monday, September 14th (meet at Town Green at 5:00 p.m.)**. Check your recent Council # 6281 emails for access to the SignUpGenius software link to assist with coordination of resources.
- Next local Knights of Columbus Council #6281 monthly meeting will be Sunday **September 20th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** Father Ted Hall.

From the Pastor's Desk

"OurseminarianMike" has returned to his seminary to begin his third of four years of study. God willing, he will be ordained as a "Transitional Deacon" in the spring of 2027, or the end of his third year of studies. I mentioned this last week, and I apologize for any confusion it may have caused. He is not stopping at deacon! The Transitional Deaconate is just that, transitional. It is the final stage of his seminary formation and his first ordination.

The Transitional, unlike "Permanent" Diaconate is for men who are moving toward ordained priesthood. It varies by diocese and seminary so there are several variables in play here. Mike has already gone through the "stages" of Candidate, Acolyte and Lector. This pattern also varies by diocese and seminary but the three are completed as the man preparing for holy orders grows in his formation. The "candidate" phase is a declaration that the diocese recognizes his desire to pursue Holy Orders and has completed certain tasks that bear witness to this. "Acolyte" is a fancy word for altar server and "Lector" is the reader at Mass.

The Transitional Deacon makes his promises of obedience to the bishop, celibacy, and praying the Divine Office or "Liturgy of the Hours." He can also proclaim the gospel at Mass, give a homily, celebrate Baptisms, and witness marriages. He continues his studies and formation process and after a period of at least six months is eligible to be called to "Presbyteral Ordination," also known as priesthood.

In a few weeks, Fr. Anthony Federico will be sending out the latest vocation poster. "OurseminarianMike," manages to hold a top row spot again which means he is part of one of the upcoming classes (2028). The men at the bottom may have as many as nine years of formation ahead of them. PRAY for all of them, please!

If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more about becoming a priest, contact Fr Anthony Federico, Vocations Director of the Archdiocese of Hartford at www.hartfordpriest.com or contact Fr. Joe.

Have a blessed week!

Fr Joe Keough



HEAVENLY HELP: Ask a saint for help! Every Advent and Christmas we have a prayer program called "Come Home for Christmas" where we put the names or initials on a star for our Christmas Trees and we pray for family and friends who are away from the church. Don't wait for December and don't do it alone! Ask St. Monica to pray for them *with you*. Monica prayed for over thirty years for the conversion of her sons and she had great success! Her very pagan son, Augustine not only became a Christian, then a priest, then a bishop, then a saint and Doctor of the Church. We celebrate St. Monica on August 27 and St Augustine on August 28. Pray hard this week!

Jesus Wept Ministry:

This ministry is intended to provide spiritual support, fellowship, and encouragement through faith, sharing, prayer, and Scripture reflection. God is in charge of our healing and will bring it to completion, here or on our way to heaven. Please join us; grief is healing when it is expressed.

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic?
Are you an adult looking for the sacraments of Baptism/Communion/Confirmation? The process of faith formation for adults will be starting soon. For more information, please contact Fr. Joe at the parish office (after his vacation) or email frjfk@aol.com



Sacred Heart Parish First Sunday Rosary

Would you like to lead an upcoming First Sunday Rosary? Any member of the Sacred Heart Family may participate in this spiritual opportunity. To be scheduled to lead a future First Sunday Rosary (prayed at 8:00 before the 8:30 AM Mass), please contact Fr. Joe or Caroline Alexopoulos (alexjr4@cox.net).

Please keep Our Church clean!
Please put Missalettes & Hymn Books back in their places and
remove any items you may have in your pew. Thank you!