



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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***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

September 13, 2026 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Tabernacle Candle this week burns in Memory and Honor of *Our Parishioners*.



Saturday, September 12

4:00 PM Mary Anna Keough

Sunday, September 13

8:30 AM Gallagher Family

10:30 AM Elizabeth A. Piecyk(L)

Monday, September 14

8:00 AM John Grasso(L)~Birthday Wishes

6 – 7 PM Holy Hour

Tuesday, September 15

8:00 AM Lois Lyle

Wednesday, September 16

8:00 AM Kathleen Helmke

Thursday, September 17

8:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, September 18

8:00 AM Members of the Dowden family
living and deceased.

Saturday, September 19

4:00 PM David Waterman(L)~Birthday Wishes

Sunday, September 20

8:30 AM Matthew & Richard Roy

10:30 AM Lise Banach

***Apologies for any misspelled names**



God Bless America ♥ ♡

Our Weekly Offertory

On **September 6**, **521** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

September 6, 2026, Parish Support:

\$7,803.51	Offertory
\$746.85	Online Giving
\$8,550.36	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 14th – Prayer Shawl Meeting 4PM

September 15th – Our Lady of Sorrows Rosary Devotion

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

September 18th – Bingo Night – Fr. Ted Hall

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

September 22nd – 6:30PM OCIA in the Church

September 25th – 4:15PM Pray Date for our little ones

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

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.



THANK YOU!: Many thanks to everyone who stopped by Fr. Ted Hall last Sunday for some treats at our SUMMER SOCIAL, sponsored by Religious Education. It was great to see some of our Religious Ed families and to connect and re-connect with our parishioners. Your continued support of our program and our activities is greatly appreciated! Thank you again and see you soon!

PLEASE NOTE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES START DATE:

Classes for grades K-9 will begin next Sunday, Sept. 20, 2026. Please look for additional information via email. Thank you.

Suffield Community Aid Pantry Needs

Canned Diced or Crushed Tomatoes,
Canned Green Beans, Canned Corn,
Canned Black Beans, Canned Fruit, Applesauce,
Oatmeal

Items will be collected September 19th & 20th.

**Thank you, Sacred Heart Human Needs
Ministry**

***Fair Trade items will be available after
ALL Masses this weekend, 9/12 & 9/13.
Stop in and support the farmers.***

Annual HOPES Collection

Next weekend, our parish will participate in the Archdiocese of Hartford's annual HOPES Collection – **Help Our Parish Educators & Students**. This collection directly benefits all Catholic elementary schools by providing grants that strengthen academic excellence and deepen faith formation.

Pope Leo XIV, in his Apostolic letter, Drawing New Maps of Hope, reminds us of the Church's mission to “draw new maps of hope, so that every generation may find paths that lead to the fullness of life.” Our Catholic schools do exactly this – forming children in mind, body, and spirit, and preparing them to bring the Gospel into the world.

Because our schools are entirely tuition-driven, the support of parishioners is essential. Your generosity helps keep Catholic education accessible to families and ensures that students continue to thrive in safe, faith-filled environments.

Please give generously to the HOPES Collection next weekend. Thank you for supporting Catholic education in the Archdiocese of Hartford.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Romans 14:7-8 "No one lives for oneself and no one dies for oneself. If we live, we live for the Lord. If we die, we die for the Lord." Put the Lord first. Forgive one another. Also, live and die for your spouse." Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends:

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

October 16-18, St. Anne Shrine, Isla La Motte, VT

November 13-15, Huntington, NY

Early registration is highly recommended. For more dates and info go to wwme.org
Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, seven weekdays. Registration limited; \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at [860-337-2447](tel:860-337-2447) or wwme.org.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Suffield Council # 6281

Anthony Mandrola, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- Next local Knights of Columbus Council #6281 monthly meeting will be next Sunday **September 20th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** Father Ted Hall.
- All men from Sacred Heart Parish are urged to consider attending the 19th annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference scheduled for **Saturday, October 10th 7:30 a.m.** (doors open) **to 4:00 p.m.** (vigil mass with Archbishop Coyne to follow) at the Holy Cross High School, Waterbury. Visit the website ctcatholicmem.org for more details and/or (\$45) ticket information for this dynamic session which will include: a Eucharistic procession, Adoration, first-class relics, and Confession.
- The Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast for Sacred Heart Parishioners following masses on **Sunday, October 25th** in Father Ted Hall. Suffield Council # 6281 members interested in helping on this day should contact Brian Kruczek at 203.886.8884 or BK60611@Gmail.com. All are welcome to attend this **free-of-charge event** and there **will be a gluten-free option available.**

From the Pastor's Desk

Seventy-seven times? Seriously, Jesus? That seems like a whole bunch of forgiveness for someone who sinned against me!

Jesus gives an extreme response to a question about how much we should forgive each other. What if we just try to forgive once, sincerely from the heart? Maybe one more time to be sure. We might find ourselves a few days later still holding some resentment/anger/hurt so we offer a third time of forgiveness.

Before you know it, we are still struggling to truly forgive, and we've tried about 40 times already. Put down the abacus and turn yourself over to Christ. Pray for the other person. Pray for yourself. Then, reverse the roles and think how you would want to be treated by the other person and how you want to be treated by the Lord.

Have a blessed week!
Fr. Joe Keough

PRAY DATE: Join our next "Pray Date" for our little ones on **Friday, September 25th at 4:15 PM** in the church for the Children's version of Eucharistic Adoration, prayer and activities. Families with children from newborn on up are welcome to join us! Refreshments and activities follow in the Meditation Garden. Kids, bring your parents or grandparents—they might learn stuff about Jesus and meet other parents!

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 **TUESDAY SEPT 22 at 6:30 PM in the church**. For more information, please contact Fr. Joe at the parish office or email frjfk@aol.com

Men's Retreat at Holy Family September 25-27: Men of the parish are invited to spend some time enjoying a retreat experience designed just for them. A weekend away with other Catholic men seeking to deepen their relationship with God. The theme of the retreat this year is, "With One Heart, uniting us with God and one another. For more information and to register online visit www.info@holyfamilyretreat.org

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.

Our first **Prayer Shawl Meeting** for the Fall is scheduled for Monday, Sept 14th at 4pm in the Children's Chapel at Sacred Heart Church. Please come join us as we knit, crochet, sew or craft items to share God's love, comfort and healing to those in need. All new and returning friends are welcome as always! Thank you, hope you can attend.

*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*

Novena to Our Lady of Sorrows will conclude with our outdoor prayer in the Mary Garden on Tuesday, September 15th at 6:00 PM all are welcome!

Devotions to Our Lady of Sorrows **Nine-Day Novena and Rosary** **September 7– 15**

Handouts to be provided in the Vestibule of the church
Novena to be recited following 8:00 AM Weekday Mass
Outdoor Rosary to Our Lady of Sorrows – Sept. 15 (6:00 PM)

