



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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***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 27, 2026 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Tabernacle Candle this week burns in Memory
and Honor of *Gloria Ridel*



Dedicated by Dennis and Ann Bixler

Saturday, September 26

4:00 PM Gloria Ridel(D)~*Birthday Blessings*

Sunday, September 27

8:30 AM Trevor French

10:30 AM Nicco Piccolo

Monday, September 28

8:00 AM Peter Barnard

6 – 7 PM Holy Hour

Tuesday, September 29

8:00 AM Roland & Sandra Desmarais~
Wedding Anniversary & Blessings.

Wednesday, September 30

8:00 AM Brenda Desmarais(D)~*Birthday Blessings*

Thursday, October 1

8:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, October 2

8:00 AM Jeanne Caron(D)

Saturday, October 3

4:00 PM Carolyn & Gregory Stack

Sunday, October 4

8:30 AM Roy Family

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

***Apologies for any misspelled names**

WOMEN'S SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY begins this week!

Are you a woman seeking to deepen your faith? We are happy to offer a Small Christian Community experience for women of all ages reflecting on the upcoming Sunday gospel and the presence of Christ in our lives. The group will meet on Tuesday evenings in the Children's Chapel from 6:30-7:30 PM, beginning September 29th and run for six weeks. Rekindle friendships, make new friends, and grow in your faith life! For more information, please call Jeanne Forschino at 860-254-5421.

Our Weekly Offertory

On **September 20**, **607** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

September 20, 2026, Parish Support:

\$6,649.00	Offertory
\$1,238.40	Online Giving
\$7,887.40	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-Offertory. Thank you for your generous support!

SAVE THE DATE

September 29th – Small Christian Community for Women

October 3rd – 1:00PM BLESSING of the Animals Meditation Garden

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

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS (OCIA).

Are you an adult looking for the sacraments of Baptism/Communion/Confirmation? The process of faith formation for adults will meet **TUESDAY SEPT 28 at 6:30 PM in Fr. Ted Hall**. For more information, please contact Fr. Joe at the parish office or email frjfk@aol.com

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

Office hours: Sundays 7:30am-11:00am
and by appointment

Closed holidays and school vacations

Donna Swols, DRE: shc_dre@aol.com

Jackie Dion, Adm. Asst.

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



GRATEFUL THANKS!! Our greatest appreciation to everyone who "stepped up" to volunteer for our program this year – we are so blessed! It is great to have you on board and looking forward to another faith-filled year!

REL ED 2026-2027: Forms, calendars and information may be found on our website. Any questions, contact the DRE at shc_dre@aol.com Thank you!

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS 2026-2027: Completed service forms should be submitted to the Religious Education office within 30 days of the service date. Forms may be downloaded from our website or picked up from our pamphlet rack outside of the Religious Ed office. Thank you!

PLEASE NOTE

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION TODAY! in Fr. Ted Hall for grades K-5 parents/guardians ONLY. At least one parent must attend as there are several changes to the program to discuss. Early session 7:45am-8:15am; late session 9:45am-10:15am. Thank you!

BLESSING of the ANIMALS in honor of St. Francis of Assisi

Saturday, October 3 at 1:00 in the Meditation Garden. Bring your cats, dogs, goats, sheep, cows, turtles, birds, hamsters, horses or whatever other animals you care for. Make sure they are safely caged, leashed or carried for their safety and the safety of others. Celebrate the Year of St. Francis with the annual blessing of all creatures great and small!

Annual HOPES Collection

Thank you to all who donated to the HOPES Collection last weekend. Our Parish collected **2,860.70!** As always, thank you for your generous support.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

You can sign up by going to WWME.org. Some of the upcoming weekends are:

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

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.

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

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.

BINGO

Thank you to our volunteers and chairperson for another **VERY SUCCESSFUL** Bingo Night to raise money for our Sacred Heart Scholarship Fund! Their intense dedication raised **\$2,993.50!!!** Well done and many, many thank you to all who chaired and volunteered. It would not be possible without you ♥

Chili and Pie Orders Begin

Our Sacred Heart Scholarship Fund Chili and Pie sales will begin this weekend and the deadline for orders is Thursday, October 15th. Pickup will be Thursday, October 29, 10AM-2PM in Fr. Ted Hall! Please see the flyers inserted in the bulletin.



**Knights of
Columbus®**

Suffield Council # 6281

Anthony Mandrola, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- The Knights of Columbus regularly host a night of **Texas Hold'em** on the first Friday of each month at the local VFW on Sheldon Street. Open to all players, the next tournament night is scheduled for **Friday, October 2nd** with a start time of 7:00 p.m. (doors will open at 6:00 p.m.). A portion of each night's \$40 entry cost will be used to help **support the needs of local veterans**. Come join the fun!
- Next local Knights of Columbus Council #6281 monthly meeting will be Sunday **October 4th, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** Father Ted Hall.
- Watch for local members to be handing out baby bottles after all masses over the October 3rd & 4th weekend as Knights of Columbus Council #6281 teams up with **St. Gerard's Center for Life** in Hartford to conduct a fund raiser for this faith-based pregnancy resource center. St. Gerard's provides free and confidential services to equip women and men with support for pregnancy decisions, parenting journeys, and post-abortive care. **Bottles are to be returned on October 17th & 18th.**
- The Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast for Sacred Heart Parishioners following masses on **Sunday, October 18th** 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

Welcome back, Sister Regina and Maranatha Caring Missions! As I mentioned last weekend Sr Regina is counting on our prayers and support to assist our brothers and sisters in Nigeria who need basic health care. Our parish support over the past two years has enabled Maranatha to work miracles in the lives of many people.

Our second collection will be your opportunity to change not only the life of a person suffering from eye disease but will also change your life As St. Paul reminds us in the second reading this weekend "humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also for those of others. Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus."

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Joe Keough

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### ***Sealed with the Holy Spirit!***

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed members who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Saturday at the Cathedral of St. Joseph! As Archbishop Coyne reminded them in his homily, they are now fully initiated in the Church (not graduated from the Church). Keep them and their families in your prayers.

***Isabella Bes  
Jackson Brown  
Joshua Flanagan  
Kollin Gleason  
Lily Levasseur  
John Morissette  
Ann Rickson  
Alexandra Strawinski***



***Jameson Bielucki  
Brooke Calavan  
William Fortier  
Logan Golembiewski  
Nicholas Lombardo  
Benjamin Peskin  
Camryn Stokes  
Finnan Tobey***

Our Lady of Guadalupe Pilgrimage is fast approaching and while not everyone can physically join us in Mexico, you can be with us in prayer. Please feel free to place your prayer intentions inside the BLUE Prayer Intention Box (labeled Guadalupe Prayer Intention Box) which is on the table in the vestibule. Your prayer intentions can be placed in the Guadalupe Prayer Intention Box at any time between now and Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2026. We will include them in all our Masses during the pilgrimage and leave them at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mexico. The pilgrimage runs from Wednesday, October 7 – Monday, October 12, 2026. Pray for us as we pray for you!



WELCOME BACK, **SISTER REGINA** and Maranatha Caring Missions! This weekend, Sister Regina returns and will be making an appeal at all Masses to assist our sisters and brothers in need. When do we ever have an opportunity to give someone their life back for \$100 (the cost of an eye procedure)? We can alleviate their anxieties, their fears, as well as those of their families for \$100! Remember that once again this year we have a generous "matching challenge" of \$2500. Please help us meet this goal! For more information visit our parish website or the Maranatha Caring Mission website at: [www.maranathacm.org](http://www.maranathacm.org)