



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

Religious Education:

860-668-7766 Fax: 860-370-5164

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

October 11, 2026 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



Saturday, October 10

4:00 PM Tom Modzelesky Jr.

Sunday, October 11

8:30 AM Bernard Elliott (L)

10:30 AM Janice Smith

Monday, October 12

8:00 AM NO MASS

6 – 7 PM NO Holy Hour

Tuesday, October 13

8:00 AM Brenda Desmarais ~ Anniversary
Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday, October 14

8:00 AM Charlie Kirk

Thursday, October 15

8:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, October 16

8:00 AM George Whitty(D)~10th Anniversary

Saturday, October 17

4:00 PM Tom Thayer

Sunday, October 18

8:30 AM Trevor French

10:30 AM John Francis Valvo Jr.

***Apologies for any misspelled names**

Baptized in Christ
Juliette Jane Quinn



Our Weekly Offertory

On **October 4**, **557** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

October 4, 2026, Parish Support:

\$6,524.70	Offertory
\$831.85	Online Giving
\$7,356.55	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!

Welcome, Father Jette!!!

Due to the pilgrimage to Mexico this week there will be no Mass or Holy Hour this Monday.

Please forgive us for any mistakes in the Bulletin

SAVE THE DATE

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

October 18th – Incredible **FREE** 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

October 26th – 3-4:00 PM Holy Hour

November 7th – Christmas Bazaar Craft Fair

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES WILL NOT MEET due to the Columbus Day holiday.

PLEASE NOTE

Classes resume NEXT Sunday, October 18, 2026, for grades K-5. Grades 6-9 resume Sunday, October 25, 2026. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday!

NEXT SUNDAY – OCTOBER 18, 2026 - YOUTH MASSES! Students in our Religious Education Program will participate at the 8:30am and 10:30am Masses on October 18, 2026, as lectors, servers, greeters, and collectors. Hope you can join us!

SATURDAY – OCTOBER 24, 2026 - YOUTH MASS! Students from our Grade 6 and 7 Religious Education Program will participate at the 4:00pm Mass on October 24, 2026, as lectors, servers, greeters, and collectors. See you in church!

COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS 2026-2027: Grades 6-9, don't forget about your community service hours! 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 find copies in our pamphlet rack outside of the Religious Ed office. Thank you!

Chili and Pie Orders

Our Sacred Heart Scholarship Fund Chili and Pie Orders are under way and the deadline for orders is Thursday, October 15th. Pickup will be Thursday, October 29, 10AM-2PM in Fr. Ted Hall!

Suffield Community Aid Pantry Needs

Canned Chicken, Canned Pasta, Cereal, Applesauce,
Shampoo/Conditioner, Hand Soap,
Household Cleaners

***Items will be collected October 17th & 18th.
Thank you, Sacred Heart Human Needs Ministry♥***

Worldwide Marriage Encounter:

Strengthen your relationship by signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter. You can sign up by going to WWME.org. Some of the upcoming weekends are:

**October 16-18, St. Anne Shrine, Isla La Motte, VT
November 13-15, Huntington, NY**

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](tel:860-337-2447) or wwme.org.

A "Thank You" from the Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to thank our KOC for their generosity in funding the yarn used to create the prayer shawls gifted to our recent confirmation class. Thank you to Fr Joe and our SHC parish family for all your prayers. Thank you, Mr. Mandrola, our Religious Ed program and all the catechists, through the years who have provided inspired guidance.

We are our best when we come together!

May we take a moment to be thankful and proud of these beautiful young people and their families as they continue to step forward in their faith. May we be thankful for our parish family for all the ways we each offer our gifts to support and grow the Body of Christ.

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."
(St Catherine of Siena)



**Knights of
Columbus**

Suffield Council # 6281

Anthony Mandrola, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- Thank you for the wonderful reaction to Knights of Columbus Council members, handing out baby bottles after all masses last weekend. Our local council has teamed up with **St. Gerard's Center for Life** in Hartford raising funds for this faith-based pregnancy resource center which provides free and confidential services to equip women and men with support for pregnancy decisions, parenting journeys, and post-abortive care. **Remember, all 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**.
- Also on **Saturday, October 17th and Sunday, October 18th**, the Knights of Columbus Council # 6281 will be conducting a membership drive after all masses. Please consider stopping by in the church sanctuary after mass to speak with a current member to see how you might find some faith enrichment and purpose by joining our growing group.

From the Pastor's Desk

Currently on pilgrimage in Mexico to experience the beauty and wonder of Our Lady of Guadalupe. You are in our prayers and hope you are praying for us!

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Joe Keough

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**WOMEN'S SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY** 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. For more information, please call Jeanne Forschino at 860-254-5421.

**PRAY DATE** for October, we get ready for "All-Hallow's Eve" and All Saints Day with a saintly costume party along with our Eucharistic Adoration and prayers for our families. Our "little saints" will gather on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:15 PM. Children from newborn on up are welcome to attend with parent(s) or grandparent(s). Sign up on our parish website at [www.sacredheartct.com](http://www.sacredheartct.com)

#### **A NOTE OF THANKS FROM SR. REGINA:**

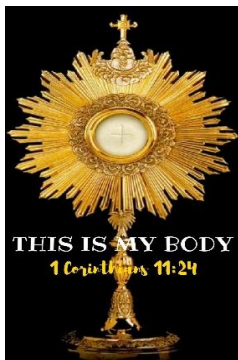
Dear Father Joe & Parishioners,

Gratitude, Greetings and peace of the Lord to you and your various families! Thank you for your generosity and hospitality on the Mission Appeal weekend of September 26-27. All of us at Maranatha are very thankful for your enthusiastic generous donations which will be used to perform free cataract surgeries to enable our impoverished patients regain their eyesight. By your remarkable kindness to the course of our mission, you have greatly encouraged us in our commitment to the work and love of God. May the hope and love you bring to others be returned to you immensely. Holy Masses will be offered for your intentions and those of your families. Please keep our mission at Maranatha in your prayers and pray for me too.

God bless you for all you do!

With prayerful wishes, Sr. Regina Mgbakor

We collected over **\$19,000.00** to help restore sight to the blind, support women with prenatal care as well as health care support for their families and so much more! For more information visit our parish website or the Maranatha Caring Mission website at: [www.maranathacm.org](http://www.maranathacm.org)



**HOLY HOUR** will move from Monday 6-7PM to Monday 3-4PM beginning **Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us for some quiet time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament whether it is all you have planned for the day or as you transition from school to home or work to home.

Spend the whole hour or just ten minutes in meaningful prayer!

Everyone is welcome