

Sacred Heart Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community



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Served by:

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Office hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.



Liturgical Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.
Sunday: 8:00 A.M. and 10:15 A.M.

Daily Mass Schedule
8:00 A.M. (Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday & Friday)

Holy Days:
8 a.m. & 12:10 p.m..

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays 3:30 P.M.- 4:15 P.M.
or anytime by appointment.

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Stewardship: The Gift you have been given, give as a gift (Mt 10:8)

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 6, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, September 5 4:30 p.m.	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Cameron Guindazola (healing) By Larry & Mary Laureno
Sunday, September 6 8:00 a.m.	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish
10:15 a.m.	John & Elinor Murray By Mary Murray
Monday, September 7 9:00 a.m.	Weekday (Labor Day) People of the Parish
Tuesday, September 8 8:00 a.m.	Weekday Vincent Chidozie & Family By Vincent Chidozie
Wednesday, September 9	Weekday No morning Mass
Thursday, September 10 8:00 a.m.	St. Gregory Vincent Jaunai By Anastasia Jaunai
Friday, September 11 8:00 a.m.	Weekday Anne Wall Eileen Workman
Saturday, September 12 4:30 p.m.	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time People of the Parish
Sunday, September 13 8:00 a.m.	23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Intention available
10:15 a.m.	John & Elinor Murray By Mary Murray

DINNER CLUB WINNERS

July

\$50 John Politis
\$25 Peter Wilcox
\$25 Cathy Pepin
\$25 Richard Roy

August

\$50 Blanche Randall
\$25 Wanda Carmon
\$25 Mary Laureno
\$25 Lynn Donatelli

Adoration

of the
Blessed Sacrament



Join us at 6:00p.m. on Tuesday, September 8th for Adoration and the Rosary. There will also be adoration on Friday, September 11th from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED "Sing to the Lord a New Song!"

As seasons turn, our choir once again lifts its voice in praise! We welcome back our faithful singers, and open our arms to new voices. Whether you've sung for years, or simply feel the stirrings of song in your heart, now is the time to join us. Come and be part of our joyful and prayerful ministry. No audition required - just your willing heart, a listening ear, and eager voice! **First Rehearsal: September 9th at 7:00pm, Room 4.**



Religious Education programs for grades 1-8 (Confirmation)

Religious Education classes for grades 1 through confirmation will begin the first week of October from 9 to 10 a.m. each Sunday morning. Please feel free to register now. Forms are available on the parish website, at the entrance of the church, or by emailing the parish office:
sacredheartblt@gmail.com.

LABOR DAY

September 7, 2026

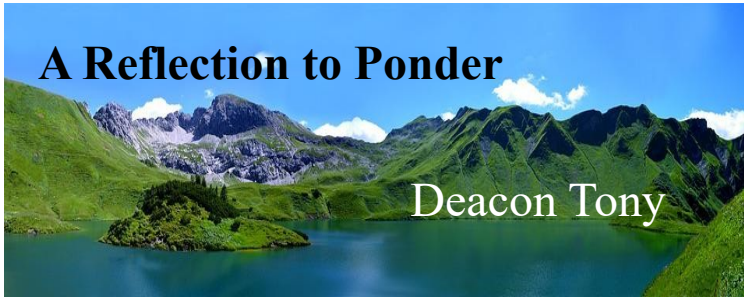
Monday is Labor Day and as is our holiday tradition, Morning Mass will be at 9:00 a.m. We hope you can join us. Please note: The office will be closed.



PRAYER SHAWL

All are welcome to the next gathering of the prayer shawl ministry on Monday, September 7th from 10 to 11:30. in room 3.

A Reflection to Ponder



Deacon Tony

There is very beautiful old legend about the last day. Up in Paradise on the last day, everyone is celebrating, with dancing and singing and shouting with great jubilation. Everyone that is, except Jesus who was standing very quietly in the shadows of the gates of Paradise. Someone asks Him what He

is doing in the middle of all the celebration. Standing very quietly, He says, "I am waiting here for Judas"? The story symbolizes the infinite quality of God's forgiving love which He offers to everyone, even to Judas. But the question still remains; Will Judas use his freedom to accept it or will he reject it?

And that is the same question we too must ask ourselves: Will we demonstrate our acceptance of the forgiveness of God, by extending that mercy and forgiveness to all who may have wronged us?

In teaching us to pray, Jesus added the phrase "as we forgive those who sin against us" because He knows that at any point in time, we are always going to have people who have sinned against us. First, let us consider those factors that often cause quarrel among people: 1. Pride: The natural tendency to refuse to accept that I am wrong. 2. Anger, the "disease" that prevents me from making the best possible rational decisions. 3. Survival Instinct: Love for material things which I believe would sustain my life. 4. Ingratitude: The feeling that what has been taken from me is of more value than what I have. 5. Revenge: The belief that I can only be happy if I transfer my pain to others. The moment we master these underlining tendencies; we discover that we would easily avoid a lot of quarrels. Now, let's consider the step-by-step procedure Jesus recommends: Step 1: Go to the person who has hurt you and discuss ONE on ONE with him or her. Surprisingly, this first step is often the most difficult to do. The truth is that if only we follow this first step of Jesus, we would have quenched the fire before it even begins. Step 2, If your brother refuses to be reconciled, that is when you may invite one or two persons and if these persons are unable to intervene, then Step 3, Invite the church. By rejecting the church, the person could then be treated as an unbeliever. This means he would need to be evangelized and catechized all over again. Jesus then goes on to talk about prayer which I would call the ultimate move at settling any dispute. Pray about it. And so, my dear friends, let us pray to our Lord Jesus, to give us the wisdom to act right and forgive when someone sins against us. Amen.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly:	\$ 4,097.00
On-Line:	\$ 707.00
Total Received:	\$ 4,804.00
Budgeted:	\$ 5,000.00

*Thank
you!*



POPE LEO ON X

The Church cannot remain passive or indifferent to what happens in the world. Rather, she is called to journey alongside humanity, especially in light of the rapid and profound changes taking place.



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Summer 2026

Brothers & Sisters:

As we move closer to autumn, there are many images around us. Fall foliage is slowly beginning to turn, the days are sunny and a bit cooler, and there is lots of activity going on in our homes and local area. Here in our parish, the summer days were busy. The annual parish picnic was filled with good food, cheer and fellowship as many families and members of our community enjoyed a beautiful day together. The annual "Mission Co-op" weekend took place as we once again welcomed the Little Sisters of Mary Immaculate in Gulu, East Africa. They shared the fruits of their ministries, including the good growth in their parish school and the new classes for refugee moms as we reached out to share our gift of treasure with them. Their words of commitment to begin our weekend Masses were an inspiration to us all.

We were reminded of one of the central parts of our parish: to be dedicated to gospel service and share our gifts with others. This is how we live as disciples of Christ, stewards of the blessings given to us by God. In the coming weeks, we will renew our commitment to living the stewardship way as we embrace our parish stewardship initiative with this year's theme "*We Walk by Faith.*" Together we will acknowledge the many gifts God has given us in our everyday lives as well as in our parish ministries and activities. We are called to live with grateful hearts and reflect on how we imitate the Lord Jesus in three areas:

Stewardship of Time – How much time do I set aside each week for prayer, to nurture my relationship with God and the people I love, and share myself in Christian service?

Stewardship of Talent – How am I using my talents to grow as a person, build up my parish and reach out in my local community?

Stewardship of Treasure – How do I live a generous life by sharing my treasure gifts in a sacrificial way that reflects my financial means so that I can help meet the fiscal needs of my parish, support its mission and ministries, and assist other charities in need?

During the next four weeks, we will all dedicate ourselves to *walking by faith* in the coming year. The four-week initiative includes:

- **Kick-off Weekend (Sept. 12–13):** Distribution of stewardship materials to assist in our prayer & reflection
- **Time & Talent Weekend (Sept. 19–20):** Ministry Fair after Mass and opportunities to share our Time & Talents
- **Treasure Weekend (Sept. 26–27):** Reflections on the ways we strive to share our treasure in a proportionate and consistent way each week.

Commitment Weekend (Oct. 3–4): Our first "All Are Welcome" weekend including a pancake breakfast following Masses at which time we all bring forth our commitment cards as a sign of our commitment for the coming year.

Thank you for the many ways you dedicate yourself to God and our community as a Christian steward. We look forward to *walking by faith* together, living out our call as followers of Jesus each day and sharing his gospel message with others.

Yours in the Lord,

Fr. Stu & the Parish Council