

Sacred Heart Parish

A Roman Catholic Faith Community



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Website



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)

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 11, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, October 10 ***28th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
4:30 p.m. Kae Nielsen

By Chris & Tom Owens

Sunday, October 11 ***28th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
8:00 a.m. Vincent Chidozie & Family
By Vincent Chidozie

10:15 a.m. Bob Whalen
By Penny Whalen

Monday, October 12 ***Weekday***
8:00 a.m. Intention Available

Tuesday, October 13 ***Weekday***
8:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Wednesday, October 14 ***St. Callistus***
No Morning Mass

Thursday, October 15 ***St. Teresa of Jesus***
8:00 a.m. Juliana Marc Mndesir
By Her Family

Friday, October 16 ***Sts. Hedwig & Margaret Mary***
8:00 a.m. Christine Wisniewski (Birthday)
By Helene Stech

Saturday, October 17 ***29th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
4:30 p.m. Bill Leiper
By Mary Murray

Sunday, October 18 ***29th Sunday in Ordinary Time***
8:00 a.m. Intention Available

10:15 a.m. Intention Available

ADORATION

Join us at 6:00 p.m. on ***Tuesday, October 13th*** for Adoration and the Rosary. There will also be adoration on Friday, ***October 16th*** from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Kindergarten and First Grade classes added!!!

We are excited to announce that we will be adding Kindergarten and First Grade classes to our religious education program. Registrations must be completed by October 12th and returned to the parish office. Classes for Kindergarten through 9th grade will begin on ***October 25th*** from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. (7th, 8th and 9th grade classes will prepared the students for confirmation in the spring. Please contact our religious education coordinator Doris Battle is you have any questions: doris_battle@hotmail.com.

THANK YOU

Our first pancake breakfast was held last weekend. A special thank you to all those behind the scenes, setting up, making pancakes, serving and cleaning up. We would also like to thank and welcome our new breakfast ministry coordinator: Theresa Bailey. We are also grateful to this month's sponsor Paul Pelletier. Our next breakfast will be held on ***Sunday, November 1st*** sponsored by Marie Olden in memory of David. We hope to see you all there.

BOOK CLUB

Come gather on ***Wednesday, October 28th at 1:30*** to discuss this month's book "The Ride of Her Life"- by Elizabeth Letts. The story follows 63-year-old Annie Wilkins, who, faced with illness and no home in 1954, refuses a quiet end and sets out from Maine to California on horseback with her dog and gelding. Through cities, mountains, snow, and strangers' kindness, she chases a final glimpse of the Pacific.

Thought for the Day



A Great Weapon for Our Daily Battles!

October is the month of the rosary, primarily because October 7 is the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary. Often when we think of Mary and the rosary, we think of Mary as a gentle woman and far be it from me to dissuade anyone from that thought. Mary certainly is the gentlest, kindest, caring, and most loving mother we could ever hope for.

You might say that everything that is good and pure in our mothers, grandmothers, and great grandmothers reflects what we have in our mother Mary. As we know, mothers are great and wonderful protectors of their children. I have often thought the phrase, “watch out for the mother bear” was nothing more than a euphemism for a human mother protecting her children. The Blessed Virgin Mary, our Mother in Heaven, is a great example of this.

From the beginning in the Bible, Our Mother’s role as defender of her children is mentioned. In Genesis 3:15, right after the fall of Adam and Eve we read, “I will put enmity between you and the woman, between your seed and her seed. He will strike at your head, while you strike at his heel.”

Then at Revelation 12 (please keep in mind that this speaks not to the limitation of references to Mary in the Bible, just a limitation to the size of space here) a woman clothed with the sun gives birth to a child destined to rule, this passage refers to Mary. It highlights her ongoing role in the battle between good and evil, extending her influence into the realm of spiritual warfare. Talk about a momma bear!!!

Historically, we can look at Mary’s role in the Battle of Lepanto, which is the feast day celebrated on October 7th. If you are not familiar with this battle that took place on October 7, 1571, you should check it out! GK Chesterton wrote a famous poem about this battle. A relatively small and inexperienced fleet of Catholic ships went up against a very experienced and vast Muslim fleet with the future of all Europe and Christianity on the line.

Pope Saint Pius V had called all of Christendom to fasting and prayer, especially asking for the recitation of the Holy Rosary to implore the protection of the Blessed Virgin Mary. While the fleets clashed thousands of faithful joined their voices in prayer. When victory came, it was attributed to the intercession of Our Lady, and the Pope proclaimed that day as the feast of the Virgin of Victories, later known as Our Lady of the Rosary.

St. John Vianney, the patron saint of Parish Priests was known for his battles against Satan as well as his humble holy life. Of course, he deeply loved the Eucharist and was known for his miracles, and love of our Blessed Mother. He said, “It is impossible to meditate with devotion upon the Mysteries of the Rosary and live in a state of sin.” St. Padre Pio had many battles against Satan and almost constantly prayed the rosary. St. Pio would often refer to the rosary as his “weapon.”

This October, pick up the rosary. Pray it every day, by yourself if you must, but with family and friends if you can. Make the rosary your weapon when it comes to fighting off evil be it attacks against you, or those you love. Join us at Sacred Heart for the living rosary. Walk the rosary path behind the church as you pray. Join us Tuesday nights for Eucharistic Adoration and the rosary.

Pick up your weapon, the rosary, and protect yourself, your family, friends, pastor and church. Begin, or begin again to deepen your relationship with Jesus and his Blessed Mother Mary. By meditating on the mysteries of the rosary you meditate on Sacred Scripture, particularly the life of Jesus. Mary, Pray for us. Mary, protect us, our families, and our Pastor. Mary, guide us more deeply into the love and life of you son Jesus.

PREVIOUS WEEK’S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly:	\$5,414.00
On-line:	\$ 745.00
Total Received:	\$6,160.00
Budgeted:	\$5,000.00

Thank you!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FR. STU!

*Blessings from all of us
here at Sacred Heart on
your special day.*

October 11, 2026





*Among all the devotions
none has been favored
by so many miracles,
as the devotion
of the Holy Rosary.*

Pope Pius IX

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE LIVING ROSARY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2026 -7:00 P.M.
Please sign up in at the entrance of the church