Sacred Heart Church A Roman Catholic Faith Community



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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 & 7p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturdays 3:45 P.M.- 4:15 P.M. or anytime by appointment.

Sacred Heart Parish, Bloomfield

Stewardship: The Gift you have been given, give as a gift

(Mt 10:8)

Third Sunday of Lent

March 3, 2024

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, March 2 Third Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. Ed Curran

By The Spacek Family

Sunday, March 3 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Bryan Hawkom

By Rich & Renee Santos

10:15 a.m. Tom Owens Sr.

By Tom Owens & Family

Monday, March 4 St. Casimir

8:00 a.m. Mary Kay Petersen

John & Linda Clancy

Tuesday, March 5 Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. The Pelletier Family

By Mary Pelletier

Wednesday, March 6 Lenten Weekday

8:00 a.m. Michael Zawada

Linda Zawada

Thursday, March 7 Sts. Perpetua & Felicity

8:00 a.m. Ed Curran

By Beth Ellison & Tom Ciccarillo

Friday, March 8 St. John of God

8:00 a.m. The People of the Parish

Saturday, March 9 Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:30 p.m. Phil Carpenter

By Anne Carpenter

Sunday, March 10 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m. Margaret Cunnane

By Beth Ellison & Tom Ciccarillo

10:15 a.m. Phil Carpenter

By Anne Carpenter

PRAYER SHAWLS

Over these past months, women in our parish have been making beautiful prayer shawls. If you know someone who would like the comfort of a prayer shawl, please call or email the parish office. It's a wonderful way to reach out to someone. If you knit or crochet, or would like to learn, please come gather with the group on Monday, March 4th from 10 to 11:30 in room 3.

TUESDAY ADORATION

Please join us for Adoration and the Rosary on Tuesday, March 5th from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The

Blessed Sacrament will also be exposed for adoration on Friday, March 8th from 8:30 until 11:00 a.m. We invite everyone to come and spend some time with our Lord.

HELPING THE ST. JOSEPH CATHEDRAL PANTRY!

February 26th through March 10th

Diapers & Baby Wipes



Please put your donations in the box in front of the confessional!

FEEDING THE HOMELESS

This Friday (March 8th) we will be providing a dinner to the men at the McKinney Shelter in Hartford. We need your help! Please call or email the parish office if you can donate any of the following items:

A Ham
Potatoes
Vegetables
Rolls
Cookies or Cupcakes

All items need to be brought to Fr. Picher Hall by 5:00 p.m.

DECORATE A CROSS FOR EASTER

A sign up sheet is in the back of the church. Questions: Call or email the parish office.



"Lord, you have the words of everlasting life." This is the refrain from the responsorial psalm this weekend. It is a reflection on the power of words, especially spoken word.

We live in a time when words are everywhere. They are spoken constantly from televisions, radios, podcasts, and videos. They are written everywhere in emails, texts, newspapers, and as you scroll through a device. They are written on signs, advertisements, and billboards. We live in a world that is covered in words. Yet, I don't think any of them have the ability to give "everlasting life."

In the midst of all of the flurry of words that surround us, some stand out. The last words someone speaks before they die are treated with extra reverence. The first words a toddler speaks are treated with extra joy. The first time someone tells you, "I love you," makes you pause.

When someone lies about you, tells gossip about you, or attacks you, these stab you to the core and unsettle you. When someone praises you, apologizes to you, or thanks you, these build you up.

Words, even though they surround us, have power. Jesus Christ is "The Word." God, by spoken Word, brought the cosmos into existence. The Christian Tradition is that we are not made in a workshop, we are spoken into being. The Word of God has power to give life. This is why Saint Peter says to Jesus, "Lord, you have the words of everlasting life."



RECONCILE AND HEAL Monday, March 4, 2024 6:30 Fr. Picher Hall

Fr. Anthony Federico "His Love Endures Forever"

Fr. Anthony Federico is from North Haven, CT. He is a graduate of Providence College. Prior to entering seminary he had a career in journalism, working at ESPN. He studied at the Catholic University of America and was ordained a priest in 2019. He has had assignments at Saint Bridget of Sweden parish in Cheshire and Saint Mary's in New Haven. In the summer of 2023, he was ap-

pointed Vocation Director for the Archdiocese of Hartford.

"Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness"

IRISH BREAD

Our Sacred Heart Irish Bread (made especially for us by the Britting Family) will be available for \$5 each after the weekend Masses on March 16th and 17th. To reserve a bread, please sign up in the back of the church or call/email the parish office.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly: \$ 4,579.00 on-line: \$ 575.00 total received: \$ 5,154.00 Budgeted: \$ 5,000.00

Thank you!

March for Life: Hartford, Connecticut March 20th Save the date! 10:00 AM Mass at Cathedral; 12:00 Rally; 1:00 March at Capitol





Confessions

Mondays from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross Fridays in Lent @ 7:00 p.m. St. Joseph's Food Pantry

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Diapers and Baby wipes

Let's break bread together—Mondays beginning February 26th Dinner: 6:00 to 6:30 p.m.

> Reflections in Lent—"Reconcile & Heal" Mondays from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m.

February 26th Msgr. Frank Matera

> March 11 Msgr. Doug Clancy

Let me hear the sounds of joy and gladness

March 4 Fr. Anthony Federico

March 18 Fr. Michael Ruminski

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we come to Sacred Heart Parish. If Fr. can be of assistance to you, or if

you would like to register as a member of the parish, please call the office at: 860 242-4142 or send an email to sacredheartblct@gmail.com. Please remember to notify the parish office if you or someone you know is at home or in the hospital and in need of a visit.



WE ARE HERE TO SERVE! Do you know of someone who is no longer able to come to Mass regularly? Would they like a visit to receive the Holy

Eucharist, the Sacrament of Reconciliation or the Sacrament of Anointing? Would they like a visit just to say hello, or would you like to make one of these visits. If you answered yes, please contact the parish office by calling (860-242-4142) or emailing the parish office at: sacredheartblct@gmail.com.