

# *Sacred Heart Parish* 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 3:30 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)

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, November 2 4:30 p.m.	<b>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Carol Brown By Phil Brown
Sunday, November 3 8:00 a.m.	<b>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> The People of the Parish
10:15 a.m.	Jeffrey Barrett By The Politis Family
Monday, November 4 8:00 a.m.	<b>St. Charles Borromeo</b> Hector Pelletier By Paul Pelletier
Tuesday, November 5 8:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Fr. Herbert Clarkin By Larry & Mary Laureno
Wednesday, November 6	<b>Weekday</b> No Morning Mass
Thursday, November 7 8:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Katherine Schwartz Special Intention By Laurie & Peter Schwartz
Friday, November 8 8:00 a.m.	<b>Weekday</b> Maria & Michael Fuller By The People of the Parish
Saturday, November 9 4:30 p.m.	<b>3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Alfred, Ethel and Andrew Melanson By The Melanson Family
Sunday, November 10 8:00 a.m.	<b>31st Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> The People of the Parish
10:15 a.m.	Hans Stargardter By The Spacek Family



Please join us for Adoration and the Rosary on Tuesday, November 5th from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. All are invited to join adoration on Friday morning from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## DINNER CLUB

Our new "Dinner Club year" begins November 1st. We invite everyone to be a member. It is an easy club to belong to! Once you become a member (Dues are \$180 per year), you sit back and wait to see if you are one of our monthly winners of \$50.00 or 3- \$25.00 prizes. Then at the end of the year, your presence is requested at a free dinner where \$3,700. in prizes are awarded. This is the biggest fundraiser we have for our parish. And an easy one at that. Please consider joining. Call or email the parish office for more information.

## IN LOVING MEMORY

## MASS FOR THE DECEASED

On Saturday, November 23rd we will remember all those who have died this past year with a special Mass. We invite everyone to come remember those in your family who have died and support those who have lost a loved one. The Mass will begin at 11:00 a.m. and be followed by a luncheon in Fr. Picher Hall. If you would like to remember someone who died this past year, please call or email the parish office with their names and we will add it to our list to be read that morning. In addition, we encourage you to bring a picture to be added to our display on either side of the church. We will keep the pictures up until the end of November.

## MELANSON SINGERS!

Next Saturday, we will have guest musicians and singers from the Melanson family. They will lead us in song during the 4:30 PM Mass. Come join and enjoy!

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Monday, November 4th from 10 to 11:30 to room 3!



## Words from Fr. Michael

Pope Francis, in his new encyclical on the Sacred Heart, reflects on the need for each of us to have a “change of heart.” Reflective of the prophet Eze-kiel who speaks of taking our stony hearts and giving us a new, soft heart, the Christian in becoming like Christ is to encounter both our Lord and our neighbor with our hearts not our intellects. “Human beings...experience this deep interiority when they enter into their own heart, where God, who probes the heart, awaits them, and where they decide their own destiny in the sight of God.” (paragraph 29)

This Tuesday is election day. The tension, anxiety, and fear of violence floats through our country like a mist that obscures both mind and heart. For me, one of the most fearsome things about our current political environment is the replacement of identity from being a child of God to a supporter of a candidate. It is an active and disturbing form of idolatry. For many people, the need for a right relationship with God is substituted for a passing political persona. This is not unique to one candidate over the other. The tenor of the campaigns is a call to give the candidate your heart, no matter what your head may tell you.

Voting is essential in a democratic republic. Voting with one’s conscience and informed to make a judgement is part of this process. But our identity, our hearts, the center of who we are can only be found in the heart of Jesus Christ. Candidates should only receive votes; our hearts are made for someone else.

This week, pray for our nation. Pray that the candidate who is most fit to govern is elected. But most of all, pray for peace and the conversion of heart for our nation. Especially those who have given their hearts to the passing power of the world. Peace, harmony, and justice are not produced by human effort, they come about through participation in divine order.

May the Lord Jesus, the great lover of humanity, call the hearts of all his children to himself. And there, may we all find rest and holiness of life.

### PREVIOUS WEEK’S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly: \$ 5,315.00  
On-Line: \$ 420.00  
Total Received: \$ 5,925.00  
Budgeted: \$ 5,000.00



*If you would like to donate on-line please go to our Sacred Heart website and click on WeShare –online giving.*



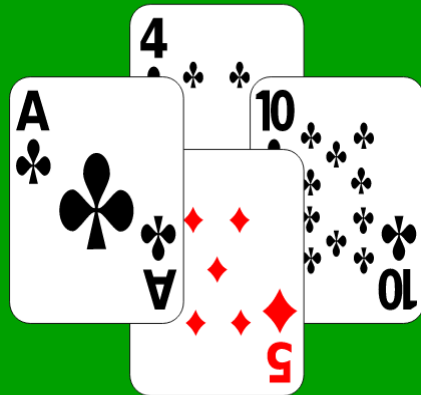
### THANKSGIVING DONATIONS

We are collecting items for Thanksgiving Dinners for the people served by the Cathedral Food Pantry. We are asking your donations of: vegetables, muffin or roll mix, cans of fruit, packages of stuffing, cans of pumpkin, pie crust mix, cranberry sauce, pudding, evaporated milk, cans of yams, jars of turkey or chicken gravy, and 11b bags of white rice. All donations should be returned to the boxes in the back of the church by November 17th.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS FOR ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS  
NOVEMBER 10, 2024 AT 6:00 PM UNTIL 7:30 PM**

# WHIST

# PIE



# AND



**Saturday, November 16, 2024**

**6:00 p.m.**

**Fr. Picher Hall**

**\$5.00 per person**

Back in the early 2000's parishioner Dolores Caruso introduced Sacred Heart to the age old English card game: Whist, a simple game for all ages. The Caruso family is once again, hosting an evening of cards and pie. No need to know how to play, instructions are given. Let's fill the hall with friendship, fun and food! Tickets are on sale in the parish office and after Masses.



Office hours: 8:30 a.m.—1:30 p.m. Monday –Friday— phone: 860-242-4142  
Please leave a message on the answering machine when the office is closed.  
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