# 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)

#### **Second Sunday of Advent**

December 8, 2024

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, December 7 4:30 p.m.

Second Sunday of Advent Elizabeth & Michael Slowey

By Frank Slowey

Sunday, December 8 8:00 a.m.

Second Sunday of Advent

Fr. Robert Vargo Gayle & Mark Brick

10:15 a.m.

Margaret Cunnane By Jane Thaller

Monday, December 9

The Immaculate Conception

of Mary

8:00 a.m.

The People of the Parish

Tuesday, December 10 8:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Loreto Jeffrey Lumbra

By Mary & Larry Laureno

Wednesday, December 11

St. Damasus I No Morning Mass

Thursday, December 12

8:00 a.m.

Our Lady of Guadalupe Fr. Robert T. Russo By Gayle & Mark Brick

Friday, December 13

St. Lucy Adam Julian Well-being

By Krystin Chowanie

Saturday, December 14

4:30 p.m.

Third Sunday of Advent The People of the Parish

Sunday, December 15

8:00 a.m.

Third Sunday of Advent Mary & David Lockyer

By Glynis Georgie

10:15 a.m.

Sr. Joanne Fahey C.P. By Kelsey Meczywor

**Encounter the healing power of Jesus!** Wednesday December 11th See today's insert



Please join us for Adoration and the Rosary on Tuesday, December 10th from 6 p.m.to 7:30 p.m. There will also be adoration on Friday morning December 13th.



#### **ADVENT AT** SACRED HEART **SOUP NEEDED!**

(And folks to eat it!) This past Monday many gathered with Fr. Michael and

Msgr. DiSciacca for a simple soup supper. We are grateful to Barbara Ann Perrone and Janet Lamenzo for the delicious soup. This Monday we welcome Ms. Madeline Smith to offer reflections at 6PM and to join us at 6:30 for soup. Please consider attending our Advent series beginning at 5PM with adoration and confessions. And, for those soup makers, please consider bringing a soup this Monday or any of the following two Mondays. A sign up sheet is at the entrance to the church or contact the parish office.

#### **SERVING OUR COMMUNITY**

On Wednesday our parish family came together with food and time to serve a meal to the residents at the Interfaith community of Bestor Lane. What a wonderful experience for everyone involved. For those who donated food, and those who served, we thank you. We will be going on Wednesday, January 8th to the Interfaith community of Mountain View. Please check next week's bulletin for how you can help.



#### WINTER WEATHER

During the winter season, we rely on WFSB (Channel 3) to notify our parishioners on the status of Masses office closings, and event cancellations.

Please check their website (WFSB.com). We will NOT be following the Bloomfield Schools.



# Words from Fr. Michael

I am excited for the Eucharistic Encounter evening on Wednesday, December 11.

I am excited for three main reasons. First, the presenter for the evening has a special message. Sister Fiat Marie is a Franciscan Sister of the Eucharist, whose mother

house is in Meriden. I understand that she has a testimony to the power of meeting Christ in the Eucharist that needs to be heard.

Second, I am looking forward to a time of shared adoration accompanied by beautiful music. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is often defined as the "extension of the moment of holy communion." It is a time to be present to Jesus as he is present to you. Heaven, in the book of Revelation, is described as all creatures in heaven and earth bowing down to worship. When we do this together as a community, we are practicing for heavenly life. Heaven is worshipping God.

Third, spending time with Jesus, especially in worship, is immensely healing. Christ comes to us to heal us. If we do not spend time with him, we run away from the one who heals. I am looking forward to the ways people will receive healing. Accompanying this, there will be "prayer teams." This will be a couple of teams of two people who find joy in praying with others. If you have something or someone you would like to pray for, if you have a moment in which God has moved your heart, if there is something weighing on you, it is powerful to ask other people to pray with you and for you. The prayer teams are a gift to listen to you and pray with you. They will be in the "cry rooms" for anyone who would like prayer. Additionally, there will be a number of priests (not me) who will be hearing confessions – the great Sacrament where Christ brings healing to the soul through forgiveness.

Please consider coming on Wednesday at 6:30 pm and invite a friend.

#### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception is transferred to December 9<sup>th</sup> this year because December 8<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday. Because of the transfer, Archbishop Coyne has given a dispensation from the obligation for this year. There will be only one Mass at 8:00 am for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.



Saturday, January 25th - Get your teams together. Tickets on sale January 4th. \$10.00 per person. The event sells out quickly.

## PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly: \$ 6,325.00 On-Line: \$ 770.00 Total Received: \$ 7,095.00 Budgeted: \$ 5,000.00

Thank you!



# ADVENT AT SACRED HEART!

Join us on **Sunday** for Vespers (also known as evening prayer) From 6:00PM to 6:30PM we will join togeth-

er with the people of God to give thanks for the day just past and make an evening sacrifice of praise to God.

On Monday, Confessions will be available from 5PM to 6PM. There will be Adoration of the Blesses Sacrament from 5PM to 6:30PM At 6:00, Ms. Madeline Smith will offer reflections on Hope. After Benediction at 6:30 we invite everyone to join together for a Simple Soup supper, sponsored by the Parish Council.

#### ANNUAL COLLECTION

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our annual collection. For those who would like to give, donation cards are at the entrance of the church. Through your generosity we are able to accomplish much.



### **And Cookie Swap!**

## Sunday, December 15th (after the 10:15 Mass)

# You are invited to our Sacred Heart Christmas Party



Please drop this form in the collection basket or return to the parish office!

#### **COOKIE SWAP!**

I will participate in the Cookie Swap and bring 4 dozen cookies! (take home containers will be provided)

NAME:			-
I will bring my cookie The 4:30 Mass	es to the hall after: The 8:00 Mass	The 10:15 Mass	

### You are invited To a free Sacred Heart family Christmas Brunch



Christmas Day at 11:00 a.m. Fr. Picher Hall Let's celebrate together! Reservations required

Christmas Brunch reservations (Please return b	by December 20)
Family Name	
Number attending	
Phone #	
Call (860-242-4142), email (sacredheartblet	
or drop this sheet in the Collection basket to re	eserve your spot!