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)

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 16, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 15
4:30 p.m.

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
The People of the Parish

Sunday, February 16 8:00 a.m. 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Irene Chae, Tate Chae –Stone & Family (Well-being)

By Delia & Bill Sanders

10:15 a.m. Linda & Jude Iloeje (Birthdays)

Monday, February 17 The Seven Holy Founders

8:00 a.m. of the Servite Order
Theresa Ettienne-Modeste

:00 a.m. I neresa Ettlenne-Moo

(Birthday)

Tuesday, February 18 Weekday
8:00 a.m. Linda Iloeje
(Birthday)

Wednesday, February 19 Weekday

No Morning Mass

Thursday, February 20 *Weekday* 8:00 a.m. Gloria Corso

By her Sacred Heart Friends

Friday, February 21 St. Peter Damian 8:00 a.m. Emma Pastore

By Mark & Gayle Brick

Saturday, February 22 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. The People of the Parish

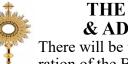
Sunday, February 23 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 a.m. Michael Zawada

Michael Zawada By Linda Zawada

10:15 a.m. Robert Zaklada
By Helene Stech

SACRED HEART BOOK CLUB

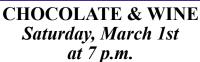
The next meeting of the book club will be held on Wednesday, February 26th at 1:30. This month's book selection is "*The Notebook*" by Nicholas Sparks.



THE ROSARY & ADORATION

There will be the rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday evening, February

18th from 6:00 to 7:30. On Friday, February 21st we invite you to morning Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration until 11:00 a.m.



Due to the weather we will be postponing our Chocolate and

Wine tasting party. We have selected the new date of **March 1st at 7:00 p.m.** - a great way to enjoy the upcoming Mardi Gras celebration before the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. If you are unable to join us on March 1st, please contact the parish office for a refund. For those who would like to come (but were not able to in February,) we would love to have you join us. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased by calling or emailing 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. Our chicken Parm and Pasta was a big hit. We will be going on Wednesday, March 12th to the Interfaith community of Mountain View bringing our menu of Chicken Parm, Pasta. Salad, Rolls and dessert. If you can help in any way, please contact the parish office.





Words from Fr. Michael

The second reading at Mass since Christmas ended has been from Saint Paul's first letter to the Corinthians. We have heard some of the central texts of Paul's theology: the diverse spiritual gifts of each Christian, the description of the Church as Christ's body, the reality of the risen Lord Jesus being seen

by the disciples, and starting this weekend, up until Lent, the necessity of the resurrection.

Familiarity with Easter and Christian teaching sometimes softens the central radical claim of Christianity – Christ is risen from the dead. For "logical" people, it is a baffling claim. Everyone experiences strange things in their lives, but no one in history has truly "risen" as Jesus has risen – victorious and glorious. As Saint Paul says, it seems like foolishness. This is why, in last week's reading, Paul made mention of the large number of people who met the risen Christ.

This week, he goes on to argue that if Christ is not risen, if we do not believe that we will rise, then Christianity falls apart. The heart of our faith is God's power to give life and forgive sins. Without the resurrection, Christianity is a moral philosophy.

Many people, perhaps most people, are perfectly happy with a religion that is a moral philosophy. After all, isn't doing good and not doing bad a decent goal? There are many people who point to parts of Jesus' teaching and say, "I like the sound of that." There are plenty, even from just after Jesus' earthly life, who call him a "wise teacher."

This does not work. Christianity is not a philosophy. It is not a moral code. It is so much more. Encountering and believing in Jesus Christ calls for a reordering of your life. It is not about being "good," but rather having a living relationship with the God who made you. It isn't about "making a difference," but rather living as one who belongs to Christ and calling others to a living relationship with God.

You are being invited to have a living relationship with God. A God who loves you and gives you life. May we desire this great gift above all others.



A NEW WAY TO REACH OUT!

We need your help.

Every Sunday evening at 5:10 p.m., Fr. Michael celebrates Mass at the University of Hartford. Mass attendance is increasing with upwards of 40 students. At the conclusion of Mass, the students are invited back to the Campus Ministry house to gather for dinner. We would like to help with these dinners. We are asking for volunteers to prepare a dinner for about 20 students. This weekend we served Chicken Parm and

Pasta. The students would love any homemade dinner. If you would be willing to take a Sunday, or would like more information, please call the parish office.



PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly: \$ 3,196.00 On-Line: \$ 610.00 Total Received: \$ 3,806.00 Budgeted: \$ 5,000.00

If you wish to start on-line giving go to our website: sacredheartbloomfieldct.com. and click "on-line giving."



DIAPERS PLEASE!

In addition to food, the St. Joseph Food pantry gives out a variety of items to those in need. At this time, there is a desperate need for diapers. Especially size 2 and up. During the month of February, we are asking for

your help in replenishing the pantry with diapers and wipes. Please place your donation in either of our outreach boxes in the back of the church. Thank you!



SAINT GABRIEL SCHOOL

Open House!

Please join our school family for an evening of food and conversation to learn more about our school community.

FEBRUARY 20, 2025

77 BLOOMFIELD AVENUE WINDSOR, CT 06095 5:00-7:00 P.M.

CALL 860-688-6401 FOR DETAILS.