

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)

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 23, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 22 4:30 p.m.	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time The People of the Parish
Sunday, February 23 8:00 a.m.	7th Sunday in Ordinary Time Michael Zawada By Linda Zawada
10:15 a.m.	Robert Zaklada By Helene Stech
Monday, February 24 8:00 a.m.	Weekday Isaac & Sara Suttar (Well-being) By Sacred Heart Friends
Tuesday, February 25 8:00 a.m.	Weekday No intention
Wednesday, February 26	Weekday No Morning Mass
Thursday, February 27 8:00 a.m.	St. Gregory of Narek Edna & John Zuniga & Family (Well-being) By Delia & Bill Sanders
Friday, February 28 8:00 a.m.	Weekday Arnold Davia By Kathleen Davis
Saturday, March 1 4:30 p.m.	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time The People of the Parish
Sunday, March 2 8:00 a.m.	8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sr. Rosemary Ryan By Eileen & Harry Workman
10:15 a.m.	Verna Delgegno By Mary Murray



THE ROSARY & ADORATION

There will be the rosary and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday evening, February 25th from 6:00 to 7:30. On Friday, February 28th we invite you to morning Mass at 8:00 a.m. followed by Adoration until 11:00 a.m.



CHOCOLATE & WINE Saturday, March 1st at 7 p.m.

Due to the weather we postponed our Chocolate and Wine tasting party. The new date is **March 1st at 7:00 p.m.** - This will be a great way to enjoy the upcoming Mardi Gras celebration before the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. If you do not have a ticket yet, and would like to come we would love to have you join us. Tickets are \$15 each and can be purchased by calling or emailing the parish office.



YOUNG PEOPLE'S MASS

We once again, ask our young people to participate in various ways at our 10:15 Mass next Sunday March 2nd. We would love to have Lectors, Greeters, Collectors, and Gift Presenters. Please encourage your child to help out in this special way. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Doris Battle at 860-655-2097.

PALMS NEEDED!

Please bring your old palms to church. We will be burning them for Ash Wednesday on March 5th.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST! NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 2ND

After the 8 and 10:15 Masses
Hope to see you there.



Words from Fr. Michael

The philosopher, Aristotle, is well known for teaching a well-rounded system of ethics. This system, which has been taken up in the way the church talks about ethics, offers sound logic to judge actions and decisions.

One of the hallmarks of Aristotelian ethics is a strong emphasis on *virtue*. A virtue is a good action or trait that is strengthened by repeated use, like working out a muscle. One might say that speaking truth is a virtuous action, but to become a truthful person, one must practice telling the truth over and over again. If you sometimes lie and sometimes tell the truth, most people will not find you believable because you do not have the virtue of *honesty*.

Aristotle names four key virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. That is, wisdom to choose well (prudence), giving other people what you owe them (justice), courage to do the right thing even when difficult (fortitude), and self-control (temperance).

In the first reading this weekend, we are given a remarkable example of temperance. David is being hunted by King Saul. Saul has been murderously unjust to David. Yet, when given the opportunity to make it end easily, David comes upon Saul while he is asleep, David chooses not to kill Saul. It is an example of tremendous virtue, the ability to say “no” when something very attractive lands at your feet.

Central to being a virtuous person is the ability to say “no” to things that you want. If we say “yes” to every desire, we are pulled in every direction. To this Aristotle uses the analogy of a chariot driver with a massive team of horses pulling the chariot into battle. The reins which direct the horses, Aristotle describes as “temperance.” If ten horses want to run in ten different directions, then the chariot driver will be pulled into pieces. It takes strength to say “no” to nine different things so that you can say “yes” to one important thing.



A NEW WAY TO REACH OUT!

We need your help.

Every Sunday evening at 5:00 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 and bring it to the church by 12 noon on Friday.** This weekend we served lasagna. 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.

LENT IS COMING!

Here is a sneak peak on what you can look forward to this coming Lent.

- Ash Wednesday is March 5th.
- Confessions will be available every Monday from 5 to 6
- A dinner will be served at 6PM by our confirmation class 4 Mondays beginning March 17th
- We will have 4 speakers after the dinners on Mondays at 6:30.
- Stations of the cross each Friday at 7
- Daily Mass Monday through Friday, including Wednesdays.
- Special outreach to Bloomfield Social Services.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

*Thank
you!*

Weekly:	\$ 1,976.00
On-Line:	\$ 675.00
Total Received:	\$ 2,651.00
Budgeted:	\$ 5,000.00

ST. JOSEPH MEDAL OF APPRECIATION

We are please to announce that Archbishop Coyne will present John and Linda Clancy with the St. Joseph Medal of Appreciation on Sunday, March 16th at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. John and Linda have served the parish in many ways over the past years. John was a representative to the Synod, Linda is a Lector and both are Ministers of Holy Communion. Please join us in congratulating them.

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

*All proceeds benefit
The Cathedral of St. Joseph Food Pantry*

*Coming
Soon!*



*Sacred Heart Church
26 Wintonbury Ave.
Bloomfield, CT*

Friday, April 25, 2025

7:00 p.m. \$40.00 per person

BYOB and Snacks

Extra Bingo Cards & Raffles—Cash only

Tickets go on sale March 10th

**We need your help with
our Raffle baskets.**

Please call or email the parish office if you can
help in anyway.

Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

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