

# *Sacred Heart Parish*

## A Roman Catholic Faith Community



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***Office hours: 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.***



### ***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)

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2026

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, January 17  
4:30 p.m.

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Anthony Jaworski  
By Mary Ann Jaworski

Sunday, January 18  
8:00 a.m.

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
The People of the Parish

10:15 a.m. Bonnie A. Palacio  
By Nestor Palacio

10:15 a.m. Marguerite Nye  
By Mark & Gayle Brick

Monday, January 19  
8:00 a.m.

**Weekday**  
Isaac & Sarah Sutar  
By Sacred Heart Friends

Tuesday, January 20  
8:00 a.m.

**Sts. Fabian & Sebastian**  
Healing & Holiness for the United  
States of America

Wednesday, January 21

**St. Agnes**  
No Morning Mass

Thursday, January 22  
8:00 a.m.

**Prayer for the Unborn Child**  
No intentions

Friday, January 23  
8:00 a.m.

**Sts. Vincent and Marianne Cope**  
No intentions

Saturday, January 24  
4:30 p.m.

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
People of the Parish

Sunday, January 25  
8:00 a.m.

**2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
No intention

10:15 a.m. John & Elinor Murray  
By Mary Murray

## Adoration

of the

Blessed Sacrament



Join us at 6:00p.m. on Tuesday, January 20th for Adoration and the Rosary. We will also have Adoration on Friday, January 23rd after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to 11 a.m.

## DINNER MINISTRY Thank you!

 Many thanks to all who brought food and/or served for our dinner at Mountain Avenue's interfaith homes. The folks were thrilled. Our next stop will be on Wednesday, February 11th. Please consider donating Chicken, vegetables, potatoes or desserts. A sign up sheet is in the back of the church.

## MARTIN LUTHER KING

As is tradition for a holiday, Morning Mass on Monday, January 19th will be held at 9 AM. The office will be closed.

## WEDDING MASS

On Saturday, February 7, 2026, Archbishop Coyne will be honoring couples celebrating milestone marriage anniversaries: first and five-year increments from 5 to 60 years, and every year beyond 60 during the 2025-2026. The Marriage Anniversary Mass will be at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford at 4:00 p.m. **Registration closes January 21.** (Snow date if necessary—February 28) To register please email or call Valerie St. Jean at [Valerie.StJean@aohct.org](mailto:Valerie.StJean@aohct.org) or 860-541-6491 ext. 268)

## THANK YOU!



We would like to thank the members of the LP Quartet (Legato Pesante Quartet) for a wonderful evening of music and education. We were presented with a performance by passionate performers and music educators who performed a diverse array of styles and genres, new and old, classic and contemporary with two tubas and two euphoniums. As they say "Any occasion could be made better with just a little more tuba!"

## A Thought for the Day

Deacon Santos

often become a simple passing of an ordinary moment with no special value. Even something as simple as being able to read and enjoy a book or learn something new becomes as ordinary as white toast (yes without butter).

The Mass, and the parts of the Mass, all too easily become something I just say or do without giving it a thought. Each Sunday at Mass and on special Solemnities (major feast days of the Church) we pray the Nicene-Constantinople Creed (although we often refer to it simply as the Nicene Creed) or the Apostles' Creed, but do we say it with passion? Do we say it as a prayer? Do we stand tall and proud as we proclaim these basic truths of our faith? Do we believe what we are saying?

This Creed that we proclaim is a foundational understanding of our faith as Catholics. It was first established in 325 A.D. at the Council of Nicaea and then expanded in 381 A.D. at the Council of Constantinople. That's, well, a lot of years that Catholics have been praying this Creed.

The Creed addresses key theological issues, such as the divinity of Christ and the nature of the Trinity. The Creed helps us to stay on track when it comes to how we think about, and relate, to God. The Creed reminds us of the great love that God has for us, so great that "for us men and our salvation He came down from Heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate to the Virgin Mary and became man."

Every Sunday Mass we remind ourselves that you and I are so special and loved by God that He became one of us. Jesus experienced the joys and trials of human life. We remind ourselves in the Creed that His love for us is so great that He even suffered for us! "For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried."

We profess in front of everyone around us that our God is a living God that can even conquer death! Jesus "rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father." Jesus' death was not a failure, in fact, it is quite the opposite. Jesus opened Heaven for us allowing us to share in God's divine life for all eternity.

Jesus, who is love, who died for us, will judge us. So why do we spend so much time judging ourselves and each other? Why do I spend so much of the time as a harsh judge calling myself to task? Why am I trying to take over the role the Father has set aside for Jesus? It is not like I gave myself life, so why do I think I have the authority to judge? After all, "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life."

As we all stand together, we proclaim the one faith that Jesus has given us. A faith that has been passed down by Jesus to the Apostles and through their successors the bishops to us. This is how we can say with such confidence, "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come."

### CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

This weekend's special collection will be to support Catholic High Schools.

### PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly:	\$ 3,808.00
On-Line:	\$ 677.00
Total Received:	\$ 4,485.00
Budgeted:	\$ 5,000.00

Thank  
You

### The Beauty of the Nicene-Constantinople Creed

I have a tendency, and maybe you do as well, to allow some of the most beautiful and best things in life to become ordinary. Being in the presence of our spouse, children, or parents, people we would willingly offer up our lives for can

often become a simple passing of an ordinary moment with no special value. Even something as simple as being able to read and enjoy a book or learn something new becomes as ordinary as white toast (yes without butter).

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### BOOK CLUB

This month's book is the "Lost Bookshop" by Evie Woods. We will meet on Wednesday, January 28th at 1:30 p.m. in room 3.

*Have you registered as a parishioner of Sacred Heart Parish?*

We would love to have you join us.  
Call (860 242-4142) or email the parish office.  
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# ***WHY I AM CATHOLIC***

***Here are some excerpts from our parishioners' reflections on:  
“Why I Am Catholic”***

Because it is the One True Church founded upon Christ and the apostles.

To receive the Eucharist and to be part of a large family of people who believe in the Christ.

My faith is my bedrock.

As G.K. Chesterton once answered: “To have my sins forgiven.” Also if I didn’t really believe that communion is truly Jesus I would not get out of bed on Sundays.

I was born and brought up as a Catholic. As I grew older and had children, my church and church family became more important to me. God became more important & real. I am a Catholic because I want to thank our Lord in every way I can for all His blessings.

*Thank you!*