

# *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)*

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**January 25, 2026**

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Saturday, January 24  
4:30 p.m.

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Sean Olli Karas  
& Benjamin & Lauren  
(Thanksgiving)  
By Joan & Epi Carrasquillo

Sunday, January 25  
8:00 a.m.

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Shirley Cooper (Birthday)  
By Sacred Heart Friends

10:15 a.m.

John & Elinor Murray  
By Mary Murray

Monday, January 26

**Sts. Timothy & Titus**  
**No morning Mass**

Tuesday, January 27  
8:00 a.m.

**St. Angela Merici**  
No intention

Wednesday, January 28

**St. Thomas Aquinas**  
No Morning Mass

Thursday, January 29  
8:00 a.m.

**Weekday**  
Tom Ciccarillo  
By Harry & Eileen Workman

Friday, January 30  
8:00 a.m.

**Weekday**  
No intentions

Saturday, January 31  
4:30 p.m.

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Kenneth & Mary Wallace  
By Friends at Sacred Heart

Sunday, February 1  
8:00 a.m.

**4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
No intention

10:15 a.m.

People of the Parish

## **Adoration**

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**Blessed Sacrament**



Join us at 6:00p.m. on Tuesday, January 27th for Adoration and the Rosary. We will also have Adoration on Friday, January 30th 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.



## **YOUNG PEOPLES' MASS**

Next weekend (February 1st) is our Young People's Mass at 10:15. We invite our children to be lectors, altar servers, collectors, greeters. If you would like to participate, please contact Doris Battle at: [Doris\\_battle@hotmail.com](mailto:Doris_battle@hotmail.com)

## **ALL ARE WELCOME Pancake Breakfast**

Next Sunday is our monthly pancake breakfast brought to you by our Breakfast Ministry and this month sponsored by Darlene Kennedy in memory of Fr. Robert Vargo. Pancakes will be ready to enjoy after the 8 and 10:15 Masses.

## **NUTMEG RIDES**

Do you love to drive, love meeting new people, love helping others? Then we have just the volunteer opportunity for you! Nutmeg rides is a nonprofit organization that provides rides to seniors. This year marks 50 years of improving the quality of life of seniors by offering reliable, affordable transportation. The need is great, but volunteer drivers are needed. For more information, please email: [ctseniorrides@gmail.com](mailto:ctseniorrides@gmail.com) or call 860-758-7833

## A Note for the day



Deacon Bob

This weekend's Gospel tells us about the moment Jesus calls His first disciples—Andrew and Simon Peter, James and John. They were ordinary fishermen, working hard to provide for their families. We might think it's tough to relate to this story because in our community, we don't see many

who make their living as fisherman. However, where we can relate is with them spending time working hard to support their families. Imagine someone coming up to us asking us to give up our entire career up to follow them. When I put it in that perspective, the Apostle's answer to Jesus' call all becomes that much more impressive.

For many of us, Jesus isn't asking that of us. He is calling us to follow him as best we can. He's given us all the tools to help us with that; the Sacraments. The Holy Eucharist helps us to be intimately connected to him. The sacrament of reconciliation helps keep us on the right path. Jesus doesn't select us because of what we do, he selects us because of his love for us. Just like the disciples, he sees more in us than we see in ourselves.

My call to the diaconate was initiated by Fr. Pilon, at the time, the pastor at St. Patrick's church. He asked me a simple question: "Have you ever considered becoming a deacon?". I must admit, at the time, it was something I had never considered, but it did stir up something inside to investigate further. When I wasn't accepted on my first application, I considered that a sign that it wasn't meant to be. However, the following year Deacon Farrell asked me again and provided me with an application. Well, the rest is history as they say.

The point is that Jesus calls us every day, and we may not feel worthy of his call and frankly, we are not. But because of his love for us and the gifts he has given us, we only need to be available to say "yes" when he calls. We are his children and what we do doesn't matter. What matters is that we follow Jesus no matter how doubtful we may be.

Wishing you a blessed week filled with the peace of Christ.

### THANK YOU!

Our parish is blessed with donations from families throughout the year. A statement of your donations has been sent this week. Please call the office if you have any questions or have not received your copy.

### PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly:	\$ 3,819.00
On-Line:	\$ 682.00
Total Received:	\$ 4,501.00
Budgeted:	\$ 5,000.00

Thank  
You

### 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.

### 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). **Please note: There will not be morning Mass on Monday, January 26th due to impending snow. The office will be closed.**

# ***WHY I AM CATHOLIC***

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

My faith gives me the courage to make hard decisions and gives me the strength to work through hard times.

Faith, Love, Believe

Good Question! Being Catholic isn't easy and it isn't perfect. It's solid, sacred, holy and grounded in God's words and deeds. It is my home.

Born Catholic, raised Catholic. Left but came back for my family. As I go into my senior years I am looking for peace, community and a sense of belonging.

Despite their flaws my parents taught me love, and despite my flaws our heavenly father continues to love me. My Catholic faith helps me to be like Christ and love others despite their flaws.

*Thank you!*