

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)

First Sunday of Lent

February 22, 2026

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, February 21 4:30 p.m.	First Sunday of Lent Maria Gorzkowski By Kathy Britting
Sunday, February 22 8:00 a.m.	First Sunday of Lent Katherine Santos By Rich & Renee Santos
10:15 a.m.	Tom Ciccarillo By Chris & Tom Owens
Monday, February 23 8:00 a.m.	St. Polycarp People of the Parish
Tuesday, February 24 8:00 a.m.	Lenten Weekday Jim Topp (Good Health) By John & Linda Clancy
Wednesday, February 25 8:00 a.m.	Lenten Weekday No intention
Thursday, February 26 8:00 a.m.	Lenten Weekday Hugo Kostelni (Birthday) By Judy & Hugo Kostelni
Friday, February 27 8:00 a.m.	St. Gregory of Narek Ernest Marquard Mary Ann & Bob Kalinowski
Saturday, February 28 4:30 p.m.	Second Sunday of Lent Arnold Davis By Kathleen Davis
Sunday, March 1 8:00 a.m.	Second Sunday of Lent People of the Parish
10:15 a.m.	Tom Ciccarillo By Barbara & Barbara Ann Perrone

Adoration

of the
Blessed Sacrament



Join us at 6:00p.m. on Tuesday, February 24th for Adoration and the Rosary. We will also have Adoration on Friday, February 27th after the 8:00 a.m. Mass to 11:00 a.m.



OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

From now through March 1st we will be collecting Bath Towels (any size) for the clients of the Cathedral of St. Joseph Pantry. Please drop your donations in any of the boxes in the back of the church.

BECAUSE IT'S LENT:

- Confessions will be heard on Mondays from 5pm to 6pm.
- Daily Mass will be Monday through Friday including Wednesdays at 8am.
- Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 7pm

GROWING CLOSER TO CHRIST

Join us on 3 Thursday evenings: February 26th, March 12th and March 26th as we discuss Amy Ekeh's book: Lent: Season of Transformation. If you would like one of the books, please call the parish office. A simple Soup supper will be offered at 6pm followed by a discussion at 6:30.

Growing Closer to Christ –

Gathering #1 – Reflection Question

Jesus endured forty days of temptation and fasting before beginning his ministry. Why do you think he was led by the Spirit into the desert to experience this? What may be preventing you from responding to God's call this Lent?

SOUP CHEFS NEEDED!

On February 26th, March 12th and March 26th we will begin our discussion "Getting Closer to Christ" with a Soup and... dinner. Please consider joining us for dinner at 6:00 followed by the program at 6:30. ***If you would be willing to make a soup for one of the evenings, please sign up in the back of the church!***

A Note for the day



Deacon Bob

As we enter the season of Lent, the world's attention was on our recent Olympics—a celebration of human strength, discipline, and perseverance. Athletes train for years, sacrificing comfort and leisure, all for the hope of standing on the podium. Their dedication reminds us of St. Paul's words: "*Do you not know that in a race all*

the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize." (1 Corinthians 9:24)

Lent is our spiritual Olympics. It calls us to discipline through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving—not for medals, but for a deeper union with Christ. Just as athletes push through fatigue and setbacks, we too are invited to persevere through spiritual struggles, trusting that God's grace strengthens us.

The Olympic flame symbolizes hope and unity; in Lent, the light of Christ guides us through the darkness of sin toward Easter's victory. Every sacrifice, every act of love, is training for the ultimate goal: eternal life with God.

As we watched the athletes strive for glory, let us ask ourselves: *Am I running my race of faith with the same determination? Am I willing to train my heart through prayer and self-denial so that Christ's love shines through me?* This Lent, let's go for the gold—not in medals, but in holiness.

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

POPE LEO ON X

As we begin our journey through Lent, let us ask the Lord to grant us the gift of true conversion of heart, so that we may better respond to His love for us and share that love with those around us.

BLOOMFIELD FOOD PANTRY

Thanks to everyone who continually bring food for the Bloomfield Food pantry. Food insecurity is everywhere, including here in our own town. Please continue bringing your donations to the boxes in the back of the church.



BOOK CLUB

The next meeting of the Sacred Heart Book Club will be on Wednesday, February 25th at 1:30 p.m. in room 3. This month's book is "The Elephant Whisperer" by Lawrence Anthony. **Come join the group!**



LION'S CLUB EYE GLASS COLLECTION!

Do you have any old eye glasses that you no longer need? The Lion's club has set up a box in the "cry room" in the back of the church. Please drop your glasses off in the box at your convenience. Thank you for helping the Lion's Club help others.

PREVIOUS WEEK'S PARISH SUPPORT

Weekly:	\$ 3,861.00
On-Line:	\$ 572.00
Total Received:	\$ 4,433.00
Budgeted:	\$ 5,000.00

*Thank
You*

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

SACRED HEART WEBSITE

If you haven't already, please check out our Sacred Heart Website. We thank Margaret Folse and David Royce for their help in updating the site.
Sacredheartbloomfieldct.com

**Turn to the back page
for exciting news!**

Sacred Heart's



Open for business

Saturday, March 14th
5:30 p.m.



Join us for the grand opening of our own Irish Pub.
(unnamed as of yet)

Guests are asked to bring their
favorite dish for a
Potluck supper.



The night will be filled with surprises.



Tickets (\$5 per person) are
limited to the first 60 people
(tables of 6)

Tickets are available in the parish office and
after all Masses on February 28th, March 1st