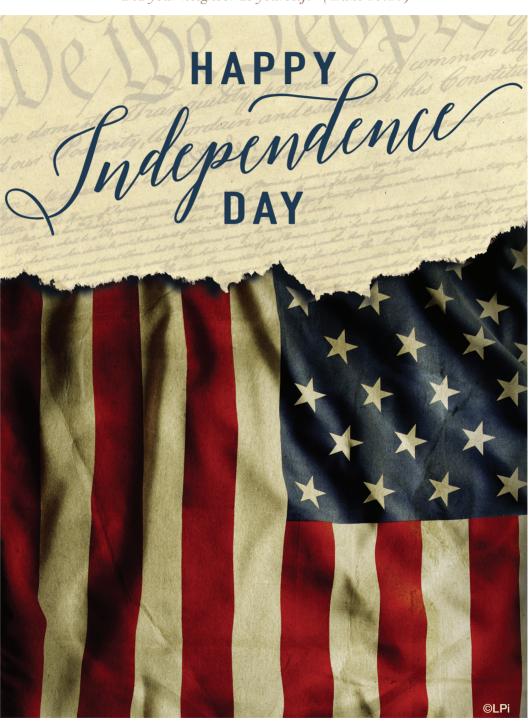


### Sacred Heart of Jesus

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"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." (Luke 10:27)



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## The need is greater than ever! Please continue to donate!

THANK YOU to all who have donated food or monetary donations to the Ice Box! Your generosity is overwhelming!

The Ice Box continues to operate a drive-thru service located on the north side of the Parish Hall.

Pre-packaged food pantry bags are available for pick-up on: Saturdays from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. & Sundays 4 -6 p.m. There is a limit of one bag per household per weekend.

To-go meals are served on: Saturdays beginning at 11 a.m. & Sundays beginning at 4 p.m. while supplies last. Families and individuals are welcome to pick-up to-go meals on both days.

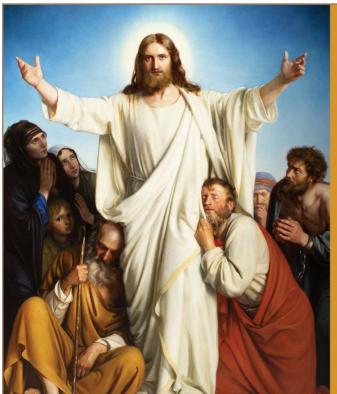
Donations may be dropped off on Mondays from 4 - 6 p.m. or Thursdays from 5 -7 p.m. at the west entrance of the Parish Hall.

Food donations can also be dropped off in the north entrance of the church during church open hours. Please do not bring your food donation to the church office.



### **Donations requested are:**

Mac & Cheese Canned Meats (Tuna, Ham, Chicken, etc.) Canned Soups, Stews, Chili Canned Ravioli Applesauce Shelf-stable or Powdered Milk Crackers Granola Bars Peanut Butter Jelly Canned Vegetables & Canned Fruits Whole-Grain Cereal Pasta (spaghetti, macaroni, etc.) Canned or plastic jars of tomato sauce (no glass) Rice Beans



## 14<sup>™</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest." - Mt 11:28

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### MAN AND WOMAN

### Key Truths about Redefining Human Sexuality



For more resources, please visit www.marriageuniqueforareason.org

### The Supreme Court

The U.S. Supreme Court recently ruled that a federal law that bans discrimination on the basis of "sex" also applies to "sexual orientation" and "transgender" status. Unjust discrimination against anyone is wrong. This decision may be an attempt to address that but instead they harm the common good. In effect, it legally redefines human sexual identities to no longer mean man and woman – who are made for each other and form the foundation of the family – and requires people to honor one another's asserted gender identities and sexual conduct.

### Definitions Matter

It is not just to disregard the truth, goodness, and reality of who we are as created male or female. Nor does accepting this reality require adhering to rigid stereotypes or social roles. It is also unjust to elevate "sexual orientation" as if a sexual attraction is an inherent aspect of one's "sex."

### Sexual Difference is a Gift

God created humanity male and female, made to live in relation to each other, and found His creation very good. This is therefore a good thing and we are all called to accept and embrace our God-given sexual identity. Sexual difference, male and female, is essential for marriage and children. Our bodies matter—we don't just have a body but are an ensouled body.

### Marriage and Children

A man and a woman, in marriage, are irreplaceable and not interchangeable. Marriage is a natural institution that predates government. Every human society has acknowledged that the sexual union of man and woman matters because it creates the next generation. Children have a right to be raised by a mother and a father whenever possible. This enables society to flourish.

### Love and Community

Love, in the Christian sense, is not a feeling nor unconditional niceness, but rather willing the good of another person. The marital relationship involves a unique type of love. When we disconnect sexual activity from the permanence of marriage or from openness to children, or when we deny our God-given sexual identity, we make our relationships more about us and our feelings than about giving ourselves or serving others. On a large scale, this can have an effect on the whole community as well.

### Dignity of the Human Person

All persons have inviolable dignity and deserve love and respect. Effectively redefining human sexuality in law furthers no one's rights, least of all those who struggle with their sexual identity.

### **Equality and Rights**

Affirming the true definition of "sex" denies no one their basic rights as a human being. Rather, it affirms the equal dignity of women and men in society and under law.

### Discrimination

Unjust discrimination is wrong. Treating different things differently is not unjust discrimination. For example, only man and woman can form a conjugal union that brings forth children. Protecting the foundation of the family is a matter of justice.

### Same-Sex Attraction or Gender Incongruence Experiences of same-sex attraction or gender incongruence are realities that call for compassion, sensitivity, and pastoral care. Support groups, such as Courage and Encourage, are an important part of the Church's pastoral ministries.

### Religious Freedom and Advocacy

Redefining human sexuality under the Civil Rights Act will likely change numerous other laws. It sets the Church's teaching, witness, ministries, and service organizations – who serve everyone but must do so in accord with the truth – in opposition to the law. It will cause innumerable conflicts between the state and religious institutions and individuals. There are, in fact, already numerous examples of this in schools, hospitals, shelters, and small businesses. The faithful are encouraged to stay engaged with their policymakers on these matters to help advance just outcomes wherever possible.



Greetings all! Wow, THE this Covid time has from the desk of been strange. It has been difficult for me

as an extrovert to be isolated from people - I thrive by being around people! However, during this time, it has been amazing to feel and know the support of the parish. I truly have been able to feel everyone's prayers. One thing I know is this: we have a lot of prayer warriors in our parish who are quietly going about their Christian duty on a daily basis, not letting their right hand know what their left hand is doing. To all those who are staying fervent in prayer, we all say thank you. The older I get the more I am convinced that there is nothing we do that is more important than daily prayer.

It has been a huge blessing to reach out to people and hear their voices, to tell them we are praying for them, to pray with them over the phone, to see them in the communion line in their vehicles, to see their eyes peering over the top of their masks in church. God has richly blessed our parish and I pray in firm hope knowing He will continue to do so.

It is very hard knowing that choir is not allowed at this time, though I understand why this must be. There is nothing I enjoy as much as getting together with a group of my brothers and sisters in the Lord to create sacred music for worship in the singing of the Mass. I pray that such times are right around the corner, and I pray for this pandemic soon.

Deacon Dan Vehige's homily on Sunday touched my heart. His encouragement I will never forget: be the kind of man that when your feet hit the ground in the morning, the devil says, "Oh no. He's up." Thank you, Deacon Dan. That is the man I shall always strive to be. I will pray the same for others and I ask that you pray the same for me.

From now on I will fondly think of our parish at Sacred Heart as a parish where when we gather together, the devil groans and says, "Oh no!!! They're celebrating the Mass AGAIN!!!"

With love, Michael Duryea, Director of Music



Heavenly Father, you have given us the gifts of life and liberty and entrust to your people the duty to quard these gifts wherever they are threatened. Help us to protect the freedom of all to follow the Gospel of your Son, Jesus Christ, and to bring his light and truth to the ends of the earth. Guide all who play a role in enacting legislation to uphold the freedom of conscience of all citizens. Send us your Spirit to inspire in us the wisdom and courage needed to witness to the truth and to stand up for all whose religious liberty is endangered. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen. Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our country, pray for us.



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Incoming students, alumni, parents, all are welcome! RSVP at kucatholic.org/kucatholicmass

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## **Current Mass times...**

**Adjusted Mass/Confession times:** 

Please arrive on time. Masks must be worn.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ∼ in the church.

Sunday, 8 a.m. ∼ in the church & overflow in the Parish Hall.

Sunday, 10 a.m. ∼ in the church, Live-stream for at home viewers.

Communion will be offered after Mass. At home viewers are welcome to participate in communion beginning at 11 a.m.
Please proceed to the north church entrance

Tuesday, 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. Thursday, 5:30 p.m. Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Weekday Mass goers, please use north church entrance only.

Confessions are in the chapel until further notice: Wednesdays 6:00 - 6:30 p.m. & Saturdays 6:15 - 7:00 p.m.



### Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



Feast Day: July 6
Patron of:
youth, young women,
purity, and victims of rape



**Q:** Why do priests kiss the altar at the start of Mass?

**A:** Our churches and chapels are filled with symbols. We might think of the more common symbols (like the crucifix,

statues, stained-glass windows, vestment color and altar cloths) as well as major symbols (such as the paschal candle and the baptismal font). But there are some things that we can take for granted in our sacred spaces, because unfortunately, they seem to just be part of the building, including three of the main symbols of our liturgy: the ambo (lectern), the chair for the priest celebrant, and the altar.

These three objects are placed in a specially designated area called the sanctuary. They are the places where the Word of God is proclaimed, where the priest prays and presides at the celebration, and where the bread and wine are offered by the priest during the Eucharistic Prayer. Although each of these objects is sacred because of the role they play in our worship, the altar holds a special place. In a document containing the rules and instructions for the Mass — the "General Instruction of the Roman Missal" — we read: "The altar on which the Sacrifice of the Cross is made present under sacramental signs is also the table of the Lord to which the People of God is called together to participate in the Mass, as well as the center of the thanksgiving that is accomplished throughout the Eucharist" (no. 296).

One of the ways that we recognize the importance of the altar is when the priest and deacon kiss the altar at the beginning of Mass. Kissing is an ancient act of devotion. Remember, we also kiss the cross on Good Friday, and the deacon or priest kisses the "Book of the Gospels" after the Gospel is proclaimed. This act of devotion reminds us that the altar is a symbol of Jesus, the "living stone" (see 1 Peter 2:4), the foundation stone of our faith. It is a symbol gesture, but it is a powerful reminder of the One on whom our faith is built and in whose name we gather as the "household of faith" (see Galatians 6:10). To learn more, see the "Catechism of the Catholic Church" (no. 1382-1383). ©LPi

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament in Adoration is currently suspended until further notice. However, once we resume we will have a couple of open hours. Please prayerfully consider committing to an hour with our Lord in adoration.

The open hours are: Wednesday, 3 a.m. to 4 a.m. & Wednesday 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

If interested, please contact Brenda Mears (shadoration@gmail.com) or call the parish office.



Congratulations to Barrett Ray Miller son of Brandon & Riley Miller who was baptized at Sacred Heart on July 4, 2020.

## **Organizations**

### **Altar Society**

Linda DeDonder ~ 620-412-6065

### **Building & Grounds**

Steve Henry ~ 620-340-9586

#### Cemetery

Dave Stout ~ 620-340-2663

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#### **Finance Council**

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### **Natural Family Planning**

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#### **Parish Endowments**

James Kessler ~ 620-344-4323

#### **Prayer Chain**

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Welcome New Parishioners Please register at the Parish Office.

**Catechumenate (RCIA)** Those desiring to enter our faith community are welcomed into the Catechumenate to begin Christian Initiation. Call the parish office.

**Baptism Preparation** Congratulations on your pregnancy or new arrival! Contact the church office regarding preparation. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Must be registered parishioner for at least six months.

**Need Help With Prayer?** Spiritual direction is available on request with Fr. Farrar, Debra Williams or Jim Krueger. Call the parish office.

**Marriage Preparation** Thinking about or already engaged? We're happy to help celebrate your love in the Sacrament of Marriage. Make an appointment with the pastor at least nine months prior to wedding.

### This Week

### Sunday, July 5

10:00 am Livestream Mass 4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru 6:00 pm Vespers & Virtue Ball, church parking lot

### Monday, June 6

4:00 pm Ice Box Donation Drop-off, PHall Wednesday, July 8

6:00 pm Confessions, Chapel

7:00 pm Youth Group, church parking lot

Thursday, July 9

5:00 pm Ice Box Donation Drop-off, PHall

Saturday, July 11

11:00 am Ice Box Drive-Thru 6:15 pm Confessions, Chapel

Sunday, July 12

10:00 am Livestream Mass 4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru 6:00 pm Vespers & Virtue Ball, church parking lot

### Mass Intentions

### Monday, July 6

St. Maria Goretti, Virgin & Martyr No Mass

### Tuesday, July 7

Fourteenth Tuesday in Ordinary Time 5:30 pm Cathy & Mike Whitaker

### Wednesday, July 8

Fourteenth Wednesday in Ordinary Time 5:30 pm Deanna Buss

### Thursday, July 9

St. Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest & Companions,

5:30 pm + Simon Rodriguez

### Friday, July 10

Fourteenth Friday in Ordinary Time 8:15 am † Jankins Louis

### Saturday, July 11

St. Benedict, Abbot 5:30 pm Ward & Eileen Gasche Family

### Sunday, July 12

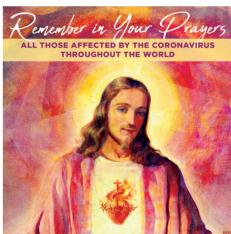
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8:00 am Bryon & Tina Sturm Family 10:00 am Sacred Heart Parishioners

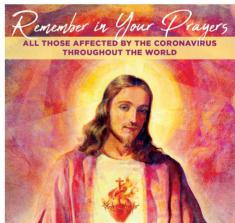
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### We're looking for Sacred Heart School alumni!

We want you to... Keep in touch with classmates! **Share stories and life experiences!** Relive, reminisce and retell! Watch progress of your alma mater!

Submit your online shemporia.org/alumnireferral.

We would love to get pictures of your memories! Email them to alumni@shemporia.org Follow us on social media!

The church is open for private prayer

**Monday - Friday** 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and weekends Noon to 6 p.m.

Until further notice, the church office business hours are:

**Tuesday & Thursday** Noon to 4 p.m.



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