

Sacred Heart of Jesus

Catholic Church & School

The Memo

December 26 - 27, 2020

*"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)*



THE HOLY FAMILY

The child grew and became
strong, filled with wisdom;
and the favor of God
was upon him.
- Lk 2:40

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Mass Schedule

No weekday Mass or Confession December 28-30

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Vigil, December 31, 5:30 p.m.

January 1, 10:00 a.m.

27 Cottonwood Emporia, KS 66801

Office Hours: M-Th 8:00 am - 4:00 pm, Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

www.shemporia.org



The John & Frances Ice Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry

Curbside service
every Sunday 4 - 5:30 p.m.



Pre-packaged food pantry bags are available for pick-up every Sunday from 4 - 5:30 p.m. There is a limit of one bag per household per weekend. To-go meals are served every Sunday beginning at 4 p.m. while supplies last.

THANK YOU to all who continue to donate food or send monetary donations to the Ice Box! Your generosity is overwhelming!

Beginning January 2021, the drive-thru will operate 4 - 5 p.m.



Food donations can 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.

Peanut Butter
Jelly
Canned Vegetables
Canned Fruits
Whole-Grain Cereal
Pasta

Tomato Pasta sauce
(no glass)
Rice
Beans
Mac & Cheese
Canned Meats
Canned Soups,
Stews, Chili

Canned Ravioli
Applesauce
Shelf-stable or
Powdered Milk
Crackers
Granola Bars

Interesting numbers...

Sunday, December 13
42 meals served &
21 pantry bags given

This week...

Requested donations this week: canned fruit, soups.

When shopping for your food pantry items, consider choosing items that are labeled *Box Tops for Education*. You can contribute to the food pantry AND Sacred Heart School at the same time!

The Ice Box is looking for volunteers!



The John & Frances Ice Soup Kitchen & Food Pantry operates every Sunday to serve those in need. We are looking for more volunteers willing to help! You will work with 4-5 other individuals while social distancing and wearing masks. Would you consider volunteering? All volunteers must be Virtus trained. Please contact the church office to learn more about Virtus training and/or volunteering for the Ice Box.

The following volunteer positions are needed:

Food prep, Servers, Greeter, Meal Runner
You can learn more about each position at shemporia.org/soup-kitchen-food-pantry

Current Weekend & Weekday Mass times...

Please arrive on time.
Masks must be worn.

Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ~ in the church & Parish Hall as needed.

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

Sunday, 10 a.m. ~ in the church & overflow in the Parish Hall.

Live-stream for at home viewers.

At home viewers are welcome to participate in communion beginning at 11 a.m. Please come to the parish hall.

Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.

Thursday, 5:30 p.m.

Friday, 8:15 a.m.

Weekday Mass goes, please use north church entrance only.

Confessions are heard in the Confessional using the anonymous screen side only. No face-to-face.

Wednesdays beginning at 6 p.m. & Saturdays beginning at 6:15 p.m.

Please enter through the north church entrance and proceed to the church nave to pray and/or examine your conscience. Penitents should make a line along the north church wall keeping distancing in mind.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction the 2nd Wednesday of the month immediately following the 5:30 p.m. Mass until 7:30 p.m. Come for a few minutes or stay the entire time. All are welcome.



I am not a fan of last minute planning and would rather know well in advance what will happen so there are as few surprises as possible. For my own sanity, I begin reminding Father at least two months prior to Lent, Holy Week, and Christmas that we need to grab our notes to begin planning the special services.

I still had my summer tan and was wearing sandals when Father first mentioned planning for Christmas Mass this year. I told him how surprised I was he was even thinking of Christmas without me prompting it first. Of course because of COVID he was thinking ahead about what Christmas Mass might look like at Sacred Heart in 2020. Even with the best intentions to begin discussing Christmas in August with a sign-up for Christmas held in October, we were still planning the Christmas seating at the last minute. This was no one's fault, it's just the way it had to be because of the constantly changing situation with COVID.

Father and I spent several hours putting together the seating arrangement for all Christmas Masses. Father asked me to create (what I called) puzzle pieces, a 1x1 inch square the equivalent of one seat. We placed these pieces on masking tape that represented the pews of the church in order to space and place families appropriately (pictured at right). As Father and I sorted the puzzle pieces, we found ourselves saying "they" like to sit here or there and "they" like the front or the back. If you were assigned a pew for Christmas Mass, please know we tried to be attentive to your preferences as much as possible. Once the preliminary seating charts were in place, I started calling everyone who had completed a Christmas sign-up form. I made well over 100 initial phone calls! This was an exhausting process. After a few phone calls I began referring to the Christmas Mass ticket as a *Golden Ticket*. This provided for a few chuckles and surprisingly only one reference to Willy Wonka! However, I did get asked more than once, "what does this *Golden Ticket* cost me?" :) Thank you to Joan Dold who helped me prepare all of the *Golden Tickets* for the Masses. That process went much faster with her help. Also a special thank you to all of the Christmas Mass volunteers. Especially the ushers and cleaners. We couldn't have done Christmas Mass without you. Thank you.



If I spoke to you about Christmas seating, thank you for being understanding and patient with the process. It sure made things easier on me and for that I'm appreciative. I can't lie...this whole process was a lot of work and a bit overwhelming. A labor of love. That's what you do for 'family.' Merry Christmas!

Marcie Logsdon
Pastoral & Administrative Assistant



Cub Scout Pack 158 had their long awaited Pinewood Derby on December 7.

Pictured at left: Avrya Urrutia, 1st place; Connor Parks, 2nd place; JW Roberts, 3rd place; Xavier Logsdon, alternate.

Pictured at right are runners up Alecia Schmitt and Talia Fusaro.

Pope Francis announced a special year dedicated to St. Joseph starting from 8 December 2020 until 8 December 2021, on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of St. Joseph as the Patron of the Universal Church, as well as the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady.

The Apostolic Penitentiary also issued a decree granting special indulgences for the duration of the special year to celebrate the anniversary and "to perpetuate the entrustment of the whole Church to the powerful patronage of the Custodian of Jesus."

Pope Francis proclaims "Year of St Joseph" During this period, the faithful will have the opportunity to commit themselves "with prayer and good works, to obtain, with the help of St. Joseph, head of the heavenly Family of Nazareth, comfort and relief from the serious human and social tribulations that besiege the contemporary world today."

Devotion to St. Joseph The decree signed by Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, the Major Penitentiary of the Apostolic Penitentiary, and the Regent, Fr. Krzysztof Nykiel, notes that devotion to St. Joseph has grown extensively throughout the history of the Church, "which not only attributes to him high reverence after that of the Mother of God his spouse but has also given him multiple patronages."

At the same time, the Magisterium of the Church continues to discover "old and new greatness in this treasure which is St. Joseph, like the master in the Gospel of Matthew who brings from his storeroom both the new and the old." Therefore, the gift of indulgences granted through a decree of the Apostolic Penitentiary by mandate of the Holy Father "will be of great benefit to the perfect attainment of the appointed purpose."

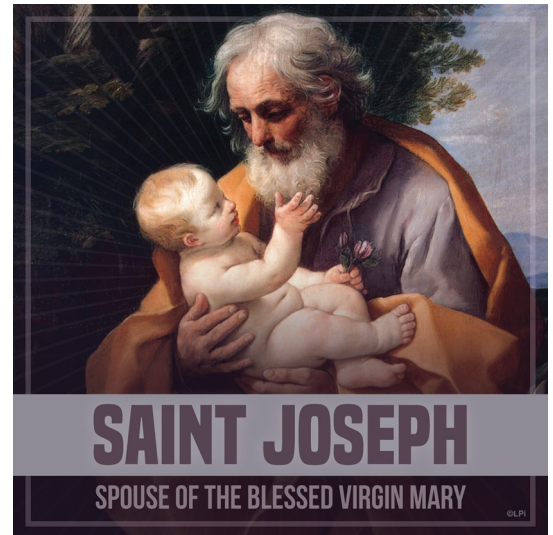
Conditions for the plenary indulgence The plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the Pope's intentions) to Christians who, with a spirit detached from any sin, participate in the Year of St. Joseph on these occasions and manners indicated by the Apostolic Penitentiary:

- The plenary indulgence is granted to those who will meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, or take part in a Spiritual Retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on St. Joseph. "St. Joseph, an authentic man of faith, invites us", the decree reads, "to rediscover our filial relationship with the Father, to renew fidelity to prayer, to listen and correspond with profound discernment to God's will."
- The indulgence can also be obtained by those who, following St. Joseph's example, will perform a spiritual or corporal work of mercy. St. Joseph "encourages us to rediscover the value of silence, prudence and loyalty in carrying out our duties," the decree notes.
- The recitation of the Holy Rosary in families and among engaged couples is another way of obtaining indulgences, in order that "all Christian families may be stimulated to recreate the same atmosphere of intimate communion, love and prayer that was in the Holy Family."
- Everyone who entrusts their daily activity to the protection of St. Joseph, and every faithful who invokes the intercession of St. Joseph so that those seeking work can find dignifying work can also obtain the plenary indulgence. On 1 May 1955, Pope Pius XII instituted the feast of St. Joseph "with the intent that the dignity of work be recognized by all, and that it inspires social life and laws, based on the fair distribution of rights and duties."
- The plenary indulgence is also granted to the faithful who will recite the Litany to St. Joseph (for the Latin tradition), or the *Akathistos* to St. Joseph (for the Byzantine tradition), or any other prayer to St. Joseph proper to the other liturgical traditions, for the persecuted Church *ad intra* and *ad extra*, and for the relief of all Christians suffering all forms of persecution. Because, the decree notes, "the flight of the Holy Family to Egypt shows us that God is there where man is in danger, where man suffers, where he runs away, where he experiences rejection and abandonment."

A universal saint In addition to these, the Apostolic Penitentiary grants a plenary indulgence to the faithful who will recite any legitimately approved prayer or act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, for example, "To you, O blessed Joseph" especially on "19 March, on 1 May, the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, on St. Joseph's Sunday (according to the Byzantine tradition) on the 19th of each month and every Wednesday, a day dedicated to the memory of the saint according to the Latin tradition." The decree recalls the universality of St. Joseph's patronage of the Church, noting that St. Teresa of Ávila recognized him as "a protector for all the circumstances of life". Pope St. John Paul II also said that St. Joseph has "a renewed relevance for the Church of our time, in relation to the new Christian millennium."

For the sick Amid the ongoing Covid-19 health crisis, the gift of the plenary indulgence is also extended to the sick, the elderly, the dying and all those who for legitimate reasons are unable to leave their homes. They too can obtain the plenary indulgences if they are detached from any sin and have the intention of fulfilling, as soon as possible, the three usual conditions and recite an act of piety in honor of St. Joseph, offering to God the pains and hardships of their lives.

The role of priests The Apostolic Penitentiary encourages priests to pastorally facilitate the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance and the administration of Holy Communion to the sick with a willing and generous spirit.



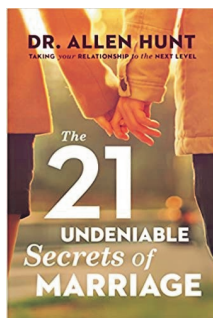


Tom & Megan Mahoney along with Dan & Joan Dold are beginning a

Marriage & Family Ministry at Sacred Heart.

Marriage is vital, especially in the trials that we are now facing. Your sacrament is precious, not only to you and your spouse, but to our community. The Mahoneys and Dolds hope to build a Marriage & Family ministry here at Sacred Heart that will recognize and support marriages and families through shared faith, values and activities. We will be starting small due to the pandemic, but it too will pass eventually and then, hopefully, we will be able to expand. First, we will pray monthly for the married couples here at Sacred Heart in a Mass petition. We would also like to recognize anniversaries each month in the bulletin. If you would allow us to thank you for your witness through marriage, contact the church office or complete the Google Survey in the weekly this-n-that eNewsletter with your name and anniversary date.

Lastly, we are starting a marriage enrichment group that will meet monthly on Zoom. We are going to start by reading and discussing *21 Undeniable Secrets of Marriage* by Dr. Allen Hunt in January. Please contact Megan Mahoney at meganohayes@gmail.com to sign up. Possible ideas for future activities include parenting groups, mentoring, an Anniversary Supper, and more. If you would like to be involved, please contact Megan Mahoney.



Happy Anniversary to these couples celebrating in January!

Al & Antonina Bauman
Carl & Carlene Bedner
Larry & Rachel Guerrero
John & Jane Guion
Darrell & Diana Hirt
Edward & Mary Juresic
Steve & Marilyn Laird
Terrance & Teresa Weaver



**Catholic Schools Week
will be celebrated at
Sacred Heart School
January 24 - 30, 2021.**



**It's not too late to contribute
to the SHS Advent Appeal!
Your support is
greatly appreciated!**



**Track the progress of your
*Spiritual Adoption!***

First Trimester

After fertilization and implantation, a baby is at first just an embryo: two layers of cells from which all the organs and body parts will develop. Growing quickly, your baby is soon about the size of a kidney bean and constantly moving. The heart is beating quickly and the intestines are forming. Your budding son or daughter's earlobes, eyelids, mouth, and nose are also taking shape.



13 weeks pregnant: It's the last week of the first trimester! Your baby now has exquisite fingerprints and is almost 3 inches long. ©BabyCenter



**The Holy Family
of Jesus, Mary,
and Joseph**

Organizations

Altar Society

Linda DeDonder ~ 620-412-6065

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Parish Endowments

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Prayer Chain

Louise Wright ~ 620-342-8624

Pro-Life

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Breeana Urrutia ~ 910-320-6112

Scouts (open to boys and girls)

Marc Fusaro ~ 479-280-8525

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Fran Hudson ~ 620-342-5039

Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry

Christina Acosta-Lane ~ 620-757-5000

Stewardship

Jeffrey Williams ~ 620-343-1919



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.

Parish & School

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Sarah McKernan ~ 620-794-2000

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Marketing Committee

Nikki Metz ~ 620-481-1346

Operations Committee

Cindy Lore ~ 620-366-2374



Week of December 12 - 13, 2020

Envelopes	\$5367.00
Collection Plate.....	\$1624.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$13.50
Online/Kiosk.....	\$973.00
Total.....	\$7977.50

Advent Appeal/SHS.....	\$25.00
Building Fund.....	\$180.00
Catholic Charities.....	\$95.00
Christmas.....	\$25.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$155.00
Human Development.....	\$25.00
Ice Box.....	\$20.00
Immaculate Conception.....	\$680.00
Peter's Pence.....	\$85.00
Retired Religious.....	\$1083.00
Sacred Heart School.....	\$300.00
The Leaven.....	\$105.00

Thank you!

To reach the online giving page through your Smartphone, scan the QR code to the right to signup & start giving! It's never been so easy & convenient to play your part in your parish's financial life!



This Week

Sunday, December 27

10:00 am Livestream Mass
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru

Monday, December 28

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, December 29

Church Office Closed

Wednesday, December 30

Church Office Closed

Thursday, December 31

Church Office Closed

Friday, January 1

Church Office Closed

Sunday, January 3

10:00 am Livestream Mass
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru



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Confessions are heard in the the confessional using the anonymous screen side only:

Wednesdays 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
and
Saturdays 6:15 - 7:00 p.m.

The church office is open to the public
Monday - Wednesday
from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Friday

The church is open for private prayer during the following hours:
Mon. 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Tues., Wed., Thur.
6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Fri. 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.
and weekends Noon to 4 p.m.

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Looking Ahead

January 12: SHS Dining Night at 6th

Ave. McDonald's, 4-8pm

January 24-30: Catholic Schools Week

February 2: Discipleship Presentation

February 9: SHS Dining Night at Billy Sims 5-8pm

February 10: Adoration & Benediction

February 17: Ash Wednesday

March 10: Adoration & Benediction

April 4: Easter Sunday

April 25: Discipleship Presentation



Recordings of each Sunday's homily can be found on our website shemporia.org/homilies

Readings of the Week

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Friday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are located in the north church entrance and near the principal's office at SHS.

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 28

The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

No Mass

Tuesday, December 29

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

NO MASS

Wednesday, December 30

Sixth Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

NO MASS or Confessions

Thursday, December 31

Seventh Day within the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord

5:30 pm L/D Members of the KofC

Friday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

10:00 am † Joseph Martell

Saturday, January 2

Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church

5:30 pm † Luce Foncannon

Sunday, January 3

Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 am † Frances Ice

10:00 am Sacred Heart Parishioners

Masks are required to attend public Mass. Please bring your own face covering. A limited supply of disposable masks is available if you forget to bring your own. Thank you for your cooperation.



Calling all Alumni

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/stay-connected .

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