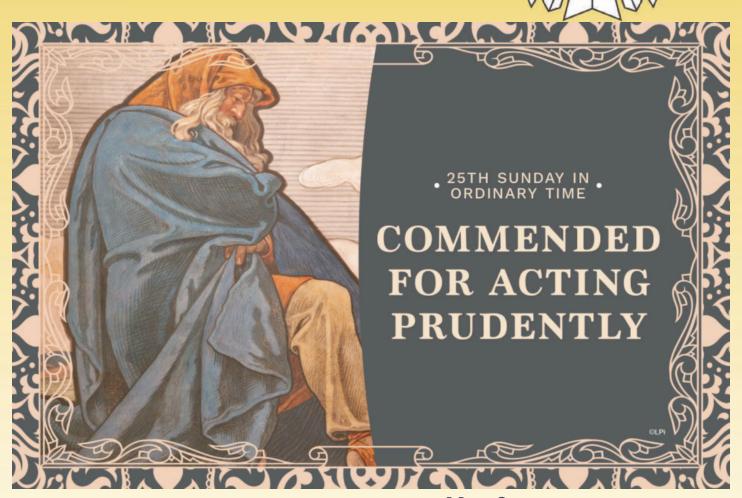
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CATHOLIC CHURCH

PARISH MESSENGER

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Give online via cell phone with our QR code.

WEEKDAY MASSES

Mondays: No Daily Mass
Tuesdays: 6:00 PM Mass
Wednesdays: 8:00 AM Mass/
Devotion to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
follows Mass

Thursdays: 6:00 AM Mass **Fridays**: 8:00 AM Mass

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays: 4:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sundays: 9:00 AM

11:00 AM

ROSARY TIMES

Tuesdays: 5:20 PM (Before Mass)
Saturdays: 3:30 PM (Before Mass)

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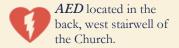
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OFFICE HOURS

Mondays-Thursdays: 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Fridays: CLOSED

Parish Office Closed every Wednesday from 10:30 AM-12:30 PM (Closed Daily for Lunch 12:00 – 12:30 PM)

ADORATION CHAPEL

Mondays-Sundays: 7:00 AM - 9:00 PM

(The Chapel is in the Church Sacristy and can be accessed from the ramp in the rear of the Church. Call Parish Office for code to enter.)

CONFESSIONS

Tuesdays: 5:30 PM Wednesdays: 7:30 AM Thursdays: 6:30 AM Fridays: 7:30 AM Saturdays: 3:00 PM



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SCHOOL OFFICE HOURS

Monday–Friday 7:15 AM – 3:05 PM, (Summer Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM) Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

EVERY 1ST FRIDAY OCTOBER - JUNE ONLY

CONFESSIONS: 11 AM MASS: 12 noon NOVENA: 12:30 PM

Please call or e-mail your prayer requests to the Parish Office Receptionist at 387-6671 or Receptionist@sacredhearthr.org



If you are interested, or know someone who is interested in finding out more about Becoming Catholic, please use the QR code to get in touch with our program leader Jeff Dunbar. Classes will begin Wednesday, October 1st.







Scan the QR Code to Register for Financial Peace University



OR Register at sacredheartbr.org

\$79* - \$129 per family Classes Begin Thursday, October 2, 2025 Thursdays 6pm - 8pm Activity Center Msgr. Blasco Room

> *Discounted \$79 rate available only through Sacred Heart

Support the Food Pantry!

Through your generosity our food pantry is able to be a source of support in our community. Please keep in mind when making food pantry donations that nutrition is very difficult on a low-income budget.

Most Needed:

Other Items:

Evaporated Milk Pork & Beans Tomato Sauce Canned Fruits Grits (1 lb or 5lb bags)

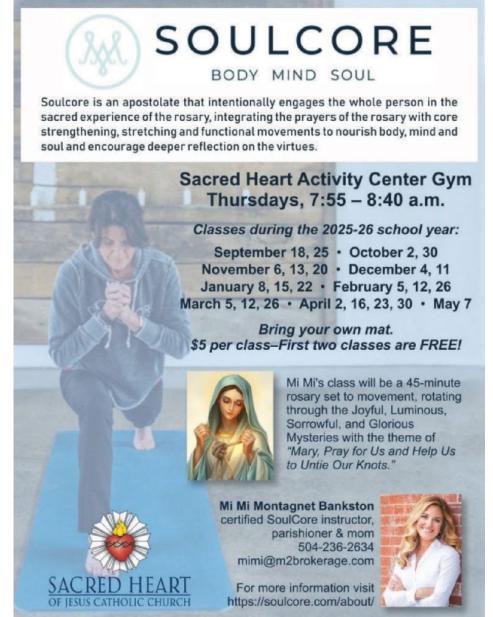
Dry Pastas

Canned Soups Dried Beans Rice Tuna Peanut Butter Grape Jelly

You can leave your items in the baskets at the back doors of the Church at Mass times. Thank you for helping us serve those in need in our community!

















Students Making a Change

Last year, the current 8th graders in Mrs. Suzanne Payne's religion classes took on a project to find solutions to some of the world's most pressing issues. One group focused on reducing styrofoam waste in our cafeteria as a way to care for God's creation. Their proposal: replace styrofoam with biodegradable or reusable plates.

They first presented their idea to Fr. Josh, Mother Rosario, and Principal Sharon Jones who were impressed and encouraged the students' efforts.



This past Friday, September 12, 2025, the group shared their project with Bishop Duca. He praised their thoughtful presentation and even invited them to audit the Catholic Life Center's recycling and environmental practices, giving them the chance to offer suggestions for more sustainable changes.

"We desire to be the pebble that creates the waves for generations to come. To inspire others to be good stewards of His creation." - 8th grade disciples 2025-26













◆ ◆ Sacraments ◆ ◆

MARRIAGE

Couples should contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to the desired date and must complete the Marriage Preparation Program.

BAPTISM

Seminar required. Please visit the website or call the Parish Office for information.

CARE OF THE SICK

Visits made regularly to hospitalized and homebound. Contact the Parish Office for Anointing of the Sick or to receive Holy Communion.

FUNERAL PLANNING

Please call the Parish Office prior to scheduling with the funeral home.

◆ ◆ Readings ◆ ◆

Sunday, September 21

Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1 -13 or 16:10-13

Monday, September 22 Ezr 1:1-6/Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Lk 8:16-18 Tuesday, September 23

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 24

Ezr 9:5-9/Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday, September 25

Hg 1:1-8/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Lk 9:7-9

Friday, September 26 Hg 2:1-9/Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4/Lk

9:18-22

Saturday, September 27

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a/Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13/Lk 9:43b-45

Sunday, September 28

Am 6:1a, 4-7/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/1 Tm 6:11-16/Lk 16:19-31

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◆ ◆ Calendar ◆ ◆						
MON 22	No Daily Mass					
TUE 23	Rosary, 5:20 PM Confessions, 5:30 PM Daily Mass, 6 PM Vagabond Teen Open Underground, 4:30 PM, HUB Cor Jesu, 6:30 PM, Parish Hall/AC-Fr. Blasco Rm.					
WED 24	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass, 8 AM Staff/Team Prayer Meeting-Office Closed, 10:30-12:30 Vagabond Teen Bible Study, 4:30 PM, HUB Women's ACTS Team Meeting, 6 PM, Parish Hall Young Adults Adoration, 6 PM, Church					
THU 25	Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM (Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.) Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall SoulCore Class, 7:55 AM, AC-Gym Vagabond Open Holy Hour, 9 AM, Church Vagabond Teen Breakout Groups, 4:30 PM, HUB Choir Practice, 6:30 PM, Choir Rm.					
FRI 26	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass with School, 8 AM SHS Hispanic Heritage Celebration, 1:45 PM, SHS Gym					
SAT 27	Confessions, 3 PM Rosary, 3:20 PM Vigil Mass/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 4 PM SVdP Visitation Meeting, 8:30 AM, HUB Conference Rm.					
SUN 28	26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Masses/2nd Collection for Adult Formation, 9 & 11 AM Coffee & Doughnuts following 9 AM Mass only PSR 1st Eucharist Class, 10 AM, AC-Fr. Smith Rm. Confirmation Session 3, 12 PM, Church Campus Sober Hearts: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.					

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Adoration Chapel Hours 7AM - 9PM Daily



◆ ◆ Mass Intentions ◆ ◆									
Date	Mass	Intention(s)							
Tuesday 9-23-25	6 PM	Special Intention of John Ross Garbarino							
Wednesday 9-24-25	8 AM	Ryan Spencer Leggio							
Thursday 9-25-25	6 AM	Michael DiVincenti III							
Friday 9-26-25	8 AM	Juanita Holden McGregor							
Saturday 9-27-25	4 PM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart							
Sunday 9-28-25	9 AM	Mary & Mike Bourgeois; Caty Carson Brown; Ryan Spencer Leggio; Pat Sullivan & Nancy Nelson;							
	11 AM	Shirlene Cooper; David & Bradley Smith; Madison French; Charles Chenier; George Livers							



◆ ◆ Minister Assignments ◆ ◆ September 20-21: Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27-28: Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time								
Mass	Readers	Cantor	Mass	Readers	Cantor			
Saturday 4:00 PM	Veronique Le Melle (1) Kay Gaudin (2)	Denise Williston	Saturday 4:00 PM	Phyllis Territo (1) Joell Keller (2)	Davis Hotard			
Sunday 9:00 AM	Morgan Reech (1) Risa Mueller (2)	Denise Williston	Sunday 9:00 AM	Jeanne Garcia (1) Caesar Garcia (2)	Davis Hotard			
Sunday 11:00 AM	Sid Bowden, Sr. (1) Charlotte Bertrand (2)	Denise Williston	Sunday 11:00 AM	Jackie Culotta (1) Sara Smith (2)	Davis Hotard			

A Prayer for Protection in Hurricane Season



O God, Master of this passing world, hear the humble voices of Your children. The Sea of Galilee obeyed Your Son's command when He calmed the stormy waters and delivered the disciples from fear and harm.

During this hurricane season, we turn to You, O loving Lord, for your mercy is without end. Should it be your will, we ask that we be spared from tragedies like those of the past and that you keep us safe in Your loving care.

O Virgin Mother, Star of the Sea, we seek your powerful help. Plead for us with Your Son that we might be spared all harm, whether natural or made by human hand, and walk safely in His footsteps until we reach our heavenly home. Should this not be His will, we pray for strength to grow closer to Him through these and other hardships we face.

Our Lady of Prompt Succor, hasten to help us!





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