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TWENTY NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



MASS SCHEDULE



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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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AED located in the
back, west stairwell of
the Church.

Vocations Chalice Program



Join our
Sacred Heart Parish
prayer efforts for
an increase in holy
vocations in our diocese.

Every Sunday a family will be
presented with Father Josh's
ordination chalice to take home
and pray the entire week for an
increase in vocations.

*If your family would like to participate,
call the parish office: 225-387-6671*

DOROTHY DAY CAFÉ

**Monday
through
Friday**

7:30–9:30 a.m.
in the Underground Hub



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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@sacredheartbr.org*



Get Your Flu Shot

Sunday, October 19, 2025

Following 9 & 11 AM Masses in the Parish Hall Choir Room

Stop the spread of influenza this winter!

Flu shots are FREE for those who bring their Medicare B card and most insurances!

Under 65 (\$30)/65+ (\$85) without insurance

Book of Remembrance

Please add the names of loved ones who have passed this year or are not already in the Book of Remembrance.



Come Meet the Saints & Sinners of St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery!



The Dollhouse Tomb

Join us at 1523 Main Street on Sunday, October 19, from 2 to 4 p.m. to take a walk through history.

There will be a brief presentation about the cemetery's history and preservation efforts, followed by a tour of some of the more notable tombs. Admission is free.

25th Anniversary
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Join Team "Sacred Heart Church & School"



2025 Parish School of Religion Registration 3rd-6th Grade Parents

Please scan the QR code to register if you are the parents of a 3rd through 6th grader who is NOT enrolled in a Catholic School

Scan



to register

This October, check out:
"Sleep Meditation"

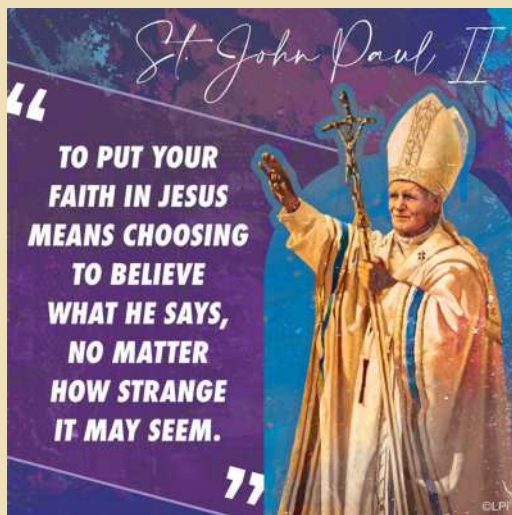
Where we share some of the prayers and challenges you can check out using your Parish Hallow account!

HALLOW HUB

Scan the QR code to join us!



◆◆ Saint Spotlight ◆◆



St. John Paul II | October 22

St. John Paul II was born Karol Wojtyla in the small Polish town of Wadowice. During World War II, when the Nazis invaded Poland, Karol secretly studied for the priesthood in an underground seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1946, appointed Archbishop of Krakow in 1964, and three years later he was made a cardinal. In 1978, he was elected the 264th pope, where he took the name John Paul II.

St. John Paul II made evangelization a key part of his papacy and made pastoral visits to all parts of the world. In 1981, he was shot twice in an assassination attempt. Following Jesus' example of compassion, he later met with his would-be assassin in his prison cell, where he forgave him for what he had done.

St. John Paul II was well-known to be an active sportsman throughout his life, hiking and skiing well into his 60s. In 1992, his health began to decline, and it was later discovered that he suffered from Parkinson's disease, a degenerative disorder of the central nervous system.

Near the end of his papacy, it became difficult for him to speak, and his poor health and physical suffering made public appearances difficult. Still, he continued his pastoral work. He died April 2, 2005, and he was declared blessed on May 1, 2011. He became a saint on April 27, 2014.

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Blessing of the Pets 2025

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, Sacred Heart School invited families and their pets to the school courtyard for Fr. Josh to bless them after Mass on Friday, October 3, 2025. Students and their families could bring their pet or a photo of their pet(s) to receive a special blessing. Students brought such a unique group of pets this year: dogs, a bearded dragon, rabbits, chinchilla, guinea pigs, and even a squirrel!

*Blessed are you Lord God, maker of all living creatures.
You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air, and animals on the land.
You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters.
We ask you to bless these pets. AMEN.*



◆ ◆ 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, October 19 Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (see 2)/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8	Tuesday, October 21 Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21/ Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17/Lk 12:35-38	Thursday, October 23 Rom 6:19-23/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 12:49-53	Saturday, October 25 Rom 8:1-11/Ps 24:1b-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 13:1-9
Monday, October 20 Rom 4:20-25/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 12:13-21	Wednesday, October 22 Rom 6:12-18/Ps 124:1b-3, 4-6, 7-8/Lk 12:39-48	Friday, October 24 Rom 7:18-25a/Ps 119:66, 68, 76, 77, 93, 94/Lk 12:54-59	Sunday, October 26 Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 (7a)/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

◆ ◆ Calendar ◆ ◆

MON 20	No Daily Mass
TUE 21	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 22	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 O.C.I.A. Class, 6:00 PM, AC-Fr. Blasco Rm. Women's ACTS Team Mtg., 6:00 PM, Parish Hall
THU 23	Daily Mass, 6 AM, Church Confessions, 6:30 AM <i>(Note: Confessions follow Mass on Thursdays.)</i> Men's Lectio Divina, 6:30 AM, Parish Hall Vagabond Open Holy Hour, 9 AM, Church Vagabond Teen Breakout Groups, 4:30 PM, HUB
FRI 24	Confessions, 7:30 AM Daily Mass w/ SHS, 8 AM SHS 1-5 Gr. Conferences (NO SCHOOL 1-5 Gr. Only)
SAT 25	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 26	30th 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. Sober Hearts: Open AA Meeting, 5 PM, AC-Fr. Gauci Rm.

◆ ◆ Mass Intentions ◆ ◆

Date	Mass	Intention(s)
Tuesday 10-21-25	6 PM	Ryan Spencer Leggio
Wednesday 10-22-25	8 AM	Special Intention of John Ross Garbarino
Thursday 10-23-25	6 AM	Michael DiVincenti III
Friday 10-24-25	8 AM	Madeline & Jeff Barnes
Saturday 10-25-25	4 PM	Shirlene Cooper; Martha B. Haase; George Livers
Sunday 10-26-25	9 AM	Pat Sullivan & Nancy Nelson; Cathy Carson Brown; Ryan Spencer Leggio; David & Bradley Smith
	11 AM	Parishioners of Sacred Heart

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration Chapel Hours
7AM - 9PM Daily



The Sacred Heart Sanctuary Lamp
for the month of October is lit in memory of
Becky Starring

The Sacred Heart
Adoration Chapel Lamp
for the month of October is lit for the intention of
Margaret Christine Miles

◆ ◆ Minister Assignments ◆ ◆

October 18-19: Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time			October 25-26: Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
Mass	Readers	Cantor	Mass	Readers	Cantor
Saturday 4:00 PM	Jacquelyn Dawson (1) Phyllis Territo (2)	Natalie Overall	Saturday 4:00 PM	Kay Gaudin (1) Clare Coulon (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 9:00 AM	Bill Bryan (1) Pamela Davis (2)	Natalie Overall	Sunday 9:00 AM	Tamekia Jones (1) Lisa Gardner (2)	Melissa Simien
Sunday 11:00 AM	Sid Bowden, Sr. (1) Franny Comeaux (2)	Natalie Overall	Sunday 11:00 AM	Tammy Simien (1) Jared Hromadka (2)	Melissa Simien

A Prayer for Protection in Hurricane Season



"Christ in the Storm on the Sea of Galilee"
Ludolf Backhuysen, German, 1695

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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