



SACRED HEART CHURCH
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RICH FOUNTAIN, MO 65035
Reverend William D. Debo

Joy-filled Giver of Life, let the anticipation of your birth fill us with overflowing joy. May our excitement and anticipation be a sign to the world that you are always near.
 Amen.

“Third Sunday of Advent”

December 14, 2025

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

December 16 Tuesday **7:45 AM** † Deceased Members of The Rackers Family
 December 17 Wednesday **NO MASS**
 December 18 Thursday **7:45 AM** † Aloysius & Agnes Dudenhoeffer
 December 19 Friday **NO MASS**
 December 20 Saturday **4:00 PM** † Lonnie & Jay Wallace † Felix, Viola & Richard Boehm
 December 21 Sunday **7:45 AM** † Ruth Ann Rudroff, Lawrence & Gladys Rudroff

| | MONTHLY | OFFERINGS | | | |
|----------|-------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| DECEMBER | ENVELOPES | “LOOSE” OFFERING | ELECTRONIC OFFERING | SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OFFERING | |
| 12/7 | \$12,284.00 | \$309.00 | \$1,327.65 | Maint & Repairs | \$145.00 |
| | | | | Immaculate Conception | \$201.00 |
| | | | | Christmas | \$125.00 |
| | | | | Seminarian & Infirm Priests | \$95.00 |
| | | | | Good Shepherd Food Pantry | \$870.00 |

Monthly Total of All Offerings: \$15,356.65

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 20 4:00 p.m.

Greeters: Stefan & Elizabeth Boeckman
Servers: Vincent Troesser, Jocelyn Hedges
Lector: Renee Haller
Ushers: Dennis Bruemmer, John Schulte
Gifts: Stefan & Elizabeth Boeckman
Com: Bob & Karen Goodenough, Debbie Boehm

Rosary: Janie Wallace
Sacristan: Bob Goodenough

Sunday, December 21 7:45 a.m.

Greeters: Layne & Megan Rudroff
Servers: Sean Luebbert, Ridley Rudroff
Lector: Sandra Lehmen
Ushers: Andy Lehmen, Mike Perkins
Gifts: Patrick & Dana Bexten
Com: Dana Bexten, Mary Jane Bexten.
 Megan Markway

Rosary: Joan Neuner
Sacristans: Holly Neuner
Money: Nan Scheulen, Ted Bethmann

SACRED HEART PARISH ACTIVITIES

December 14th – Sunday – **4-H Meeting** 9-12 PM School Cafeteria
December 15th – Monday – Sacred Heart School’s “Drive-Thru” **JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM** 6:00-7:00 PM
December 18th – Thursday – **Shepherds of Christ Prayer Group @ 6:00 PM**
December 18th – Thursday – Paul A. Hasenbeck American Legion & Auxiliary **Monthly Meeting @ 6:30 PM** followed by their **Christmas Party.**

OUT OF TOWN ACTIVITIES

December 14th – Sunday – St. Alexander, Belle ~ **PARISH BREAKFAST** 7:00 a.m. – 11:00 AM
December 16th – Tuesday – **Confessions** at Holy Family Church 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm by Fr. Debo
December 26th – Friday – Adoration and Worship with Contemporary Christian Music by The Rehagen Family @ St. Joseph’s Catholic Church, Westphalia, 6:00—7:00 PM All Are Welcome!

May the healing power of God’s love be with you and restore the blessings of good health.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: AnaLee Sanners, Chrissy Highland, Teresa Luebbert, Craig Stephenson, Robert Massman, Lois Mertens, Helen (Bob) Grellner, Kathy Scherf, JoAnn & Elmer Rudroff, Lorraine Rehagen, Donna Plassmeyer, Judy Redel, Joe Frank, Ira Thompson, Kim Lambert, Richard Nilges, Edie Reichel, Julie Gildehaus, Amy (Feltrop) Bax, Angie (Feltrop) Hoecker, Maggie (Scheulen) Vieth, Mary Berhorst, Marcella Bax, Rev. Christopher Aubuchon, Archie Jaegers, Dale Kramer, Don Krattli, Sharon Cardwell, Wyatt Niemann, Charlene Strobe, Marie Scherf, Bohen Ambrose Woehr, Marlene Haller, Melissa Koenigsfeld, Tracey Creswell, Sandy Schneiders.

***** Sacred Heart School News from Your Principal *****

*The SHS Journey to Bethlehem will be held on Monday, December 15th beginning at 6:00 P.M. Everyone is invited to attend! What a great way to be reminded of the real reason for the season!!



*The SHS Students will have a \$1 dress down day on Tuesday, December 16th. Students may wear jeans and a Christmas shirt.

*November and December **Baptisms** will be celebrated on Thursday December 18th. Students will receive a special blessing during the 7:45 A.M. Mass. Congratulations to the following students:

Nicholas Reichel, Jackson Neuner, Ridley Rudroff, Merrick Siegler, Cleo Troesser, Jay Holtmeyer, Brooklyn Neuner, Audrey Fick, Vivian Kleffner, Oz Neuner, Jocelyn Hedges, Hallie Hedges, Mason Sallin, and Henry Luebbert.

*Sacred Heart will be dismissed early for Christmas vacation on Friday, December 19th at 11:40 AM. Bus services will be available; however, there will be **no after-school care**.

PARISH NEWS AND INFORMATION

TO BE AN ACTIVE STEWARD MEANS TO:

PRAY: that is, attend Mass faithfully in the parish on weekends and Holy Days

PARTICIPATE: that is, use one's time and talents to strengthen the Parish community.

SACRIFICIALLY GIVE: that is, pledge and remain current on a tithe of financial first fruits to support the ministries of the Parish. The goal is 8% to the Parish and 2% to other worthy charities.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASS TIMES:

December 24th Holy Family 4:00 p.m.

December 24th Sacred Heart 6:00 p.m.

December 24th -- **Midnight Mass** - Holy Family

December 25th Sacred Heart 7:45 a.m.

December 25th Holy Family 9:30 a.m.

December 31st **Sacred Heart** 4:00 p.m.

January 1st – Holy Family 9:30 a.m.

Thank You!

The family of Bernadine Pope wishes to express our heartfelt gratitude to all who offered comfort and support following her passing. We appreciate the wonderful service and comforting presence of Father Debo and the adult choir and organist for the beautiful music. A special thanks to the three young boys who served mass, especially on their day off from school. We are also grateful to those who prepared and assisted at the funeral luncheon and to those who brought food or expressed sympathy. Everyone's act of kindness was much appreciated. It is truly a blessing to be a part of such a loving community.

The SHS FUNdraising Committee has started planning for the **School Auction that will be held at the end of January**. If you would like to donate an item, please contact Katie M. Neuner @ 573-680-3864. Thank you for the continued support of our Small but Mighty School.

Thank you!!!
The FUNdraising Committee



If you would like to make a flower donation or purchase a poinsettia to place in church this Christmas in honor of your loved one, they are \$13.00 each for a 6" pot and \$30.00 each for an 8" pot. Place an envelope with your cash or check in the collection basket or drop it off at the parish office **by December 17th**. Please list your name and your loved one's name, and mark "**FLOWER DONATION**" "on the envelope.



After Mass on **December 21st**, we will be **decorating the church for Christmas**. All help is welcomed and appreciated. This opportunity is especially good for students who may need service hours. Come join your neighbors and friends in this annual tradition to help make our church even more beautiful for the Christmas season!

SHEPHERDS OF CHRIST PRAYER GROUP~~December 18th @ 6:00 PM

The Paul A. Hasenbeck American **Legion and Auxiliary will hold their monthly meeting** on Thursday, December 18th at 6:30 p.m, followed by their Christmas party. All members are encouraged to attend.

JESSE TREE - The celebration of Advent is here. St. Anne's Sodality is collecting donations in December for the Good Shepherd Center and the Rape and Abuse Crisis Service (RACS). Please see the Jesse Tree at the back of church for needed items. Take as many ornaments as you want. Please place your donations in a plastic bag, attach the ornament and place them in the church vestibule. May God bless you for your generosity this holiday season!!

FORMED Visit the Sacred Heart Website for instructions on how to sign up for your FREE Formed Membership!

FOR THE WEEK OF: Dec. 14th – Dec. 20th

Adventus: A Spiritual Pilgrimage: This Advent, make a spiritual pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Uncover the beauty of the place where Christ was born, preparing your heart for Christ's coming so you can enter more deeply into this season.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/1218768/> **30**

Minutes BC: 30 Minutes BC creatively explores the profound emotions and intimate struggles of Mary and Joseph during the final 30 minutes before the birth of Jesus. As the clock ticks down, the couple navigates a whirlwind of hope, joy, and uncertainty, turning to God amidst it all.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3406817/>

Is Christmas Pagan? What Catholics Believe About

Christmas: Dr. Michael Barber answers some of the Internet's most asked questions about Christmas. Is Christmas a pagan holiday? Why is Christmas celebrated on December 25? What happened at the "first Christmas"? Find out the answers to these and more!

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3388337/>

**DIOCESAN CHRISTMAS COLLECTION
FY 25-26**

The assessment for Sacred Heart Parish is \$3,244 (Diocese updated amount recently DECREASED). In your set of giving envelopes is "Seminarian Formation and Priestly Retirement" and it is to be used toward this. A second collection will be taken up at the Christmas eve and Christmas day masses.

♥ **Nursing Home, Retirement Center & Home-Bound Parishioners** list is on our webpage at www.sacredheartof.com and there are copies in the back of church. If you are able... send them a card this Holiday Season. It will surely brighten their day.

Reminder to all if you have requests for the "PRAYER LINE" Please contact Rose Ann Scheulen 573-301-5920 or Sandy Schanzmeyer 573-619-3832.

Sodality Officer Candidates Needed: St. Anne's Sodality will be holding an election for new officers at the January 5, 2026, meeting. We are looking for candidates to serve as Sodality President, Vice-President, or Treasurer to start in 2026. Current officers have served many years in their current positions and feel it is time for a change. St. Anne's Sodality does much for the parish and school and we would like to continue that support. If you are interested or have questions about serving as a sodality officer, please contact Diane Rackers at 573-619-2753.

| | Holy Family | Sacred Heart | St. Aloysius | St. Boniface | Visitation | Guardian Angels |
|----------------------------|---|--------------|-------------------|--------------|------------|-----------------|
| Saturday | 5:30 PM | 4:00 PM | 4:30 PM | - | - | 6:30 PM |
| Sunday | 9:30 AM | 7:45 AM | - | 10:00 AM | 8:00 AM | - |
| Monday | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Tuesday | - | 7:45 AM | - | 6:00 PM | - | - |
| Wednesday | 7:45 AM | - | 8:00 AM | - | - | - |
| Thursday | - | 7:45 AM | - | - | 8:15 AM | - |
| Friday | 7:45 AM | - | - | - | - | 8:00 AM |
| Prayer Services | - | - | Sundays - 7:30 AM | - | - | - |
| Christmas Eve | 4:00 PM and Midnight | 6:00 PM | 4:30 PM | - | - | 6:30 PM |
| Christmas Day | 9:30 AM | 7:45 AM | - | 10:00 AM | 8:00 AM | - |
| Solemnity of Mary 12/31/25 | - | 4:00 PM | 6:30 PM | - | 8:00 AM | - |
| Solemnity of Mary 1/1/26 | 9:30 AM | 7:45 AM | - | - | - | - |
| Reconciliation | All parishes - 30 minutes prior to weekend Masses Or by Appointment | | | | | |

YOUNG ADULT OPPORTUNITIES

Fatima now has a "Fellowship of Christian Athletes" group. Seek out Teacher Erica Libbert for more information.

Folk Parish Youth Group offers pizza  and discussions on topics of interest to young adults as well as all interested adults on the second Wednesday of each month starting at 5:45 PM.

And for those of you who thought NCYC might be of interest to them.... **Benedictine College in Atchison, KS offers BCYC.** It is June 19-21, 2026, and registration will open Nov. 1st. Contact Peg Brune 659-2904 for more information. Peg has heard nothing but **amazing** feedback on this opportunity from the Osage County Youth leaders.

Remember.... 
We are the Hands and Feet of Christ!

"SHOP WITH SCRIP" for the holidays! If you are interested in purchasing **SCRIP**, there are forms in the back of church and SCRIP forms are also available online at www.sacredheartof.com click on "RESOURCES" then "SCRIP". SCRIP is also sold after weekend masses. Help our school, Shop With Scrip! **NEW PARTICIPANT:** Westphalia Inn and remember our other local merchants Joe's Market, Linn Thriftway, Dave's Pizza, Gerbes, etc.

