



SACRED HEART CHURCH
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Reverend William D. Debo

Heavenly Father, as we light the fourth candle of Advent, we thank You for the gift of Your Son, the embodiment of perfect love. Fill our hearts with compassion, patience, and kindness, so that we may reflect Your love to the world. Prepare us to welcome Christ with joy and humility. Amen.

Fourth Sunday of Advent **December 21, 2025**

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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

- December 23 Tuesday **7:45 AM** † **Joey Neuner**
 December 24 **CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00 PM** † **Megan Boehm, Virginia, Jerry, Gary & Harry Kramer**
 December 25 **CHRISTMAS DAY 7:45 AM** † **Anna Otto, Poinsettia Intentions**
 December 26 Friday **NO MASS**
 December 27 Saturday **4:00 PM** † **Ben Luebbert**
 December 28 Sunday **7:45 AM** † **The Raab Family**

	MONTHLY	OFFERINGS			
DECEMBER	ENVELOPES	"LOOSE" OFFERING	ELECTRONIC OFFERING	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OFFERING	
12/7	\$12,284.00	\$309.00	\$1,327.65	Maint & Repairs	\$185.00
12/14	\$4,212.00	\$370.00	\$382.65	Immaculate Conception	\$397.00
				Christmas	\$125.00
				Seminarian & Infirm Priests	\$395.00
				Good Shepherd Food Pantry	\$870.00

Monthly Total of All Offerings: \$20,857.30

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Wed., CHRISTMAS EVE Dec 24 6:00 p.m.

Greeters: Pat & Jamie Fick
Servers: SHS Students
Lector: Patrick Bexten
Ushers: Jim Boehm, Stan Fick,
 Adam Koenigsfeld, Peter Troeser
Gifts: Jim & Debbie Boehm
Com: **Debbie Boehm, Megan Markway,**
Karen & Bob Goodenough, Renee Haller,
 Melissa Koenigsfeld, Dana Bexten
Music: SH Adult Choir
Sacristan: Bob Goodenough

Thur., CHRISTMAS DAY Dec 25 7:45 a.m.

Greeters: Sharon Lock
Servers: ?
Lector: Doris Frank
Ushers: Alan Holtschneider, Ralph Fick
Gifts: Rick & Peg Brune
Com: **Peg Brune, Jean & Bob Fick,**
 Rick Brune
Music: SH Adult Choir
Sacristan: Linda Neuner

Saturday, December 27 4:00 p.m.

Greeters: Adam & Melissa Koenigsfeld
Servers: Gavin Kempker, Bo Allen
Lector: Adam Koenigsfeld
Ushers: James Kempker, Tony Brune
Gifts: Adam & Melissa Koenigsfeld
Com: **JoAnn Rudroff, JeNae Frank, Melissa Koenigsfeld**
Rosary: Pat Philbert
Sacristan: Janie Wallace

Sunday, December 28 7:45 a.m.

Greeters: Derek & Kaitlyn Holtmeyer
Servers: Jacob Redel, Grantley Kleffner
Lector: Kaitlyn Peters
Ushers: Derek Holtmeyer, Andy Haller
Gifts: Chris & Rhonda Plassmeyer
Com: **Renee Haller, Shelly Zeilman,**
 Mary Jane Bexten
Rosary: Mary Jane Bexten
Sacristan: John & Joan Neuner
Money: Patty Schnieders, Julie Siegler, Mary Jane Bexten

SACRED HEART PARISH ACTIVITIES

- January 5th – Monday – **St. Anne's Sodality Meeting @ 6:30 PM** in the Quilting Room.
 January 5th - Monday - Knights of Columbus **Council #10690 Monthly Mtg 6:30 Social/Dinner 7:30 Meeting**
 January 5th – Monday - American Red Cross **Blood Drive 2:00- 6:00 PM** in the School Cafeteria

OUT OF TOWN ACTIVITIES

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, Bohem Ambrose Woehr, Marlene Haller, Melissa Koenigsfeld, Tracey Creswell, Sandy Schneiders.

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



Sacred Heart School faculty, staff and students would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and many blessings in the New Year!!



Classes will resume on **Tuesday, January 6th.**

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.

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



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!

FORMED

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

FOR THE WEEK OF: Dec. 21st – Dec. 27th

The Story of Christmas | Benjamin Cello Christmas

Special: In this special hour-long television event, Benjamin Cello and his friends travel to Pennywhistle Park for a spectacular shadow puppet retelling of "The Story of Christmas" by Brother Joseph and "The Shadow of His Wings" puppet theater.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3026666/> **Christma**

s | Sacred Art: Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp as they look at the painting Adoration of the Shepherds by Gerard van Honthorst to celebrate the Nativity of our Lord. This famous painting reveals the Christ Child as the light that has come into the world and also depicts the Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, and the shepherds to be models of adoration to our humble Lord who came as a helpless baby.

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/1896794/> **What Catholics Believe About Christmas: Traditions, Santa Claus & the 12 Days:**

Join Dr. Michael Barber as he answers some of the Internet's most popular questions about Christmas. What are the 12 days of Christmas? Was Santa Claus a real person? What is Advent?

<https://app.formed.org/app/videos/3388336/>

When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

Luke 1:41-42

"Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb." Today we give thanks to our Blessed Mother for her "yes" as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior.



**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. **During the offertory at the Christmas masses the ushers will pass the basket twice. The first basket passed will be for your regular envelope and the second basket passed will be for the seminarians and infirm priests.**

**Support our Seminarrians
& Infirm Priests**

Through the Christmas Special Collection



Give now at
[diojeffcity.org/
Donate-Christmas](http://diojeffcity.org/Donate-Christmas)



Or, look for the envelope in the December 12 issue of *The Catholic Missourian* and bring it to Mass or the parish office



**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!

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!!

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.



Our condolences to Kathy Schuler and her extended family and friends on the death of her husband, Tom Schuler, on December 1st. May eternal rest be granted unto him.

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.

 *Coalition Mass Schedules*
Supporting each other to be communities of love and mercy in Christ

	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	-	-	-	-	-
Reconciliation	All parishes - 30 minutes prior to weekend Masses Or by Appointment					



**"COME LET US
ADORE HIM"**

Merry Christmas!

