

# ~ Sacred Heart Church ~

Masses:  
Wednesdays - 8:30 a.m.  
Sundays - 8:00 a.m.

Kinsman, IL  
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Before Sunday Mass  
By appointment: 815-237-2230

January 7, 2024

The Epiphany of the Lord

## Mass Schedule

## Mass Intentions

## Collections – 12/31/2023

Sun. - Jan. 7 8:00 a.m.  
Wed. - Jan. 10 8:30 a.m.  
Sun. - Jan. 14 8:00 a.m.

For Parishioners  
Paula Sheedy - Jim & Mary Baudino  
Barb Walsh - John T. Walsh

Sunday.....\$ 1,288.00  
Christmas..... 50.00  
First Offering..... 85.00  
“Your Offering is most appreciated!”

## Sunday Mass:

## January Stewardship

Lector: Dave Brockman

Servers: June Woods & Jace Jensen

Eucharistic Minister: Brent Sulzberger

- Please remember in your prayers all the deceased of our parish and communities, all of our nursing home residents and those living alone, all those that are battling illness, along with their families and care givers, all of the brave and selfless men and women serving in the armed forces, their families and all of the innocent souls affected by war. Please also pray for all that are in need, materially and spiritually, those that have suffered and died at the hands of others, those that have been affected by recent natural disasters, all first responders, and all of our dear friends and neighbors that have asked for our prayerful support; Kathryn Vint, Henry Fink, Sherry Lewis, Sarah Windham, John Ribordy, Blane Passini, Jenny Kilmer, Amy Walters, Ed Neikirk, Phyllis Neikirk, Pat Sanders, Nerina Walker & Jennifer Jensen.
- Please turn off all electronic devices before Mass begins. Thank you.
- A list of those who were remember and/or honored with the absolutely gorgeous poinsettias place upon the altar area this Christmas season is available in the vestibule. We want to thank all the sponsors, and most especially parishioner Donna Gabehart, and her helpers, for making sure this remembrance was once again a part of our celebration!!!
- As quickly as it came, the Advent & Christmas season has passed. Next Sunday, we return to ordinary time, so we will be taking Christmas decorations down after Mass this morning, and stowing them away until next year. If you can lend a hand, it would be very much appreciated. Thank you!
- Parishioner Donna Gabehart would like us to know...in case you would like to help...“The wreath retirement at the Abraham Lincoln Cemetery in Elwood will be 1/13. Starting time is 8-9 AM. For more information go to [proudamysis4@sbcglobal.net](mailto:proudamysis4@sbcglobal.net). Thanks!”
- Save the date!!! - Family Bowling - Victory Lanes - Dwight - January 31<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m. - sign-up sheet in the vestibule!!!
- **Are you, or someone you know, widowed?** - *If you have been recently widowed and are still struggling with the loss, or if you have been widowed for some time and need something to get you “over the hump” because you seem stuck in one spot, this program is designed to help you move on with life while still treasuring your past and its precious memories. This unique retreat/workshop will be held at **St. Mary’s Retreat House, Lemont, Illinois**. The Joyful Again! program is for both men and women (all ages) who have been widowed and are still trying to find hope and new joy in life. All are welcome. What: **Retreat/workshop for Widowed Men & Women** - When: **April 13 & 14, Sept. 20 & 21, 2024 (2-day program-overnight encouraged)**. Where: **St. Mary’s Retreat House, Lemont, Illinois 60439. (Commute or stay overnight.)** For further information, call: **708-354-7211**. e-mail us at [joyfulagain7211@gmail.com](mailto:joyfulagain7211@gmail.com) - website: [www.joyfulagain.org](http://www.joyfulagain.org).*
- **The Sacred Heart Cash Raffle is back!!! – So many opportunities to win!!! – Get your tickets!!!** - The raffle will run from January to April. Three (3) drawings per week for \$20.00 each, a drawing the first Sunday of each month for \$100.00, all remaining Sundays of the month for \$50.00 each and a final drawing of up to \$500.00!!! Tickets are \$10.00 each. All winning tickets remain in the drawing throughout the raffle...you can win multiple times with the same ticket number!!! Ticket sales help us keep necessary parish fundraising exciting and fun!!! (Please see Pam Siedentop, Scott Wilkinson or Lee Miller if you need more tickets.) Thanks, everyone...and good luck to all!!!
- 2024 calendars are in the back of the church...compliments of the Braidwood Knights of Columbus Council #1574. Please feel free to help yourself!!!
- The Rectory/Parish Office is open. You may, however, want to call ahead (815-237-2230) to make sure the office is open the day of, or during the hours you would like to stop by, just to save yourself an unproductive trip. **FYI:** The Parish Office will be closed January 8<sup>th</sup> – January 19<sup>th</sup> while Lin takes some well-deserved time off. She will be back in the office Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Someone will be checking phone messages in her absence, and Fr. Stan will be available. Have a wonderful vacation, Lin!!!
- We would like to welcome all new individuals, couples and families to Sacred Heart!!! If you’d like to become a member of our parish, a registration form can be found on our website; [swkrcatholics.org](http://swkrcatholics.org), or can be made available upon request! If you have questions or need further assistance, please contact our parish secretary, Lin, at 815-237-2230. Thank you!
- Word of Life – “Through the Incarnation and birth of Christ, God reveals to us the dignity of all human life. Human life, as a gift of God, is sacred and inviolable. The Son of God has united himself with every human being and desires for us to share eternal life with him... Each of us is made in the image and likeness of God, and we reflect his glory in the world.” - USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities – “*The Gospel of Life: A Brief Summary*”.
- Stewardship – January 7, 2024 – The Epiphany of the Lord – (Compliments of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, MO) - “*They fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.*” *Matthew 2:11*. - Notice the order of events in the Magi’s visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!”