

~ Sacred Heart Church ~

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

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November 19, 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Schedule

Mass Intentions

Collections – 11/12/2023

Sun. - Nov. 19	8:00 a.m.	Eileen Biros - Dave & Pam Brockman	Sunday.....\$ 887.00
Wed. - Nov. 22	8:30 a.m.	NO MASS	All Saints..... 35.00
Sun. - Nov. 26	8:00 a.m.	For Parishioners	All Souls..... 75.00
Wed. - Nov. 29	8:30 a.m.	NO MASS	Seminarians/Shepherds..... 481.00
Sun. - Dec. 3	8:00 a.m.	Marijayne Baudino - Marty & Dean Pfeifer	“Your Offering is most appreciated!”

Sunday Mass:

December Stewardship

Lector: Pam Siedentop

Servers: Bailey & Kenley Kruger

Eucharistic Minister: Kathy Vint

- 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.
- Audio assistance is available in the back of the church, for those who find it difficult to hear Mass. Please feel free to use it!!!
- Thank you for supporting the formation of our future shepherds. Last weekend, our parish took up a second collection for the I Will Give You Shepherds campaign. Our contributions will be invested in a new endowed fund, the Diocese of Joliet Seminarian Education Endowment Trust, which is restricted for the purpose of educating seminarians. If you have already made a gift to the collection, please know how much our seminarians appreciate your generosity. You can also learn more about this campaign or make a gift online at <https://www.givecentral.org/Seminarian-Education-Endowment-Trust>.
- Second collection this morning – Campaign for Human Development - Please be generous in this week’s special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.
- From Lin at the Parish Office - Fr. Stan will be going to Poland Nov. 22 – Nov. 30. Fr. John Horan will be covering the Masses. No Thanksgiving Day Mass. No daily Mass Nov. 22 or Nov. 29.
- A message from parishioner Donna Gabehart...Just a note if anyone wants to donate a wreath for a family member or just to help out. Go to Wreaths Across America for Elwood to download the form. It needs to be received by 11/24. There is also a Facebook page you can follow. Don't forget the wreath laying ceremony is 12/16 at 11AM. It's a great project for kids to volunteer on that day. Thanks! Donna. (For more information about the day in general, please page 2).
- More from Donna...Just wanted to let everyone know that the Veteran's Day Card Project went very well. We got all of the cards delivered in time. A friend of Kam's went with us to LaSalle and we were able to hand deliver some of the cards. It was the first time in years. It brought a lot of smiles to the faces of the men we talked to and the boys loved it. We stopped at the American Legion Hall in Morris on our way home. They got a kick out of the boys, got cards, and a poster. Hoping to take more kids at Christmas time. Thank you to those of you who signed a card and I found some colored pictures from a few of our kids in my basket. Very nice! As always, thanks to Lee and Laurie Miller who help me out on ALL my projects. Thanks to Allison Anderson for all of her help with the Coal City 4th and 5th graders, Anne Simms with the Gardner, South Wilmington, and Braceville grade schools, and Stacey Swanson with ICS (Morris) grade school for all the beautiful handmade cards. The South Wilmington CCD class also had some for us. I read every one of them and they put a lot of thought into each card. My grandkids (and Mom) made some extra cards and awesome posters to hand out and even our little neighbor girls from MVK colored cards. I had more than enough for the LaSalle and Manteno Homes, all of the Morris and Dwight nursing homes plus the American Legion Halls in Morris and Gardner. I even had some for our Veterans and or family members at church last Sunday. So, I'm done running, my counters are clean, and you know what's coming next. Christmas cards will be in the pews for anyone who wants to sign them. I also have some kids cards they can decorate and bring back or make their own. I'll put them on the counters. The white basket will be in the hallway and the last day will be the 10th. These cards need to be generic because we give to everyone in the regular nursing homes, not just the Veterans homes. It makes it easier for me. Of course, that also means we need a lot more cards. All of the schools including MVK have already signed on to the project and I'm very grateful. If anyone has extra cards they don't want, please drop them into my donation box and a big thanks to those of you already doing that. Of course, you can always sign them, too, if you have time. Also, any donations for the LaSalle home will be needed by the 10th. Any questions, just grab me at church. I wish everyone could see how much joy these cards bring people. Hoping everyone had a great Veteran's Day! Thank you so very much! Donna
- There will not be a bulletin next Sunday, Nov. 26th. Happy Thanksgiving to all!!!
- 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:** Parish office closed Nov. 22nd, 23rd & 24th for Thanksgiving.

- Christmas Flowers - If you would like to make a donation towards the flowers that will adorn the Altar on Christmas, there is a "Christmas Flower" envelope included in the weekly Offertory sets. Please complete the information on the outside, include your donation, and put it in the weekly Offertory. If you don't have the pre-printed Offertory envelopes, please use a plain white envelope, write "Christmas Flowers" on the outside and a list of those you would like to "remember" or "honor," include your donation and put it into the Offertory basket. Checks should be made payable to: Sacred Heart. Thank you!
- The Prairie Singers celebrate their 35th Christmas Concert Series at four locations. The Singers invite you to their concerts entitled "Christmas Memories". Come and listen to the singers as they sing music that will evoke Christmas memories of childhood and family gatherings. The Singer's first concert will be held at the Prairie Creek Public Library in Dwight November 28 at 6:30 pm. Please contact the library, 815 584 3061, for a reservation since space is limited. The Singers continue to St Patrick's Catholic Church, Seneca on Sunday, December 3 at 2 pm. The Morris Presbyterian Church, Morris, will host them on Saturday, December 9 at 7 pm. They conclude their series at Epworth Methodist Church, Ottawa on December 10 at 2 pm. All of the church concerts are open to the public. There will be a free-will offering. The Prairie Singers are a chamber ensemble of vocalists from three counties, LaSalle, Grundy, and Livingston. For further information contact George McComb, director at 815 287 9806.
- A repeat message from parishioner Donna Gabehart regarding the Wreaths Across America project...I got a call out from Wreaths Across America - Elwood. This is a huge undertaking every year. They have videos on Facebook showing the trucks lined up for at least a mile or so coming in bringing wreaths if you would like to see what it's like that day. It's amazing. This is a great project for adults and kids of all ages to come and help somehow. I think they also sign off on volunteer sheets for the kids to get their hours credited. They did last year. The request is as follows: "Volunteers are needed for the Wreaths Across America wreath laying event on 12/16 at the Abraham Lincoln Cemetery in Elwood. Please only sign up if you can commit to the hours needed. Parking: 25 volunteers needed to help with parking from 7am till maybe 1:30 at latest. Also, will need at least 6 off-site parking volunteers from 8 till noon. Wreath Guards: For this position you must be able to commit to 8am - approximately 2pm to stay at a certain section at the cemetery to hand out sponsorship forms and wreaths. Breaking down of empty boxes and help with loading and unloading them into a trailer. 8:30 till?. Contact Chris Kanofsky @ Truckin4veterans@gmail.com for box help. If you can be a Wreath guard or parking volunteer, please email me at proudarmysis4@sbcglobal.net. Please put in subject line 'position desired' so I can go through easier. You don't have to sign up for placing wreaths. All are welcome and much needed. Thank you all! This is a large team effort to make it all happen and cannot do it without you!"
- 2024 calendars are in the back of the church...compliments of the Braidwood Knights of Columbus Council #1574. (Thank you, gentlemen, for once again thinking of us!) Please feel free to help yourself!!!
- Single Catholic Women 20-35: Franciscan Sisters invite you to in-person and on-line Discernment Events designed for you. Discover your calling and purpose. Visit <https://fscs-calledtobe.org> or contact Sr. Julie Ann 920-323-9632. **The world needs you. God calls you. We invite you...with other Catholic Young Women to our Vocation Discernment Retreats or invite us to meet you where you are.**
- **Sponsor a Needy Individual or Family for Christmas** - Catholic Charities is providing the opportunity for you to help their clients at Christmas this year. The Gift of Christmas is an annual program that fulfills wish lists for individuals who are served by Catholic Charities. Read stories about clients and choose who you would like to help this Christmas. Or, if you prefer, you can direct your donation to an individual or family who hasn't been chosen yet. Donating is simple: visit catholiccharitiesjoliet.org and click on "donate." Or, call 815-724-1140 to make your donation over the phone. To send a check, please note "Gift of Christmas" in the memo and send checks to: Catholic Charities, 16555 Weber Rd., Crest Hill, IL 60403. If you have any questions, please call 815-724-1140 or email msnow@cc-doj.org. Thank you, and God bless you! Merry Christmas!
- 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, 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 - "We can't imagine loving a child whom we conceived more than we love Andrew. It is amazing how he fits our personalities so well... Adopting Andrew has made us more aware of God's power and of his love for us. We realize that he always has a perfect plan for our lives." – USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "An Adoption Love Story" (respectlife.org/adoption-love-story).
- Stewardship – Nov. 19, 2023 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – (Compliments of the Diocese of Dodge City, KS) – "Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God."