SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

WEST DES MOINES



WEEK OF DECEMBER 27, 2020

DAILY MASS

8 am (Monday - Friday)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE (MISAS)

Saturday

4 pm

Sunday

9 am

11 am

1 pm (en español)

5 pm

RECONCILIATION (RECONCILIACIÓN)

Saturday

2:30 pm—3:30 pm In the Parish Center

ADORATION (HORA SANTA)

First Tuesday of Every Month (primer martes de cada mes)
Following 8 am Mass until 7 pm

OFFICE HOURS (HORAS DE OFICINA)

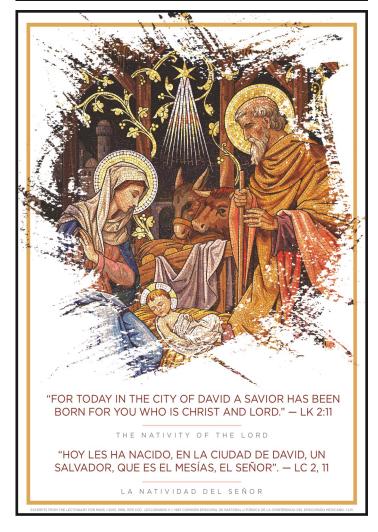
Monday — Friday (de lunes a viernes) 8 am — 3:30 pm

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WELCOME

If you are new to our Sacred Heart Parish and wish to be a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, please stop by the parish office or call 515-225-6414 to facilitate the New Member Registration. We have programs and activities available for all ages. We offer the RCIA program for those who wish to become Catholics. We invite you to become involved as an Active Apostle at Sacred Heart Parish!

BIENVENIDOS

Si usted es nuevo al Sacred Heart (Sagrado Corazón) y quiere ser se miembro, por favor pase por la oficina de la iglesia para obtener el paquete de registración. También se puede facilitar un paquete por correo si llama al 515-225-6414. Si usted necesita ayuda en español, por favor llame al 515-225-0546 para comunicarse directamente con la Directora del Ministerio Tenemos programas y actividades para todas edades. También ofrecemos el programa de RICA para los quienes desean convertirse a la fe católica o los quienes necesitan terminar sus sacramentos de iniciación. ¡Los invitamos a participar como Apóstoles Activos en la Parroquia de Sacred Heart!

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PLEASE PRAY FOR POR FAVOR ORE POR

Linda Ashby-McFarlane William Hampton Lisa Budde **Gary Julius** Irene Castelline Teresa Kordick Douglas Christiansen Jannae Lutter **Casey Conner** Dale Mason Susan DeWitt Gavin McCoy Viola Dubay Connie McGinn Mike Fagen Gene McLaughlin Amy Jo & Jon Finnegan Gabe Savala Florence Fligg **Neil Wright** Victims of Covid-19 **Tony Giorgio**

Please let us know of if you would like us to pray for you. Call the office at 515-225-6414. Por favor déjenos saber si usted conoce una persona quien necesita oraciones de la comunidad. Comuníquese con Karla.

VISION OF OUR CATHOLIC **COMMUNITY OF SACRED HEART:**

Sharing the Good News of God's Love through Active Apostleship

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILIES OF THE FOLLOWING...

Theodore Rost Anderson

Nephew of Chris Gammell

Teresa Book

Daughter of parishioners Larry and Alice Book

Chad Greening

Son of parishioner Nancy Greening

Jean Pudenz

Mother of Parishioner Carla Mosher

...GOD GRANT THEM ETERNAL REST

La forma correcta de usar la mascarilla

How to wear a face mask correctly

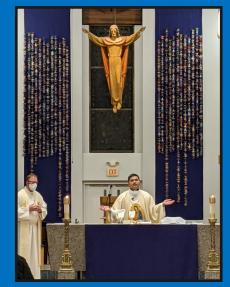


SACRED HEART MASS AND INTENTIONS: THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 27TH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
9:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Kathy Streck 11:00 am Mass Mass Intention: John Joe and Margie Curran 1:00 pm Mass (En Español) Mass Intention: SH Parishioners 5:00 pm Mass Mass Intention: Jesse Valdez	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Halterman Family	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Howard & Mary Walsh	8:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Ken McDermott	8:00 Mass Mass Intention: Retha Sharp 5:00 pm Mass Mass Intention: Lucy DeMarco 6:30 pm Mass (En Español) Mass Intention: Miquel Rosales	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary 9:00 am Mass Mass Intention: Paul Thomas	2:30 pm-3:30 pm Reconciliation Parish Center 4:00 pm Mass Mass Intention: Vigie Fry

Celebrando Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe 12 de diciembre





Gelebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe December 12th

WORKS OF MERCY FUND CORPORAL & SPIRITUAL INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT FEED THE HUNGRY GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL SHELTER THE HOMELESS **ADMONISH SINNERS CLOTHE THE NAKED FORGIVE OFFENSES** COMFORT THE AFFLICTED VISIT THE SICK **BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY** VISIT THE IMPRISONED PRAY FOR THE LIVING **BURY THE DEAD** AND THE DEAD "A BIT OF MERCY MAKES THE WORLD LESS COLD AND MORE JUST POPE FRANCIS



LITURGY CORNER

HOW LONG DOES IT REALLY LAST?

- THE SHORT ANSWER: Christmas Eve evening through the day before the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, January 10th this year.
- THE LONG ANSWER: The season begins with the first Christmas Eve Mass and we return to Ordinary Time of the Lord which is a Feast day so the priest wears white vestments.
- THE CHRISTMAS OCTAVE: Feast of Mary, the Mother of God
- EPIPHANY:

January 6th but is moved to the closest Christmas

SO HOW LONG IS CHRISTMAS:

We move back to Ordinary Time after the Presentation on February 2

KEEP CHRISTMAS GOING ALL SEASON LONG



Solemnity of Blessed Virgin Mary, **Mother of God**

January 1, 2021

Sacred Heart Mass Times: Thursday, December 31st: 5 PM English & 6:30 PM Spanish Friday, January 1st: 9 AM English

Solemnidad de Maira Santisima. Madre de Dios

1 de enero, 2021

Celebramos Misa: *Jueves 31 de diciembre:* 5 PM en inglés y 6:30 PM en español

Viernes, 1 de enero: 9 AM en inglés

CAN YOU FUND A CHAIR?

S75 1 CHAIR **3 CHAIRS**

Our Parish Center chairs are showing their age! We have 300 chairs in our Parish Center to replace. We currently have enough money to replace 86 chairs. Can you help us fund a chair...or 3?

WAYS TO GIVE

- Easy online giving at: www.sacredheartwdm.org/fund-a-chair
- Drop a check in the collection basket, MEMO: fund-a-chair
- Scan the QR code below



¿PUEDES FINANCIAR UNA SILLA?

S75 1 SILLA **\$225** 3 SILLAS

Las sillas del salón están empezando a mostrar los años de uso que han tenido. Necesitamos reemplazar 300 sillas en el Parish Center. Tenemos suficientes ondos para cambiar 86. ¿Nos puedes ayudar a financiar una silla...o 3?

- Formas de Donar En linea: www.sacredheartwdm.org/fund-a-chair
- Con cheque en la colecta: Favor de poner "fund-a-chair" en el MEMO.
- Escanea el Código QR que aparece abajo.





We are thrilled to have 200 new chairs for overflow seating in the Parish Center this Christmas season! We are thankful for the parishioners who have already provided support. We would love to fund the remaining 100 chairs, please consider a donation to this cause if you are able.

Estamos encantados de tener 200 sillas nuevas para asientos adicionales en el Centro Parroquial en esta temporada de Navidad. Estamos agradecidos por los feligreses que ya han brindado su apoyo. Nos encantaría financiar las 100 sillas restantes, considere hacer una donación para esta causa si puede.



DONATED BY:

Joe Graff & Daughters

Tom & Mary Clingan

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Mike Figenshaw & Linda Reade

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Mary Youngwirth & Dave Shinkle

Gloria Ortiz

Janna Rutledge

Rita Luther

Terry & Sharon Swim

Lawler Family

Patrick Crowe

Patrick Crowe

Patrick Crowe

Tim & Beth Nielsen

Jim Sterba

Jim Sterba

Mary Brackett

Delores Littlejohn Family

Patrick & Anne Baumhover

Theresa Sheerin

Linda Adamiak

Chris & Renee Thomas Family

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Tim Salazar

Terry & Cathy Fuller

Nielsen Families

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Catherine Burch

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Jim & John J. Halsey

Ruth, Joe & Beth Shannahan

John & Mary Lynn Craig

Tim & Linda Woods

IN MEMORY OF:

Pat Graff

Abby Clingan

Lucas Westlund

Phyllis & Everett Clingan

Rosie Kirby & Leo Graff

Figenshaw & Reade Families

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Oscar & Lupe Ortiz

Fred & Janice Babic

John Luther, Carlos & Josephine Melendez and Dorotha Luther

Swim & Sonnek Families

Pat, Ruth and Michael Lawler

Gene & Carolyn Crowe

Tom & Clare Zaworski and Lois Erne

Kurt McDaniel

Erik Nielsen, Kenneth & Therese Nielsen, Kenny Nielsen and Bob Egan

Sterba & Meka Families

Mike Sheehev

Brackett & Melcher Families

Dean Littlejohn

Baumhover & Gallagher Families

Deceased Members of the Sheerin & Sinnwell Families

Ronald Adamiak

Janice Schaufenbuel and Emmanuel Thomas

William C. Salazar

Margie A. Burch Salazar

John Joe and Margie Curran

Joint Joe and Margie Curran

Kenneth & Therese Nielsen, Kenny Nielsen and Erik Nielsen

Caleb Hargis, Rose McElderry and Willie Bintner

Paula Burch

Karen Cavanaugh

Atty. James Zinman

Crosby & Balducchi Families

Rustico V. Santos

Bob Smith

Curoe Family

Lee & Greta Bata and Ed Cain

Leo & Alice Wilkie and True & Dorothy Berry

Vincent & Catherine Nealon and Barbara Fox

Salud & Gaudencio Fabrigas

Chuck Rauh

Clare & Katherine Altemeier and Jack & Margaret Mottet

Branscum and Orr Families

Lusia Halsey & T.J. Szwarc

John L. Halsey & Tim Halsey

Eugene J. Shannahan

Donald & Teresa Paulsen

Paul & Carolee Woods

Prayer for the bereaved who have lost loved ones to COVID

God, do not let the feelings of the bereaved who have lost loved ones to COVID-19 overwhelm them.

During moments of anguish, touch their hearts with courage and their souls with your compassion. With your love, comfort them.

Despite their pain, let them know healing is occurring.

Let them hear often that you are always with them

Help them believe in themselves and inspire others to comfort them.

God, today's reality is different. We are faced with many challenges. Help us to know we are not powerless and that we are surviving.



Amen.







Family Violence Casserole 2021 Schedule Mark Your Calendars!



We will be collecting casseroles again this year for the Family Violence Center the first full weekend of each month. The goal is to provide 20 casseroles each month. Please mark your calendars to bring your casseroles to church on these weekends:

2021 Casserole Drop Off Weekends

Drop-off January 2nd and 3rd
Drop-off on February 6th and 7th
Drop-off March 6th and 7th
Drop-off April 3rd and 4th
Drop-off May 1st and 2nd
Drop-off June 5th and 6th
Drop-off July 3rd and 4th
Drop-off August 7th and 8th
Drop-off September 4th and 5th
Drop-off October 2nd and 3rd
Drop-off November 6th and 7th
Drop-off December 4th and 5th

Make any casserole you want in an 8X8 aluminum container. Bake it. Cool it. Wrap it in aluminum foil. Put the casserole in a Ziplock bag. Include a slip of visible paper that says: "To the Family Violence Center". Slip a recipe in the bag and sign it: "Your friends at Sacred Heart Catholic Church". Freeze it. Drop the frozen casserole off in the parish center freezer before the Sunday 11 am Mass the first full weekend of the month.

Note: We ask, PLEASE do not drop off casseroles throughout the month, as the freezer is used for other church events.

Your Legacy Lives On

This year, two parishioners passed away who remembered Sacred Heart in their will. When we are lovingly remembered in a will, with no restrictions or wishes attached to the gift, we put that gift into the Endowment Fund. In this way, the memory and legacy of that person lives on forever.

The base of the Endowment Fund is invested in USCCB approved investments that hold true to Catholic teaching and it is never touched. Only a portion of the earnings and income from that fund will be used each year for the needs of our parish. The base investment will continue to support Sacred Heart for years to come. Thank you to those that have remembered us in your will - we promise to be good stewards of your legacy.

If you would like to learn more about our four Endowment Funds and how to contribute your own legacy to Sacred Heart visit: www.sacredheartwdm.org/endowment.

ACTIVE APOSTLE SHOUT OUT! Donna White



Meet Donna White! You have probably seen her bubbly smile around Sacred Heart. We consider her the social butterfly of Sacred Heart. Donna has been helping us in the church office cover the front desk when we are short staff and for our staff prayer meetings every Tuesday and what a great job she does. She brings a smile to

the face of everyone who stops in or calls. Donna has been an active apostle for many many years at Sacred Heart. She used to be an EMOE as well as a catechist for CFF. She is willing to bop in to anywhere she is needed. Donna's joyful spirit is a true example of the joy of the Christmas season!

Apóstol Activo: Donna White

¡Introduciendo a Donna White! Donna es una mariposa social y es probable que usted haya visto su sonrisa en varias partes de la Iglesia Sacred Heart. Donna nos ayuda a cubrir el escritorio de la secretaría cuando todo el personal se reúne para oración cada martes. Tambien nos ayuda cuando no tenemos suficiente personal para contestar los teléfonos. Ella hace un buen trabajo, atendiendo a todos con una sonrisa y ayudando a que la gente salga con una sonrisa también. Donna ha sido un Apóstol Activo en la iglesia por muchos años. Ella ayuda en el programa de formación de fe de niños (CFF por sus siglas en inglés) y también sirvió como Ministro Extraordinaria de la Eucharistia por muchos años. Ella siempre está dispuesta a ayudar adonde puede. El espíritu feliz de Donna es un ejemplo de la felicidad de la temporada Navideña.

Dowling Catholic High School Coaching Opportunities



Dowling Catholic has a strong tradition of excellence in sports supported by dedicated coaching staff. If you have a high level of enthusiasm, energy and enjoy interacting with high school athletes, this may be the right place for your coaching career.

Dowling Catholic coaching staff are eligible for a 50% student discount on Dowling sport participation fees plus a 50% discount for Dowling-sponsored sport camps, including younger athletes.

For more information on coaching opportunities available, please contact Tom Wilson, Athletic Director, at twilson@dowlingcatholic.org.

New Small Group Options Starting in January

Sacred Heart has over 7000 parishioners. When you look around do you really know each other? Do you have someone that you look forward to seeing at Mass on the weekends? Do you have people that you can ask to pray for you when times get rough. Who at Sacred Heart celebrates your joys with you and cheers you on?

With the faith-filled support of your small group, you can grow to live a happier, more Christ-like life. THIS is what small groups bring to Sacred Heart. That connection and community that we all need. Small groups make a large parish feel small. New groups are forming for January! To register for a January Small Group and to see the complete listing of January options, please visit https://sacredheartwdm.org/small-groups

January 2021 Small Group Options:



1. Catholic Conversations

This 7-8 week small group will view videos and discuss Catholic topics. The January topic will be on the mass. The series will

help members understand and appreciate the mass. It will include videos from Father Mike Schmitz, Dr. Edward Sri and The Veil Removed. Discussion guide provided.



2. The Wild Goose

The Wild Goose is for those who want to know more about the Holy Spirit. We will pick 8 of our favorite episodes for your

small group time. Discussion guide provided. https://watch.formed.org/the-wild-goose-with-fr-dave-pivonka/season:1/videos/the-wild-goose-trailer



3. Catholic Social Thought

This small group will focus on Catholic Social Teaching. It will touch on the poor, the family, the environment and more.



4. Pass it On Small Group (Parents)

Pass it on is a series of short videos for families who want to equip their children for their faith journey. The videos will

provide practical tips and insights for moms and dads who want to hand on the faith. Log into www.formed.org to watch an episode. Discussion guide provided. https://watch.formed.org/pass-it-on



5. The Search (New groups forming)

We encourage those who love The Search to step forward and facilitate these new groups. Please encourage your friends to

sign up. Parishioners who did not participate this past fall will be invited to join.



6. Into the Breach A small group for Men.

Light at Christmas

By Debbie Chalik

Last Sunday, my 4-year-old grandson invited Denny and I to take him to the Santa's Rock N Lights show at Living History Farms. He informed us that we had to go after dark. From the look on his face, I was certain this was the down side to the entire adventure. But he seemed to overcome his fear quickly. Personally, I am not afraid of the dark – usually.

I told him that we could go on Wednesday. For a brief moment he thought about that. I could almost hear the wheels turning in his little brain. "That's great," he said. "I think today is Wednesday!"

Now that the rush is over, it's time for all of us to sit back and enjoy he light of the season. The Christmas story, once again, fills us with a reminder that Christ came to live among us — and remains with us — if we can simply recognize Him in the light.

Enjoy the season of Christmas!

"And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth." John 1:14

CFF Calendar

January

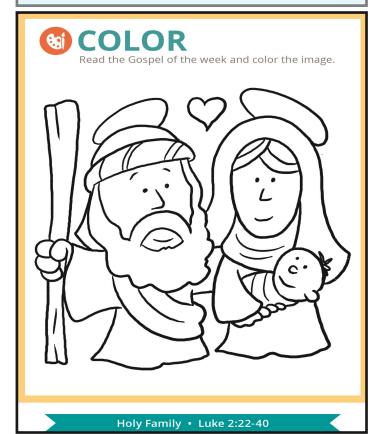
6 CFF

13 CFF

20 CFF

27 CFF

Reminder: Please stay tuned for any changes to our schedule after Christmas break!



St. Vincent's Corner

We hope you had a wonderful, joyous and safe Christmas with your family. We have so much for which we are thankful.

Imagine the setting in the town of Bethlehem, the brightest star ever noted in the sky, and you are drawn to a manger near an inn. All of us would be surprised to see a man, woman and a tiny baby dwelling amongst the animals of the manger. Would you place your baby on some hay in a trough? When singing the Christmas hymn, Away in a Manger, thoughts are drawn to this humbling scene. The King of Kings began life in this unassuming way. If you were there, what would you do for this young family?

What do you do today for families currently struggling with life and in similar humble states? These people want to do what is best for their children and family. This is what we all want for our families. Often times, circumstances are beyond anyone's control that cause struggles in life, such as a pandemic, job changes, health issues, etc. St. Vincent de Paul is here to assist people in times of need.

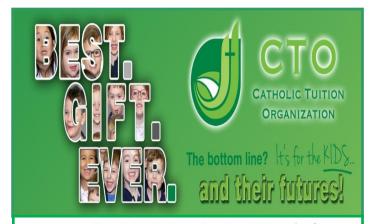
We are blessed to be able to serve others on a face-to-face basis. While handing out food, assisting with clothing, those we are helping often depart and state, "God Bless you all". These people are struggling yet still have a profound faith and care for their fellow man. We are so humbled to serve them. In Matthew 25: 40, "whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me." Our encounters with those in need, bear witness to the presence and love of Jesus Christ. The presence of the Lord is in every encounter we have. Let us rejoice during this Christmas season for the love of God the Father to share his only Son with the world. Please make the world a welcoming place for all no matter their circumstances. They just might be a family that stayed in a manger.



Women's Guild Notes



- We are grateful for all those Guild members who made casseroles for the Salvation Army's breakfast program—75 pans in all!
- Parishioners donated more than 300 warm winter wearables—mittens, gloves, scarves, hats and socks which the Women's Guild sorted and shared with Sacred Heart School, the Hispanic Ministry and West Des Moines Human Services to distribute.
- Guild members also have made many fleece blankets to warm the laps of senior citizens at Fountain West nursing home.
- We appreciate all the parishioners who purchased some 200 gifts or donated cash to help bring joy to nursing home residents and to those served by our parish St. Vincent de Paul group.
- This year's Christmas "Unbake" Sale which turned to cash donations only due to COVID also was a success. All proceeds will go to the parish general fund.



Receive a tax credit and help a family pay for tuition! Visit: ctodsmdiocese.org

When you DO NOT itemize

	on your tax return:			
	To	Any Charity	To CTO	
Donation	\$	10,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	
Federal tax savings	5		\$.	
State tax savings	5		\$ 6,500.00	
Tax Savings	\$		\$ 6,500.00	
Net Cost to Donor	\$	10,000.00	\$ 3,500.00	

on your tax return:					
To	Any Charity*	To CTC			
\$	10,000.00	\$10,000.00			
\$	3,200.00	\$ 1,120.00			
\$	1,000.00	\$ 6,500.00			
\$	4,200.00	\$ 7,620.00			
\$	5,800.00	\$ 2,380.00			

Sacred Heart, West Des Moines

Number of students	111
Total Awards	\$146,320
Average Award	\$1,318
Average Household Size.	4
Average Income	