



SACRED HEART PARISH

PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST. PETER

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday	8:00 am (Low Mass) 10:00 am (Missa Cantata)
Mon, Tues & Thurs	7:00 am
Wed & Fri	6:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am
Holy Days	Check Bulletin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (Confession)

Friday	5:30 pm
Saturday	8:30 am
Sunday	7:30 & 9:30 am

Any time by appointment.



SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Active registered parishioners should contact the Pastor at least six Months in advance of the date.

BAPTISM

Please contact the office.

LAST SACRAMENTS AND SICK CALLS

Please contact the office. In an emergency requiring Extreme Unction or Viaticum please call 267-6123.


**MASS INTENTIONS
FOR THE WEEK**


Sunday Dec. 25 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Nativity of the Lord Howard Rorick + (anniv) <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday Dec. 26 9:00 AM	St. Stephen, Protomartyr Dean Hamel + (anniv)
Tuesday Dec. 27 7:00 AM	St. John, Apostle & Evangelist Buddy Pello + (anniv)
Wednesday Dec. 28 6:00 PM	The Holy Innocents Fr. James Seculoff
Thursday Dec. 29 7:00 AM	Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas John Kuhn +
Friday Dec. 30 6:00 PM	Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas Mark McCague +
Saturday Dec. 31 9:00 AM	Seventh Day in the Octave of Christmas Mary Stump +
Sunday Jan. 1 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	Octave of the Nativity of the Lord Fr. Eric Burgener <i>Pro Populo</i>

Please join your fellow parishioners for coffee and donuts after the 8:00 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month, or after the 10:00 AM Mass on the first and third Sundays of the month. This is also the time to visit our small lending library of good Catholic books and media. This is located on the first floor of the school building (Classroom #5).

Blessing of religious objects takes place after Mass on the third Sunday of every month. Please leave your objects on the designated table in the school basement.



**SUMMARY OF UPCOMING EVENTS
(see announcements for details)**

Dec. 26 — Note mass will be at 9am due to the observed holiday of Christmas.

The Twelve Days of Christmas

Before it was popularized in a romantic Christmas carol the twelve days were the core of winter festivities throughout medieval Europe. The feast days with their octaves created a continuous celebration from Christmas to the Epiphany on January 6. Consider sanctifying your own Christmas season by incorporating mass attendance. We are blessed to have the relics of, St Stephen (26th), St John the Evangelist (27th), The holy Innocents (28th), St Thomas (29th), St Silvester (31st). During the Christmas season there will be a short sermon, exposition and veneration of the saints relics following mass.

Nativity of the Lord

Know that my thoughts and prayers go to all of you this Christmas season. Every year it is important for us to suspend worry and care and take effort to find joy amidst the trials of the world. To hear angels in the middle of the night, warmth in the cold, peace in the chaos. The Christmas season has been inspired by this and providence has mandated that we celebrate during the darkest coldest time of the year.— such is the quality of a Christian.

The twelve days of celebration reinforce this Christmas spirit. As we commemorate the Christ child surrounded by his family on the 25th, we immediately celebrate the St Stephen first martyr on the 26th who died witnessing to the fact that the messiah did come and was crucified. Then St John on the 27th who lived in exile and alone, long after all his fellow apostles had died, waiting to return to Christ. And finally the cries of infants on 28th when we celebrate the feast of the holy Innocents. The season has always had this quality of exuberant joy during great trials. Joy because a child is born to us, a savior who delivers us. We should have joy to the fullest in this life because of the promises of the next. Do not let anything take away your Christmas spirit. Persevere in prayer, patience, and laughter. May God bless you, and Merry Christmas.

—Fr Savoie



Thank You

A Special thanks is warranted to all who have contributed financially and by volunteering this Christmas. The decorations and flower contributions all for the beautification of the church is a true sacrifice for the glorification of God and for the parish as a whole. Thank you again for all who contributed in their own ways, known and hidden. Pray for the dearly departed and give thanks for the living who support us.

The flowers were offered in memory of;
Vf. Pat McNulty, Ulus and Rose Cantrell, Clarence and Eleanor Knueve, Fr. Dan Leeuw, Katie Baumle, Chrales Gabet, William Gonya, John F. Miller, Petronila Hernandez, Adelaido Hernandez, Emilia Hernandez,

Jose Arana, Roberto C Arana, Gerald and Ann Mullins, Ignacio Rivera Sr., Edith Salzer, Meyrle and Sally Peppler, Tom and Marcy Sorg, Doug and Vikki Walker. And in honor of; Ignacio and Erin Rivera, and Nick Mullins

I would also like to add a special to the hard work and effort of Ryan Kennedy and the Choir. Many hours of practice take place out of the sight of the people. Thank you for making our liturgy beautiful.

PARISH FAMILY DIRECTORY

Our parish has been blessed with immense growth! All families registered as parishioners at Sacred Heart are invited to sign up for family portraits to be included in our upcoming and much needed church directory. Sign up sheets are located in the vestibule, with dates and times to choose from. Sitting times should take no more than ten minutes, and are scheduled after the 10:00 am Mass, as well as several Wednesday and Friday evenings at 4:30. If your family is not available for the listed times, you may contact the parish office or e-mail the photographer: at ashley@ashleyreneeblog.com to make other arrangements. Your family portrait will be available for download at no charge, with password access for privacy, through the website <https://ashleyreneeblog.com/> We hope to have all of our Sacred Heart families included before completion, so please sign up as soon as possible. Thank you!

CHRISTMAS POTLUCK - JANUARY 8!

Our annual Christmas potluck will be held on **Sunday, January 8**, following the 10 a.m. Mass. Please bring a dish to share and join your fellow parishioners for this Christmas season celebration. A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule or online at: <http://tinyurl.com/yxw9stuy>

SCIENCE FAIR

The Sacred Heart Parish Homeschool Science Fair will be held on **Saturday, February 25, 2023**. Children in grades 1-12 are welcome to participate. This is a fun and educational experience for students, and it can easily be part of their schoolwork. The registration fee is \$5 per child or \$10 for a family with 2 or more participating children. The deadline to register is **January 16**. For more information, or if you have children who are interested in participating, please contact Barbara: bpestritto@gmail.com, or access a registration form online: <https://tinyurl.com/y2spm7rn>.