

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

PRAY † TEACH † SERVE

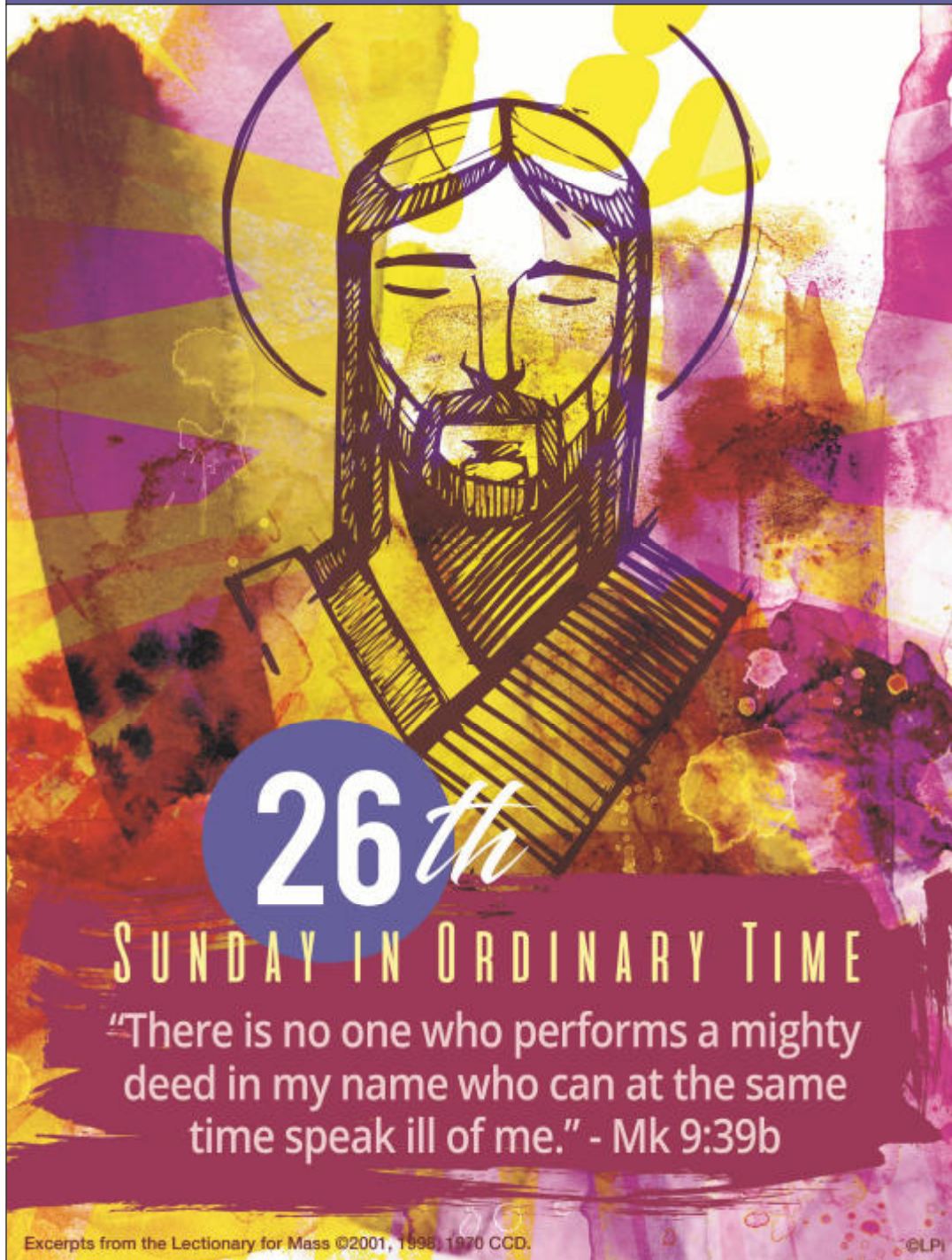
September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021

26<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

## Mission Statement

We are a Eucharistic Community which recognizes and values the dignity of each person by responding to the Gospel.

We are called to  
*Pray, Teach and Serve.*



26<sup>th</sup>

SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me." - Mk 9:39b

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## Weekend Mass

**Saturday Vigil** 5:30 pm  
**Sunday** 8:30 am  
10:00 am

## Daily Mass

**Monday** 7:00 am  
**Tuesday** 7:00 am  
**Wednesday** 7:00 am  
**Friday** 7:00 am  
**Saturday** 8:30 am

## Communion Service

**Thursday** 7:00 am

## Confession

**Monday** 7:30 am  
**Tuesday** 7:30 am  
**Saturday** 9:00 am  
4:30-5:15 pm

## Adoration

**Friday** 7:30 am Exposition  
8:30 am Benediction

## Baptism

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for baptism at least 2 months in advance.

## Matrimony

Please call the parish office to make arrangements for marriage at least 6 months in advance.

## Pastor

Reverend Bruce Ludeke

## Permanent Deacon

Ken Funk

# Pray

## Mass Intentions

<b>Mon. 09/27</b>	7:00 am	† Owen Oetting
<b>Tues. 09/28</b>	7:00 am	Living Intention of Shelly Oltmans
<b>Wed. 09/29</b>	7:00 am	† Aldona Miloch
<b>Thurs. 09/30</b>	7:00 am	<b>Communion Service</b>
<b>Fri. 10/01</b>	7:00 am	Living Members of the Purgatorial Society
		Living Members of the Dick & Carol Baumann Family
		Living Intention of Joanne Bilut
		Living Intention of Dave Bieser
		Sacred Heart Parishioners
		† Larry Lubbs
		† Helen McDonnell
		† Celeste Serafin
		† Al, Mary & Kathleen Dieterle
<b>Sat. 10/02</b>	8:30 am	† J. Mark Beaty
	5:30 pm	† Jule Johnson
<b>Sun. 10/03</b>	8:30 am	† Frances Clark
	10:00 am	Sacred Heart Parishioners
<b>Sanctuary Lamp</b>		In Memory of Larry Lubbs

## Prayer before Communion

Dear Lord, may I receive you in this communion with open arms and a loving, contrite heart, so that I may be filled with your grace, for my good and Your glory! Amen.



## Thanksgiving After Holy Communion

I thank you, Eternal Father, for giving me as the food of my soul, the Body and Blood of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. May this Divine Food preserve and increase the union of my soul with you. May it purify me by repressing every evil inclination. Grant that it may be to me a pledge of a glorious resurrection on the last day. O Sacred Heart of Jesus, I love you with all my heart. I am sorry for ever having offended you, and I desire never to offend you again. Amen.

## St. Michael Prayer

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.



## Job opening at Sacred Heart Church

Sacred Heart has a job opening for a Director/Coordinator of Music & Liturgy. This position will be part time and salary is commensurate with experience. We would like to have this person start ASAP. Applications and a detailed position description can be found online at [www.sacredheartparish.net](http://www.sacredheartparish.net). Contact Julie in the parish office for more details: 815-625-1134.

# Teach

## St. Joseph Most Prudent

St. Joseph never acted on impulse. He always reflected before acting. What husband would not have put away his wife without any delay when he discovered that she was about to give birth to a child that was not his? Not so St. Joseph. He waited and pondered and prayed, and gradually formed the prudent resolve of sending her back in secret to her friends. Even after deciding on this plan as the best, he again waited and commended it to God, turned it over and over in his own mind, prayed still more before proceeding to act. It was this prudence of his, this charitable delay, that earned for him the solution of his doubts by an angel's voice. St. Joseph had entrusted to him the training up of Jesus. The formation of the character of the divine Child was committed to him. What prudence, what perfect prudence must he have possessed whom God considered as the fit guardian of the Eternal Word! If I were more prudent, God would entrust to me greater works to be done for Him. Our Lady must have had wonderful confidence in the prudence of her spouse when she arose unhesitatingly at dead of night to fly with him to Egypt, just because he told her he had had a dream warning him to do so. But she knew not only how naturally careful and wise he was, but that he had an infused and supernatural prudence that could not be deceived. If I were more prudent, others would trust me more, and listen with greater confidence to my advice or commands.



The first weekend in October will be our annual Rosary weekend. Please join us to say the rosary 30 minutes before each Mass on **October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**. The feast day of the Holy Rosary in particular is October 7<sup>th</sup>. The feast of the Rosary is held on October 7<sup>th</sup> in memory of the glorious and triumphant victory at the battle of Lepanto. That battle was the most convincing military victory that proved without a doubt the great power of the Rosary. The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary everyday and will bring great peace and holiness to your life. It is a powerful instrument for conversion. The Rosary is the best method of honoring Mary. It protects the Church from false teachings and keeps her safe from the attacks from the Enemy.

## Annual Life Chain

St. Mary and Sacred Heart Church will hold their annual Life Chain on **Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, from 12:45 - 2:00 PM.** Meet at the intersection of Locust St. & 6<sup>th</sup> St. by St. Mary's School. ***The Sterling and Rock Falls community and their families are invited to stand up for the unborn!***



## Car Magnets

The Sterling Knights of Columbus will be selling car magnets on **October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>** after all the Masses. The proceeds will be going directly to Gianna's House in Rock Falls and the cost is a free will donation.



# Serve

## Diocesan Stewardship Appeal 2021-22

**Goal: \$34,212**  
**Donated to date: \$21,030.00**  
**Amount at this date last year: \$22,098.75**



**Can you help us reach our goal!**  
**Thank you to those who have already donated to the DSP Appeal for 2021.**

## Religious Education Registration

**It's that time of year again!**  
**Religious Education program will start on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.**



We warmly welcome you to join A Family of Faith, our new Family Catechesis Religious Ed program! We are excited to begin this faith journey with you.

**We are still accepting registrations for children in grades K - 5. You can find registration forms in the narthex near the parish office door, or register and pay right from our homepage, [www.sacredheartparish.net](http://www.sacredheartparish.net), online giving.**

Please contact **Melinda Hutchison** with any questions at [sheartreligioused@gmail.com](mailto:sheartreligioused@gmail.com).

## Vatican Lecture Series Talk with Father Bruce

**SAVE THE DATES**

October 26<sup>th</sup>-The Sending of Joseph to his Brothers by Fr. Randy Fronck  
November 9<sup>th</sup>-Why we should be thankful by Fr. Bruce  
February 15<sup>th</sup>-Fr. Bruce  
March 8<sup>th</sup>-San Damiano Cross by Fr. Randy Fronck  
April 5<sup>th</sup>-Fr. Bruce

All the Vatican Lecture Series will be at 7 PM in the church. Light refreshments will be served at the October 26<sup>th</sup> talk in the narthex.

## Rosary Sale

Marie Foley will be selling her beautiful hand-made rosaries in the Narthex after each of the Masses on **October 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Please bring cash or your checkbook and don't miss the chance to pray with one of these unique and gorgeous pieces of art. She can also do custom orders if you like.

## Newman HS Job Openings

Newman High School is in need of a Bus Driver & a Part-Time Custodian. Contact the school at 815-625-0050 for more details.



Happy Birthday from Fr. Bruce and the Sacred Heart Staff!

**Sept 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Mary Anderson  
Kevin Mullen  
Shelly Oltmans

**Sept 29<sup>th</sup>**  
Thomas Brackmeyer  
Jeff Mohr

**Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>**  
Melissa Anderson  
**Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Stacy Dillard  
Kristie Geil

**Sept 28<sup>th</sup>**  
Kari Bogott  
Stephen Gassman  
Phyllis Lutyens

**Oct 1<sup>st</sup>**  
Sharon Johnston  
Ashley Murphy

## Military Prayer List



**2nd Lt. Ryan Arndt,  
2nd Lt. Connor Brown,  
Dominic Burke, Jacob Burke,  
PFC John M. Clark,**

**A1C Adam Hodge, Captain Zach Passini,  
Joshua Sweeney, Eric Thom, Andrew Valentino**

Almighty God, We stand before you in supplication, asking Your Divine mercy and protection, to envelop with Your invincible armor, our loved ones in all branches of the service. Give them courage and strength against all enemies, both spiritual and physical, and hasten their safe journey back to their homes and families. Amen.

## PET Blessing

We will have our annual pet blessing in honor of St. Francis' feast day on **Saturday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 10 AM** outside the Bell Tower. In case of rain, we will be under the carport in the circle drive.



## Exciting News!!!

### Sacred Heart Church High School Youth Group

**When:** **September 26**, October 17, November 28, December 19, January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24

**Where:** Sacred Heart Church basement, 2224 Ave J, Sterling, IL

**Time:** 11 AM-12:15 PM

**Bring your friends and come check it out!!!**

### Sacred Heart Church Middle School Youth Group



**When:** October 10, November 14, December 12, January 16, February 13, March 20, April 10

**Where:** Sacred Heart Church basement, 2224 Ave J, Sterling, IL

**Time:** 11:00 AM-12:15 PM

Contact Melinda Hutchinson for more information.

**Bring your friends and come check it out!!!**

## Need to find a Mass Out of Town?

Check out [MassTimes.org](http://MassTimes.org) to find churches & Mass times.

## Parish Office

Hours.....Monday - Friday: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Phone ..... 815-625-1134  
Fax.....815-625-1138  
Rectory, *Emergency Only* .....815-625-0631

## Parish Staff

### Pastor

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### Permanent Deacon

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### Coordinator of Religious Education

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### Coordinator of RCIA

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### Prayer Chain for Special Intentions

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Email.....sheartoffice@gmail.com

### Executive Assistant

Lupe Larson.....sheartoffice@gmail.com



## Schedule of Ministers

Saturday, Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> & Sunday, Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>

### Lectors:

5:30 pm Ainsley Reed  
8:30 am Tom Ausman  
10:00 am Religious Ed Children



### Ushers:

5:30 pm Gary & Denise Mosher  
8:30 am **2 Volunteers Needed**  
10:00 am Raquel & Raul Reyes, Sr.

### Servers:

5:30 pm Anna & Jax Hutchison  
10:00 am Aiden Mackay & Raul Reyes, Jr.

**Please contact Lupe Larson at 815-625-1134 or sheartoffice@gmail.com if you can help out in these roles!**

## Banns of Matrimony I

We are pleased to announce the upcoming marriage of:

**Nolan Anderson & Martha Toth**  
**October 16, 2021**

## Thank You for doing the Church Linens

A big thank you to Julie Elliot who cleaned the church linens for the month of September.

## Thank You to our Church Cleaners!

A big thank you to Peggy Potthoff and Julie Elliot who were our church cleaners for the month of September. We really appreciate your service to this ministry! The October church cleaner is **Doris Hageman**.



## Sacred Heart Cemetery Clean Up

The annual fall clean-up is underway. Please have all arrangements and any other items removed by **October 15<sup>th</sup>**. All items that remain on Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> will be disposed of.

## Annual Public Square Rosary

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Our Lady of Fatima for Peace is asking us to come together to pray for peace, and faith and in our country.

October 16<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon at the Grandon Civic Center, Downtown Sterling.



## Forget your envelope?

Use Online Giving to keep up on off offertory. Go to **www.sacredheartparish.net** and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy.



Your support during times away from the parish helps to sustain us. Thank you!

## Weekly Collection

### Your Gift to God last weekend was:

Amount Required Weekly	\$5,711.54
Envelope & Loose Collection	\$3,648.01
Online Giving	\$1,879.00
Weekly Total (9/19/2021)	\$5,527.01
YTD Required	\$68,538.48
YTD Collected (Week 12)	\$62,511.51
Total Envelope Holders	522
Envelopes Used	86
% Contributed	16%

**Tithing 5%** \$273 Gianna's House

## 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

### Entrance Antiphon Daniel 3:31, 29, 30, 43, 42

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgement, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

### Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

### Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### First Reading

Nm 11:25-29

The LORD came down in the cloud and spoke to Moses. Taking some of the spirit that was on Moses, the LORD bestowed it on the seventy elders; and as the spirit came to rest on them, they prophesied. Now two men, one named Eldad and the other Medad, were not in the gathering but had been left in the camp. They too had been on the list, but had not gone out to the tent; yet the spirit came to rest on them also, and they prophesied in the camp. So, when a young man quickly told Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp, "Joshua, son of Nun, who from his youth had been Moses' aide, said, "Moses, my lord, stop them." But Moses answered him, "Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the people of the LORD were prophets! Would that the LORD might bestow his spirit on them all!"

### Responsorial Psalm Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

#### R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The law of the LORD is perfect, refreshing the soul; the decree of the LORD is trustworthy, giving wisdom to the simple.

#### R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

The fear of the LORD is pure, enduring forever; the ordinances of the LORD are true, all of them just.

#### R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

Though your servant is careful of them, very diligent in keeping them, Yet who can detect failings? Cleanse me from my unknown faults!

#### R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

From wanton sin especially, restrain your servant; let it not rule over me.

Then shall I be blameless and innocent of serious sin.

#### R. The precepts of the Lord give joy to the heart.

### Second Reading

James 5:1-6

Come now, you rich, weep and wail over your impending miseries. Your wealth has rotted away, your clothes have become moth-eaten, your gold and silver have corroded, and that corrosion will be a testimony against you; it will devour your flesh like a fire. You have stored up treasure for the last days. Behold, the wages you withheld from the workers who harvested your fields are crying aloud; and the cries of the harvesters have reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. You have lived on earth in luxury and pleasure; you have fattened your hearts for the day of slaughter. You have condemned; you have murdered the righteous one; he offers you no resistance.

### Gospel

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

At that time, John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us." Jesus replied, "Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me. For whoever is not against us is for us. Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward. "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were put around his neck and he were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed than with two hands to go into Gehenna, into the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. Better for you to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into Gehenna, where 'their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched.'"

### Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (*bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man (*rise*). For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### Communion Antiphon

Psalm 119(118):4-5

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.

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