

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

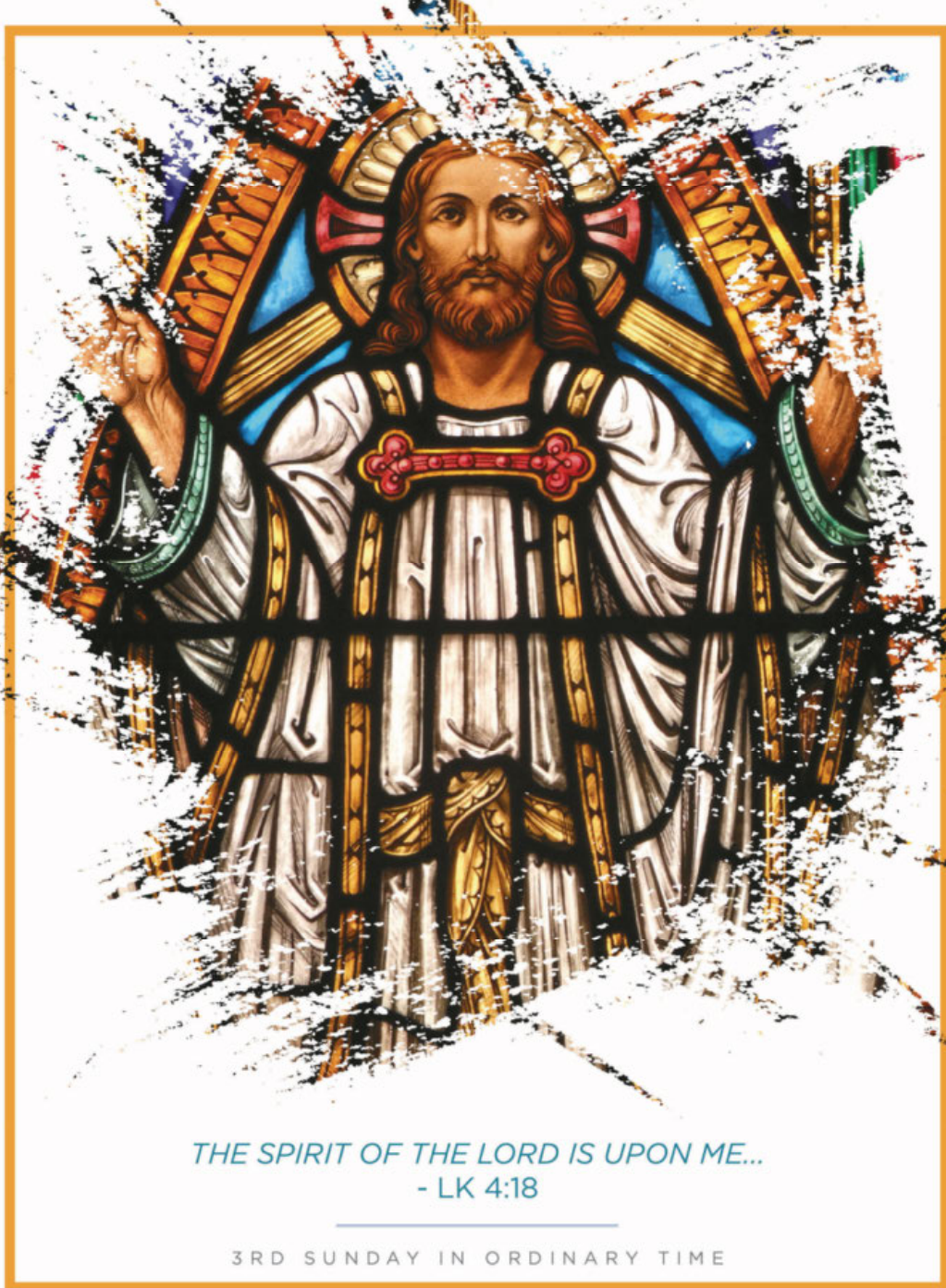
PRAY † TEACH † SERVE

January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

3<sup>rd</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.*



## 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

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# Pray

## Mass Intentions

**Mon. 1/24** 7:00 AM † Dan Gartner  
**Tues. 1/25** 7:00 AM † Joanne Armoska  
**Wed. 1/26** 7:00 AM † Deacon Robert Plazewski  
**Thurs. 1/27** 7:00 AM **Communion Service**  
**Fri. 1/28** 7:00 AM Living Intention for all teachers  
**Sat. 1/29** 8:30 AM Living Intention for Kim Ramirez  
5:30 PM † James Foley  
**Sun. 1/30** 8:30 AM Sacred Heart parishioners  
10:00 AM † Hugh Miller

**Sanctuary Lamp** Living & Deceased Members of the Schramuk Family

## 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.

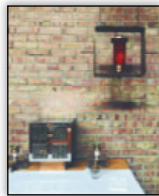
## St. Michael Prayer

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.



## Sanctuary Lamp Memorials

The sanctuary lamp over the tabernacle is sponsored each week either in memory of, or for the living intentions of the loved ones of our parishioners. If you would like to sponsor a week, please contact the parish office. The suggested donation is \$10.



## 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.

## Amazon Smile

Do your shopping and earn money for Sacred Heart Church! Go to Amazon Smile and search for Sacred Heart Church in Sterling, IL.



# Teach



## Third Novena Prayer to Our Lady of Perpetual Help

<https://sacredheartchurchnorco.org/prayers-to-our-lady-of-perpetual-help>

O Mother of Perpetual Help, thou art the dispenser of all the gifts which God grants to us miserable sinners; and for this end He has made thee so powerful, so rich, and so bountiful, in order that thou mayest help us in our misery. Thou art the advocate of the most wretched and abandoned sinners who have recourse to thee: come to my aid, for I recommend myself to thee. In thy hands I place my eternal salvation, and to thee I entrust my soul. Count me among thy most devoted servants; take me under thy protection, and it is enough for me. For, if thou protect me, I fear nothing; not from my sins, because thou wilt obtain for me the pardon of them; nor from the devils, because thou art more powerful than all hell together; nor even from Jesus, my judge, because by one prayer from thee He will be appeased. But one thing I fear: that in the hour of temptation I may through negligence fail to have recourse to thee and thus perish miserably. Obtain for me, therefore, the pardon of my sins, love for Jesus, final perseverance, and the grace ever to have recourse to thee, O Mother of Perpetual Help. Say 3 *Hail Mary's*.

## Drive By Farewell

Fr. Jorge Bravo, will be leaving St. Mary's Church. Please join us as we bid farewell to him at the front doors of the St. Mary's Parish Center on Saturday, January 29<sup>th</sup> from 11 AM-2 PM. We ask everyone to park in the parking lot and someone will direct you to greet Fr. Jorge Bravo. Please wear a mask and practice social distance. Cards are welcomed.

## Whiteside County Senior Center

Has resumed in person services and activities to combat senior isolation. Daily lunches are being served Mon-Thurs from 11 AM until 12 PM. These meals cost only \$3 to those age 60 and over (under age 60, \$6). Bringing back the games, cards, movie days and traveling again. Questions please call 815-622- 9230.

## BE LIKE GARRETT!

In honor of Captain Garrett Ramos, we have "Be Like Garrett" bracelets. These bracelets are available in the St. Mary's School office for sale, for a free will offering. Funds will go toward new basketball hoops and backboards in the school gym in his memory.



## St. Mary's School Annual Gala Fundraiser

Join us for a Great Gatsby themed night: Drinks, Dinner, Silent/Live Auction and more on Saturday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the St. Mary's School gym. Reservations will be made online. More details to follow at a later date.





# Serve

## Diocesan Stewardship Appeal 2021-22

**Goal: \$34,212**  
**Donated to date: \$23,395.00**  
**Amount at this date last year: \$26,660.75**



Thank you to those who has given to the 2021-22 Diocesan Appeal.

If you have not already donated there is still time to do so.

## Exciting News!!!

### Sacred Heart Church High School Youth Group

**When:** January 30, February 27, March 27, April 24

**Where:** Sacred Heart Church basement

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

Contact Melinda Hutchinson for more information.

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



### Sacred Heart Church Middle School Youth Group



**When:** February 13, March 20, April 10

**Where:** Sacred Heart Church basement,

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

Contact Melinda Hutchinson for more information.

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**January 30-February 5**

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

**Jan 24<sup>th</sup>**  
 Stephen Moore  
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 S. J. Zigler

**Jan 25<sup>th</sup>**  
 Loren Fox  
 Mark Moran  
 Michelle Potthoff

**Jan 26<sup>th</sup>**  
 Michael Papoccia

**Jan 27<sup>th</sup>**  
 Leslie Arvola  
 Michael LeMay

**Jan 28<sup>th</sup>**  
 Mercedes Moore  
 Roy Sharp, Jr.

**Jan 29<sup>th</sup>**  
 Pat Hibbard  
 Kate Von Holten

**Jan 29<sup>th</sup>**  
 Esther Mullen  
 Andrew Papoccia  
 Hazel Pham  
 Teresa Sanders

**Jan 30<sup>th</sup>**  
 Odile Blazquez  
 Jim Johnson

## Military Prayer List

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

**Staff Sgt. 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.



## Sterling Knights of Columbus Installation

2 inductees were installed into the Sterling Knights of Columbus-Chapter #662 on November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at the St. Mary's Parish Center chapel.



Grand Knight –John Gerhrke, and K of C Members Michael Terverer & Jim Wise presenting a donation to the Bi-County for special needs. Money raised during tootsie roll fund raiser.



Sterling Knights of Columbus, Christmas Caroling at local nursing homes.

## 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 RCIA

Gonzalo Reyes  
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### Executive Assistant

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

### Prayer Chain for Special Intentions

Call.....815-625-1134  
 Email.....sheartoffice@gmail.com

## Weekly Collection

### Your Gift to God last weekend was:

Amount Required Weekly	\$5,711.54
Envelope & Loose Collection	\$2,498.00
Online Giving	\$1,887.00
Weekly Total (1/16/2022)	\$4,385.00
YTD Required	\$165,634.66
YTD Collected (Week 29)	\$156,106.51
Total Envelope Holders	529
Envelopes Used	82
% Contributed	16
<b>Tithing 5%</b>	\$219.00 SHP Youth Ministry

Raffle Winner Tim Graff \$100.00

## Schedule of Ministers

Saturday, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>

### Lectors:

5:30 PM Kevin Nestor  
 8:30 AM John Clark  
 10:00 AM Sam Ramirez, Jr.



### Ushers:

5:30 PM **2 Volunteers Needed**  
 8:30 AM Greg & Margaret Nickrent  
 10:00 AM Tim Nelson & **1 Volunteer Needed**

### Servers:

5:30 PM Jax Hutchison  
 10:00 AM Andrew & Auggie Downs

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

## Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Give yourselves the best Christmas present ever – take time for your marriage.



Deepen your communication, strengthen your relationship, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending the next virtual Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> in Madison, WI or April 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> in Brookfield, WI. Visit our website at: [alifetimeoflove.org](http://alifetimeoflove.org) or call **(888) 574-5653**.

## Forget your envelope?

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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!

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday In Ordinary Time

### Entrance Antiphon

**Ps. 96(95):1, 6**

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and honor in his holy place.

### 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

**Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10**

Ezra the priest brought the law before the assembly, which consisted of men, women, and those children old enough to understand. Standing at one end of the open place that was before the Water Gate, he read out of the book from daybreak till midday, in the presence of the men, the women, and those children old enough to understand; and all the people listened attentively to the book of the law. Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that had been made for the occasion. He opened the scroll so that all the people might see it — for he was standing higher up than any of the people —; and, as he opened it, all the people rose. Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people, their hands raised high, answered, “Amen, amen!” Then they bowed down and prostrated themselves before the LORD, their faces to the ground. Ezra read plainly from the book of the law of God, interpreting it so that all could understand what was read. Then Nehemiah, that is, His Excellency, and Ezra the priest-scribe and the Levites who were instructing the people said to all the people: “Today is holy to the LORD your God. Do not be sad, and do not weep”— for all the people were weeping as they heard the words of the law. He said further: “Go, eat rich foods and drink sweet drinks, and allot portions to those who had nothing prepared; for today is holy to our LORD. Do not be saddened this day, for rejoicing in the LORD must be your strength!”

## Responsorial Psalm

**Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15**

**R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.**

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

**R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.**

The precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart;  
The command of the LORD is clear, enlightening the eye.

**R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.**

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

**R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.**

Let the words of my mouth and the thought of my heart find favor  
before you, O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

**R. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life. Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.**

## Second Reading

**1 Cor 12:12-30**

Brothers and sisters: As a body is one though it has many parts, and all the parts of the body, though many, are one body, so also Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, slaves or free persons, and we were all given to drink of one Spirit. Now the body is not a single part, but many. If a foot should say, “Because I am not a hand I do not belong to the body, “ it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. Or if an ear should say, “Because I am not an eye I do not belong to the body, “it does not for this reason belong any less to the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as he intended. If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is, there are many parts, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I do not need you, “nor again the head to the feet, “I do not need you.” Indeed, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are all the more necessary, and those

parts of the body that we consider less honorable we surround with greater honor, and our less presentable parts are treated with greater propriety, whereas our more presentable parts do not need this. But God has so constructed the body as to give greater honor to a part that is without it, so that there may be no division in the body, but that the parts may have the same concern for one another. If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it; if one part is honored, all the parts share its joy. Now you are Christ's body, and individually parts of it. Some people God has designated in the church to be, first, apostles; second, prophets; third, teachers; then, mighty deeds; then gifts of healing, assistance, administration, and varieties of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work mighty deeds? Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret?

## Gospel

**Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21**

Since many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the events that have been fulfilled among us, just as those who were eyewitnesses from the beginning and ministers of the word have handed them down to us, I too have decided, after investigating everything accurately anew, to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus, so that you may realize the certainty of the teachings you have received. Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. He came to Nazareth, where he had grown up, and went according to his custom into the synagogue on the sabbath day. He stood up to read and was handed a scroll of the prophet Isaiah. He unrolled the scroll and found the passage where it was written: *The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim a year acceptable to the Lord.* Rolling up the scroll, he handed it back to the attendant and sat down, and the eyes of all in the synagogue looked intently at him. He said to them, “Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing.”

## 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.

**Petition Response:** Lord, hear our prayer.

## Communion Antiphon

**Ps. 34(33):6**

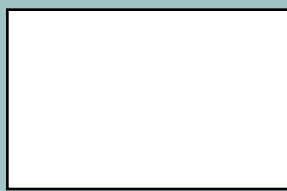
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