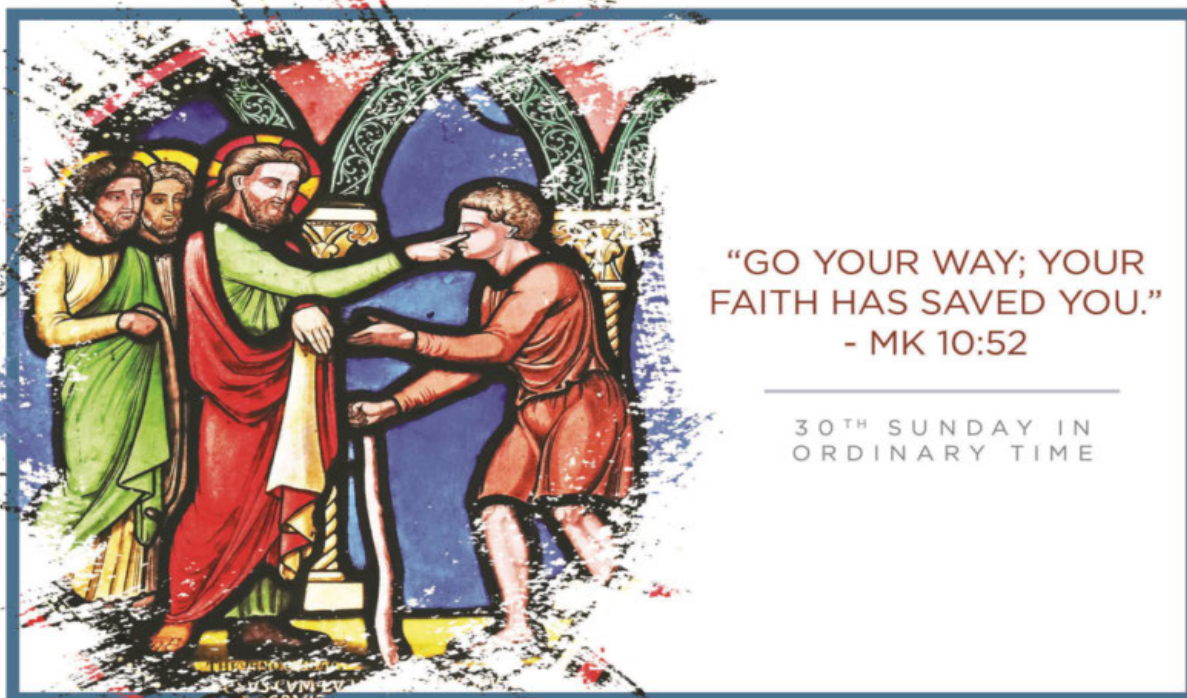




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- MK 10:52

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ORDINARY TIME

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♦ LITURGY SCHEDULE ♦

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday-Wednesday & Friday: 7:00 AM
Thursday Communion Service: 7:00 AM
Saturday: 8:30 AM

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Tuesday: 7:30 AM
Friday: during Adoration
Saturday: 9:00 AM & 4:30 PM

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday anticipatory: 5:30 PM
(with livestream on YouTube)
Sunday: 8:30 AM & 10:00 AM

ADORATION

Friday: following 7:00 AM Mass until 8:30 AM

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.

Pray

Mass Intentions

Mon. 10/28 7:00 AM †John Baumann
Tues. 10/29 7:00 AM †Joanne Armoska
Wed. 10/30 7:00 AM †Mike Hoyle
Thurs. 10/31 7:00 AM Communion Service
Fri. 11/01 7:00 AM Living Members of the
Purgatorial Society
†Al, Mary & Kathleen Dieterle
5:30 PM Sacred Heart Parishioners
Sat. 11/02 8:30 AM Living Intentions of Robert
Snyder
5:30 PM Living & Deceased Members of
the Balk, Barta & Reisner Families
Sun. 11/03 8:30 AM †Nancy Hafner
10:00 AM Sacred Heart Parishioners
Sanctuary Lamp In memory of Frances Clark

All Saint's Day - November 1st (Holy Day of Obligation)



Holy Day Masses

Friday, Nov. 1st
7:00 AM
10:00 AM with Newman HS
5:30 PM

The parish office
will be closed.

2025 Mass Intentions

January to September of 2025 is open for mass intentions. We can begin scheduling for October 2025 on November 4th. If you would like to schedule an intention, you can either stop in the parish office or call 815-625-1134. The suggested donation is \$10.

2025 Sanctuary Lamp Memorials

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



Lighting a candle as a form of prayer

Do you have an intention that lies heavy on your heart? Consider lighting a votive candle in the church, asking God to grant you his comfort and peace.



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.



Fatima Prayer

O my Jesus, forgive us our sins. Save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to heaven especially those in most need of thy mercy.



Schedule of Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, November 2nd & Sunday, November 3rd

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:30 PM Deacon Kevin, Brian Grummert,
Carver Grummert
8:30 AM Beth Hollaway, Susie LeMay, Greg Nickrent
10:00 AM Sam Ramirez, Jr., Kim Ramirez, Jessie Mason

Lectors:

5:30 PM Peg Hoffmiller
8:30 AM Beth Hollaway, Susie LeMay
10:00 AM Children

Servers:

5:30 PM Max Grummert
8:30 AM Bentley Doty
10:00 AM Henry Sprague, Ace Olson

Ushers:

5:30 PM Brian & Michelle Grummert
8:30 AM Greg & Margaret Nickrent
10:00 AM Nate & Riley Mason

Cantors:

5:30 PM Barb Westra
8:30 AM Kathy Schmidt
10:00 AM Children's Choir



The Book of the Dead

The Book of the Dead is out in the Narthex for you to put your loved ones names in who have died that we will pray for the month of November.



Rosary for the Unborn Child

Please join us on **Sunday, November 3rd** to pray the rosary at 8:00 AM before the 8:30 AM Mass. It will be led by a Sterling Knights of Columbus member.



Women's Advent Dinner

Women's Advent Dinner, **6:00 PM, Tuesday, December 10th**. If you are interested in being a hostess, helping work it (our men of the parish,) being a guest, or helping to chair the event, please contact the office or Amber directly.



Sacred Heart Annual Raffle Tickets

The October 20th raffle winner is Amy Heffelfinger. The Sacred Heart raffle tickets can be purchased now in the parish office during office hours and are \$50 each. The proceeds will go towards the new HVAC system.



Thank You to our Church & Linen Cleaners!

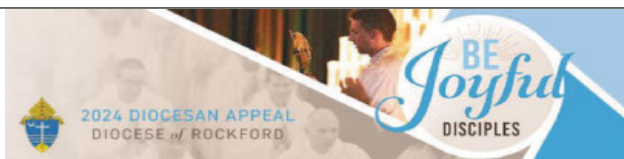
A big thank you to Sue Nestor & Doris Hageman who were our church cleaners for the month of October and to Michelle Johnson who cleaned the church linens for the month of October. The November church cleaner is Sue Kirkland and for the church linens is Julie Elliot. Thank you for all you do.



Daylight Savings Time

Ends November 3rd.
Turn your clocks back!





Target goal: \$32,233.00

Registered families: 378

Pledged: \$24,273

Balance due: \$7,960



Caring for the Poor and Vulnerable

Your gifts to the Diocesan Appeal support those who need our help the most: the poor, the marginalized, the hungry, the elder, and the unborn. Programs and Ministries Funded Include: Catholic Charities, Life Office, St. Elizabeth Catholic Community Center.

Thank you to all who have pledged and/or contributed to the 2024 Diocesan Appeal. Please join Sacred Heart in supporting the 2024 Diocesan Appeal.

If we fall short, we have to make up the difference. If we exceed our goal, it comes back to our parish!

Ways to donate: There are extra envelopes located on the narthex table, use the 2024 Diocesan Appeal pledge card, donate through OSV (online giving), text DONATE to (815) 885-5806, or scan the QR code to directly access the website payable to Sacred Heart-DA.

Military Prayer List

Lucas Anguish
Ryan Arndt
Connor Brown
Dominic Burke
Jacob Burke
John M. Clark
Colin Messer
Brady Moran
Justin Morgan
Zac Muntean
Ethan Nash
Devon Parker
Zach Passini
Madison Rauenbuehler
Joshua Sweeney
Eric Thom
Andrew Valentino
Lucas Velasquez
Gary Velasquez, Jr.



Prayer for All Saints Day

Dear God, thank you for the example of the Saints. I desire to join in their company, worshiping you forever in Heaven. Please help me follow their footsteps, and yours, Jesus Christ. Please help me to conform myself to your image, seeking your will in all things, as the Saints did. Please help me to devote myself, and all that I do, to your glory, and to the service of my neighbors. Amen.



Weekly Collection- Oct. 19th - 20th

Thank you for your weekly contributions.

We had 100 families (27%) contribute between online and envelopes.

Total contributions \$5,656.00

September YTD

Collections \$83,479.49

Expenses September \$83,311.40

5% Tithe Elder Care Services \$1,294



Go to www.sacredheartparish.net and click on the Online Giving link, it's quick and easy. Thank you.

Facts About Pope Francis

Pope Francis' favorite saint is St. Therese of Lisieux. Who is your favorite saint?

Parish Office

Hours.....Monday-Thursday: 8:00 AM- 4:00 PM

Hours.....Closed on Friday's

Phone 815-625-1134

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Prayer Chain for Special Intentions

Call.....815-625-1134

Email.....sheartoffice@gmail.com

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 to 1 year in advance.



**Happy Birthday from
Fr. Doyle and the
Sacred Heart Staff!**

Oct 29th

Caysen Gilbert

Oct 30th

Tracy Ahlers

Tom Ausman

Marjorie Karwath

Nancy Olson

Timothy Papoccia

Gonzalo Reyes

Oct 31st

Janell Hughes

Ryan Murphy

Corine Smith

Nov 1st

Tammy Moran

Nora Murphy

Harry

Waldschmidt

Easton Wright

Steve Yde

Nov 2nd

Ashley Nares

Ainsley Reed

Nov 3rd

Henry Merdian

James Reed

Gail Terveer

Claire Von Holten

Patrick Warkins

Bookkeeper Job Opening

St. Mary's Parish in Sterling is in need of a part-time bookkeeper. The bookkeeper assists the Pastor with the stewardship of the financial, and personnel resources of the parish, in accordance with diocesan policies and guidelines. Work hours are flexible at approximately 20 hours per week. If you are interested in the position, please contact Fr. Keenan, Pastor at (815) 625-0640.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

- ◆ Let the colors of fall remind you to rediscover the beauty of your marriage.
- ◆ Worldwide Marriage Encounter has all the tools you need for a great marriage.
- ◆ Sign up today to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend on November 16-17, at the Blanchette Center, Crest Hill, IL or February 14-16, 2025, in Geneva, IL
- ◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: wwme.org or call (888) 574-5653.



Calling All Bakers!!

If you would like to help our parish support Hospice this year, please sign up to bake on the sheets located in the narthex. We will need cookies, candies, or snack mixes to the church by 10 AM on November 15th. Cookies will be re-packaged with other cookies, so no need to make a pretty presentation. Disposable containers are preferred. For more details call Linda Kuhns at 815-441-5655.



October 27th

"The witness of our Blessed Mother [in the Gospel account of her visit to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth,] invites us to become more aware of the needs of pregnant and parenting moms in our own parishes and communities. ... Mary's witness is an invitation to step out in love and compassion. It is a summons to *make haste* to help vulnerable women who may be isolated and alone." USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
Respect Life Reflection: Called to Serve Moms in Need
respectlife.org/called-to-serve-reflection.



FORMATION IN THE FAMILY

Vatican II reminded Catholics: "The family is...the domestic church." The theological virtues of faith, hope, and love are witnessed by children and put into practice by everyone - **first and foremost within the family**. Our households are meant to be places of prayer. The home is the everyday church for the everyday sermon and life lesson, the earliest school where charity and coping skills are learned, the roof under which morning and evening prayers are prayed! Childhood ought to be filled with joy. Children must realize that their lives have value. They must be shown that life is worth *living*! Some writers have tackled the pro-life issue by writing kid-friendly books on the topic, reminding children that life does have purpose.

Pro-Life Kids! by Bethany Bomberger is a beautifully illustrated, engaging book for young readers with a rhyme scheme reminiscent of Dr. Seuss, who also recognized that *a person's a person no matter how small*. At the end of the book, there are suggested activities and little stories about real pro-life kids who are out there making a difference. Learn more at prolifekids.com.

Little Spark of Life by Courtney Siebring is another fun pro-life, pro-family book for kids. It is the story of a boy, always curious, who learns about his baby sibling on the way and about the progressive stages of the baby's development in the womb. It is told in a pleasant rhyming style. You can get the book and extra resources too. These include Bible verse flashcards, coloring pages, and a growth chart. Learn more at littlesparkoflifebook.com.

Discover Newman High School

Tour Availability on **Saturday, November 9th** from 10:00-12:00. Scholarship & tuition assistance available. Contact Gehrig Koerner for details-gkoerner@newmancchs.org.



Veterans Day

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, November 11th for Veterans Day. The daily Mass will still be at 7 AM.



**October
Mental Health Minute**

"Christ took all human suffering on himself; even mental illness . . . whoever suffers from mental illness 'always' bears God's image and likeness in himself... mental illness does not create insurmountable distances."
Saint John Paul II

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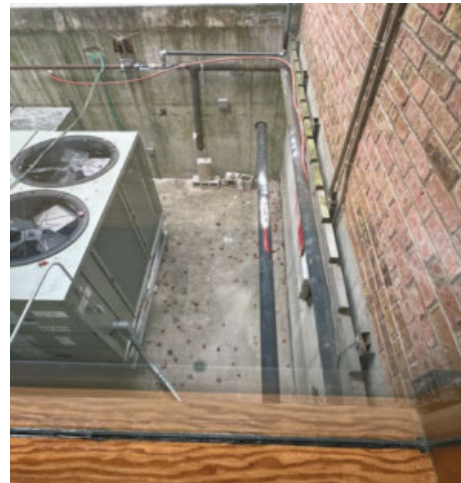
St. Thomas the Apostle
451 W. Terra Cotta Ave
Crystal Lake, IL
Saturday, November 9, 2024 10:30AM

Bring a 5x7 or smaller framed photo of your loved one (you will take this home after Mass)
For the intentions, please email your loved one's name to: cmhm@rockforddiocese.org

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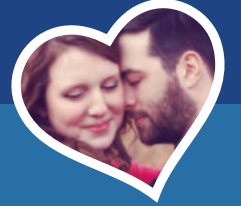
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