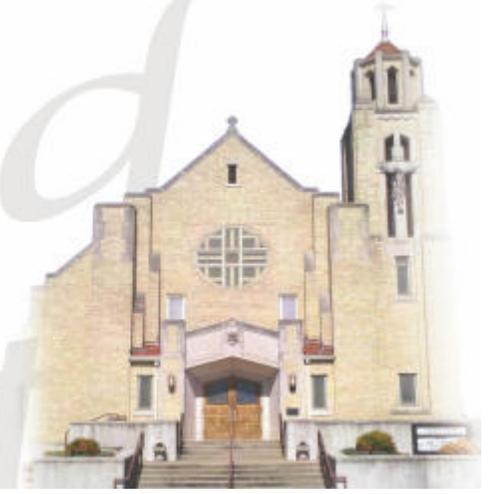


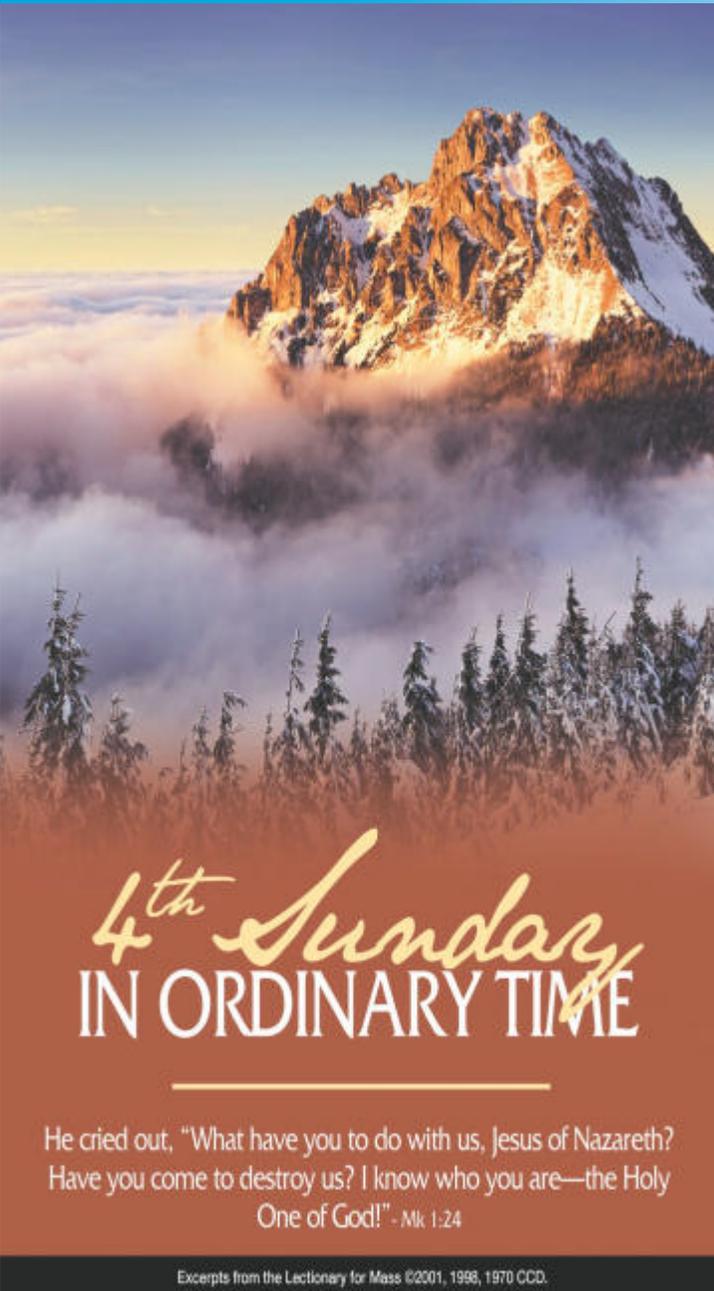


Welcome to

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday*  
**IN ORDINARY TIME**

He cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" - Mk 1:24

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

We are blessed and honored to have you as part of our Parish Family. Please register by filling out a registration form. They are located in the vestibule of the church. You may return it through the collections basket or by mail. You may also call the parish office at (573) 785-9635, and we will be happy to mail you a form. Again, welcome to our Parish Family.

### PARISH INFORMATION

**Phone:** 573-785-9635 **Fax:** 573-785-2069  
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### WEEKLY READINGS JAN.31-FEB. 6 2021

- Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20
- Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/  
Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
- Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/  
Mk 6:1-6
- Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11  
[cf. 10]/Mk 6:7-13
- Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9ab [1a]/Mk 6:14-29
- Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/  
Mk 6:30-34

JANUARY 31, 2021 • FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## MASS SCHEDULE

February 1-5, 2021

**Monday** 7:45 a.m. + Dennis G. Fuchs

**Wednesday** 5:30 p.m. + John Batrano

**Thursday** 8:15 a.m. + Betty Bankert

**Friday** 8:15 a.m. + Margaret Finder

February 6-7, 2021

**Saturday** 4:00 p.m. + Rosita Dunaway

**Sunday** 9:00 a.m. + Wilma Metz

11:00 a.m. Parish Family

1:00 p.m. (Spanish) + Jose Ramiro Ortiz

**Reconciliation**— Saturday 3:15 p.m., Sunday 8:20-8:50 a.m., 10:10-10:50 a.m., & 12:30 p.m. (Spanish); or by appt.



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Most of us are quiet people who desire to live a good and holy life, promote the values and mission of the Gospel as best we can and desire to one day inherit the surprise of life eternal God promises to us. We are not trail blazers. We are simple people who want to do the simple things of life well. But there are others who left a more profound impact along the way of the paths they walked. Folks like Dorothy Day, Martin Luther King, Thomas Merton, Gandhi, St. Teresa of Calcutta, and many others left lasting impacts and legacies. Like Moses, they show us by word and deed who God is and what integrity and a purpose driven life look like. They show us how to be holy. We need Moses people like these to give us inspiration, hope and an example of holy living.

We do not need to do what they did or even mirror their relationship with God. Each one of us is God's special creation, with a purpose and soul known only to us. We need to learn how to open up and bring, without compromise, our soul-ness to life. We know when someone is authentic and centered because they always point to truth, even though they struggle and sin themselves, and they embody an unspoken timeless wisdom that just sounds and feels right. Jesus taught with this same type of authority and it astonished many who listened. We do not need to move mountains, advance a cause, write books or become notable. All we have to do is become credible witnesses of the faith we profess. Moses people can teach us how to do this.

St. Oscar Romero was an amazing man and a Moses figure for sure. He saw God in the burning bush and brought the flame of Gospel faith to the poorest of the poor, challenging the evils of the society in which he lived. He was tireless and persistent. He must have gotten very close to the problem because it cost him his life. He suspected it would. St. Romero said, "When we leave Mass, we ought to go out the way Moses descended Mt Sinai: with his face shining, with his heart brave and strong to face the world's difficulties." We can learn from this wisdom. If we allow the power of the Mass to truly transform us, we will leave that holy encounter changed. Our face will shine, and we will have courage. We can then bring what we have received to life's challenges. That sounds doable, doesn't it? Because of the example of our simple holiness, people will be amazed.



## PRAYER LIST

**We pray for: ... Janet Wilson,** Ellen Cates, John Lampe, Ramona Waller, Linda Graves, Ellen Teder, Levi Neal, Jerry LeGrand, Bill Smith, Judy Smith, Elizabeth Frey, Ashton Clark, Joann Turner, Michelle Crocker, Michael Crocker, Sally Montgomery, Deb Reagan, Dr. John Fox, William Siebert, Shawn Ellis, Ion Jons, George Morris, Stephen G. D'Souza, Mary West, Gerry & Elaine Morgan, Gregorio Esquivel, DaRhonda Robinson, Cecelia Rommel, Mona Golden, Paula Savat, Jeff Pruitt, Becca Winchester, McKenzie Winchester, Dorothea Lasley, Vern Hamelback, Janet & Dennis Fowler, Michelle Quaite, Sonia Schanz, Catherine Gutterman, Reese Kaysinger, and on church bulletin board at rear entry.\*\*

For the Innocents.

For inactive Catholics to return to the full practice of their Catholic faith.

For those in religious life.

For those in military service.

For those who have died.

**Pope's Universal Intention:** Human Fraternity. May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for another, open to all.

\*\*Please contact the church office at 785-9635 to have yourself or family member added to the prayer for the sick list. We would also ask that you notify the parish office should a name need to be removed. Thank you.



## STEWARDSHIP

Jan. 23-24, 2021

Envelope	\$3930.00
Loose	\$ 181.35
Maintenance	\$ 305.00
Total	\$4416.35

Debt Reduction	\$220.00
1st Offering	\$65.00
Church in Latin America	\$162.00

### Money Counters

Jan. 30-31, 2021—#3; Feb. 6-7, 2021—#4

Stewardship received to date for fiscal year  
2020-2021

July-Jan. \$234,193.35

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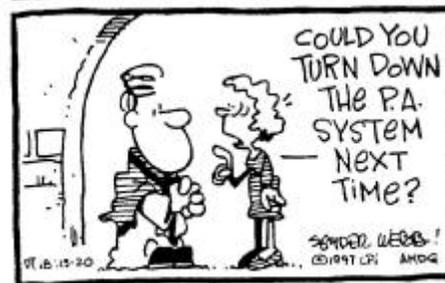
## SCHOOL & YOUTH & OTHER NEWS

- Please remember our school when ordering from Amazon use **Amazon Smiles**. Go to [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com) and in the "Pick your own charitable organization" search bar enter Sacred Heart Poplar Bluff. Once you select this charity it is saved to your account. Nothing further needs to be done except remember to shop at [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). This is different then going to [amazon.com](https://amazon.com)
- \* So happy to report we are still going strong and have had very few illnesses of any kind. Please continue prayers for our school and our students.
- ◆ Auction date has been set for April 17th. This is our only fundraiser and the school needs everyone's support, so please buy tickets to come to the auction as well as purchase raffle tickets when they become available.
- Our school is looking to purchase sweatshirts for every child with our new logo. If you would like to contribute or your business would, please give me a call 785-5836. This is a great way to reward our kids and our families for doing their best to keep our kids in school, plus promote our school.
- ◇ We still have trash bags for sale and they are 10.00 dollars a bag.
- \* We are still needing subs. If you would like to volunteer and sub at the school give Jan a call, 785-5836. We are all teachers in some form or another. Share your talent.



## PARISH NEWS

4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

St. Vincent de Paul needs people to work Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The times are 1230-330pm on Monday and Wednesday, 9 am-12pm on Tuesday and Thursday. We need people to work the desk, help make bags and help hand out the bags to the clients. If you are interested and are able to help, please, make a commitment of one day a week to help in this important parish service to the less fortunate. For more information, please call Mrs. Nereida at 573-712-0043 or visit us at 213 S.

Broadway St. Poplar Bluff  
Thank you very much!  
Fr. Daniel



## SACRAMENTS

### Baptism

Call the parish office at 573-785-9635 to schedule a meeting with one of the priests. Families should be registered with the parish and attend Mass regularly for 1-3 months. No date for Baptism should be set before meeting with a priest. Special arrangements will be made for babies in danger of death.

### Confirmation

Parents of Jr. High and High School students should contact the parish office.

### Marriage

Couples are to register with the parish and notify a priest six months before a desired wedding date. Other requirements include celebrating Mass each weekend and Holy Day and suc-





# MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Feb. 6-7, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Lectors

4:00 p.m. Charles Bruce Bigler, Cassie Willey  
9:00 a.m. Jennifer Cauthen, Ann Marie O'Connor  
11:00 a.m. Judy Russell, Philma Rubi

\*\*Due to concern over Covid-19, Communion will be given as the Body of Christ only. The chalice containing the Precious Blood will not be used. Therefore, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers will not be scheduled at this time.

\*\*The Sunday obligation is still dispensed, but those who are in good health are encouraged to attend Mass. The Mass is no longer streamed on Facebook. **The use of face masks during Mass is highly recommended. Please bring your own!**



## CALENDAR

### MONDAY, February 1

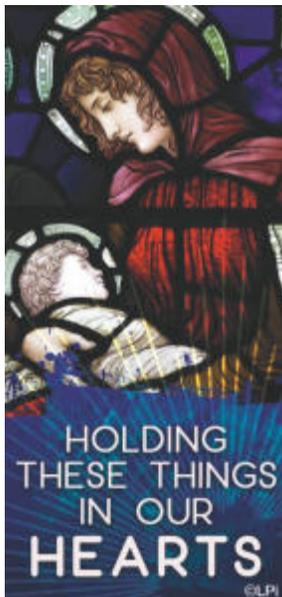
- ◆ Mass 7:45 a.m. (Student Mass)

### TUESDAY, February 2

- ◆ Adoration 7 a.m.-6p.m. in the Church

### WEDNESDAY, February 3

- ◆ Adoration 7 a.m.- 5 p.m. in the Church
- ◆ Sewing Room 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
- ◆ Light of the World Group 3-5 p.m. McDevitt Hall
- ◆ First Communion Class 6:30 p.m.





## MORE NEWS

### Lector's Schedule

The schedule for readers has been mailed. If you did not receive one, there will be copies placed at each entrance of the church. You may also ask for one at the parish office.

### Distraction During Prayer

#### **Question:**

I get annoyed with myself when I am distracted while I pray. Is it a sin? How can I be more attentive?

#### **Answer:**

The mind is a marvelous and complex thing, producing amazing thoughts, images, wisdom and inspiration. Yet at times it is like a two-year-old: it does not follow directions, does what it wants and loves to tell us "no!" This is probably the oldest and most common problem in the spiritual life-dealing with distraction. It comes in all forms: good intentions forgotten, wandering thoughts at Mass, daydreaming, etc. A little poem says it all: When the soul begins to pray, the brain always wants to play!

There are many ways to handle distractions. If we are distracted by thoughts about our families or friends, we should pray for them. If we lose our focus, we need just "re-collect" ourselves. If some worry or concern just won't leave our mind, then we deal with it and come back to prayer or make it part of our prayer. And when words just won't come, the only prayer we might offer is our presence, our suffering, and our desire to be close to the Lord. Most importantly, we need to be patient with ourselves. These things are not sinful, but reminders of our human frailty. Our weaknesses and good efforts are all acceptable to God, who reads the love in our hearts and the good intentions of our minds.

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