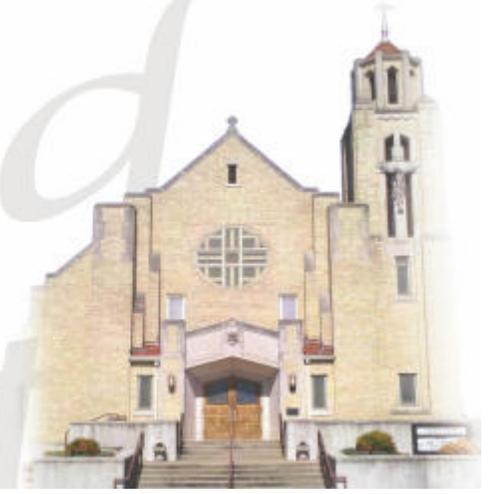


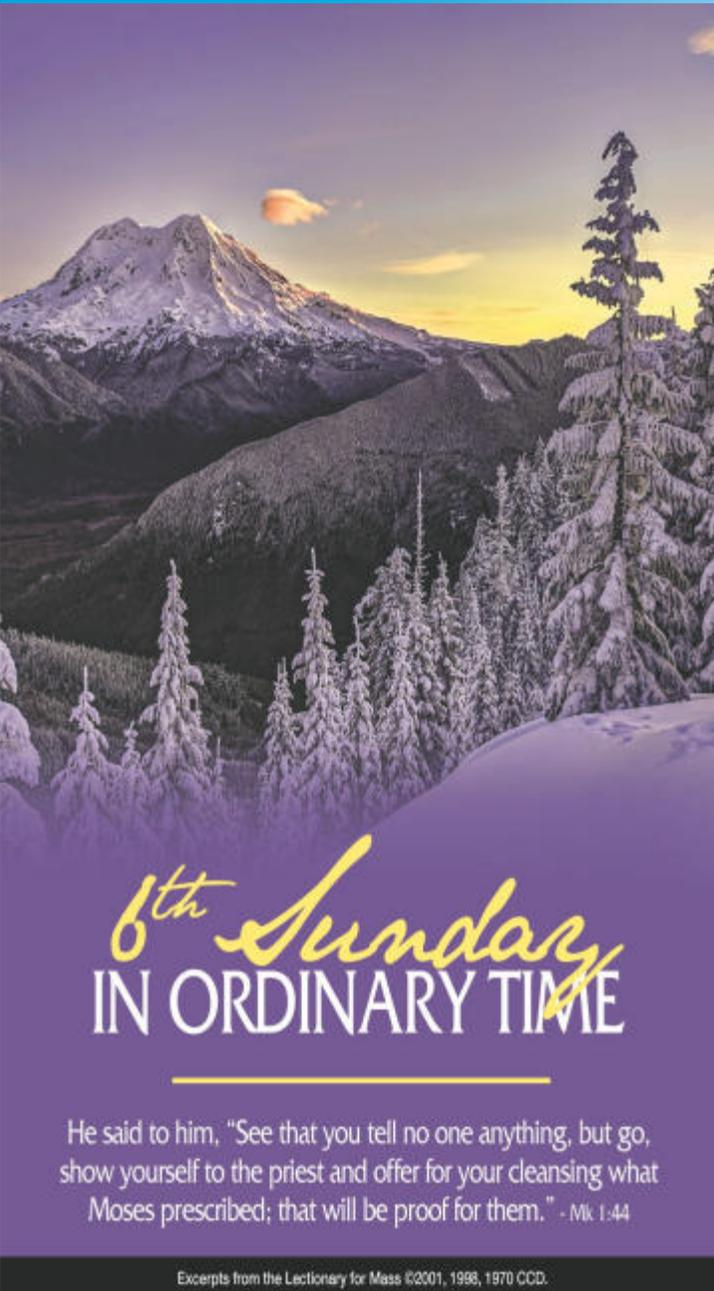


Welcome to

# Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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## 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." - Mk 1:44

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

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### WEEKLY READINGS FEB. 8-132021

- Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25/Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21 [14a]/ Mk 8:11-13
- Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10/Ps 29:1a and 2, 3ac-4, 3b and 9c-10 [11b]/Mk 8:14-21
- Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17 [cf. 3a]/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Ps 40:5a]/Lk 9:22-25
- Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19 [19b]/Mt 9:14-15
- Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [11ab]/Lk 5:27-32

FEBRUARY 14, 2021 • SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



# MASS SCHEDULE

February 15-19, 2021

**Monday** 8:15 a.m. + Betty Bankert  
**Wednesday** 7:45 a.m. + Margaret Finder (School Mass)  
12:00 p.m. + Hunter Foste  
6:00 p.m. + Jim and Marge Belknap

**Thursday** 8:15 a.m. + Marian Lindner

**Friday** 8:15 a.m. + Nieves Santa Maria

February 20-21, 2021

**Saturday** 4:00 p.m. + Christine Henderson

**Sunday** 9:00 a.m. + Barbara Comp

11:00 a.m. + Darrell Jennings

1:00 p.m. (Spanish) Parish Family

**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**



The Church, as a voice of the Gospel, proclaims the sacredness of all human life. Everyone created by God is fashioned in God's image and has Divine DNA at the center of their soul. God never leaves what God creates but always remains intimately bound to what he has given form. Everyone has a place and because they have received the gift of Divine Blessing, nobody deserves to feel inferior, unworthy, unwanted, unclean or marginalized. Even the most broken of souls has a place. We, the Body of Christ, have the privilege and responsibility to give voice to the voiceless. The cries of the little one in his or her mother's womb are just as sacred as the cries of one who is homeless and hungry. The migrant deserves our attention as much as the forgotten elderly and even the prisoner, with a heart hardened by anger and resentment, deserves respect and dignity.

The Gospel of Life is often hard to swallow, and we would rather keep those we consider unclean, different or unfixable in a place by themselves. It is hard to see them with us, but they deserve to be. There is far too much violence in this world and the result of that violence is the assault on human life. Many are forced to leave the place they call home in search of safer ground, finding few if any along the way who will help them. How different today's Gospel story would be if Jesus gave in to what was politically correct at that time. The leper would have been turned away and a soul, already beaten down by disease and fear, would have experienced an even deeper wound. Jesus wouldn't have captured much attention from anyone, nor would he have mirrored the Father's compassion and love.

Where do we stand with all of this? Do we at least understand that God's vision is often in conflict with the vision put forth in our world and even the one we advance ourselves? There is no doubt that it is incredibly challenging to find a place for everyone at the table. This challenge is compounded when the systems of operation and structure that are so ingrained in us affirm power and privilege rather than inclusivity and justice. Everything really goes askew when the powerful begin to control who is entitled to wholeness and inclusion, and greed becomes a driving force. Prejudice and entitlement raise their ugly heads and we find ourselves with quite a mess. It's time to admit that things have been a mess for a very long time. The mess needs to be healed, not by erasing it but by allowing God to touch it and make it whole. We need to bring God back to the center of life where God belongs. There are no easy solutions to the world's dilemmas. But, knowing that wholeness, healing, and dignity are worthy pursuits, we can more confidently labor to achieve God's vision.



# PRAYER LIST

**We pray for: ... Barbara Halter, 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 Quaitte, 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:** Violence against women. We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded.

\*\*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



# STEWARDSHIP

Feb. 6-7, 2021

Envelope	\$
Loose	\$
Maintenance	\$
Total	\$

**\*\*Stewardship for this week will printed in the next bulletin**

**Money Counters**

**Feb. 13-14, 2021—#5; Feb. 20-21—#1**

**Stewardship received to date for fiscal year 2020-2021**

**July-Feb. \$242,603.35**

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## SCHOOL & YOUTH & OTHER NEWS

The 24<sup>th</sup> annual Fiesta Auction is well underway! It will be held on April 17th at the Black River Coliseum. We are hoping for an even bigger success than last year, but we cannot do that without **YOU!** There are several ways you can help.

- ◆ 1. Donate a **new** item or make a monetary donation so we can purchase an item to auction off. Please turn into the school office if possible.
- ◆ 2. Purchase an advertising package (**Must purchase by March 26**)
- ◆ 3. Purchase event tickets: individual \$25 in advance, \$30 at door, or \$250 for a table of 8).
- ◆ 4. Purchase raffle tickets.
- ◆ 5. Volunteer to help get donations or work the auction.

Visit our event website to purchase tickets online [www.auctria.com/auction/SacredHeart2021](http://www.auctria.com/auction/SacredHeart2021) Visit our Facebook event page for more info. We will be posting pictures of items and showing support to our advertisers and donors: <https://www.facebook.com/events/725929378093254>. **All donations must be turned in no later than March 26 to the school office!!**

- ◆ Students will be selling event and raffle tickets after weekend Mass throughout March up until the auction or tickets can be purchased in the school office. First place is a 1/2 of a cow from Buff Beef and 2nd is 50 dollars
- Thanks to all for attending the Valentine Dance and Dinner. The school greatly appreciates your support!
- ◇ Please remember to collect your cans and turn them in, every little bit helps.
- \* The school is currently collecting money for sweat-shirts for the children which will display our new logo. Any amount will be greatly appreciated.
- Subs are needed!! Call Jan at 573-785-5836. Come share your talent and help our school.



## PARISH NEWS

Please remember Sacred Heart School when ordering from Amazon by using Amazon Smiles. Go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and in the "Pick your charitable organization" search bar enter "Sacred Heart Poplar Bluff". Once you select this it is saved to your account. Nothing else needs to be done except to remember to shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). This is different from shopping at Amazon.com

### Winter Weather Closings

In the event that Sacred Heart School is closed due to bad weather, the Parish Office will also be closed and any mass scheduled for that day will be cancelled. We apologize for any inconvenience and pray for everyone's safety this winter.

### Saint Vincent de Paul Report—January 2021

Diaper packages given out: 43

### Corn Beef and Cabbage

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Knights of Columbus with their corn beef and cabbage dinner. Saturday, March 13 from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Cost is \$14 for adults \$7 for children at the door. 2280 North Grand, Poplar Bluff. Carry out is available. Come eat with us!!



## 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. 20-21, 2021 First Sunday of Lent

## Lectors

4:00 p.m. Evelyn Byrd, Dale Garrett

9:00 a.m. Kevin Henderson, Walt Hickey

11:00 a.m. Debbie Stoker, Lilliana Hurst

\*\*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

### SUNDAY, February 14

- ◆ St. Valentine's Day; Valentines Dinner 5-9 p.m. in Sacred Heart Gym

### MONDAY, February 15

- ◆ President's Day; **School & Parish Office Closed**
- ◆ **Mass 8:15 a.m.**

### TUESDAY, February 16

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

### WEDNESDAY, February 17

Ash Wednesday  
Fast & Abstinence

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ **Ash Wednesday Masses: 7:45 a.m. (School Mass); 12:00 p.m. Noon; 6:00 p.m.**
- ◆ Fish Fry at Knights of Columbus 4-7 p.m.

### FRIDAY, February 19

- ◆ Knights of Columbus Fish Fry 4-7 p.m.





### Guidelines for Lenten Pences

Every year we give something up for Lent. Some of us have given up sweets or added prayer, before, but each year is a new opportunity to choose something that will lead us nearer to God. You may recognize this list from my homily last Sunday, but here it is reprinted for your benefit.

- *Greater Holiness:* Our goal is greater closeness to the Blessed Trinity, not self-improvement habit like a new year's resolution might be. Pick something that will recall your attention towards God during these forty days and then see where you are at Easter.
- *Frequency:* A frequent or regular reminder will help us most. If you don't eat desserts or chocolate often, choose something more routine.
- *Do-able:* Don't set yourself up to fail. For example, add one daily mass instead of every day or one daily decade of the rosary instead of all of it if you're not accustomed to these habits.
- *Family Time:* Consider doing something as a family, maybe pray a rosary together once a week or choose an extra day to go without meat at mealtime.
- *Accountability:* Team up with someone for help. Want a challenge like waking up earlier to pray? Check-in with and encourage each-other. You could also do something together like gather people for a meal or bible study where you can share faith.
- *Good Stuff:* Don't pick a sin to avoid. That's our goal all year. Pick something good you enjoy so that it reminds you that our Creator is even greater. Maybe that's a podcast or favorite show.
- *The "Rice-Bowl" Rule:* Giving money saved during faster is a good way to contribute, but don't let your giving stop with throw-away change. Show some love with more substantial contributions to local or global charities. I know our food pantries can always use help.
- *The "Coffee" Rule:* Pick something you can do cheerfully. Don't quit coffee or another substance if you'll become a grouch.

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