



# Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

# Parish Bulletin

January 24, 2021 | The 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Pat Sullivan, Pastor

**Our Parish Mission:** *We, the faith community of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, faithful to the teachings of the magisterium, are committed to forming Disciples of Christ by embracing Stewardship through Hospitality, Prayer, Formation and Service.*

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## We're so glad you're here

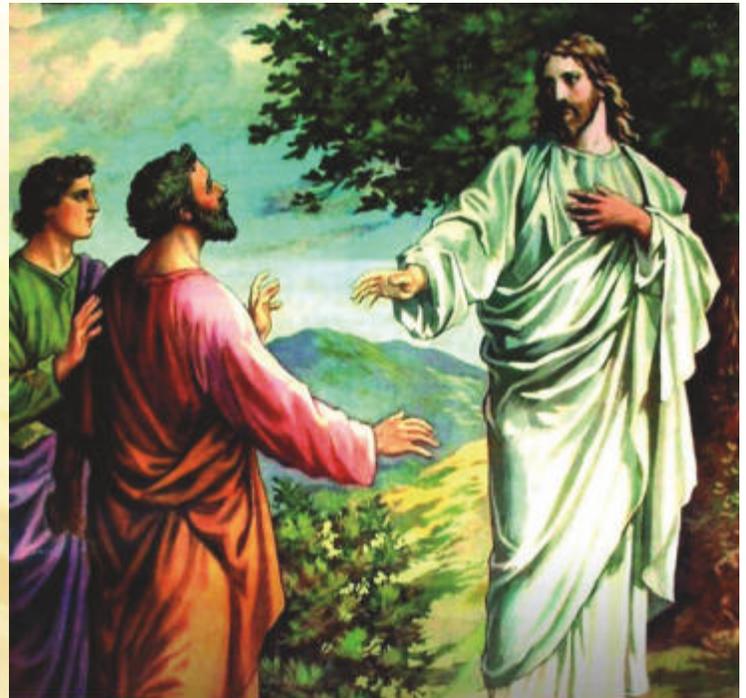
God created humanity for greatness and calls each of us to continually grow in holiness. This is no small task and something we can't do on our own. So Jesus gave us the Church and its many treasures to guide us; providing a perfect road map to salvation. It's my prayer that everyone comes to know the truth of the gospel.

I want to take this opportunity to personally invite you to grow deeper in your faith, and allow myself, and the many other professionals and volunteers at SHOJ to assist you however we can; let's help each other get to heaven. You can't do it without the Church, and we can't do it without YOU.

Our doors are open to any and all who desire to hear the truth in a loving and peaceful setting. As a physician of souls, I care deeply about your well-being, and want to help you stay spiritually healthy. If it's been awhile since you've had a "checkup," come on in and we'll chat. If there's anything else we can do for you, please ask.

I look forward to ministering to you as your spiritual Father.

In Peace,  
Fr. Pat Sullivan



## 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He walked along a little farther and saw James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They too were in a boat mending their nets. Then he called them. So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him. - Mk 1:19-20

Examples from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 ICCD

## Sacrament & Contact Information



### BAPTISM

A *Baptism preparation class* must be completed prior to scheduling your child's baptism. Baptisms are held on Sundays after the 11 a.m. Mass. Please contact **Maureen Reintjes** at **913.422.5700** for more info and to schedule your class.



### CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in August for those students who are in the 8th grade. Please contact **Andrew Amick** at **913-422-5700 ext. 300**, for more information. Confirmation will be on April 26, 2021



### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Celebrated the First Thursday of each month within the 6:30 and 8:15 a.m. Masses as well as upon request. Contact the parish office **913.422.5700** for details.



### FIRST EUCHARIST

Preparation begins in August for those students who are in 2nd grade. Please contact **Emily Dumler** at **913-422-5520 ext. 202** for more information. First Eucharist will be on Sat., April 24, 2021.



### MARRIAGES

You must be a registered member of the parish for a minimum of six months. Please contact a priest at least six months prior to the anticipated wedding date to begin marriage preparation.



### FUNERALS

Please contact a priest before final arrangements have been made.

# Hospitality

“LET MUTUAL  
LOVE  
CONTINUE.  
DO NOT  
NEGLECT  
HOSPITALITY,  
FOR THROUGH  
IT SOME HAVE  
UNKNOWNLY  
ENTERTAINED  
ANGELS.”  
– Hebrews  
13:1-2



## Changes to Mass Protocol

Beginning the weekend of February 6/7, you will no longer need to sign up for weekend Masses. That said, we will still be adhering to required county health protocols (social distancing, wearing masks, etc.) If the number of people attending exceed the space we have to accommodate social distancing (once the seating limit is reached), individuals will be invited to sit in our meeting rooms to live stream the Mass (and adhere to all protocol). Communion will be brought to them. We will still most likely utilize a sign-up/ seating chart for all Easter Masses, and will post that registration as soon as possible.

Secondly, the weekend of February 6/7, we will begin broadcasting every Mass on a small wattage FM radio station (only covering the parking lots). This will allow the faithful who still feel uncomfortable being in large gatherings the ability to listen to the Mass in their car (or watch on a smart phone as **every Mass will still be live-streamed**) while in the parking lot, and then come into the Narthex to receive Holy Communion as they desire.

Thank you for your time and patience.

In Christ, Fr. Pat Sullivan



**Need to Update your Contact information?** Has your email, phone number or address changed? Call the parish office today 913-422-5700.



## COMING UP:

**Archbishop's Call to Share**  
January 11 - February 20

**Knights Baby Shower**  
January 19 - February 14

**Catholic Charities Food Drive**  
February 6-7

**Sacred Heart Parish Renewal**  
February 6-7

Do you receive our weekly email updates? If not, scan the barcode below to join!



## Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 1.25.21	TUESDAY 1.26.21	WEDNESDAY 1.27.21
<b>Mass Times/ Mass Intentions</b>	<i>No daily Mass</i>	6:30 a.m. Dorothy Coyle † 8:15 a.m. Jackie DePorter †	8:15 a.m. Joe Geckles †
<b>Readings</b>	First Reading: Acts 22:3-16 Gospel: Mk 16:15-18	First Reading: 2 Tm 1:1-8 Gospel: Mk 3:31-35	First Reading: Heb 10:11-18 Gospel: Mk 4:1-20
<b>Reconciliation Times/ Solemnities or Memorials</b>	Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	St. Angela Merici, Virgin
<b>Daily Gospel Reflections</b> <i>from The Word Among Us</i>	Take time today to reflect on how God has worked in your life. Can you picture what your life would be like without Him? Praise him for his mercy, patience and love!	Can you think of one person who needs the Lord in their life? Maybe Jesus is prompting you to reach out to them. Share what God has done for you and love them.	The promise of today's parable is that "a sower went out to sow". Imagine the harvest of love and good works that will grow as you open your heart to God today.

## In Sympathy:

Let us remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of recently departed **Darlene Peterson**, Mother of Kendal Peterson of our parish.

Let us remember in our prayers the repose of the soul of recently departed **Jan O'Keefe**, Mother of Kerry O'Keefe-Owens of our parish.

## March For Life Prayer Vigil

The March for Life is going to be a virtual event this year. *40 Days for Life* is going to commemorate the day, January 29<sup>th</sup>, by hosting a prayer vigil outside the Center for Women's Health from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The pro life movement will face many challenges in the next months. Please prayerfully consider signing up for a spot on this day. Sign up here: <http://bit.ly/MFLPrayerVigil>



## Need Help?

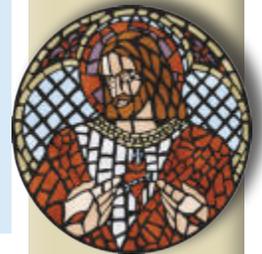
Don't forget that Sacred Heart's newest ministry, *Love Thy Neighbor*, has a team of volunteers ready to lend a hand to anyone in need. Simply fill out the online form ([shoj.org](http://shoj.org)) or call the hotline at 913-276-3124 and we will match your need to the right volunteer for you. Food or grocery pick-up, filling prescriptions, running errands, phone calls, or anything needed to help you through this pandemic or tough time. We are here to help!

## Live the Liturgy

"Repent, and believe in the gospel." Some type of honest and sincere repentance is necessary for any type of authentic growth and maturity. We have to come to the realization, unless we are happy wallowing in immaturity and superficiality, that the way we have been doing things is not the best or the healthiest. There isn't a human being alive who hasn't acted foolishly or erratically at the cost of almost losing a treasured relationship. "Why did I act that way?" is a question we often ponder after some reflection and enlightenment. Faith works the same way. Stumbling through life and bumping up against meaninglessness, a person can begin to see that something significant is missing. They see that there is merit to a relationship with God and an embrace of faith. Before these can take root, sincere sorrow for past wrong doing, missed opportunities, errors in judgment, and short sightedness is necessary. Repentance is necessary. Then having realized that we were walking in darkness, we can rejoice that by God's grace we now see the light.

"HAVE NO ANXIETY AT ALL, BUT IN EVERYTHING, BY PRAYER AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING MAKE YOUR REQUEST KNOWN TO GOD."

**Philippians**  
4:6



THURSDAY 1.28.21	FRIDAY 1.29.21	SATURDAY 1.30.21	SUNDAY 1.31.21
6:30 a.m. <b>Mike Collins</b> †	6:30 a.m. Tom Weathers † 8:15 a.m. <b>Jon Peterson</b> †	4:30 p.m. David Gillespie †	8:00 a.m. Marie Burger † 9:30 a.m. Steve Fuhrken † 11 a.m. Sacred Heart Parishioners
First Reading: Heb 10:19-25 Gospel: Mk 4:21-25	1 <sup>st</sup> Reading: Heb 10:32-39 Gospel: Mk 4:26-34	See Sunday's Readings	First Reading: Dt 18:15-20 2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Cor 7:32-35 Gospel: Mk 1:21-28
St. Thomas Aquinas	7:00 - 8:00 a.m.	3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	
Sometimes we need our brothers and sisters in Christ to exhort us to trust God and believe when our faith is wavering. At times, we may do the same for them.	As you follow the lead of the Holy Spirit, you might be surprised to see this little seed grow. You might even witness something amazing happen.		

# Formation

“I, THE LORD, YOUR GOD, TEACH YOU WHAT IS FOR YOUR GOOD, AND LEAD YOU ON THE WAY YOU SHOULD GO.”

– Isaiah  
48:17



## Sacred Heart School Enrollment

SHOJ is starting enrollment the second week of February. If you would like information, please contact Kathy Rhodes at [kathy.rhodes@shoj.org](mailto:kathy.rhodes@shoj.org). After the Masses on Jan. 31, the beginning of Catholic Schools Week, we will be giving tours and sharing information to families that sign up so that we can ensure all safety measures are followed.



### Come and See SHOJ

Sunday, Jan. 31

10:30, Noon or 1:00 times available.

Other times by appointment.



## ONGOING Formation Resources Available to our Parishioners!

### FORMED.ORG

Extensive online formation opportunities for you and your family. (USE link: [www.shoj.formed.org](http://www.shoj.formed.org))

LIGHTHOUSE CATHOLIC MEDIA select books, CDs, pamphlets available on Kiosk in the Narthex.

### HEARTS AFIRE:

Fr. Michael Gaitley's independent or group studies. Contact the Parish office for info.

- 33 Days to Morning Glory
- Consoling Heart of Jesus
- The 'One Thing' is Three
- Wisdom & Works of Mercy
- 33 Days to Merciful Love



[www.allheartsafire.org](http://www.allheartsafire.org)

## Everyday Stewardship *Recognize God in you Everyday Moments*

### Give Until it Hurts

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed — to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God. I know, I know. Easier said than done. Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him." There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man. I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy. But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine. Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts." "You're wasting my time." "I've done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past.

## Gospel Meditation

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

It was a normal day by all accounts, but John just wasn't feeling himself. He was a little light-headed and out of sorts. Later in the afternoon, he experienced a sharp pain in his chest and arm. Quick thinking and action brought John to the emergency department with a diagnosis of a significant heart attack. Surviving this ordeal, he found himself face to face with his cardiologist, having an honest conversation about things that needed to change. "I came close to death," John found himself thinking. Then came the remorse. He was a young man with a loving wife and children who were very close to facing life without him. John found himself with intense sorrow for living an unchecked and self-indulgent life that almost brought him to his demise. He wanted to change.

We all have our wake-up calls. We have experiences and encounters that force us to really think twice about choices we have made and directions we have taken. Often, we find ourselves looking at those we have hurt square in the eye and wallowing in our foolishness. We regrettably realize that we have allowed our needs to lure us into making some cruel mistakes. We impulsively say things and flippantly do things that reveal our unredeemed and unhealed self. It is a self we stumble over and try to tame but can't quite seem to master and control. Help!

We spin our wheels, naively thinking that we will somehow, perhaps through persistence, get ourselves unstuck. But, we don't. We just get out



of the car, feeling very helpless, and ignorantly look at the mess we got ourselves into. Did we ever think to ask someone for help? Or, taken the advice of One who is wiser and avoid this route altogether? "Come after me," are words that Jesus says to all of us. In order to heed his invitation, we must leave our ego-self behind and follow.

When we really see and understand the freedom, peace, justice, and love he offers, we find ourselves with such sorrow in our hearts for how foolish and silly we have been. All the misguided choices and sinful actions come full view and we see how risky our random impassioned behaviors really have been. Repentance is beautiful. When done with a sincere and contrite heart, it directs us to the glory that can be ours, ignites us with the challenge of living a life in service of others and reminds us that all is well.

"BLESSED ARE  
THOSE WHO  
HUNGER AND  
THIRST FOR  
RIGHTEOUS-  
NESS, FOR  
THEY WILL BE  
SATISFIED."

– Matthew  
5:6



## Family Movie Night Selection - Coming Home

John is a hardworking man that has focused more on his career than his family. A devastating event leads him back to his hometown, he will come face to face with his choices and their impact on his family. This heartfelt story demonstrates the incredible power of prayer and how God's love can overcome all.

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# Service

## Be a Knight Today!

Our Knights of Columbus Council 2408 is hosting a membership drive. We are blessed at Sacred Heart to benefit in so many ways by this energetic and dedicated organization! During this past year in the midst of the pandemic, our Knights continued to provide much needed support in the following ways:



- Supported our seminarians financially - 4 seminarians received financial support from our Council
- Members led food and essentials drives.
- Hosted annual Tootsie Roll drive with funds going to local charities.
- Hosted Santa's toy delivery for under privileged children.
- Hosted blood drive at Sacred Heart.
- Supported the annual Blue Mass.
- Held the Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest.
- Beginning this week – hosting the annual Baby Shower for Wyandotte Pregnancy Center.

In addition to financial support to various needs in the community, the Knights are hands-on, service oriented, prayer warriors! For questions about becoming a Knight send an email to: [Knights2408@shoj.org](mailto:Knights2408@shoj.org) OR

To sign-up as a member today, go to Knights of Columbus sign-up page (reference Council #2408) at <http://bit.ly/Join-Knights>.

## Knights Pro Life Baby Shower

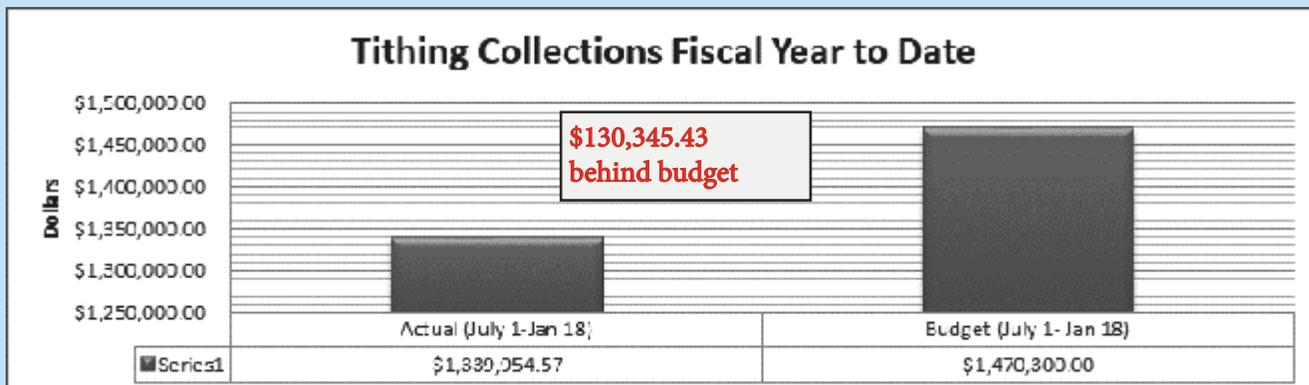


Our Knights of Columbus Council will be collecting mother and baby items once again for the Wyandotte Pregnancy Clinic starting the weekend of 1/15 and ending after the 11:00 am Mass on 2/14. Please place items in the small Pack-n-Play located in the church narthex. If you have any questions on donations, please contact Gerald Ritter 913-484-0442 or [gerald.f.ritter@gmail.com](mailto:gerald.f.ritter@gmail.com). Thank You.



## Parish Weekly Financials

*"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with first fruits of all your produce..." ~ Proverbs 3:9*



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St Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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