



# Sacred Heart of Jesus

## Catholic Church & School

### The Memo

February 13 - 14, 2021

*"You shall love the Lord your God with all your **heart**,  
and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind;  
and your neighbor as yourself." (Luke 10:27)*



**Ash Wednesday is February 17.**

**Mass Times at Sacred Heart of Jesus are:**

**7 a.m., church seating only.**

**Noon, church seating only with livestream.**

**7 p.m., church and Parish Hall seating with livestream.**

**Ash distribution and Holy Communion for at home viewers  
immediately following the 7 p.m. Mass in the Parish Hall.**

**Mass times at Didde Catholic Campus Center:**

**12:05 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.**



Almighty and eternal God,  
You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union  
of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them.  
Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them,  
and strengthen their bond of peace so that, with their children,  
they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 & Food Pantry**  
 Curbside service  
 every Sunday 4 - 5 p.m.



Pre-packaged food pantry bags are available for pick-up every Sunday from 4 -5 p.m. There is a limit of one bag per household per weekend. To-go meals are served every Sunday beginning at 4 p.m. while supplies last.

**THANK YOU to all who continue to donate food or send monetary donations to the Ice Box! Your generosity is overwhelming!**



Food donations can be dropped off in the north entrance of the church during church open hours. Please do not bring your food donation to the church office.

Peanut Butter  
 Jelly  
 Canned Vegetables  
 Canned Fruits  
 Whole-Grain Cereal  
 Pasta

Tomato Pasta sauce  
 (no glass)  
 Rice  
 Beans  
 Mac & Cheese  
 Canned Meats  
 Canned Soups,  
 Stews, Chili

Canned Ravioli  
 Applesauce  
 Shelf-stable or  
 Powdered Milk  
 Crackers  
 Granola Bars

*Interesting numbers...*

**Sunday, February 7  
 28 meals served &  
 16 pantry bags given**

*This week...*

**Requested donations this week: pasta sauce, jelly, saltine crackers, and canned meat.**

When shopping for your food pantry items, consider choosing items that are labeled *Box Tops for Education*. You can contribute to the food pantry AND Sacred Heart School at the same time!

**Current Weekend & Weekday Mass times...**

Please arrive on time.  
 Masks must be worn.

**Saturday, 5:30 p.m. ~ in the church & Parish Hall as needed.**

**Sunday, 8 a.m. ~ in the church & overflow in the Parish Hall.**

**Sunday, 10 a.m. ~ in the church & overflow in the Parish Hall.**

**Live-stream for at home viewers.**

At home viewers are welcome to participate in communion beginning at 11 a.m. Please come to the parish hall.

**Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday, 5:30 p.m.**

**Thursday, 5:30 p.m.**

**Friday, 8:15 a.m.**

Weekday Mass goes, please use north church entrance only.

**Confessions are heard in the Confessional using the anonymous screen side only. No face-to-face.**

**Wednesdays beginning at 6 p.m. & Saturdays beginning at 6:15 p.m.**

Please enter through the north church entrance and proceed to the church nave to pray and/or examine your conscience. Penitents should make a line along the north church wall keeping distancing in mind.



Almighty God..."

As we prepare to celebrate "Presidents' Day" holiday, it is important to remember the deep faith of our founding fathers. On October 3, 1789, George Washington gave a Presidential Proclamation to acknowledge God and offer "thanksgiving" to him. The proclamation stated, in part, "...it is the duty of all Nations to acknowledge the providence of Almighty God, to obey his will, to be grateful for his benefits, and humbly to implore his protection and favor" — and "to recommend to the People of the United States a day of public thanksgiving and prayer to be observed by acknowledging with grateful hearts the many signal favors of

And, we are all familiar with the greatness of Abraham Lincoln, whose purpose was to free the slaves and heal a nation. In his second inaugural address on March 4, 1865, he stated, "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan..."

Thank you for your participation in the *Archbishop's Call to Share* appeal.



Lent is the time leading up to the commemoration of our Lord's death for our sins and the commemoration of his resurrection for our salvation. At the very center of our calendar is the three great days we celebrate during Holy Week called the Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Resurrection of the Lord. Lent is a preparation time for this. Jesus is always our example; prior to undertaking his ministry, Jesus spent forty days in the wilderness praying and fasting. Through the wisdom of Christ's bride, the Church, we are called to imitate Christ with a forty-day period of prayer, fasting and almsgiving to prepare for the climax of Christ ministry on Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Jesus calls us to be in the world but not of the world, however being in the world, at times we become distracted. Lent is a time to refocus on Christ and his call for each of us to practice our faith in both our actions and our words. Let's face it, we are in a culture that is no longer Christian, we must intentionally choose Christ every day. Christ's grace is always available to us, but we can't be asleep at the wheel. We must practice what St. John Paul II called self-mastery. If we cannot say no to anything, then our yes does not really mean anything. By denying ourselves something we enjoy, we discipline our wills so that we are not slaves to our wants. By training ourselves to resist temptations when they are not sinful, we train ourselves to reject temptations when they are sinful. Ultimately the question is: are we fans of Christ, watching from the sidelines or are we disciples of Christ walking in his footsteps? Christ calls us to be walking in his footsteps.

The Church calls us to the practices of fasting, almsgiving and prayer during Lent. Let us fast from something that we like: TV, the internet, sports on TV, YouTube, etc. We all know where we like to spend our time. Use that time to read the gospels one hour a night. You will never regret spending your time reading the words of Jesus Christ who loves you and who died on the Cross for you. Almsgiving is a sacrificial gift on top of what we already give. Challenge yourselves on almsgiving and pray about it. Finally, prayer, we need prayer every day. I urge everyone to read the gospel reading everyday during Lent and ask the Lord to open our hearts and minds to something in that gospel for that day.

God Bless You and know that you are loved,  
Deacon Dan Vehige



**Track the progress of your *Spiritual Adoption!***

**Second Trimester**

At the beginning of the second trimester, babies are about 3 1/2 inches long and weigh about 1 1/2 ounces. Tiny, unique fingerprints are now in place, and the heart pumps 25 quarts of blood a day. As the weeks go by, your baby's skeleton starts to harden from rubbery cartilage to bone, and he or she develops the ability to hear. The Mother will likely feel kicks and flutters soon if they haven't already.



21 weeks pregnant: Feeling your baby move? Those early flutters will turn into full-fledged kicks. Cool fact: She has eyebrows now!

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The family of former Sacred Heart parishioner Rosalea Miller requests a card shower in honor of her 85th birthday! Birthday greetings can be mailed to: Rosalea Miller c/o Doug Miller 13221 Leavenworth Rd. Kansas City, KS 66109



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament with Benediction the 2nd Wednesday of the month immediately following the 5:30 p.m. Mass until 7:30 p.m. Come for a few minutes or stay the entire time. All are welcome.



O Joseph, make me so blameless and irreproachable that I should not care though friends saw into my heart as perfectly as Jesus and Mary saw into yours. Gain me the grace of holy simplicity and affection, so that I might love you, Mary, and above all Jesus, as you did love Jesus and Mary. Amen.

The Youth Group would like to thank the parish and the community for supporting our bierock sale! We hope that in this unique year that our bierocks, made with love, provided some sense of comfort and normalcy!

This year we made a total of 1,171 bierocks. We were sold out by noon! The sale is our biggest fundraiser each year but it's also an act of service, especially when we see individuals starting to line up at 9:30 a.m. to make sure they get some tasty bierocks! This year we made \$2,700 in net profit and plan to use this money to continue our faith formation and help us go on trips and retreats to encounter Our Lord.



**Q:** Is it ever okay to leave Mass before it ends?

**A:** This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

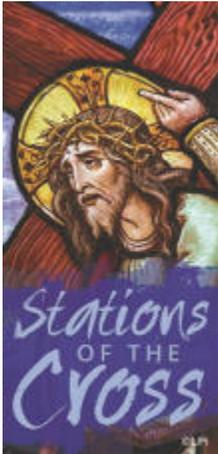
First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift — the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament — and that we are to share that gift with others.

If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship — and communion in the fullest sense — and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass. ©LPi

**We will collect old palm branches until February 21.**



**Please drop them in the basket at the west & north entrances or bring to the church office. Thank you.**



**Stations of the Cross with Exposition & Benediction each Friday during Lent beginning February 19 at 6 p.m.**



CRS Rice Bowl is the Lenten program of Catholic Relief Services, the official relief and development agency of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Through CRS Rice Bowl, faith communities in dioceses throughout the United States put their faith into action through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Lenten alms donated through CRS Rice Bowl support the work of CRS in more than 100 different countries each year. Twenty-five percent of donations to CRS Rice Bowl stay in the local diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. Since its inception in 1975, CRS Rice Bowl has raised nearly \$300 million.

CRS Rice Bowl is a simple cardboard box and is a tool for collecting Lenten alms — and comes with a Lenten calendar that guides families through the 40 days of Lent with activities, reflections and stories.

**Rice Bowls are available at church entrances.**

## Lenten Disciplines of Fasting & Abstinence

Catholics in good health ages 18 to 59 are required to fast and to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Fasting consists of eating only one meal, with the possibility of two smaller snacks that do not add up to a single full meal.

Catholics age 14 and older are to abstain from meat on all Fridays in Lent.

The Holy See has issued directive on the distribution of blessed ashes during the pandemic. The Priest and other ministers will distribute ashes to the faithful by *sprinkling* the ashes on the head of each individual in lieu of tracing a cross on the forehead.

The office for Liturgy and Sacramental Life at the Archdiocese of KCK would like to remind the faithful that the practice of sprinkling ashes upon the crown of the head is one of the customary manners in which the Ash Wednesday rite is observed throughout the world and should not be considered less than the customary practice of tracing a cross with the ashes on the forehead.

**An Ash Wednesday Prayer:** "Ashes to ashes. Dust to dust." You remind us today, oh Lord, of our origin and end. In the beginning, You fashioned us in the Garden. You dignified dust with the Breath of Life. You made us in Your image and likeness. You led Your people through the dust of the Sinai wilderness to the Promised Land. You overcame temptation in the dry desert. You healed the blind with dirt and clay. Three times Your body stirred the dust as you fell on the road to Calvary. Hear the cry of Your people! One day we will return to dust. This Lenten season, stir our minds to contemplate You, our hearts to love You, and our bodies to serve You in our brothers and sisters. May our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving be Your breath alive in us. Amen.

## Kindergarten Round-up

**Kindergarten Round-Up at Sacred Heart School is Tuesday, March 9 beginning at 6:30 p.m.**

**Please register by March 3 at [shsemporia.org/kindergarten-round-up-registration](http://shsemporia.org/kindergarten-round-up-registration)**

This fun evening will allow your child to meet our Kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Garriott and parents to visit with our principal, Mr. Darby O'Neill to learn more about Sacred Heart School!

# Organizations

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**Welcome New Parishioners** Please register at the Parish Office.

**Catechumenate (RCIA)** Those desiring to enter our faith community are welcomed into the Catechumenate to begin Christian Initiation. Call the parish office.

**Baptism Preparation** Congratulations on your pregnancy or new arrival! Contact the church office regarding preparation. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Saturday of each month at 10:00 am. Must be registered parishioner for at least six months.

**Need Help With Prayer?** Spiritual direction is available on request with Fr. Farrar, Debra Williams or Jim Krueger. Call the parish office.

**Marriage Preparation** Thinking about or already engaged? We're happy to help celebrate your love in the Sacrament of Marriage. Make an appointment with the pastor at least nine months prior to wedding.

# Parish & School

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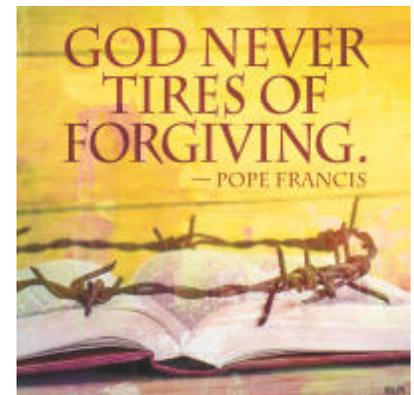
## Week of February 06 - 07, 2021

Envelopes .....	\$7643.00
Collection Plate.....	\$954.00
Electronic Withdraw.....	\$3948.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$24.30
Online/Kiosk.....	\$726.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$13295.30</b>

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## Thank you!

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## This Week

### Sunday, February 14

ACTS in-pew appeal at Masses  
10:00 am Livestream Mass  
11:00 am CYF grades K-8  
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru

### Monday, February 15

6:15 pm Cub Scouts  
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

### Wednesday, February 17

Ash Wednesday Masses 7am, Noon, 7pm

### Thursday, February 18

6:30 pm RCIA, PHall

### Friday, February 19

6:00 pm Stations of the Cross

### Sunday, February 21

10:00 am Livestream Mass  
11:00 am CYF grades K-8  
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru

## Looking Ahead

**February 26:** Stations of the Cross

**March 5:** Stations of the Cross

**March 9:** SHS Kindergarten RoundUp

**March 10:** Exposition & Benediction

**March 12:** Stations of the Cross

**March 19:** Stations of the Cross

**March 26:** Stations of the Cross

**April 1:** Mass of the Lord's Supper, 7p

**April 2:** The Lord's Passion, 7p

**April 4:** Easter Sunday

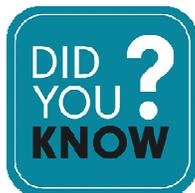
**April 14:** Adoration & Benediction

**April 25:** Discipleship Presentation



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Recordings of each Sunday's homily can be found on our website [shemporia.org/homilies](http://shemporia.org/homilies)



**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

**Next Sunday:** Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 10]/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



Automated External Defibrillators (AED) are located in the north church entrance and near the principal's office at SHS.

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, February 15

*Sixth Monday in Ordinary Time*  
No Mass

### Tuesday, February 16

*Sixth Tuesday in Ordinary Time*  
5:30 pm † Jim Stubenhofer

### Wednesday, February 17

*Ash Wednesday*

7:00 am † Anton Tan Van Nguyen  
Noon † Ken & Lori Rethman  
7:00 pm

### Thursday, February 18

*Thursday after Ash Wednesday*

5:30 pm Tom & Megan Sturm & Family

### Friday, February 19

*Friday after Ash Wednesday*

8:15 am † Lynn Burdiek

### Saturday, February 20

*Saturday after Ash Wednesday*

5:30 pm † Cherri Lopez

### Sunday, February 21

*First Sunday of Lent*

8:00 am † Rosemary Senn  
10:00 am Sacred Heart Parishioners

Confessions are heard in the the confessional using the anonymous screen side only:

Wednesdays 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.  
and  
Saturdays 6:15 - 7:00 p.m.

The church office is open to the public  
Monday - Wednesday  
from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Thursday 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Closed Friday

The church is open for private prayer during the following hours:  
Mon. 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Tues., Wed., Thur.  
6 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Fri. 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
and weekends Noon to 4 p.m.

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We're looking for Sacred Heart School alumni!  
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