



Sacred Heart of Jesus

Catholic Church & School

The Memo

November 27 - 28, 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)*



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." - Lk 21:27-28

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**Beginning THIS weekend November 27/28
Sacred Heart's weekend Mass times will be:**

**Saturday Vigil 4 p.m.
Sunday 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.**

**Beginning December 2, Thursday's weekday Mass time will move
to 8:15 a.m. This will also be SHS's weekly all school Mass.**

Confession times will remain at 3 p.m. Saturday and 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Please note, Mass intentions scheduled for the Saturday 5:30 or Thursday 5:30 will be transferred to the new Mass times of Saturday 4:00 p.m. and Thursday 8:15 a.m. respectively. Thank you!

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Q: What's the story behind the Advent wreath?

A: Each season in the liturgical calendar comes with its own local and regional rituals. During the Advent season, wreaths adorn church sanctuaries and family dining room tables. You may have said Advent wreath prayers in childhood or taken a turn lighting the candles. The Advent wreath is full of symbolism about Christ and his coming at Christmas. The wreath is made of evergreen boughs, reminding us that the life of grace doesn't falter with the changing seasons. It always remains fresh and new. Similarly, a circular wreath reminds us of the eternal, never-ending nature of God's love.

Candles remind us that Christ is the light of the world, the One who "shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." We use four candles to represent each week of Advent. Traditionally they come in the liturgical colors of the season. Purple has historically represented penance and sacrifice. We see the same color for the season of Lent. On the third Sunday of Advent, however, we light a rose color. The priest will wear rose vestments at Mass. This is Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means "rejoice" in Latin. On the third Sunday of Advent, we're roughly halfway through the season. The Church chooses the midpoint to remind us to celebrate in the midst of our anticipation! Whatever the color and whatever the day, the Advent wreath is a beautiful practice to focus our attention on Christ's coming at Christmas. ©LPI

Together We Stand for the Unborn!



Abortion is the most significant human rights abuse of our time. Will you take a stand? Join us this year for March for Life in Washington, D.C., January 19 - 23, 2022.

We will depart on January 19, after Mass with Archbishop then join him in Washington, D.C. for the Vigil at the Basilica and the March & Rally at the Mall. Cost is \$415.00 and includes hotel and transportation. More details will follow registration.

Please contact Shawn in the church office to sign up.

**Happy Anniversary to
these couples celebrating
in December!**

- Jerry & Greta Brown
- Marvin & Gayle Brown
- Keilly & Kiley DeDonder
- Rafael & Patricia Garcia
- Russ & Jeannie Jenkins
- Ken & Liz Martell
- Francisco & Jessica Munoz



**For the grace this week to
surrender ourselves in
obedience to the Kingdom of
God, we pray to the Lord...**



What a bitter-sweet moment. This is my last *Notes from the Desk of* as a Sacred Heart of Jesus staff member. I'm sure that most of the parish knows by now that my family and I are relocating to the Kansas City area by January 1. For a few years now, I have openly talked about my family relocating after Xavier finished 5th grade at Sacred Heart School. My husband and I feel strongly about keeping him in Catholic School through high school. This is a driving factor in why we are relocating. While we certainly expected to move after 5th grade and not in the middle of the school year, God's plans are not our own.

We moved to Emporia in 2013. My husband will absolutely affirm that I was dragged to Emporia kicking and screaming. I did not want to live here. In my mind, I was certain after 365 days I would be shaking the dust of this place off my shoes and would never (ever) look back. God's plan was not my own.

Leaving Emporia, specifically Sacred Heart, will be more difficult than I ever imagined. I have been blessed with one of the best jobs in the world - a job that brings me joy and fulfillment. I have been blessed to work with some of the most incredible people. The parishioners of Sacred Heart have been so wonderful to me and my family. Thank you for blessing our lives in so many ways. The teachers and staff of Sacred Heart School are some of the best. They are loving and caring and have been so wonderful to our son. We will miss you!

As I reflect back on my five years as your Pastoral & Administrative Assistant, I would like to share a few memories...

- One of my all-time favorite memories was the placement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue. It still makes me smile when I think back to that frigid winter evening in February 2018. If you don't know the whole story (or remember my 2018 bulletin article detailing it), try to imagine an armless, shrink-wrapped Jesus being shoved out the back of an SUV window then hoisted up on the pedestal by Blake and Fr. Farrar. Yep, it happened exactly like that. I was there!
- On a summer morning a few years ago, Fr. Farrar gave Blake, Xavier and myself the special privilege of Mass in the rectory chapel. That was an experience that was pretty special.
- Another of my most cherished memories is attending the Chrism Mass. In the archdiocese, the Mass is celebrated the Tuesday after Palm Sunday. At this Mass, the archbishop blesses the oils used for the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Anointing of the Sick. Seeing all of the priests of the archdiocese process into Mass, sit together, and chant in unison the Eucharistic Prayer is such an incredible thing to be a part of!
- None of us are forgetting Covid anytime soon. The Covid shutdown and events that ensued was definitely a trying time for the entire world and no less trying for the Catholic Church. I cannot begin to express the deep gratitude I (and the handful of others) had to be able to celebrate Mass in person during the shutdown. It was such a privilege to be a part of something so historic but also to be able to bring the liturgy at Sacred Heart of Jesus to your living rooms.
- Reopening for Mass after the shutdown was complicated and stressful yet so amazingly incredible, too! The many volunteers made my job easier. Thank you for that! :) I can't deny that I was pretty exhausted after attending every weekend Mass for one year. However, the absolute best part was seeing all of you every weekend. It was an opportunity to get to know several people better - especially the ushers and the Parish Hall crowd. I'm grateful that none of us will need that "Golden Ticket" for Christmas Mass this year! :)
- So, Fr. Farrar is not the only one who has an interesting "bat" story to tell. This past August, we had a funeral where the family left behind all of the beautiful flowers and plants given as a memorial for the deceased. I took all of the flowers, separated them into several vases, and spread joy to the teachers and church staff by making floral deliveries. Later in the day, I went back to the vestibule to take care of the potted plant that was left behind. I moved the pot from the floor to the table top and I immediately heard screeching. I thought, no way! There is NOT a bat in this plant, is there? Sure enough. I looked a little closer and there was a bat snugly tucked into the potted plant with his little sharp teeth showing. My immediate thought was, vampires don't like sunlight. I picked the pot up and took it out the west entrance and placed it in the bright sunshine. That little bat didn't like the sun much. My hero that day was Julio! He swooped up that pot into a trash bag and disposed of the whole thing.

There are so many day-to-day encounters that I could share but it would be impossible to do so. My time here has been such a blessing in my life. Words simply fail to describe it.

I would like to share a heartfelt thank you to the amazing Marilyn Trudie Krueger. Trudie, thank you for everything you did to help me as I was trying to figure out how to do this job. I will miss your smile and joyful laugh. I love you Trudelle!

Thank you to Linda DeDonder who is one of the first persons that I remember welcoming me to Sacred Heart. Her invitation to be a part of the summer religious education program was just the invitation I needed to get reinvolved with the church. Linda, you've been an important resource and wealth of church knowledge as I've worked for Sacred Heart. Thank you for your guidance.

Thank you to my top-notch office volunteers: Helen Pickert, Fabiola Selbe, Mindy Sadowski, Terri Sturm and standby volunteer Fran Hudson!! Your dedication, friendship, and willingness to do whatever is asked of you has been invaluable to me! You will continue to be such a blessing for my replacement.

Most especially thank you to my dear friend, Joan Dold. Joan, you have blessed me in numerous ways. I cherish you beyond words and will miss you more than I could ever express.

Fr. Carter, it's been a privilege to be a part of your first few months at Sacred Heart. I have enjoyed getting to know and work for you. Thank you for putting up with me! :)

For what it's worth, please remember to be kind to your parish priest. I have gained an immense appreciation and respect for the vocation of the priesthood. I've had a unique opportunity to see the schedule of a parish priest. A priest's time is not his own. The demands of his job are immense! Please remember that your parish priest is a human being, too. A human that makes mistakes, has feelings, has quirks, has opinions that might differ from yours, and deserves his day off just like you and I. He appreciates and deserves affirmation for a job well done. Your parish priest makes decisions that he believes are best for the parish in collaboration with parish staff and other lay church leaders. A priest will always be there for you when you need him. Please be kind. Please pray for our priests.

I am grateful that God's plan was not my own. Sacred Heart, thank you for blessing my life and that of my family's in such a profound way. It has been such a privilege to be part of the church staff and parish community.

Marcie Logsdon, Pastoral & Administrative Assistant



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.

By the numbers...

Sunday, November 14
64 meals served
25 pantry bags

Thank you for your continued donations!
Our greatest need...

Oatmeal, canned beans, and crackers.

The Ice Box always accepts food donations for the following...



Gluten free pasta
 Gluten free snacks
 Rice
 Beans
 Mac & Cheese
 Canned Meats
 Canned Soups

Canned Ravioli Canned Stews/Chili
 Applesauce Peanut Butter
 Shelf-stable or Jelly
 Powdered Milk Canned Vegetables
 Crackers Canned Fruits
 Granola Bars Whole-Grain Cereal
 Pasta sauce Pasta



From the Icebox

Now that it's November, it's time to think about the upcoming holiday season! Thanks to your generous donations, we are able to prepare over 30 special Thanksgiving bags with seasonal items like cranberry sauce, stuffing, and cake mixes! In addition we will serve our guests in the drive-thru a hot turkey dinner with all the fixings the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

For Christmas, we will give our guests wrapped blessing boxes which will include personal hygiene items. From now until December 1, we are collecting the following items:

Bar soap or Shower Gel
 Shampoo & Conditioner (small containers preferred)
 Deodorant
 Dental Floss
 Small packs of tissues
 Razors
 Shaving Cream
 Chewing Gum
 Mints
 Wet Wipes
 Band-Aids
 Hand Sanitizer

Thank you for all you do to make the Ice Box a blessing to our community.

Sherry Fusaro,
 Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry Coordinator



Upcoming Holy Day of Obligation Mass times:

Vigil of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, December 7
 5:30 p.m.
(attending the Vigil Mass fulfills your obligation for the Holy Day)

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary *(Holy Day of Obligation)*

Wednesday, December 8
 7 a.m., Noon, 7 p.m.

The Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord

Friday, December 24
 4:30 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m.
(attending a Vigil Mass fulfills your obligation for the Holy Day)

Nativity of Our Lord *(Holy Day of Obligation)*

Saturday, December 25
 10 a.m.

P.E. TEACHER NEEDED!



Sacred Heart School seeks a licensed PE Teacher for 2021-2022 school year. Days and times are flexible, but could be as much as 10 hours per week. Interested applicants should complete the application at <https://archkck.org/catholicschools/employment/> or email/call principal Darby O'Neill doneill@shemporia.org 620-343-7394.



Do you enjoy helping young children grow? If your answer was YES, then Sacred Heart Child Care Center may have a position for you! We are seeking a **full-time teacher assistant** for our early childhood program. The ideal candidate will embody a love for children and a desire to help them grow in their faith. If interested, please contact Monica Barnett at 620-343-7395 or email mbarnett@shemporia.org for an application.

Sacred Heart of Jesus is hiring...

Position Title: Pastoral and Administrative Assistant

Sacred Heart continues to be a vibrant and active community. Our many ministries rely upon the Pastoral & Administrative Assistant to assist the pastor as needed in the various areas of parish life.

This person should possess the ability to multi-task and prioritize duties as needed. The position will also involve a great deal of personal interaction with the many people we serve. Primary duties include: answer phones and assist walk-ins; manage schedules and records; coordinate sacramental preparation; unlock/lock office and church M-F as needed; create and submit weekly church bulletin and other parish communications. Some tasks are typically delegated to volunteers, whom this position would be able to call upon as needed. Many responsibilities and typical procedures have been documented by the previous Pastoral and Administrative Assistant so as to allow for a smooth transition.

Cover letters and resume can be sent to: fathercarter@shemporia.org.

Mark your calendar...



Join the Altar Society after all Masses December 8 & 9 for their annual Craft & Bake Sale! They will be selling crafts, jewelry, cookbooks, and baked goods.



The Knights will host their free will offering SUPER breakfast Sunday, December 9 from 8 - 10 a.m.



Sacred Heart's religious education program will sell religious articles after all Masses December 8 & 9. Great gifts for all ages. Items include: St. Michael the Archangel stoneware mugs, rosaries, crucifixes, holy water bottles/fonts, Bibles, books & much more... including cinnamon rolls!



LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Any human success requires vigilance. Opportunities and powerful moments of encounter can easily be missed when we are not attentive. It is all too easy today to live distracted and preoccupied lives. There is so much vying for our attention that it can be hard to be selective and really focus. Caught up in this whirlwind of busyness and anxiety, we become tired and almost sleepwalk through life. Advent is a time to selectively focus. These beautiful four short weeks are a time to look backward and forward and be attentive to the human journey and God's revelation. From the beginning of time, God has been seeking our attention. He constantly reminds us of the justice he desires to bring and the promise of his abiding unconditional love. Understanding and growing in these truths requires alertness so that we can be strengthened in our faith and prepared for whatever will come. ©LPI



Are you interested in seeing Jesus in the sick and homebound of our parish community? The newly revised **Homebound Apostolate** training will take place in the Church after the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception on December 7, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.. Please call the parish office to reserve a spot for this training.

Do you know of parishioners who are homebound, including care facilities in Emporia? We need help confirming the Homebound, those that can't attend Mass, that may appreciate receiving Holy Communion at home. Please contact the parish office with names of parishioners who are homebound and wish to receive Holy Communion at home.



Organizations

Altar Society

Linda DeDonder ~ 620-412-6065

Building & Grounds

Bill McKernan ~ 910-322-7954

Cemetery

Dave Stout ~ 620-340-2663

Eucharistic Adoration

Brenda Mears ~ 620-344-2517
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Finance Council

Ken Martell ~ 620-342-6039

Funeral Dinner Coordinators

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Cindy Lore ~ 620-366-2374
Staci Hamman ~ 620-366-1031

Knights of Columbus

Gene Ohlman ~ 620-794-2460

Marriage Encounter

Thomas & Megan Mahoney
308-641-6584

Natural Family Planning

Richard & Janet Haag ~ 620-341-9079

Parish Endowments

James Kessler ~ 620-344-4323

Prayer Chain

Louise Wright ~ 620-342-8624

Pro-Life

Jolene Hosack ~ 913-484-1673

Sacred Heart School PTO

Michael Ratcliff ~ 620-490-0388

Scouts (open to boys and girls)

Marc Fusaro ~ 479-280-8525

Secular Franciscans

Fran Hudson ~ 620-342-5039

Soup Kitchen/Food Pantry

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Staci Hamman ~ 620-366-1031

Operations Committee

Cindy Lore ~ 620-366-2374



Week of November 13 - 14, 2021

Envelopes	\$6913.00
Collection Plate.....	\$1906.20
Online/Kiosk.....	\$1011.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$48.52
Total.....	\$9878.72

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Christmas.....	\$5.00
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Baptism Preparation Congratulations on your pregnancy or new arrival! Contact the church office regarding preparation. The Sacrament of Baptism is administered on the first Sunday of each month at the 10:00 am. or immediately following. Must be registered parishioner for at least six months.

Need Help With Prayer? Spiritual direction is available on request with Fr. Carter, 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.

This Week

Sunday, November 28

NO CYF Class
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru

Monday, November 29

6:15 pm Cub Scouts
6:30 pm Prayer Group

Tuesday, November 30

7:00 pm Prayer Group

Wednesday, December 1

7:00 pm CYF Class, grades 6-8
7:00 pm Youth Group

Thursday, December 2

6:30 pm RCIA
7:00 pm Boy Scouts

Friday, December 3

9:00 am Prayer Group

Saturday, December 4

5:00 pm Altar Society Craft/Bake Sale

Sunday, December 5

8:00 am KofC SUPER Breakfast until 10a
8:00 am Altar Society Craft/Bake Sale
11:15 am CYF Class, grades K-8
4:00 pm Ice Box Drive-Thru

Looking Ahead

December 8: Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation Mass times 7am, Noon, 7pm

December 15: Sacred Heart Advent Penance Service 6-7:30p

December 24: Christmas Eve Masses 4:30p, 6:30p, 8:30p

December 25: Christmas Day 10a

Mass Intentions

Monday, November 29

First Monday of Advent
No Mass

Tuesday, November 30

St. Andrew, Apostle
5:30 pm † Anton Tan Van Nguyen

Wednesday, December 1

First Wednesday of Advent
5:30 pm † Ralph Mies

Thursday, December 2

First Thursday of Advent
8:15 am Sacred Heart Secular Franciscans & their families

Friday, December 3

St. Francis Xavier, Priest
8:15 am Manuel & Bertha Muckenthaler

Saturday, December 4

Vigil Second Sunday of Advent
4:00 pm Jim & Theresa Muckenthaler

Sunday, November 28

Second Sunday of Advent
8:00 am Sabina & Greg Bolinger Family
10:00 am Sacred Heart Parishioners



Readings Week of the

Monday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6



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and
Saturdays 3:00 p.m.



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