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Becoming and Making Disciples, Welcoming all to Follow Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil – 4PM
Sunday – 9:30AM
Monday – Thursday 9AM

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday
9:30am – 4:30pm

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Sunday 9:30 AM
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Thursdays & Sundays—8:30am & 10:30am

ALL ARE WELCOME

All people are welcome at Sacred Heart. Regardless of your experience of Church, regardless of your marital state, regardless of your personal history, back-ground or sexual orientation. Please know that you are invited, accepted and respected at Sacred Heart.

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September 12, 2021 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Fellow Parishioners.

During the height of the pandemic (although we are not sure if that is past or future) we invited the whole community to join in "Rethinking Church." We as communities of faith need to work together to build a post-pandemic church worth coming back to. Many have absented themselves from the community these last 16 months and we don't know what lies ahead for us all as we see signs of the Delta variant raising the numbers of those hospitalized, sick, and dying. These are tough times in the church. Not just our parish, but all parishes, catholic and non-Catholic, Christian, and non-Christian communities are struggling.

Every October we have our annual Stewardship renewal, making a commitment to our parish community of our time, talent and treasure. One important aspect of the renewal as we build a post-pandemic church worth coming back to is a Community Outreach Team. The most dangerous aspect of this pandemic is isolation. I am looking for parishioners who are willing to call 10 parishioners once per month to make sure they know we are here, and if there is anything we can do to help them in their faith and life journey. You would call the same 10 people once per month at your convenience and offer a listening ear and words of encouragement.

Some who are absent from our pews may be asking "Why go back?" As people assemble and I hear babies crying and laughter coming from those who gather in the aisles after Mass I know how important it is for them and for me to support each other as a community of faith. I jokingly say to those gathering after the 9:30-looks like there are two communities here, the gluten-free community and the gluten-filled community. How good it is that we are here together on the journey.

I don't know what the future will bring. I hope that everyone will come back to the pews, eventually. But I also hope that we will all learn from our pandemic experience of how important we are to each other, and we will bring with us new expectations of what it means to be The Catholic Community of Sacred Heart. The best way to have a community worth coming back to is to build one; together!

Fr. Bill

REMEMBER in your prayers

Rita Coffey
Mary Bacon
Nelson Clement
Karen Walker
Alberta Lachina
Regina Espanet
Henry Ruggiero
Philip Morin
Michael DeLoia Jr
Joan Moss
Virginia Larkin
Dorothy Gately
Concetta Conciatori
Roger Beggs
Pauline Kell
Nancy Collins
Stephen Brothers
Joanne Andreotti
Doreen Cote
Dorothy Grillo
Miguel Velazquez
Denise Costello
Carmella Cedrone
Rita Gendreau

Dina Rowe

SANCTUARY LAMP
Dwight P Page

MASS ATTENDANCE
9/5/21

4:00pm	55
9:30am	104

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
9/5/21

Weekly
$4,109.00

Monthly
$520.00

Fuel, Utilities, Etc
$35.00

SH Endowment Fund
$315.00

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Message Shaper's Corner
LAWS OF THE HEART

The Law of Remembrance
"Remember to keep holy the Sabbath Day"

The Jewish concept of Sabbath was a guide to the good life. It comes out of Hebrew respect for the sacredness of all life. "Sabbath is not a day of rest because people are tired. It is a day of rest because people are human and ought not be driven to death, because every living thing require time to renew itself, if not physically certainly spiritually; if not spiritually, at least physically." Sabbath is not about church: it is about contemplation of the important things in life, the things of the soul.

Reflect…

- Adults: Have you been criticized for your faith practices? How?
- Kids: What can you do to show your faith in Jesus?

THIS WEEK AT CHURCH

Saturday, September 11th
8:00a-12:00p: Yard Sale & Fill a Ford
8:30a AA Meeting, Day Chapel
3:00p Reconciliation
4:00p Mass: Matthew Masnik

Sunday, September 12th
9:30a Mass: Peg Collins

Monday, Septmeber 13th
9:00a Mass:

Tuesday, September 14th
9:00a Mass: Annie Vautour

Wednesday, September 15th
9:00a Mass:

Thursday, September 16th
9:00a Mass:

Friday, September 17th
7:30p AA Meeting, Hall

Saturday, September 18th
8:30a AA Meeting, Hall
3:00p Reconciliation
4:00p Mass: Marion Despres & Conformation I

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Call the office prior to your child's birth to begin preparation.

Marriage: Call the parish office one year prior to your wedding date to begin preparation

Reconciliation: Saturday – 3PM or by appointment

Our parish follows the guidelines of the national Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People approved by the US Bishops and the Diocese of Worcester in screening those who work with children in our care and in helping victims of abuse find healing. If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a Church employee or volunteer in the past, please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for our diocese at 508-929-4363 (direct line & confidential voicemail). If you are concerned about a current case of abuse, please contact the local civil authorities immediately.

St. Gerard's, Haiti

Saint Gerard Parish
Pond Salomon, Haiti
2017

Remains of St. Gerard's Church
8-14-2021

Prayer for the People of Haiti

Out of the depths we
cry to You, O God.
We cry to You for our Haitian
sisters and brothers.
We thank You for upholding them in their suffering.
Give them continuing strength and comfort.
Give us love and courage to
stand with them and work
with them as they struggle
for justice and freedom.
Keep us committed to the
truth and empower us with
your spirit and love:
-A love that always sees possibilities for peace founded on justice;
-A love that seeks justice without vengeance and retaliation;
-A love that reaches out to
enemies, as Jesus taught us.

O Lespri Sen desaan sou nou; nou gen
youn misyon pou Ayiti.
(O Holy Spirit descend on us; we have a
mission for Haiti.)

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Parish Center during Construction

Parish Twinning

One special way parishes have reached out in solidarity is through a process known as twinning, in which a parish in the United States develops an ongoing relationship with a parish in another part of the world. More than 1,700 parishes in the United States have connected in special relationships with Catholic communities in Central and South America. These bridges of faith offer as much to U.S. parishes as their partners. We are evangelized and changed as we help other communities of faith. (***"Called to Global Solidarity: International Challenges for U.S. Parishes"*** Catholic Bishops/United States Catholic Conference. 1997)

Parish center after Earthquake 2021

Haiti Supporters

Craig & Susan Adams
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Roger & Marie Brothers
Jim & Debbie Carroll
Phyllis Forte
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Joan Knowlton
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Gerald & Elli Maurais
Todd & Cheryl Miller
Maurice Normandin
Darlene Page
Paul & Marie Rogers
Jerry & Pat Schonhoff
John & Kelsey Slusarz
Matt & Mary Smith
Gerry & Cathy Stickney
Bob & Karen Walker
Bill & Robyn York
Thank you to ***all*** who share their time, talent and treasure.

History of our Relationship & Accomplishments

2004: Haiti Team's first visit to Haiti. Purpose is to find our "Twin" and begin a long relationship. St. Gerard was chosen to be our Twin.

2005: Team makes return visit and begins needs analysis with Fr. Claude.

2006: Fr. Claude opened 3 schools with our financial support.

2007: Parish House/Gathering Center project begins.

2009: We receive first look at Parish House. 1st floor is complete and a 6-room school was built. Students are now receiving lunch.

2010: Earthquake strikes Port-au-Prince. Travel to Haiti was deterred. Madame Combe Chapel was destroyed.

2011-2013 Fundraising efforts for recontruction of Madame Combe Chapel. Monthly support continues.

2014: Collect furnishings for Madame Combe Chapel. Monthly support continues.

2015: Shipped church furnishings to Les Cayes.

2016: Hurricane Matthew

2017: Mission Trip to Haiti. Monitored the Damage of Hurricane Matthew and reconstruction efforts. Renewal of Twinning relationship.

2018-2020: Monthly support continues. Wells completed at all 4 chapels.

2021: Earthquake hits Les Cayes. St. Gerard's church and parish center destroyed. Rectory is safe.

My Pledge

Sacred Heart Parish is committed to being good stewards by sharing our time, talent and treasure with St. Gerard Parish in Haiti. Our willingness to walk in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Haiti brings much needed assistance to them and much joy to us. Please help to realize our $900.00 monthly commitment that continues to pay teachers salaries and help in reconstruction.

Time

☐ Pray the prayer for Haiti daily

☐ Join the Haiti Team to share wisdom

Talent

☐ Tell us about a specific skill that you can share with St. Gerard's

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Treasure

☐ Begin a Monthly Offering of $_____

☐ Renew a Monthly Offering of $_____

☐ Make a One-Time Offering of $_____

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone _____

Email_____

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The Catholic Community of Sacred Heart
2021-2022
Faith Formation Calendar

Session meet:

Grades 1-6: Sunday Mornings Teaching Mass, In person class 8:30-9:20(twice a month) & Service Week or Come to the Tables weekly

Grades 7 & 8: Varies depending on module chosen

Confirmation I (9th grade): Sunday evenings 6pm (there are a few exceptions)

Confirmation II (10th grade): Sunday evenings 6pm (there are a few exceptions)

Grades 1-6 - In Person

October
- 3 Teaching Mass—First Day of Faith Formation
- 10 No FF Class
- 17 In person FF Class
- 24 In person FF Class
- 31 Service Week

November
- 7 Teaching Mass
- 14 In person FF Class
- 21 In person FF Class
- 28 Service Week

December
- 5 Teaching Mass
- 12 In person FF Class
- 19 In person FF Class
- 26 No FF Class

January
- 2 No FF Class
- 9 Teaching Mass
- 16 In person FF Class
- 23 In person FF Class
- 30 Service Week

February
- 6 Teaching Mass
- 13 No FF Class
- 20 In person FF Class
- 27 Service Week

March
- 6 Teaching Mass
- 13 In person FF Class
- 20 In person FF Class
- 27 Service Week

April
- 3 Teaching Mass
- 10 No FF Class
- 17 No FF Class
- 24 Service Week

May
- 1 Teaching Mass
- 8 In person FF Class
- 15 In person FF Class

Come to the Tables - Attend Mass Weekly and complete short assignment related to Mass experience.

Grades 7 & 8

Grade 7:

Church:

6 Week Class, Sundays - 8:30a - 9:30a - Sept 19th-Oct 31st
(No class Oct 10th)

OR

Church Outside of Church

Revelation

6 Week Class, Sundays - 8:30a - 9:30a - Nov 14th - Dec 19th

Trinity:

3 week Class, Sundays - 8a-9:30a - January 16th - January 30th

Jesus

6 Week Class, Sundays - 8:30a - 9:30a - February 27th – April 3rd

OR

Holy Week Experience - Prep session April 10th 8:30 a- 9:30a
Holy Week Services - April 13th-16th 7p
Follow up session - Online

Grade 8:

Morality

6 - week Class, Sundays - 8:30a- 9:30a Sept 19th - Oct 31st
(No class Oct 10th)

OR

Attend Mass Sept 19 - Nov 14th

Sacraments

6 - week Class, Sundays 8:30a- 9:30a - Jan 9th-Feb 20th
(No class on February 13th)

OR

Holy Week Experience - Prep session April 10th 8:30 a- 9:30a
Holy Week Services - April 13th-16th 7p
Follow up session - Online

Kingdom of God

Mass & a Movie: Saturdays 4p-7p Feb 26th-March 19th

Confirmation I (9th grade)

Mass & Orientation: 9/18 4p (All candidates & parents)
Session 1: 10/3
Session 2: 11/7
Session 3: 12/12
Session 4: 1/23
Session 5: 2/20
Session 6: 3/20
Session 7: Holy Week 7:30p (All) 4/13, 4/14, 4/15 & 4/16
Mass & Café: Date: TBD

Confirmation II (10th grade)

Session 1 (with Rite of Enrollment): 10/2 4:00p
Retreat: 10/17 12-6p St. Mary's Grafton
Session 2: 11/7
Session 3: 12/5
Session 4: 1/9
Session 5: 2/6
Session 6: 3/6
Session 7: Holy Week 7:30(All) 4/13, 4/14, 4/15 & 4/16
Blessing & Mass & Café: TBD
Rehearsal: TBD, Sacred Heart, Milford
Confirmation TBD, 7pm Sacred Heart Milford

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