



THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF SACRED HEART

A Stephen Ministry Parish

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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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Monday-Thursday
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Sunday 9:30 AM

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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.



January 16, 2022 The 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Last week I talked about the challenge of building our community during a pandemic. I am going to ask us all to work together to do just that. Why are we the Catholic Community of Sacred Heart? We are a community not just to worship together but to carry each other's burdens, and in this way fulfill the love of Christ. We have each other's back.

We are a community that does carry each other's burdens, and we can learn to do so even better. It is in this spirit, we are offering a Lenten program: **Caring for Inactive Members: How to Make God's House a Home**. I am hoping that many of our parishioners will get involved in this course. I hope YOU will be involved.

Caring for Inactive Members will teach us how to relate to inactive members and welcome them home. The course content includes:

- Hopes and Expectations
- How to Handle Chance Encounters with Inactive Members
- How to Converse Comfortably
- How to Guarantee 100% Success
- How to Set Up Visits
- How to Invite Gently

Much, much more takes place during the six hours of instruction. The topics offer vital knowledge every single parishioner needs to have because everyone of us is responsible for building community and making people feel at home. So often we come across in a judgmental way toward those individuals who have become inactive. This is neither Christian nor helpful. Developing greater understanding is essential, and that is one of the pillars of this course.

Who should take the course? YOU should, and so should every member of our community. The more who are aware of good and bad responses to those they haven't seen around the church for a while, the better. The more who are aware of the topics covered in Caring for Inactive Members, the more they will be part of the solution.

I am trying to make this as safe and as easy for everyone to participate. We will have 6 one-hour ZOOM classes on Each Tuesday of Lent beginning March 1st and ending April 5th from 7:00 P.M to 8:00 P.M. I will be the course facilitator; each session will be a combination of lecture, discussion, and practical application.

There is no registration fee! Each participant will receive two books. If you are interested in participating, please email the parish office or register on our website. We need your name, e-mail address to receive the link, and phone number. Over the next few weeks, you will be hearing a great deal more about this course. Sign up now to make sure you'll be included on the roster.

Fr. Bill



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MASS ATTENDANCE
 1/9/21

4:00pm 74
9:30am 117

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS
 1/1-1/2

Weekly
 \$.00

Monthly
 \$.00

Fuel, Utilities, Etc
 \$.00

SH Endowment Fund
 \$.00



Message Shaper's Corner
 The Vow

A miracle is when God shows us who He is. The first miracle Jesus ever performed was to turn water into wine, and this showed us who Jesus was. The miracle at Cana was a kind of foretelling of Christ's institution of the Blessed Sacrament: a miracle through water and wine based around His new commandment to love, which is found in community.

Jesus himself continues this great gesture today when we gather together for the Eucharist. He draws us deep into his sacrifice and gives us his own body and blood, the gift of himself. Through the words of the priest, Jesus speaks the same words today as he did at the Last Supper.

Reflection Questions

- ◆ Adults: When have you stepped in, as Mary did at Cana, to try and make a difficult situation easier for someone?
- ◆ Kids: What can you do this week to help make someone's job a little easier?



Sunday, January 16th

8:30a Grade 8 Sacraments
 Module, CR Hall
 Grade 7 Trinity Module, Day
 Chapel
 FF grades 1-5 in person classes
 9:30a Mass: Elizabeth Chen
 9:30a Come to the Tables

Monday, January 17th

No Mass—Office Closed

Tuesday, January 18th

9:00a Mass:

Wednesday, January 19th

9:00a Mass:

Thursday, January 20th

9:00a Mass:
 9:00A MFN Cherub's Corner

Friday, January 21st

7:30p AA Meeting

Saturday, January 22nd

8:30a AA Meeting
 3:00p Reconciliation
 4:00p Mass: Greg Gendreau

Sunday, January 23rd

8:30a Grade 8 Sacraments
 Module, CR Hall
 Grade 7 Trinity Module, Day
 Chapel
 FF grades 1-5 in person classes
 9:30a Mass: Ruben Aspiras
 9:30a Come to the Tables
 6:00p Confirmation I Class

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.

Parish News



Faith Formation

Grades K-6

Come to the Table - 9:30a Mass Every Sunday

Grades 1-5 In Person

January 16 - In Person Class
January 23 - In Person Class
January 30 - Service Sunday

Grade 7

Church outside of Church Module : Ongoing
Trinity Module: 3 week class - January 16 - 8:00-9:30a

Grade 8

Church outside of Church Module: Ongoing
Sacraments Module: 6 week class - Jan 9 - Feb 20 (no class 2/13) 8:30-9:30a

Confirmation I

January 23, Hall Conference Room 6-8p

COMING SOON

"The Good Shepherd left the 99 others and went out in search of one. But brothers and sisters, we have one sheep. We have lost the other 99! We must go out to them. This is an enormous responsibility ... to go out and preach the Gospel." Pope Francis

Starting in March Fr. Bill will host a 6 week course on Caring for Inactive Members. Keep an eye out for more information. To register email the parish office or sign up on the parish website.

Diocesan News



Ministry Needs

Since the beginning of the pandemic, many ministers have paused their ministry. In an effort to stay connected to all members of the parish during the on-going pandemic, we are in need of help in several areas, including:

Community Outreach Team— these people would be willing to call and stay in touch with other members of the parish community. This ministry can be done from the comfort of home. Please call/email the parish office if you can assist.

Cooking for the Mustard Seed. On the third Tuesday of each month, Sacred Heart parishioners prepare, deliver, & serve a dinner at the Mustard Seed. The Mustard Seed is a non-profit organization that serves the homeless & low income families and individuals in Worcester. Menus will be forthcoming.

Twice Blessed Thrift Shoppe

The Thrift Shop receives donated clothing, shoes and items which are sold to the public. All proceeds benefit the Sacred Heart Parish. Adult and teen volunteers are needed for sorting, creating displays, photographing and creating an on-line presence and working during operating hours.

Community Suppers

Since pausing in March of 2020 due to Covid-19, we have been providing Grab 'n Go meals every Thursday to those experiencing food insecurity. The meals are either purchased from local restaurants or prepared by volunteers and distributed from the Trinity Church entrance. Until Covid cases decline to an acceptable level, we will continue to alternate purchasing and preparing these meals.

Monetary donations are necessary to continue this Grab n' Go program. We are now serving over 150 meals weekly, as the number needy has doubled over the past two years. Any donation will be greatly appreciated and can be dropped in the Offertory basket marked "Community Suppers." Anyone wishing to volunteer, please contact Jean Bonetti at 508-779-7661.

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