

# Sacred Heart Parish



January 26, 2025  
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## MASS SCHEDULE HORARIO DE MISAS

### CHURCH HOURS

Saturday and Sunday 6:00am to 6:00pm  
Monday through Friday 6:00am to 9:00pm  
Office Hours Weekdays 8:00am to 5:00pm



### SUNDAY MASSES IN ENGLISH

Saturday Vigil  
5:00pm

Sunday

7:00am | 9:00am | 11:00am | 5:00pm (Youth)



### MISA DOMINICAL EN ESPANOL

Domingo 1:00pm



### DAILY MASS IN ENGLISH

Monday through Saturday: 7:00am



### SCHOOL MASS

Wednesday 8:30am  
(when school is in session)



### CONFESSION

Wednesday and Friday  
After the 7:00am Mass  
Saturday  
3:00pm to 4:30pm

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME.

— LUKE 4:18 —



## Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Parish

*"Being the living example of God's love to others"*

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**THIS WEEK AT SACRED HEART PARISH**

MONDAY January 27	TUESDAY January 28	WEDNESDAY January 29	THURSDAY January 30	FRIDAY January 31	SATURDAY February 1	SUNDAY February 2
<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Centering Prayer <i>St. Anthony Claret Room</i></p> <p><b>1:00pm</b> Lectio Divina <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p> <p><b>6:30pm</b> Spanish Bible Study <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p> <p><b>5:30-7:30pm</b> Edge Middle School <i>Youth Center</i></p>	<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p>	<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>After Mass</b> Confessions <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>8:30am</b> School Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>9:30am</b> St. Vincent de Paul <i>St. Anthony Claret Room</i></p> <p><b>9:30am</b> Study of Mystics <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p> <p><b>5:00-6:00pm</b> Finance Council <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p>	<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>11:00am</b> Spanish Legion of Mary <i>St. Anthony Claret Room</i></p> <p><b>1:00pm</b> English Legion of Mary <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p> <p><b>3:30pm</b> English Legion of Mary 2 <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p> <p><b>4:00pm</b> Pastoral Council <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p>	<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>After Mass</b> Confessions <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>3:00pm</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>6:30-9:00pm</b> Hispanic Catholics in Action <i>St. Anthony Claret Room</i></p> <p><b>6:30-7:30pm</b> Quinceanera Class <i>Sacred Heart Room</i></p>	<p><b>7:00am</b> Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>7:30-9:00am</b> That Man is You Retreat <i>St. Anthony Claret Room</i></p> <p><b>3:00-4:30pm</b> Confessions <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>Rosary</b> 30 minutes Before Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>5:00pm</b> Vigil Mass <i>Church Room</i></p>	<p><b>MASSES</b> <b>7:00am</b> <b>9:00am</b> <b>11:00am</b> <b>1:00pm</b> <b>5:00pm</b> <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>Rosary</b> 30 minutes before Mass <i>Church</i></p> <p><b>7:00-9:00am</b> Common Grounds <i>Gathering Place</i></p> <p><b>12:00-5:00pm</b> Hispanic Catholics in Action <i>Forum</i></p> <p><b>6:00-8:00pm</b> LifeTeen <i>Youth Center</i></p>

**MASS INTENTIONS  
 INTENCIONES DE LA MISA  
 January 27 to February 2, 2025**

<b>Mon. January 27</b>	7:00am	Eugenia Stasko†
<b>Tues. January 28</b>	7:00pm	Sgt. Joseph Stifter†
<b>Wed. January 29</b>	7:00am	Dr. Kayla Kemper
	8:30am	Gary Flannt†
<b>Thur. January 30</b>	7:00am	Danny Buenaflor
<b>Fri. January 31</b>	7:00am	Bernadette Kement†
<b>Sat. February 1</b>	7:00am	Gloria Starin
	5:00pm	Bill & Kay Schrimpl†
<b>Sun. February 2</b>	7:00am	Our Parish
	9:00am	Joe Maresh†
	11:00am	Angie Musumeci†
	1:00pm	Mercy Martinez†
	5:00pm	Julie Walker†

†Denotes deceased

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF  
 January 26, 2025**

<b>Sunday:</b>	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 (see Jn 6:63c)/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21
<b>Monday:</b>	Heb 9:15, 24-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/ Mk 3:22-30
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Heb 10:1-10/Ps 40:2 and 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11/ Mk 3:31-35
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4/Mk 4:1-20
<b>Thursday:</b>	Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Mk 4:21-25
<b>Friday:</b>	Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40/ Mk 4:26-34
<b>Saturday:</b>	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/ Mk 4:35-41
<b>Next Sunday:</b>	Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/ Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

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Deacon Ernie Gonzales  
Deacon Mark Weber  
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Deacon Tony Humphrey (Retired)



**THE STORY OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

At the end of the fourth century, a woman named Etheria made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Her journal, discovered in 1887, gives an unprecedented glimpse of liturgical life there. Among the celebrations she describes is the Epiphany, the observance of Christ’s birth, and the gala procession in honor of his Presentation in the Temple 40 days later. Under the Mosaic Law, a woman was ritually “unclean” for 40 days after childbirth, when she was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice—her “purification.” Contact with anyone who had brushed against mystery—birth or death—excluded a person from Jewish worship. This feast emphasizes Jesus’ first appearance in the Temple more than Mary’s purification. The observance spread throughout the Western Church in the fifth and sixth centuries. Because the Church in the West celebrated Jesus’ birth on December 25, the Presentation was moved to February 2, 40 days after Christmas. At the beginning of the eighth century, Pope Sergius inaugurated a candlelight procession; at the end of the same century the blessing and distribution of candles which continues to this day became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name: Candlemas. The Presentation of the Lord will be celebrated at all Masses on February 2, with a special celebration at the Spanish Mass.

**Reflection**

*In Luke’s account, Jesus was welcomed in the temple by two elderly people, Simeon and the widow Anna. They embody Israel in their patient expectation; they acknowledge the infant Jesus as the long-awaited Messiah. Early references to the Roman feast dub it the feast of Saint Simeon, the old man who burst into a song of joy which the Church still sings at day’s end.*

Source: Franciscan Media



*Honor and Remember*  
THIS WEEK’S ALTAR FLOWERS DEDICATION

*“Faith, Hope and Love, but the greatest of these is LOVE.”*

**In Loving Memory of  
Sharon Martinez  
from John Martinez**

For Altar Flower Dedications/Donations contact  
Alma at the Parish Office 928.445.3141



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**WOMEN'S CIRCLE Faith & Friendship:**

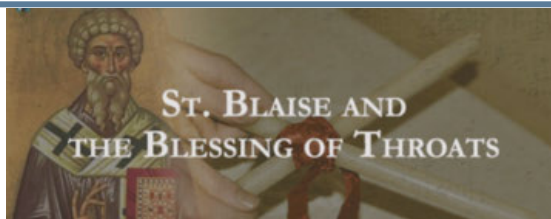
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*Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.*

Mark 11:24

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|----------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| DeeDee Quintero      | Les Henderson        | Tom Steckhahn          | Yolanda Van Haren       | Kimberly Macias       |
| Cia Renzi            | Shirley Henderson    | Jeffrey Crummy         | Paula Tanzini           | Thomas Pifer          |
| Arthur Tabbot        | Jim Granecki         | Christina Helffrich    | Francine Sandoval       | Dave Faulkner         |
| Gloria Tabbot        | Marlene Burnham      | Alastair MacDonald     | Rose Anne Ditzig        | Shawn Martinez        |
| Douglas Tabbot       | Patricia Givan       | James Vaca             | Brenda Saves            | Audrey Lanting        |
| Angie Noble          | Barbara Davis        | John Eckert            | Angel Baker             | Ted Martens           |
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| Jean Brennan         | Jaime Corona         | Laura Brophy           | Joe & Carole Childs     | Kenneth Watson        |
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| Kurt Anderson        | Tony Charley         | Joann Hamm             | Jerry Welna             | Peggy Hauk            |
| Michelle Lanting     | Tara Todd            | Paula Mathias          | Narancic Family         | Riley Costenbader     |
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Legend has it that as hunters hauled Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command the child was able to cough up the bone.

**Blessing of Throats**

**Monday, February 3 | After the 7:00am Mass**

**Precious Blood Adoration Chapel**

Call Timothy Rood, Coordinator (310) 596-0511

**HOURS NEEDED AS OF NOVEMBER 17, 2024**



**Sunday:** 1-2am / 4-5am / 4-5pm / 5-6pm  
**Monday:**  
**Tuesday:** 1-2am  
**Wednesday:** Midnight-1am / 1-2am / 11-Midnite  
**Thursday:** 4-5am  
**Friday:**  
**Saturday:** 1-2am / 5-6pm / 9-10pm



Eucharistic Ministers

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING AT MASS AS A MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION?**

A training class for new Eucharistic Ministers will be held in the Sacred Heart Room and the church **Tuesday, February 11 from 10:00am to Noon.**

You must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation and you must complete the online Safe Environment Training Class.

To register to take the class and for information about the Safe Environment Training, call Shirley King at (928) 445-8912 before Sunday, February 9th.



**You Are Invited to Attend a Sacred Heart Prescott Sponsored Ultreya!**

Open to all Cursillistas and anyone interested in learning about Cursillo!

**Saturday, February 8, 2025**  
10:00am – 12:00pm

Please bring a light snack to share  
Coffee, tea and water provided

Sacred Heart Parish  
150 Fleury Street, Prescott AZ 86301  
St. Anthony Claret Room

For further information contact  
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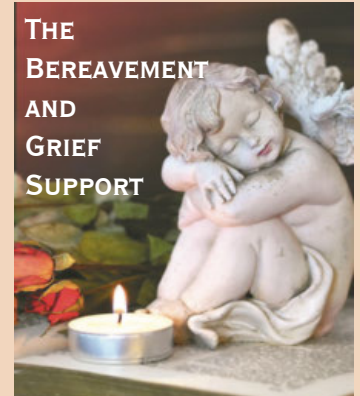
**ARE YOU, OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW, SUFFERING FROM THE LOSS OF A LOVED ONE?**

The Bereavement and Grief Support, six week educational program offered by Sacred Heart, consists of *weekly sessions* that help people to know what to expect and not to expect during the grieving process. It gives you the opportunity to share your thoughts and feelings in an environment of understanding and empathy. It also gives you the tools you need for your recovery and healing.

**The dates for the next program will be announced soon.**

Please give us a call so we can reserve a place for you, as space is very limited.

Carol and Bud Bevenour: 928-777-9040



**THE BEREAVEMENT AND GRIEF SUPPORT**



**2024 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS**

**Will be emailed or mailed by request this year.**

If you would like to receive your 2024 contribution statement please email Donna at

[dmaneely@sacredheartprescott.com](mailto:dmaneely@sacredheartprescott.com)  
or call the church office at 928-445-3141.

*Thank you!*

**New Parishioners**

All families and individuals are welcome at Sacred Heart Parish. You may register as a new member either on our Website or pick up a form at the information desk or church office. Please inform the church office of any name, address, email, or phone number changes.



**St. Vincent de Paul**

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus reads the words of scripture :

*"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor".*

Thank you for your end of year donations to the ministry of St. Vincent de Paul. Your donations will be well spent in helping the poor of our community live their lives in peace and without fear. God Bless you for seeing the need to help and giving from your heart.



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**Divine Mercy Chaplet**  
*together in song, every Friday*

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*"Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love"*  
-St. Teresa of Calcutta

**COMMON GROUNDS**



**"Being the living example of God's love to others"**

The Pastoral and Hispanic Councils will be hosting Common Grounds **Sunday, February 2 after the 7:00am & 9:00am Masses**

Donuts & Coffee after the 7:00am & 9:00am Masses  
Sacred Heart Room, stop by for a treat and fellowship!

**SACRED HEART CHURCH**  
**Lord's Bounty Supper**

**I WAS THIRSTY AND YOU GAVE ME A DRINK**

Every 2nd Sunday at 2:00pm in the Forum, Sacred Heart Parishioners provide food and warm clothing for our Prescott neighbors. In December and January, over 100 people enjoyed a hot meal.

Thank you to Amanda from Rosa's Pizzeria for donating the delicious pizzas. Parishioners may continue to donate ready-to-serve food (enough for 10), side dishes, soups, stews, salads and desserts.

Currently we are gathering warm clothing (adult sizes) to share with our neighbors during the cold weather.

Please drop off ready-to-serve food at the Forum by 1:00pm on the 2nd Sunday, and clothing to the parish office.

Thank you and God Bless you, Sacred Heart Lord's Bounty 2nd Sunday Supper.

Questions? Alyce Newton [alycenewt22@icloud.com](mailto:alycenewt22@icloud.com) and Jeanine Canedo [jcanedo64@gmail.com](mailto:jcanedo64@gmail.com).

**Year-to-Date Parish and School Financial Summary**

In an effort to keep our parishioners informed about our finances, we will be publishing a monthly summary of Year-to-Date Revenue and Expenses compared to last year in the bulletin. Below is the summary for July-December.

	Jul 2024-Dec 2024	Jul 2023-Dec 2023
<b>Income</b>		
Collection plate (includes Christmas):	\$562,605.00	\$518,799.00
Online Giving:	\$296,745.00	\$283,862.00
Other income (includes school and preschool tuition, fundraising, sales, ministry registration fees, stole fees, bequests and rental income)	\$687,292.00	\$827,268.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,546,642.00</b>	<b>\$1,629,929.00</b>
<b>Expenses</b> (includes payroll for school and parish, utilities, insurance, repair & maintenance, supplies, donations, etc.)	\$1,530,836.00	\$1,455,132.00

**Thank you for your generosity!**



### Walking Through the Mass – Recessional | By Fr. Luke Spannagel

After reflecting on the dismissal and mission last time, was anyone else excited to take the fruits of the Mass out into the world?! Let's go! This time, we review some acts of reverence similar to the beginning of the Mass with which we conclude and go forth from Mass. As the Diocese of Peoria instructs, "After the blessing and closing words, 'Go forth, the Mass is ended,' the priest goes to the altar once more and reverences it with a kiss. The Mass 'ends' where it began—at the altar. For on the altar the sacrifice of Christ was made present in our midst. As the Eucharist is the source and summit of our faith, the altar on which this sacrifice is rendered is given this gesture of reverence and even love. A kiss is a symbol of love—the priest, 'the servant of God and minister to the Holy of Holies,' acknowledges his love for the mystery that he celebrates. As it is the source and summit of the Church, it is then necessarily the source and summit of the priest's ministry in the parish. Everything in the Church derives from and is pointed toward the Most Holy Eucharist" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 20). Just as we saw in the entrance at the beginning of Mass, the altar is especially honored as the place where Jesus truly becomes present during the Mass.

#### Going Forth to Share the Good News

The Diocese of Peoria continues, "After reverencing the altar the priest genuflects in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament before exiting the sanctuary. The priest then recesses, most often following the cross and candles that led him in... The recessional may be accompanied by a hymn of praise, or even just instrumental music. The music at this point is typically majestic, as we have concluded the celebration of a most majestic event" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 21). Some priests have pointed out that there is not a recessional antiphon in the Roman Missal, whereas we do have Entrance and Communion Antiphons. These antiphons unite us in praise and meditation, while the conclusion of Mass feels more open-ended. Perhaps this is fitting, in accordance with mission and sending forth; perhaps this open-ended conclusion reminds us that the fruits of the Mass continue and are carried forth with us as we depart. Within that mindset, singing together also feels appropriate, as we are now going forth together, united by Christ!

#### Carrying Christ's Love into the World

After the celebrant follows the processional cross out of church, the Diocese of Peoria challenges us: "It is not appropriate to leave or exit the church before the priest, as the symbolism is so important. Following the cross 'into the world' is a profound thing that all of us do, even if not immediately after the priest. We carry the cross of the Lord with us as it was 'by this Holy Cross you have redeemed the world!' The Cross is the most powerful symbol of God's love for his people. 'God so loved the world that He sent His only son so that we might not die, but have eternal life!' In Catholic churches we have a corpus of Christ on our processional crucifixes and sanctuary crucifixes because the Paschal Mystery is at the center of all our celebrations. When we look upon the crucifix we see our God, who literally loves us to death! We carry this love with us into the world, as all of us are 'missionaries' given a mission to spread the 'Good News' of our Lord Jesus Christ" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 21).

Let us then remember this love as we "process" out into the world. Let us take with us what we have learned about God and about ourselves; let us take the graces we have received; let us take the victory of the Cross which we have experienced and process out into the world. That is how the fruits of the victory of the Cross are extended to every heart; that is how the fruits of the Mass are extended to all people! **That is how we embrace our identity as Eucharistic Missionaries!**



# SACRED HEART SCHOOL CORNER

## Upcoming Events

Catholic Schools Week  
January 27-31

Spring Musical  
March 28th

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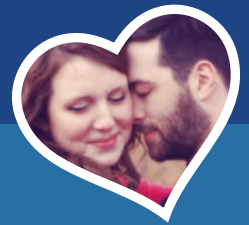
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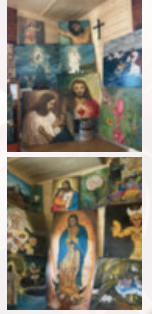
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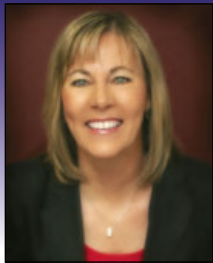
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