



Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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welcome
to our church family

Pastoral Staff

Fr. Mark DeSutter, Pastor
Fr. Matthew Cole, SMA, P.V.
Deacon Matt Martel, Deacon
Deacon Mike Maynard, Deacon
Sandy Carlsten, RCIA Coordinator
Debbie Patronagio, DRE

Baptism

Sunday after the 11:00am Mass.
Parents must be registered and active parishioners for four months.
Baptismal Instruction classes are held on the fourth Tuesday of the following months: March, June, September, and Thursday, January 25, 2024.

OCIA/RCIA

(Order of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Persons wishing to learn more about the Catholic Faith, or to join our Catholic community please call the Parish Office, (309) 762-2362.

Office Hours

Mon. - Thurs.: 9:00am 5:00pm
Fri. 9:00am to Noon
Closed for lunch from 12-1pm
Closed on Saturday and Sunday

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 8:00am
Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:00, 9:15, 11:00am

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday: 8:00am
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday
6:30am & 8:00am
Thursday Masses: 6:30am
8:30am Seton School Mass

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 4:00pm in the St. Damien Center or by appointment. Call the Parish Office at (309) 762-2362.

Joy Alegria

Celebrating
ADVENT Vespers

This Is My Body
A Call To Eucharistic Revival
Bishop Robert Barron

17
DEC
GUEST SPEAKER:
AARON GRAF
THE EUCHARIST, IF IT'S A SYMBOL | 4:00 PM

17
DEC
CONCERT BY:
GRACE NOTES FLUTE TRIO
FOLLOWING ADVENT VESPERS
JOY | 4:45 PM

Advent Adviento

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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We at Sacred Heart Parish are a welcoming and diverse community rooted in our Catholic Faith and rich heritage. Through worship, evangelization, ministries, service, parochial education, and lifelong faith formation, we are called to build the Kingdom of Jesus in this time and place.



Dear Parishioners,

We are in the middle of Advent. Advent is a time of penance. We are to engage in prayer, fasting and almsgiving. This is hard to think about as we move from party to party. We are all probably in the middle of a spending spree as we buy holiday

gifts. Fasting is the furthest thing from our minds as we feast on a sweet treat.

But we can still do simple things to make Advent meaningful that does not take much effort. We can use the little blue books available in the church. We can read through the brief reflection daily which only takes a couple of minutes. We can donate to our favorite charity. We also can take some time to pray for the people caught up in wars in Palestine and Ukraine. I can not imagine how hard life is for them to just stay alive.

We may have someone we know who is alone for the holidays. We could reach out to engage them in conversation. Spending five minutes listening to another person would mean so much.

We might turn off all media for several hours a day. The quiet can cleanse us and slow down our racing minds. Our cell phones seem to control our every waking thought.

These all appear to be little things, but often little things make a big difference.

May Our Lady Pray for us,

Fr. Mark



ATTENTION ALL SACRED HEART VOLUNTEERS

Mark you calendars now for the return of our Parish Epiphany Party on Sunday, January 7, 2024 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. More information to come, so stay tuned!

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

Don't miss out on this beautiful tradition here at Sacred Heart by taking part in the lighting of the Advent candle. There are still openings at some of our weekend Masses. The sign-up sheet can be found in the front vestibule of the church on the podium. Thank you for keeping this tradition alive.



LAS POSADAS CELEBRATION



Las posadas Mexicanas is the traditional reenactment of Mary's and Joseph's search for shelter nine days before Christmas. Mexico and the .S. celebrate the posadas on December 16, by doing a candle lit procession. Participants may dress up as Mary and Joseph,

the participants approach the designated house and ask the "innkeepers" for shelter.

Then the "innkeeper" respond with a song and invite them into the house for "shelter". During the celebration adults and children share typical foods like tamales and atole. During the celebrations villancicos (Christmas carols) are sung and children carry poinsettias. Children also break Pinatas filled with candies. The posadas festivities are celebrated for eight nights each night, in a different house.

The celebrations of Las Posadas brings Mexican families together during the Christmas Holidays, reminding them about their culture and bringing them happiness.

Sacred Heart's Hispanic Ministry plans to celebrate Las Posadas on Tuesday, December 19, in Culemans Fellowship Hall from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All are invited!



We wish to thank Rafferty Funeral Home for providing our parish families with a new 2024 calendar. These calendars, are free to all and are located at the doors of the church.



In January I am offering silent directed retreats in conjunction with the sisters of St. Benedict at St. Mary Monastery, Rock Island. The retreat begins the evening of January 14th, ending the evening of January 17th. There is Mass and the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation every day. Participants also meet daily with a Spiritual Director. Information to register is listed below. This is a great way to begin the new year.

Sister Jackie Walsh, OSB

Administrative Assistant
Benet House Retreat Center at St. Mary Monastery
2200 88th Avenue West | Rock Island, IL 61201-7649
PH: 309.283.2108 | retreats@smmsisters.org

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SCRIPTURE READINGS
Week of December 17, 2023

Sunday Third Sunday of Advent
 Is 61:1-2a, 10-11; Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54; 1 Thes 5:16-24; Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday Is 7:10-14; Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a; Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Lk 1:39-45

Friday 1 Sm 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Lk 1:46-56

Saturday Mal 3:1-4, 23-24; Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Lk 1:57-66

Sunday Fourth Sunday of Advent
 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38



Our prayers and heartfelt condolences go out to the family and friends of:

†Hank Sundeen

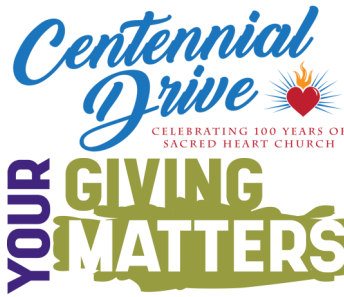
†Esther Schiermeyer, mother of Stephanie Garrity

*Receive their souls and present them to God the Most High.
 May the Angels lead you home.*



SHOP EARLY FOR THAT SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Bring the spirit of the Christmas season alive with the beauty of the music of Andrea Bocelli in his new CD "a family Christmas." Enjoy not only Bocelli himself but the voices of his son Matteo and his daughter Virginia. Now available in Blessings.



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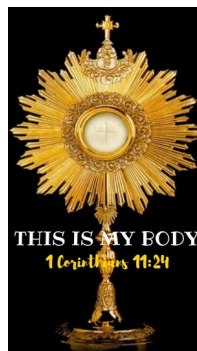
NEW UPDATE

ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP

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- Handicapped Accessible Restroom/Baby Changing Room (Men) \$20,000
- Main Hallway Vestibule to/from Church \$20,000
- Kitchen Cabinets \$17,500
- Southwest Windows (2)\$14,900 (\$7,450 each)
- Southeast Drive-Up Ramp with Railings \$10,000
- Paved Garden Walk Between Church & St. Damien Center \$10,000
- AV System: includes 55" TV and Visix digital signage \$5,500
- St. Damien Space Storage Room \$4,000
- Mechanical Room ~ \$4,000

Go to our website at: www.sacredheartmoline.org to make a donation online or contact DeAnn Gandia at 309-762-2362 in the Parish Office. Any donation in any amount is appreciated. Thank you!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Adoration & Benediction

Every Wednesday | 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
 St. Francis Chapel

First Friday | 7:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
 St. Francis Chapel

For more information or to sign up for your personal hour, contact: Loretta Ceurvorst (309) 762-0503.



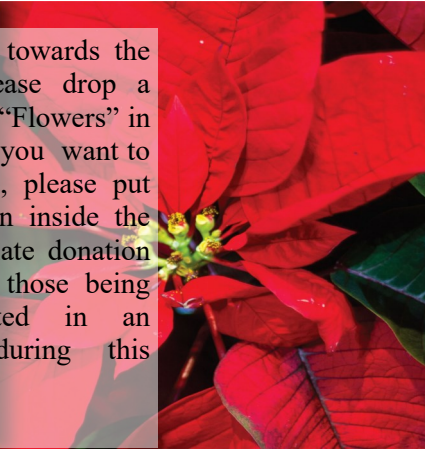
**SACRED HEART
RETIRES' GROUP**

2024 Social Gathering and Lunch Dates
Culemans Fellowship Hall
1400 16th Avenue, Moline, IL

2024 Dates
Jan. 11 ~ Feb. 8
Mar. 14 ~ Apr. 11 ~ May 9

All retired couples, widows, widowers, single and clergy are invited.

Call Carol at (309) 796-2569 to place your order for pizza or bring a sack lunch



If you want to donate towards the Christmas Flowers please drop a white envelope marked "Flowers" in the collection basket. If you want to remember a loved one, please put the name of the person inside the envelope. An appropriate donation is \$35.00. Names of those being remembered are listed in an upcoming bulletin during this Christmas season.

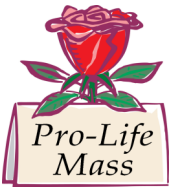
MERRY CHRISTMAS **CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEARS OFFICE HOURS**

In observance of the Christmas and New Year's Holiday, the Lee Parish Office is closed from Friday, December 22, through Tuesday, January 2, 2024, returning on Wednesday, January 3. For emergency calls for the anointing of the sick only, please call (309) 762-2362 and follow the prompts. The Sacred Heart Staff checks in periodically for their messages. We wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year.

PRAYING FOR YOU

Please note: Names are listed for 4 weeks only, then moved to our larger list of names that appears once a month in the bulletin.

Glen Doerr, Cecilia Rasichel, Anne Steckel, Dan Camper



St. Ambrose Catholic Church
312 W. First St., Milan, IL
January 21, 2024
Mass at 8:00 a.m.

The Christmas Wafer



Sacred Heart is offering the **Christmas Wafer** again this year. The word "Bethlehem" means house of bread. The breaking of the bread is a sign of charity, unity, and friendship. A wafer bearing the simple design of Christ's birth is broken by the head of the family and is distributed to family members, each is wished a joyful feast. The bond of unity

is the Christ-like charity existing amongst the members of the family. We ask that you make a donation of a \$1.00 to cover the cost of the wafers, located in the front vestibule of the church. Thank you.

PARISH EVENTS TO REMEMBER

Saturday Confessions	2:45-4:00 p.m. St. Damien Hall
Advent Communal Penance Service	Monday, December 18 6:30 p.m. in church
Additional Confessions	December 21 and 22 6:00-7:00 p.m. St. Damien Hall
No morning Mass	December 23
Saturday Vigil Mass	December 23 ~ 4:00 p.m.
4th Sunday of Advent Masses	December 24 7:00, 9:15, 11:00 a.m.
Church Decorating Volunteers Needed	Sunday, December 24 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Christmas Eve Masses	Sunday, December 24 4:00, 6:00, 10:00 p.m.
Christmas Day Masses	Monday, December 25 7:00, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Masses The Holy Family	December 31 7:00, 9:15, 11:00 a.m.
New Year's Eve	No Vigil Mass
New Year's Day	Monday, January 1 7:00, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 7, 2024 Parish Epiphany Party	1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. St. Damien Center

LITURGICAL ROLES

4:00pm Mass December 23, 2023

Celebrant/Deacon:	Fr. Mark, Deacon Mike
Readers	Michael Lotspeich, Denise Maynard
Eucharist	Fr. Mark Deacon Mike, Anne Lilius/C, Thomas Buchmeyer/Choir
Servers	Conner Ryan, Bailee Ryan, Abigail Ryan
Greeters	Mary Rodkey/BD, Shirley Teter/MD Darlene Montag/HD, Don Raischel/ED Michael Bruce/WD
Ushers	Steve Berndt, Joe Ryan, Al Gorgal, Pete Murray Joe Montag
Music	Garrin Jost, Cheryl Bolt

7:00am Mass December 24, 2023

Celebrant/Deacon:	Fr. Mark, Deacon Mike
Readers	Sue Schwaegler, John O'Shea
Eucharist	Fr. Mark, Deacon Mike, Jon Hutton/C
Servers	Gabriel Knack, Jude Knack, Brandon Zeman
Greeters	Beth Pelletier/BD, Carmen Vargas/MD, Terry DeGraeve/HD, Carol Simatovich/ED Tyler Zeman/WD
Ushers	Dan David, Dan Morris, Mike Starr, Jim Vrombaut

9:15am Mass December 24, 2023

Celebrant/Deacon:	Fr. Mark, Deacon Matt
Readers	Jim Watson, Vicky Earel
Eucharist	Fr. Mark, Deacon Matt, Sara Murray-Otto/C Connie Coene, Debbie Patronagio, Cusi Graf, Amy Mack, Aaron Graf/Choir
Servers	Mano Graf, Leo Graf, Atticus Graf
Greeters	Dorothy Hillmer/BD, Alicia Gonzalez/MD Eleazar Gonzalez/HD, Deb Heleg-Greza/ED Vicky Earel/WD
Ushers	John DeCock, Jim Earel, EJ Fecht, Gary Francque, John Noe
No Music	Quiet Mass

11:00am Mass December 24, 2023

Celebrant/Deacon:	Fr. Mark, Deacon Matt
Readers	Allison Possin, John Soliz
Eucharist	Fr. Mark, Deacon Matt, Shawn Keeven/C Joe Terronez/Choir
Servers	Malin Olson, Peter Keeven, Claire Keeven
Greeters	Terri Hayes/BD, Lucy Martinez/MD, Deb Terronez/ HD, Pat DeBacker/ED, Allison Possin/WD
Ushers	Brad Hayes, Refugio Nache, Joe Terronez Chris Vershaw, Neil Young
No Music	Quiet Mass

JOY TO THE WORLD CHRISTMAS MORNING MASS

The Adult Choir is singing for the Christmas Day Mass at 10:00 a.m. If you were thinking about joining the choir, but just not sure you have enough time, this is a great way to try out the ministry. We are singing many Christmas carols for Mass. Rehearsal is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. on Monday, December 18. Please consider joining us for Christmas!



Celebration Choir

The Celebration Choir (youth ages 8-18) is singing at the 4:00 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve this year! All music is provided and no sign-up is needed. Please contact

cbolt@sacredheartmoline.org with any questions.

Rehearsal is Monday from 3:30-4:30 p.m.: December 18, in the church.

Music Ministry At Sacred Heart

Adult Choir:

There is an open invitation to anyone wishing to join the Sacred Heart Adult Choir. Rehearsals are held in the church choir loft on Monday evenings from 5:30-7:00 p.m. Please park in the back parking lot behind the church and enter the east side door to the church. All are welcome!



Instrumentalists:

Please consider playing your instrument at Mass. Some experience is required for this ministry. If you had lessons or have other performance experience, please consider joining this ministry. The schedule is flexible.



Please email Cheryl at cbolt@sacredheartmoline.org if you are interested in joining these ministries.



The Ladies from our Altar & Rosary Society shared a fun afternoon together at Lavender Crest for their annual Christmas Luncheon. Merry Christmas to all!

Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Sunday, December 17 | Third Sunday of Advent | Gaudete Sunday

7:00 a.m. †Living & Deceased Members of the Jesus Vargas Family/
Family
9:15 a.m. Special Intentions of the People of Sacred Heart
11:00 a.m. †Tom Terronez/Joe & Deb Terronez

Monday, December 18 | Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. †Doug & JoAnn Spears/Dick & Sally Neubauer

Tuesday, December 19 | Advent Weekday

6:30 a.m. †Manuel & Antonia Herrera/Daughters
8:00 a.m. †Kay Johnson/Robert Johnson

Wednesday, December 20 | Advent Weekday

6:30 a.m. †Bea Miller/Marcia & Mike Starr
8:00 a.m. †Special Intentions of Mrs. Maureen O'Keeffe & Family/
Richard Hourigan

Thursday, December 21 | Advent Weekday | St. Peter Canisius

6:30 a.m. †Joe DeGraeve/Terry & Joey
8:00 a.m. †Albert & Madeline DeLille/DeLille Family

Friday, December 22 | Advent Weekday

6:30 a.m. †Special Intentions of Glen Doerr/Debbie Patronagio
8:00 a.m. †Dave Schoeve/Rita Schoeve

Saturday, December 23 | St. John of Kanty

8:00 a.m. †No Mass
4:00 p.m. †Jose Martinez/Teresa Camarillo

Sunday, December 24 | Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:00 a.m. †Frank Heartjens/Evan Leemans
9:15 a.m. Special Intentions of the People of Sacred Heart
11:00 a.m. †Don & Alice DeWulf/Cheryl & Brian Westin

Sunday, December 24 | Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. †Aurora Johnson/Brad Johnson
6:00 p.m. †Peggy Tipton/Family
10:00 p.m. †Ben Rogers/Rogers Family

UPCOMING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17 - Third Sunday of Advent - Food Pantry Weekend

Mass	7:00am	Church
Mass/Rite of Acceptance for Confirmation	9:15am	Church
Children's Liturgy of the Word	9:15am	Church
Expectant Mother's/Family Blessing	9:15am	Church
Religious Education	10:15am	F. Hall/A.V. Rm
Confirmation Sponsors Meeting	10:15am	St. Damien Hall
Mass	11:00am	Church
Hispanic Ministry Meeting	12:00pm	St. Damien Hall
Art & Environment	12:00pm	Church
Advent Vespers/Grace Notes Concert	4:00pm	Church

MONDAY, DECEMBER 18

Daily Mass	8:00am	Church
Children's Christmas Choir Rehearsal	3:30pm	Church
Adult Choir Rehearsal	5:30pm	Church
Advent Communal Penance Service	6:30pm	Church

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Daily Mass	6:30am	Church
Daily Mass	8:00am	Church
RCIC Classes	4:30pm	LPC
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Los Posadas	6-8pm	F. Hall
NO OCIA/RCIA Sessions	XXXXX	XXXXX

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

Daily Mass	6:30am	Church
Eucharistic Adoration	7:00am	Chapel
Daily Mass	8:00am	Church
Closing Prayer and Benediction	4:00pm	Chapel

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21

Daily Mass	6:30am	Church
Daily Mass	8:00am	Church
Sunday by Sunday	2:00pm	Raney I
Seton Advent Prayer Service	2:30pm	Church
Advent Confessions	5:30-7:30pm	St. Damien Hall

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 22 - LEE PARISH CENTER CLOSED

Daily Mass	6:30am	Church
Rosary for Ukraine	7:40am	Church
Daily Mass	8:00am	Church
Advent Confessions	5:30-7:30pm	St. Damien Hall

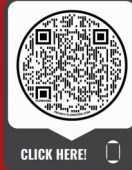
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

NO Daily Mass	XXXXX	XXXXX
Reconciliation/Note time change	2:45pm	St. Damien Hall
Mass	4:00pm	Church

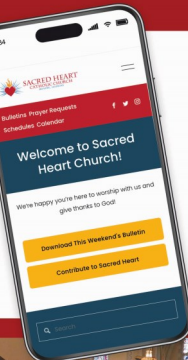
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

Mass	7:00am	Church
No Children's Liturgy of the Word	XXXXX	XXXXX
No Religious Education	XXXXX	XXXXX
Mass	9:15am	Church
Mass	11:00am	Church
Art & Environment	12:00pm	Church
Christmas Eve Children's Mass	4:00pm	Church
Christmas Eve Mass	6:00pm	Church
Christmas Eve Mass	10:00pm	Church

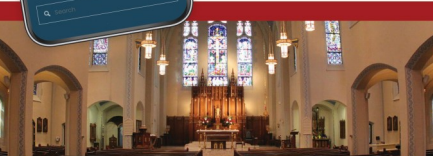
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SOMETHING NEW AT SACRED HEART

Have you noticed the new **QR Code** cards attached to the pews in the church? For your convenience, you have faster access to our church bulletin, news about the parish, and a convenient way to make a one time or recurring donations to the parish. Give it a try next time you are in church.

MERRY
CHRISTMAS



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