

# SACRED HEART PARISH FAMILY

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## **SACRED HEART MISSION STATEMENT**

*“We the community of Sacred Heart are committed to serving God and each other through our faith in Jesus Christ. We strive to do this through a joyful celebration of the Eucharist, a spirit of hospitality, a commitment to community outreach, a sense of responsibility to others and through the ongoing nourishment of our minds and hearts.”*

### **SUNDAY LITURGIES**

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

Thursday 4:30-6:00 PM

or by appointment

### **WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

As listed inside

**WE WELCOME YOU TO SACRED HEART PARISH FAMILY.** If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself to Father Stan after Mass. We would also appreciate it if you would come to or call the office and register. We need to know who you are so that we may serve you better.

### **SHUT INS**

Please notify us of parishioners who are in the hospital. If any parishioner is unable to celebrate Liturgy with us because of illness or handicap, please notify the office so that we may bring Eucharist to them.

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**Welcome**

The parish family of Sacred Heart welcomes you!

Whether this is one of your first visits with us or your first visit in a while; know that you are always welcome here.

Whatever called you to be with us today; know that we were all called here once, just like you were. Pray with us. Celebrate with us. Walk together with us in faith. We eat together a lot; there's always plenty of food and it's always good so please join us for that, too.

Above all, please let us know when there is anything we can do, any question we can help you answer, any need we can fill – anything at all that we can do to help you on your journey of faith.

**Q & A About The New Missal – Part 3**

*By Father Paul Turner*

**Q. Do the upcoming changes only affect the Mass?**

A. At the present time, yes. They only affect the Mass. But they will eventually affect the other sacraments and prayers that we say as a Church. The Mass is the most important one so the work has begun there. But once these changes are implemented I think you can expect to see similar changes coming in all of the other ceremonies that we use in the Catholic Church.

**Q. When are they thinking these changes will go into effect?**

A. The First Sunday of Advent, which is November 27, 2011.

**Q. If these changes are going to go into effect Advent of this year, why are we talking about the changes now?**

A. Because the changes that pertain to the order of Mass, that's the part of the Mass that everyone deals with from day to day, those changes have been published about two years ago. At that time the Congregation (Vatican Congregation for Divine Worship and Sacraments) asked us to begin catechesis on them so that we could understand what is changing and why. Right now we need some time to explain to people so that people can think about these things before we have to actually put them into practice.

**Q. What kind of catechesis will be necessary for the people sitting in the pews?**

A. I think people naturally have some very practical questions. Why did this one change? Why did that one change? We need to be ready with good answers for them. Sometimes we have to learn those. We need to learn more about the evolution of the Mass how it got to the place where it is today. So people will need a little time to figure all that out and put some words on to it.

I would encourage people to start to become familiar with the parts of the Mass that will change so that they all will be prepared for them and won't be surprised when the day comes. If they have questions about why things are changing this would be a good time to ask those questions and to read up on some answers on what is coming and why.

**The Deacon's Corner**

I have known the blessing of sharing time on earth with another,

one whom I have loved deeply..

I have been enriched by their life,

and I have felt diminished by their death.

I have lived it all:

the laughter and the tears,

the singing and the sighing,

the darkness and the light.

I have known how the world can change before your eyes when you lose the one you love so much.

I have felt lonely and alone.

Like so many others, I have been acquainted with grief.

Like so many others, I have been taught the lessons of mourning.

I have learned that love does not end - not even with death; it continues to express itself in new ways.

I have learned when I am most alone, the Spirit of God accompanies me,

when I am most afraid, the Promise of God comforts me,

when I am most fragile, the Hand of God upholds me.

I can begin to understand and appreciate life in a new way.

I am learning to see the ways in which I have been blessed

by the God who has walked with me through the grief of winter

and who accompanies me into the grace of summer's new life.

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## In the Area

### Please Join Us!

Saint James School Drama Club presents:

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Date: June 4, 2011 - Time: 7pm

Place: Saint James School Auditorium

Tickets: \$5.00/person  
(can be purchased at the door)

## Praise Festival

The 10th annual Praise Festival, organized by the Council of Christian Arts in Windham County, Connecticut, will be held this Sunday, June 5 starting at 1 pm. The festival will be held at Jilson Square in downtown Willimantic, featuring live music on two stages including Traveler, Further Still, Heart's Cry, Sound Judgement, and The Core. At 3 pm, there will be Family Fun with "The Great Benefuchi." Throughout the event, there will also be displays, food, time for testimonies and praise. Admission and parking are free!

## Novena

Prayer Service & Novena to St. Peregrine: June 5 & 13 at 7pm, St. Bernard Church, Rockville Cancer touches each one of us either directly or through the diagnosis of a loved one. God gave us Saint Peregrine, the patron saint of cancer patients, as a prayer partner and inspiration for all touched by cancer. St. Peregrine knew firsthand the pain of cancer, the joy of a miracle cure, and he was transformed by his cancer experience to a life of service in union with Christ crucified. For more information visit the Adult Faith tab at the church's website, [saintbernardchurch.org](http://saintbernardchurch.org).

## Understanding the Role of Music Ministry

***Cherish Is the Word: Understanding the Role of Music Ministry in the Catholic Church*** - Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center in West Hartford will hold a Music Ministers' Evening Retreat on June 14 and 15 (same program) presented by Fr. David Cinquegrani, C.P. The Ministry of Music is described as "cherished" by the Church in its documents on liturgy. This evening will be an opportunity to gain more insight into music as an essential element of Catholic worship. Come and experience the beauty of the liturgy and music at Holy Family and be refreshed and renewed for the work that lies ahead. The evening begins with a buffet dinner at 6pm and ends at 9pm. The \$35 offering includes dinner. Register at [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org). Information is available at (860) 521-0440.

## Readings for the Week

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20  
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33  
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a  
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19  
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26  
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19  
Saturday: Morning: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3/Jn 21:20-25  
Next Sunday: Vigil: Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ez 37:1-14 or Jl 3:1-5/Rom 8:22-27/Jn 7:37-39  
Day: Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

## In the Diocese

Law Enforcement Blue Mass Committee presents

## The Blessing of the Bikes

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## A PENTECOST RALLY

... will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St. Patrick Auditorium, 213 Broadway, Norwich, CT 06360 on Sunday, June 12, 2011 at 2:00 PM.

Guest Speaker will be Reverend Tomasz Albrecht, Parochial Vicar at St. Agnes Church in Niantic, CT.

Come and celebrate with us as we enjoy music, song, prayer and praise. For more information, please call Spiritual Renewal Services at 860-887-0702.

## In the Cluster

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## The Word of God This Week

Set time aside each day this week with other members of your household, with other members of your parish or alone to listen to and reflect on the living Word of God. Use these passages from the Lectionary that are assigned for Liturgy this week. Reflect on how the Lord is inviting you to a deeper union with him.

### TODAY

**Acts 1:12–14**  
**1 Peter 4:13–16**  
**John 17:1–11A**

### MONDAY

**John 16:29–33**  
*"I have conquered the world!"*

### TUESDAY

**John 17:1–11A**  
*"Father, the hour has come."*

### WEDNESDAY

**John 17:11B–19**  
*"... protect them from the evil one."*

### THURSDAY

**John 17:20–26**  
*"The glory that you have given me I have given them."*

### FRIDAY

**John 21:15–19**  
*"Tend my sheep."*

### SATURDAY

**John 21:20–25**  
*"Follow me!"*

## The God Within Us

A college student landed a summer job working on the street department in a small rural community where they directed him to paint the yellow line down the center of the highway by hand. After three days of this work his supervisor called him in. "The first day on the job, you painted three miles of the yellow line. The second day you painted two miles. But today you only painted one mile. We can't accept this. You're fired." As the young man left the office, he looked back and he said, "You know, it's not entirely my fault. Each day I got farther away from the paint can."

Sometimes we imagine God as a paint can, as a presence outside of ourselves. We see God as closer or farther away from us, depending on where we stand. We think we are closer to God when we pray or when we do what is good. We limit God's presence to a church or the beauty of nature. We imagine God dwelling in saintly people like Mother Theresa or in church leaders like Pope Benedict. Of course God is present in these people and places. But prior to any of these presences, God is present in us. God is in our hearts.

This truth is powerfully expressed in today's Gospel. Jesus prays to his Father, revealing that even as he returns to the Father, both the Father and Son remain in us. The glory of the Gospel is that we abide in God's very life. God is not like a paint can exterior to ourselves. God lives within us.



## The Faith of the Church

The bishops of the Second Vatican Council assert that Christ is at work in human hearts through the energy of his Spirit. He animates, purifies, and strengthens every noble longing of humanity by which men and women strive to make life more human and render the whole earth submissive to God's purpose (Cf. *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World* 38).



## Questions of the Week

Today's gospel is taken from the Farewell Discourse of Jesus which the Fourth Gospel presents at the conclusion of the Last Supper. Jesus' powerful words assure us that we share in the very life of God.

### Adults

*What simple steps can I take to remind myself that God is always with me and that I can always trust in God's guidance and love?*

### Children

*Do I realize that God knows me better than anyone else and is always here to help me?*

Visit us at [www.FaithFirst.com](http://www.FaithFirst.com) (click on "Gospel Reflections") and share today's Gospel reading as a family.

## Responding to God's Word . . .

When we acknowledge the abiding presence of God within us, we will understand that God is present to us in every situation.

God is with us when we succeed, when we love generously, and when we serve faithfully. God rejoices in our goodness and calls us to love even more deeply, to give more generously. He knows the more giving we are, the happier we will be. God is with us when we sin. He waits for us to see the wastefulness of our selfishness, the destructiveness of our anger, the foolishness of our prejudice. God calls us to change.

He is with us in our suffering—when our world falls apart, when the people we love leave us, when sickness and death surround us. God is with us, affirming us and calling us to patience and to courage.

God is with us forever. He is closer to us than we are to ourselves. It is only when we know and accept this truth that we can be people of hope. Hope flows from believing that there is a power greater than our strength and cleverness. God is the one who is with us, supporting us, guiding us, leading us to life.

## SUGGESTIONS

Use one of these suggestions or one of your own to respond to God's Word this week.

**In the home.** At a family meal or gathering, ask each member to share a time when he or she realized that God was present and how such a presence can bless others.

**In the workplace or in school.** When facing a difficulty at school or work, pause and ask for help from the God who dwells within you.

**In the community.** Encourage someone who is coping with sickness, divorce, or any other trouble that God is close at hand.



## Meditation Moment

Mark Twain's wit and charm made him popular not only in America but also in Europe. On one European trip, he was invited to dine with a head of state. When Twain's little daughter learned of the invitation, she said, "Daddy, you know every big person there is to know, except God." She was referring to the fact that her daddy was not a religious man, at least in the formal sense.

### For reflection . . .

An example of Twain's irreligious wit is this sentence from his Notebook: "If Christ were here now, there is one thing he would not be—a Christian." What is Twain's point and to what extent might it be valid today?

RELIGION IS NOT A WAY OF LOOKING AT CERTAIN THINGS. IT IS A CERTAIN WAY OF LOOKING AT EVERYTHING.

ROBERT E. SEGAL

FROM *VISION* BY MARK LINK, SJ

## A Prayer to the God Within Us

God of Love,  
there are times when  
I feel alone, when those I  
love ignore me, when those who  
dislike me gloat, when even friends  
do not understand, when my usual  
burdens become too great to bear.  
In these empty moments, remind  
me of your faithfulness. In these  
times of despair, console me  
with your grace. In these deserts  
of isolation, support me with  
the truth that you are  
abiding in my heart.  
Amen.

Carry this thought in your heart as a guide for your faith journey this week.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land.

Deuteronomy 34:10–11

## Profile in Faith

### Moses

The closeness of Moses to God is unparalleled in the history of Israel. Unlike others who received revelation, Moses spoke to God "face to face, as one speaks to a friend" (Exodus 33:11). Moses' intimacy with God was an anticipation of the remarkable closeness that God shares with every Christian believer.

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## THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### SATURDAY

4:30pm **Mass: Carol Deraleau, 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary**, requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family

### SUNDAY

8:00am **Mass: For the People of the Parish**

10:30am **Mass: In Thanksgiving for 40 Years of Priestly Ministry**

### MONDAY -

(No Mass)

### TUESDAY

9:00am **Mass: Carol Deraleau**, requested by her family

### WEDNESDAY

11:00am **Mass at Welles Village**

### THURSDAY

7:00pm **Mass: Salvatore Marchese**, requested by Frank & Maria Neri

### FRIDAY

(No Mass)

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

### SATURDAY

4:30pm **Mass: Francis & Vilma Valli**, requested by their daughter, Donna, - and - **Arthur Ayotte**, requested by Donna & Joseph Labrie

### SUNDAY

8:00am **Mass: Mary & Corey Balsinger**, requested by the Augustyn Family

10:30am **Mass: Paul "Herbie" Herbst**, requested by the Sacred Heart Parish Family

## Meetings

### SATURDAY

7:30pm **Narcotics Anonymous**, North Activity Rooms

### SUNDAY

1:00pm **Fellowship before and after Mass**  
**40th Anniversary Party for Father Stan**  
- at Villa Louisa

### MONDAY

7:00pm **OFFICES CLOSED**  
**Haiti Committee**, Deacon Chuck White Memorial  
Haiti Ministry Room

### TUESDAY

7:00pm **Cluster Meeting**

### WEDNESDAY

7:00pm **Pastoral Council**, Library

8:00pm **Alcoholics Anonymous**, South Community Rooms

### THURSDAY

10:00am **Bible Study**, South Community Rooms

7:30pm **Alcoholics Anonymous Big Book**, South  
Community Rooms

### SATURDAY

7:30pm **Narcotics Anonymous**, North Activity Rooms

### SUNDAY

**1<sup>st</sup> Communion Pancake Breakfast after Mass**  
*Courtesy of the Knights of Columbus*

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

### **– BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**

Parents please call three months prior to baptism date for an appointment with a Pastoral Team member who will detail the program for parents.

## **SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY –**

Couples planning to marry take part in marriage information program at least nine months prior to the wedding date.

## **FAITH FORMATION SESSIONS –**

October through May  
Call 875-4563 for information

## **MONTHLY ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Oratory**

The first Friday of each month  
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Monday Thru Friday - 8:30 AM

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