

# SACRED HEART PARISH FAMILY

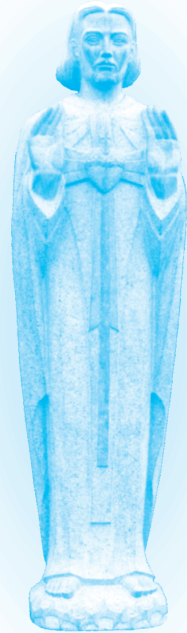
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trustee

**Fr. Stan Szczapa**  
pastor



## **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 5:45 PM

Sunday 10:45 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.

“Handicapped Accessible”

## Readings for the Week

Sunday: Ex 24:3-8/Heb 9:11-15/Mk 14:12-16, 22-26  
 Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Mt 5:38-42  
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Mt 5:43-48  
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
 Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Mt 6:7-15  
 Friday: Hos 11:1, 3-4, 8c-9/Eph 3:8-12,  
 14-19/Jn 19:31-37  
 Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Lk 2:41-51  
 Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41

## Help Needed

We need help for the following ministries:

**Liturgy of the Word with Children** – at the 10:45am Mass on Sundays, one more person is needed to present and reflect the Sunday Scripture readings with the children of the parish. With four people on the team, each member of the team would be scheduled only once a month. Can you spare one Sunday a month to minister to the children of our parish?

**Babysitting/Childcare** – two more people are needed to offer babysitting/childcare services at the Sunday 10:45am Mass to the young families of our parish. If we could have two more people willing to help at this Mass, you would be assigned to one Mass per month.

Please see Rella for more information.

## ***2009 FIRST COMMUNICANTS***

The following children received Holy Communion for the first time this past Easter Season:

<b>Clayton Aafedt</b>	<b>Noah Moulton</b>
<b>Kobe Albright</b>	<b>Grace Smith</b>
<b>Megan Dosouto</b>	<b>Ashley Stanton</b>
<b>Cassandra Eppler</b>	<b>Emily Stanton</b>
<b>Olivia Gillis</b>	

We congratulate them and their families and pray for God's continued blessings on them as they grow in God's love.

## Please Note

Rella will not be in the Faith Formation Office on Tuesday morning, June 16th and Friday morning, June 19th. The Faith Formation Office will open at 12:30pm on these days.

## Youth Group

Some members of the Youth Group will be helping to prepare and serve lunch at Cornerstone on Saturday, June 27th. We will leave the church parking lot at 9:50am.

# **Make Your Own Salad, Sandwich and Sundae**

*on*

## **Saturday, June 20, 2009**

### **After the 5:45pm Mass**

*For the Benefit of Haiti Ministry*

## Golf Tournament

Holy Family Passionist Retreat Center is holding its 9th Annual Gerald J. Kristofak Memorial Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 18, at Blue Fox Run Golf Course in Avon, CT. **Please bring your gently used golf clubs to the tournament and donate them.** Clubsforacause.com will then convert them into cash for our tournament! Just bring the clubs either to Holy Family before the tournament or to Blue Fox Run the day of and we'll take care of the rest. For more info visit [www.holyfamilyretreat.org](http://www.holyfamilyretreat.org) or call 860-521-0440 ext. 116.

## MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Great Progress!

To date, 129 households of Sacred Heart Parish have given or pledged \$21,560 to the 2009 Annual Bishop's Appeal, which represents 75% of our \$28,800 goal. *Thank you!*

If you have not yet made your pledge, please add **your** gift, whatever the amount, in solidarity with those who have already given by returning your pledge envelope at your earliest convenience.

One hundred percent of your ABA gift is used **exclusively** to support our shared Diocesan and Parish ministries across eastern Connecticut. Please be as generous as your means allow.

### Pastoral Council - Sacred Heart

**May 20, 2009 - PRESENT:** R. Bernabucci, L. Deraleau, Fr. Stan, Fr. Tony, E. Golnik, B. Gonsalves, D. Maxa, S. Rice, M. Simcoe, D. Valli, **ABSENT:** J. Crane, S. Dosouto, C. Duhamel, C. Gagnon, J. Higgins, P. Michaud, M. Powell, M. Staggenborg, M. Kurban

The meeting opened with scripture reading, reflection, sharing and prayer.

The minutes of the January 21, 2009 and April 22, 2009 meetings were accepted as written.

#### OLD BUSINESS

**1. LARRY'S PLAN:** The plan is on hold at this time. Sandy and Larry are planning to go through the list to eliminate or add names. The list is based on the 1985 census and includes additions and eliminations made in the years since then.

**2. BASKET RAFFLE/HOMETOWN BUFFET EVENT:** Rella will contact Pat to see if she would like to help with this again or if she has information we might use to organize these events. July or

October seemed like good times for the Hometown Buffet Event. Don will work on this with Pat or anyone else who would like to help.

November 14 and 15 are possible dates for a basket raffle. We need someone to organize this event and people to donate baskets etc.

The person/persons in charge of these events will need to e-mail a report to Donna so the details can be sent to the pastoral council members.

**3. WHERE ARE WE GOING?** Many topics relating to this question were discussed.

- > Difficulties to be faced when we have only one priest between the 2 parishes
- > CARA Report – mass participation is dropping off nationwide
- > How do we keep people who are here?
- > How do we keep our young people?
- > How do we attract young families?
- > How do we strengthen what we have?
- > How does the council help to bring others to the parish?
- > What do we want to be known for?
- > What is the shape of this parish?

Rella spoke about the possibility of evening programs for the young people of the parish (18-20's). A connection needs to be made between this age group and the parish at large. Offerings for this age group would help them to feel that they are a necessary part of this parish family.

**4. HOW DO WE GET THERE?** The possibility of a parish meeting was suggested. A meeting would give parishioners a chance to express their opinions and or concerns. A decision will need to be made about who the facilitator would be. Sr. Elissa and Sr. Virginia Sheehan were suggested as possibilities.

#### NEW BUSINESS

**1. CONEY ISLAND PICNIC:** This event will be held on Sunday, May 31. Tents will be set up on the front lawn. Meat and beverages will be provided by the parish and traditional picnic dishes will be provided by the parishioners. Strawberry shortcake will be served as dessert. The proceeds will benefit the Caregivers.

**2. ROSE COMMONS:** The 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Rose Commons will be celebrated by the residents and the board on Friday, May 29. On Sunday afternoon, May 31, there will be an Open House at Rose Commons for all interested individuals.

Larry is working on conducting Communion Services on the first Friday of each month at Rose Commons. This will benefit the people who live there and are unable to cross the parking lot for mass.

**3. NEW PASTORAL COUNCIL MEMBERS:** The new members of the Pastoral Council will be chosen at the masses on Pentecost. They will be invited to the June meeting of the council. Ernie, Mary Ann and Donna will work together on an agenda for the June meeting.

**4. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:** June 17 @ 7p.m. in the Library.

The meeting ended with a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Valli

*JUNE 14, 2009*

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## The Work of the Church

### *THE MOST HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST*

#### SATURDAY

5:45pm **Mass: *Muriel Levitt***, requested by the  
Family of Helena Daly

#### SUNDAY

10:45am **Mass: *For our First Communicants***

#### MONDAY (11<sup>TH</sup> WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME BEGINS)

9:00am **Liturgy of the Word with Communion**

#### TUESDAY

9:00am **Mass: *For the People of the Parish***

#### WEDNESDAY

9:00am **Mass: *Gaspare Davia***, requested by Maria  
Davia

#### THURSDAY

7:00pm **Mass: *Rita (Reilly) Marceau***

7:45pm **Intercessory Prayer**, Eucharistic Chapel

#### FRIDAY

9:00am **Mass: *Alice Szczapa, 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***

### *THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS*

#### SATURDAY

5:45pm **Mass: *Fabienne Patenaude***, requested by  
Arthur & Pauline Casey

#### SUNDAY

10:45am **Mass: *Ed Kayan***, requested by Elaine & Joe  
Brown

- and -

**Mary Brown**, requested by Elaine & Joe  
Brown

## Meetings

#### SATURDAY

7:30pm **Narcotics Anonymous**, South Community  
Rooms

SUNDAY Fellowship before and after Mass

MONDAY **Offices Closed**

#### WEDNESDAY

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

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

#### THURSDAY

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

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

#### SATURDAY

7:30pm **Narcotics Anonymous**, South Community  
Rooms

SUNDAY Fellowship before and after Mass

## **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  
– 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

## **ROSARY – Oratory**

Monday Thru Friday - 8:30 AM

## **INTERCESSORY PRAYER – Oratory**

Thursday - 7:45 - 8:15 PM

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# dear Padre

## What is an icon?

June 14, 2009

*How is an icon different from a regular painting of a saint?*

*Cheryl*

**Dear Cheryl,**

In general usage, the word icon means any symbol or image. In the Church, however, it refers to an image that depicts Bible stories or holy people. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, icons spread the Gospel with images instead of words (1160).

The word icon comes from the Greek word eikenai, "to be like." Icons originated with the Eastern Church.

Even though an icon is an image created with paints, icons are written, not painted. Icon writing, called iconography, is a vocation as well as a talent.

But all painted representations of the saints, Mary, and Jesus are not icons. The difference between a painting of Mary and an icon of Mary is that iconographers follow strict rules and standards set forth in Eastern Church canon law and Christian tradition. Well rooted in God's Word, icons are rich in symbolism. The colors, gestures, and shapes speak spiritually to invite us to pray and worship.

Icons can be written on almost any surface, but historically most were written on wood and had a gold-leaf background. One example of this type of icon is Our Lady of Perpetual Help, which is believed to have been written in the thirteenth century. It, like all liturgical icons, brings us deeper into the Divine: the overflowing, overwhelming love of God for everyone.

*Kevin Fraher, C.Ss.R.*

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### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturdays at 4:00 PM

Sundays at 8:45 AM

Holy Days - 9:00 AM & 7:00 PM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Saturday from 3:00 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

Also by appointment.

### BAPTISMAL INITIATIONS:

Please call the rectory (643-4466).

The Sacramental Guidelines define Church Membership in terms of Sunday Mass attendance and Church support. For membership verification and Sponsorship certificate, registration and regular use of the envelope system are the only way we have of verifying this for you. Please notify us if there are changes in your address, marital status, etc., so that we may update your records.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Arrangements must start more than 6 months before marriage. Necessary interviews, a pre-cana course and plenty of paperwork is required. We strongly urge you to contact us to begin the Diocesan preparation course as soon as you are engaged to get the most out of it without rush.

### WELCOME!

If you are new in the Parish, Please register and introduce yourself to the Pastor. The Parishioners wish to meet and serve you! Drop by at our Coffee Social after the Sunday Masses on 2nd Sunday of the month and Pancake Breakfast every 4th Sunday. We hope you will favor your parish with your prayers, your presence, your talents and your financial assistance according to your means!

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**FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY  
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

**Saturday, June 13, 2009**

**4:00 P.M. Mass: Robert Magnano, request  
Gloria Holbrook, and for Wayne Fruke,  
request of Katherine Fruke**

**Sunday, June 14, 2009**

**8:45 A.M. Mass: for Donald Sullivan, request  
of Mr. & Mrs. Peter Ruvolo**

**Next Weekend**

**Saturday, June 20, 2009 -**

**4:00 P.M. Mass: for Gary Martin and Ivan  
Dube**

**Sunday, June 21, 2009**

**8:45 A.M. Mass: for Frank Hilbie and for  
Anthony & Mamie Maneggia**

**GOD'S PLAN FOR TITHING**

Last week's offertory \$ 3,164

Last year's offertory \$ 4,995

*"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it." Mk 14:23*

Jesus the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself to us completely for our salvation. He offered us the chance to drink from His cup. In the Eucharist we meet Christ personally and, if we listen to Him, we will know what drinking from His cup means for each of us. Often it means our own sacrifice – giving up some of our time, talent and treasure to do His work on earth.



**LAST CHANCE...SUMMER IS COMING...AFTER  
TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2009, CHOIR PRACTICE  
WILL BE ON VACATION, TO BE RESUMED  
IN THE FALL.**

**THIS WEEK  
FEAST OF THE MOST HOLY BODY  
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

*"While they were eating, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, gave it to them, and said, "Take it; this is my body." Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, and they all drank from it. He said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed for many. Amen..."*

*Fr. Tony, celebrant  
Ushers Group IV*

**First Holy Communion Mass 1:30 p.m.**

**Mon. June 15, 2009: Mass at 9:00 a.m., (Fr. Tony)  
For the Intentions of Margaret Fontanella,  
request of the Thursday Prayer Group**

**Tue. June 16, 2009: Mass at 9:00 a.m. (Fr. Tony)  
for Donald Sullivan, request of Brian  
Murphy**

**LAST CHOIR REHEARSAL at 7:15 p.m.**

**Wed. June 17, 2009: Mass at 9:00 a.m. (Fr. Tony)  
Christmas Fair Workshop at 9:00 a.m.**

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED  
SACRAMENT**



**Thu. June 18, 2009: Mass at 9:00 a.m, (Fr. Tony)**

**Fri. June 19, 2009: NO MASS**

**Sat. June 20, 2009**

**Confessions 3:00 P.M. – 3:45 P.M.**

**NEXT WEEK  
TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 2009**

**4:00 P.M. MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** Stephanie Leiner

**LECTOR:** Dolores Betti

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Ted Lloyd,  
Arlene Giglio, Vi Sobol

**SUNDAY, JUNE 21, 2009**

**8:45 A.M. MASS**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** David & Chrissy Bendzinski  
Kimberly Newton

**LECTOR:** Richard Carpenter

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** James Boylan,  
Kathleen Smythe, Annedda Stiller

**2009 ABA REPORT**

<b>Parish Goal for 2009</b>	<b>\$16,000.</b>
<b># of Gifts to date, 59</b>	<b>\$ 4,802.</b>
<b># of Pledges to date, 17</b>	<b>\$ 4,500.83</b>
<b>Under our Parish goal</b>	<b>\$ 6,697.17</b>

**It is not too late to make a pledge or to make a gift to the Annual Bishops Appeal. To those who may have been away during the initial drive, or may have forgotten, please consider making your pledge or gift. The diocesan projects and charities are in need and only you can help. To those who have already made their gift or pledge.....thank you.**

*Thank you, thank you, thank you.....*

**From the Holy Trinity Monastery in St. David, Az.**

**“Thank you for your most generous contribution to our service of hospitality and mission. (\$300). You remain in our prayers,  
In Christ, Fr. Henry O.S.O.**

**And from**

**The Most Reverend Michael R. Cote, Bishop of Norwich.....**

**To: Saint Maurice Parish family,**

**“Thank you very much for your kind expression of sympathy and your promise of Masses and prayers for my father, Paul. Your thoughtfulness is a great comfort for the whole Cote family. I am sure that I speak for my mother, my brothers and sisters in thanking you for your fraternal and gracious support.....”**

**In Christ, +Michael R. Cote**

**And another from**

**Emily Smack, Executive Director of Partners for Haiti who writes in part:**

**“We thank you for your recent gift and send best wishes for the spring season. Donation amount \$1,400.00 for Paula’s orphanage, 4/14/2009 and \$1,713.50 for Paula’s orphanage 5/1/2009. We are particularly grateful to you and other donors who continue to reach out to Haitians through our organizations.”**

**PASTORAL COUNCILS:**

One of the most important concepts to emerge from the Second

Vatican Council is the notion of God’s people working together to accomplish the “saving mission” of Christ. This concept pervades all the Council documents, but most especially the *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church.*, the *Decree on the Lay Apostolate* and the *Decree on the Ministry and Life of Priests*. As these documents stress, there is “one mission and many ministries” within the Church. Given this, the Church is continually faced with the practical challenge of mobilizing and integrating the ministries in such a way that they work effectively toward the one transcendent end of continuing Christ’s “saving mission” on earth.

One way to do so is through the pastoral council. For most people, the parish is the focal point of the Church’s sacramental and non-sacramental life, and the point around which much of the Church’s work is organized. As such it is a natural setting for carrying out the Council’s teachings, a place where God’s people can come together and dedicate their energies and talents to the fulfillment of Christ’s mission on earth. Although the pastoral council is obviously not the only way this can be done, at present it is one of the more promising and practical means of implementing the Council’s vision.

**What is a Pastoral Council?**

The Parish Pastoral Council is an advisory and consultative body for the pastor. Its purpose is to promote community, to be a sign and witness of unity, and to assist the pastor in pastoral planning. The council performs its function of pastoral planning by listening to the parish community and formulating broad priorities, goals and policies which articulate and foster the mission of the parish.

1. The pastoral council is an advisory and consultative body.
2. Parishes will develop and implement bylaws for the pastoral council. Bylaws will set forth the purpose of the council, its role and function, criteria and expectations for membership, selection procedures and operational procedures.
3. A majority of the pastoral council will consist of lay persons selected by the parish. In addition, there will be representation from the full-time clergy and professed religious assigned to the parish.
4. A member of the parish finance council will serve on the pastoral council to facilitate communication between the two groups.
5. The pastor presides over the pastoral council and the chairperson conducts the meeting.

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