

Sacred Heart Catholic Church Making and Strengthening Disciples of Jesus

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February 18, 2024 | First Sunday of Lent

Liturgical Schedule

Weekday Mass Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri: 8am Wed: 8:15am & 6pm (Rosary prayed before morning Masses at 7:25am)

Weekend Masses Saturday Vigil 4pm and 6pm *(Spanish) (Rosary prayed in Spanish at 5:30pm)*

<u>Sunday</u> 8:00am, 9:30am^{*}, and 11:30am **livestreamed Rosary prayed at 7:30am*

Confessions

Wednesdays: 6:45-7:45pm *(English)* Saturdays: 2:45-3:45pm *(English)* Saturdays: 5:15-5:45pm *(Spanish)* Or by appointment

Our Chapel is Open for Prayer Mon, Tues, Thurs, & Fri: 8:30am-5pm Wednesday: 9am-8pm

> Adoration Wednesdays: 6:30-8pm

First Fridays Adoration: 8:30am-6pm Masses: 8am and 6pm

First Saturdays Mass: 8am Rosary & Marian Devotions 8:30am

Divine Mercy Chaplet Tuesdays, after the 8am Mass

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Thursdays, after 8am Mass

REPENT & BELIEVE In The Gospel MARK 1:15

Weekly Mass Intentions



Saturday, February 17 4:00 p.m. **†**Dale Alderman 6:00 p.m. Altagracia Sanchez

Sunday, February 18

8:00 a.m. For our parishioners
9:30 a.m. +Bill Pellegrino
11:30 a.m. Special Intentions of Kathy DiLuzio

Monday, February 19 8:00 a.m. Geri Piver

Tuesday, February 20 8:00 a.m. Fr. Amaro Ortiz

Wednesday, February 21

8:15 a.m. Sr. Mary Ann Urch 6:00 p.m. For vocations

Thursday, February 22 8:00 a.m. **†**Bob Dasch, Jr.

<u>Friday, February 23</u> 8:00 a.m. **†**Arlene Richmond

Saturday, February 24 4:00 p.m. **†**Patti and Dick Brennan 6:00 p.m. For our parishioners

Sunday, February 25 8:00 a.m. Jane Lupi 9:30 a.m. **†**Eileen and Paul Ballard 11:30 a.m. Mary Ledford and family

> Sanctuary Candle The sanctuary candle burns for blessings received.

Our Stewardship

February 10-11 Offertory: \$11,428.00 Education: \$1,217.00 His Heart: \$413.00

Other: \$3,765.29 **Total: \$16,823.29** Attendance: 1,129

Gospel Reflection

Today's Gospel said that Jesus "remained in the desert for forty days" (Mark 1:13). Remaining with Jesus in the desert is not easy. (Welcome to Lent.)

Further driving home how difficult it is to follow him, in Luke's Gospel, Jesus warns, "If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily" (Luke 9:23). Yet on another note, in John's Gospel, Jesus commands us, "Remain in my love" (John 15:9). Remaining in Jesus' love isn't easy, either—especially when it involves the desert.

Feeling like it's too difficult to do this by ourselves is okay. It's often exactly where God wants us— because it pushes us to rely on him. That can be a place of profound growth. Our parish, and those we serve, relies on you to help us meet our many needs and the needs of our community. As you lift the cross Jesus asks of you this Lent, please remember our Catholic Ministry Appeal. We are counting on you. This Lent, count on us, and count on God! We'll walk in the desert with you.

TOGETHER WE PRAY

More numerous than the stars in the sky are your blessings, O Good and Gracious God.

You have called us to spread the Good News of your Son, Jesus Christ, through our words and actions.

Strengthen our faith and open our hearts to care for all our brothers and sisters, especially those who need us the most.

Help us to understand the difference we can make, the love we can share and the lives we can bring to Christ through our Catholic Ministry Appeal.

We pray that your grace, O Lord, will lead us to be your loving heart and hands today. Amen.



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This Week at Sacred Heart

If you need information about a ministry listed, call the office. We'd be happy to get you connected to them!

Sunday, February 18th, First Sunday of Lent

- Gn 9:8-15, 1 Pt 3:18-22, Mk 1:12-15
- Rosary, 9am, Chapel

Monday, February 19th:

- Office Closed
- Legion of Mary, 8:30am, Marian Room

Tuesday, February 20th:

- Parish Bible study, 9:00-10:15am, Parish Center
- His Heart Society: food & clothing distribution, 9-11am
- Fr. Brad Bible study, 6pm, Parish Center
- Spanish Prayer Group, 7pm, Retreat House

Wednesday, February 21st:

- Bingo, doors open at 10:30am, games begin at Noon, Parish Center
- Knights of Columbus General Meeting, 7pm, Parish Center

Thursday, February 22nd:

- His Heart Society; food and clothing distribution 9-11am
- Prayer Shawl Ministry, 10am, Retreat House
- Columbiette Tea Party Planning Meeting, 6:30pm, Parish Center
- Emmaus, 7pm, Retreat House

Friday, February 23rd:

- Stations of the Cross, after morning Mass, Church
- Fish Fry, 5-7pm, Parish Center
- Stations of the Cross, 6pm, outside on Festival Lane
- Stations of the Cross Spanish, 7pm, outside on Festival Lane
- Men of St. Joseph, 7pm, Retreat House

Saturday, February 24th:

- Parish Council Meeting., 9am, Retreat House
- Spanish Baptism Class, 4pm, Retreat House

Sunday, February 25th, Second Sunday of Lent

• Readings: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18, Rom 8:31b-34, Mk 9:2-10

Save the Date

Bingo Marathon

A Bingo Marathon will be held February 24th, doors open at 10:30 a.m.

The cost to play is \$45 per person. lunch included. Included in packet: 18 cards, 4 each special, 2 speedies, 3 Bonzazas, 1 early bird

Pull tabs paying 70% of sales. \$500 instant winner pull tab game, Horse Races.

Seats are limited! Contact Donna to make a reservation at 727-742-4712

Congratulations!







Congratulations to our parishioners who received various sacraments this past weekend, including Steve and Heather (top) for holy matrimony, Dan and Melanie (middle) for their baptism, confirmation and first holy communion, and baby Ricky (bottom), for his baptism. May God sustain the grace of his blessing in each one of them!

Lent at Sacred Heart



Lenten Almsgiving

We will once again do "My Almsgiving" as a parish for Lent.

Week 1: Please consider making a donation to the 2024 Catholic Ministry Appeal. Brochures and envelopes can be found on the table in the narthex.

Week 2: Migrant Shirts

Men's Medium or Large long sleeve shirts - Life Ministry will collect and distribute to our local migrant workers.

Week 3: Packets for the Homeless

A new program of the Columbiettes, these packets consist of a quart size ziplock with various toiletries, socks and food items. Items they need are white crew socks – any size and TRAVEL SIZE (so they will fit in the bag) toothbrush/ toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, lotion, small bar soap and individual packages of Kleenex.

Week 4: Kind Mouse Project Nibbles Weekend

Feeding Program. Providing weekend food to our chronically hungry youth. In need of snack size individual servings a 1st grader can open on their own. Most needed items are: applesauce cups, fruit cups, peanut butter or cheese crackers, and granola bars.

Week 5: Life Ministry

Collection of items for local pregnancy resource centers, such as diapers (sizes 4-6), baby clothes of all sizes, baby books, baby wipes, and blankets.

Week 6: His Heart Society

His Heart is in need of non-perishable items, such as spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, canned goods, canned vegetables and cereal.

Regulations on Fasting and Abstinence:

FASTING is to be observed on **Good Friday** by all Catholics between the ages of 18 to 59 years (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together should not equal another full meal. Liquids are allowed.

ABSTINENCE from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 1 4 years of age and older. All the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence.

Anyone unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons may practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

CRS Rice Bowl

Pick up your rice bowl in the narthex. Your donations help provide live saving support to more than 250 million people in more than 120 countries. Return your bowl (box) the weekend of April 6 – 7th.

Fish Fry – Every Friday through March 22nd

5pm to 7pm in the Parish Center Cost: \$12.00 Adult | \$6 child Includes: Fish, Fries, Cornbread, Coleslaw, Dessert and Drink

Stations of the Cross – Every Friday through March 22nd

Following Friday Morning Mass – in the church 6pm (English) outside on Festival Lane | 7pm (Spanish) outside on Festival Lane

Parish Penance Service

Monday March 18th at 6pm in the church. Short service followed by 8 priests available to hear your confession, including Fr. Amaro for Spanish confession.

Healing Mass

March 2nd, 8am Mass in the church. The sacrament of anointing of the sick will be administered to the aged and infirmed.

Columbiettes Morning of Reflection for Women

Join us for a morning of reflection on encouraging and loving ways to live as Mary in today's Martha world! As we begin this Lenten Season, let us together focus on the one thing needed.

Saturday, March 2 2024

8:00AM Healing Mass, Church 9:00AM Continental Breakfast/Meet and Greet, Parish Center 9:30AM Program Starts, Parish Center

Members of the Columbiettes will be in the narthex the weekend of February 17-18 to answer any questions, and to assist you in registering. For more information contact Anita Carlisle at 727-512-9182, or Ellen Barrett-Santisteban at 727-543-0868. Website: sacredheartpinellaspark.com Facebook: SacredHeartParish PinellasPark

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Office Hours: 8am-noon, Mon-Thur

Parochial Administrator Fr. Brad Reed

Parochial Vicar: Fr. Amaro Ortiz

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Parish Religious Gift Shop: Located in the church narthex Open: Sat.3:30-5:30pm Sun.8:30am-12:45pm

His Heart Society Outreach: 4661 80th Ave. N. Pinellas Park, FL33781 Food & Clothing: Tue. & Thurs. 9-11am Call (727)544-5445 for financial assistance

Sacred Heart School: 7951 46th Way N., Pinellas Park, FL 33781 Phone: 727-544-1106 www.shsaints.org

The Image of Divine Mercy

In 1931, our Lord appeared to St. Faustina in a vision. She saw Iesus clothed in a white garment with His right hand raised in blessing. His left hand was touching His garment in the area of the Heart, from where two large rays came forth, one red and the other pale. She gazed intently at the Lord in silence, her soul filled with awe, but also with great joy. Jesus said to her: "Paint an image according to the pattern you see, with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You. I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory (Diary, 47, 48). I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming



Jesus, I trust in You

for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: Jesus, I trust in You (327). I desire that this image be venerated, first in your chapel, and [then] throughout the world (47).

At the request of her spiritual director, St. Faustina asked the Lord about the meaning of the rays in the image. She heard these words in reply: "The two rays denote Blood and Water. The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls. These two rays issued forth from the depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross. Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter, for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him (299). By means of this image I shall grant many graces to souls. It is to be a reminder of the demands of My mercy, because even the strongest faith is of no avail without works (742).

These words indicate that the Image represents the graces of Divine Mercy poured out upon the world, especially through Baptism and the Eucharist. Many different versions of this image have been painted, but our Lord made it clear that the painting itself is not what is important. When St. Faustina first saw the original image that was being painted under her direction, she wept in disappointment and complained to Jesus: "Who will paint You as beautiful as You are?" (313)

Our Parish Prayer List

Sheryl Acunal	Patsy Piech
Rita Belcastro	Geri Piver
Mitzi Federico	David Sauls
Lou Horn	Harriett Williams
Clara Johnson	Randy Wisdom
Dennis Johnson	Jeanne Woodke

*Bold indicates new name added to prayer list.

The sick will be listed in the bulletin for eight weeks. Should the sick need prayers beyond eight weeks, you may write their name (s) in the Prayer Request Book in the narthex. Names will remain in this book until December 31st of the current year. If prayers are needed beyond December 31st, re-enter name(s) in the book the following year.

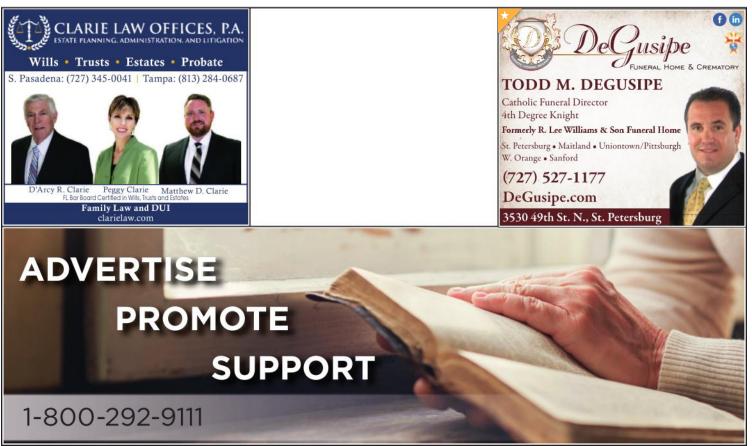
If you need to add a new name to the Prayer List in, please call the parish office 727-541-4447 or email shcc7809@gmail. Remember that we must have the person's permission before adding his/her name to the list.



Pope Francis February Prayer Intention

For the Terminally Ill

We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.





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