

The Good News!

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Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us and on the whole world!



Sacred Heart Catholic Parish celebrated May Crowning—the crowning of Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth—on May 1st with a procession from 6th Street to SH Church. Parishioners brought fresh flowers as an offering to the Blessed Mother and placed them at the foot of her statue. Senior Madeleine Fisher was chosen to place a beautiful crown of flowers on the head of our Blessed Mother statue this year. The Knights of Columbus and First Communicants dressed in white finery led the procession in the form of an honor guard.

A week later on May 7th, the congregation gathered at the Community Center after the 10:30am Sunday Mass for another successful Parish Potluck. After filling up on savory pulled pork along with delicious sides and desserts, the afternoon was topped off with fellowship and fun including cards and dominoes.

See inside for all things happening in June at Sacred Heart Parish!





A Note from Father Joe

Howdy neighbor!

Within the Church's mission to make disciples of Jesus Christ, we strive to bring about God's Kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Since we live in dimensions of both space and time, we endeavor to sanctify both places and seasons. The month of June is devoted to

the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Yes, our parish's namesake gets a special month of the year, in which we remember the tender love of our Savior who so loved mankind that he became one of us and offered himself for us in sacrifice.

This June brings a pair of "feast days," or holy celebrations, in which we honor the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ on Sunday, June II, and the Sacred Heart of Jesus itself on Friday, June I6. The first, aka Corpus Christi Sunday, has its origins in medieval times, in the small Italian village of Bolsena. In 1263, a priest was traveling through town on his way to Rome. He was skeptical that the bread and wine consecrated in the Mass actually became Jesus' Body and Blood. Then, during his celebration of the Mass, as he lifted up the host, it began to bleed real human blood. The blood was collected on the altar linens, and brought to the Pope to show him what had happened. Henceforth, the feast of Corpus Christi—the Body of Christ—was established. Today, we celebrate this miracle of Christ's presence in the Eucharist with a procession through the streets of town following the 10:30 Mass.

The feast of the Sacred Heart honors the mercy and love that our Savior has shown us. In 1673-4, a nun named Margaret Mary Alacoque received multiple visions of Jesus as she knelt in prayer. He revealed his heart to her, which she noticed was crowned with thorns and aflame with divine love. Even though many of her fellow sisters did not believe her reports of the visions, she continued to bear the ridicule with saintly patience. Her spiritual director asked her to record the visions in her diary, and since then the devotion of prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus has swept throughout the Church. Our parish honors the Sacred Heart with Eucharistic adoration every first Friday of the month.

As we commemorate the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 16, our parish church will be open for tours and hot dogs will be served at midday at the conclusion of Vacation Bible School. Come one, come all, and celebrate with us our parish's feast day!

Yours in Christ Jesus,

Fr. Joe



Congregation Announcements!



Baptisms:

Theo Alexander Gehrig Parents: Lucien & Ashley Gehrig

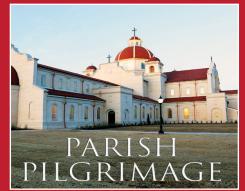
Congratulations to Theo Gehrig, who received the Holy Sacrament of Baptism this May! May the Lord shower his love and blessings on Theo, filling his life with joy and peace.

New Parishioners: Charles & Lana Johnson & Family



Please join us in welcoming the Johnson family. Charles and Lana joined Sacred Heart Parish this spring and currently reside in Saint Jo with their children: Barrett (15), Olivia (13), Madeline (9) and Emma (7). If you see them in Mass or around the community, please give them a warm and friendly welcome!

Mark Your Calendars!



Join us on Friday, June 9th, for a Parish Pilgrimage to Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine in OKC! We'll caravan on a day trip to visit this brand new holy shrine.



Corpus Christi Sunday is coming up on June II. The feast day will include a procession, a Rededication of the Cemetery Crucifix and First Holy Communion for our parish 2nd graders.



Don't miss our annual celebration of the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on June 16. For more details about upcoming events, visit the SHC website event page at: https://shchurchmuenster.com/events.

Sacred Heart Youth Corner





Congrats to Erica Endres and Parker Forshee, our two parish seniors who were awarded \$1,000 Pastoral Scholarships at this year's Baccalaureate Mass. May God's blessing follow them along the pathways of their dreams.



On May 10, Sacred Heart Parish seniors celebrated the annual **Baccalaureate Mass**, a Mass of Thanksgiving for God's many blessings on our graduates. After Mass, they enjoyed a dinner reception in the Community Center.



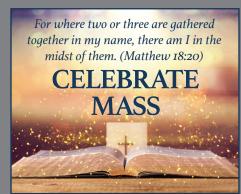


Congrats to Madeleine Fisher and Elise Flusche, our two parish seniors who were awarded \$500 Pastoral Scholarships at this year's Baccalaureate Mass. May God bless them in all their future endeavors.

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Keep in touch with us via text with mass times, ministry updates & more delived to your phone! **Text** SHM1889 to 84576.



Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:

- Saturday (Vigil): 5pm
- Sunday: 8am & 10:30am
- Monday, Thursday & Friday: 8am
- Wednesday: 6pm



Confessions Schedule:

- Wednesday: 3:30pm 4:30pm
- Saturday: 3:30pm 4:30pm
- *Or by appointment.



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