

Sacred Heart Parish

✠ *The Combined Churches of Sacred Heart and Saint Joseph* ✠

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8:30am – 2:00pm

Office Closed on Friday

Pastoral Staff

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Mass Times

Saturdays: (the Vigil) 4:00pm

Sundays: 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am

Daily Mass: (Monday through Friday) 8:00am

Holy Day: Please consult the Bulletin

Confessions: Saturdays 2:30 - 3:30pm

Weekly Morning Rosary: Tuesdays at 7:40 AM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Every Friday from 7:30 AM to 8:00 AM

Holy Matrimony: At least six months of notice should be given to arrange for weddings.

Baptisms: The Sacrament of Christian Initiation is administered by appointment only on any Sunday of the year. Please call the Rectory to schedule a date.

Parish Staff

Religious Education Office:

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Sponsor Certificates for Baptism and Confirmation:

Please call the Rectory.

How to Report an Incident of Sexual Abuse

in the Archdiocese: Visit our website.

December 2nd –First Sunday in Advent

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>December 1</u>
4:00 PM	Chester Madey
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>December 2</u>
8:00 AM	Glenn Packard
	Lise Roy
9:30 AM	Bert Marien
11:00 AM	Rowena Szoka
	Stanely Szoka (Living)
<u>Monday</u>	<u>December 3</u>
8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>December 4</u>
8:00 AM	Christina White
	Helen Leary
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>December 5</u>
8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>December 6</u>
9:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
<u>Friday</u>	<u>December 7</u>
8:00 AM	For the People of the Parish
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>December 8</u>
8:00 AM *	For the People of the Parish
12:00 PM **	For the People of the Parish
4:00 PM	Pete Beneski
	Thomas and Rose Modzelesky
	Joseph Falkowski
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>December 9</u>
8:00 AM	Gail Karanian
	Matthew Roy
9:30 AM	Emily Rak
	The Ruggiero Family
11:00 AM	Helen Brown
	Rowena Szoka
	Stanely Szoka (Living)

*12/7/18: 8:00 AM: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at Sacred Heart Parish

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The Sacred Heart Parish Youth Ministry created a Christmas tree and it is on display at the Tree Gala sponsored by the Suffield Garden Club. Youth Ministry members created 75 ornaments to adorn the tree. Trees will be on display at the Suffield Senior

Center from December 1st through December 15th and are available to purchase. (Saturday and Sundays 1:00-4:00 and weekdays 9:00-4:00). In addition, there will be a Carol Sing on Sunday, December 9th at 2:00pm at the Suffield Senior Center Surrounded by the festive Tree Gala.

Weekly Offertory

On **November 25**, 681 members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish. The Offertory was:

\$7,403.00	Adults
\$6.01	Young Members
\$7,409.01	Total Offertory
Our Diocesan Assessment is approx. 7% of our parish collections, gifts and bequests.	

Weekly target Offertory: \$7,000.00.

Winter Collection to Date: \$20,608.00.

Christmas Flowers: \$792.00.

Cancellation of Mass: Now that Winter is almost upon us please note the parish policy for the cancellation of daily Mass. **We will have Mass every day even if schools are cancelled or delayed.**

Chili, apple pies and applesauce for sale! We have several quarts of chili (\$12.00), apple pies (\$12.00) and applesauce (\$10.00) for sale. Contact the Rectory at 860-668-4246 to purchase and support the Women's Guild Scholarship Fund! **Please note, that we will be donating all items on Thursday, December 6th to the Suffield Community Aid. If you are interested in purchasing an item, please do so before December 6th. Thank you!**



Fair Trade Sales Weekend: Our next Fair Trade sales will be held **next weekend, December 8th and 9th**. Think stocking stuffers, teacher gifts, grab bag gifts, co-worker gifts! We will be selling coffee, tea, chocolate, nuts, olive oil and more! Stop by and visit our table and support the farmers!

Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.



SECOND COLLECTION 12/8 AND 12/9: Retirement Fund for Religious Collection: Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive impact in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's second collection.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Regular business hours: Mon - Wed 9am-4pm
Closed holidays, school vacations and snow days

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES RESUME TODAY, for grades 1-8. Grades 9 and 10 resume next Sunday, December 9, 2018.



"AWAY IN A MANGER" 1st, 2nd and 3rd GRADE CHRISTMAS

PRESENTATION: NEXT Sunday, December 9th at 9:30am and 11:15am in Fr. Ted Hall, **everyone** is

invited to our Christmas Program – "Away in a Manger" presented by our 1st, 2nd and 3rd graders. Come witness our "little children" as they welcome Baby Jesus this Christmas.



BAKE SALE - NEXT SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9:

to benefit Suffield Community Aid and St. Jude Hospital for Children. Visit us from 8:30am-12:00pm! Bake Sale sponsored by Mrs. Marmo's grade 8 class in Fr. Ted Hall. Come on over, stay for the children's Christmas program and have some refreshments – pick up some goodies for Christmas and help those in need.

IMPORTANT!! GRADE 9 STUDENTS – On Sunday, December 9 there will be a "Teen Lures" presentation beginning at 6:00pm sharp (report time 5:45pm)! As this presentation is a requirement of the Archdiocese and the Safe Environment Office, ALL students must attend!

Parents are encouraged to attend this presentation as it contains valuable information.

SAVE THESE SUNDAY DATES! 1) Youngsters and the "young at heart" are invited to our eighth annual "Winter Carnival" from 12noon-2:00pm in Fr. Ted Hall on **Sunday, January 27, 2019!** 2) **January 13, 2019** Grade 4 Youth Mass at 8am and Grade 10 Youth Mass at 11am. Hope you can join us!

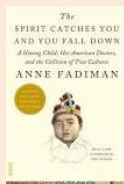
CLASS CANCELLATION INFORMATION: Class cancellation is announced on WFSB-Channel 3 TV, WVIT-NBC Channel 30, WTIC-FOX Channel 61 and WTIC-1080AM radio. If public school classes are released early or canceled due to severe weather, Religious Education classes are automatically canceled and the office is closed.



The Knights Corner:

Why Join the Knights of Columbus?

Lead with Faith - deepen your faith to become a better Catholic man, husband and father. Serve Others - participate in charitable programs to help those in need. Protect your Family - exclusive access to a portfolio of financial products. Defend your Values - defend the faith and build up his Body, the Church. Join today. Visit KofC.org/JoinUs. Your local Suffield Council number is 6281.



Book Club: January 9, 2019: The book for the next book club is ***The Spirit Catches You and You Fall Down*** by Anne Fadiman. **The Book Club will meet at 10:30 on January 9th with a snow date of January 16th.** We have a

few copies of the book to loan out. Please call the Rectory to sign up.



Daily Mass Intentions:

If you would like to have a Mass said in remembrance of a loved one, Mass intentions can be arranged by visiting, calling or emailing the parish office. To schedule a Mass intention, please contact the Rectory at 860-668-4246 or email your request to elizabethgrigoriou@necoxmail.com.



Christmas Plants and Flowers:

Please use the envelope that was sent to you to make your donations for Christmas plants, flowers and other seasonal expenses. As in the past, you can memorialize your donations. Please PRINT the name(s) of your loved one on the envelope. We will publish a supplement listing of the names of the donors and their memorials in a future bulletin.



Our annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Carol Sing will be held **this Sunday, December 2nd at 6:00 PM in the Church.** We will then head outside to light the tree and over to the Hall for light refreshments provided by the

Knights of Columbus. We hope you can join us for this fun evening!

Abound in love for one another and for all (1 Thessalonians 3:12 — 4:2).

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION HOLY DAY - DEC. 8

Saturday - 8:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart

Saturday - 12:00 Noon Mass at St. Joseph

THE ADVENT SEASON

Advent is a time to look *back* and to look *forward*.

We look *back* some 2000 years to the Birth of our Savior and we ask Jesus to be born anew in our lives during this holy season.

We look *forward* to the Second Coming of the Lord and we prepare for that day by prayer and penance and the renewal of the Lord's life in us.

THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent Wreath is an ancient symbol of this holy season.

The evergreen branches recall the eternal life brought by the Savior. The circle of the wreath recalls our God Who has no beginning or end.

The four candles recall the four weeks of Advent.

The closer we come to Christmas, the brighter the lights on the wreath, recalling the Light of the world,

Who came to dispel the darkness and to light our way to God.

BEST ADVENT EVER

Advent is a time of preparation.

Looking for a simple way to prepare your heart to receive Jesus this Christmas?

Join *Best Advent Ever*.

It's a free email program that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during this busy season.

You'll experience Advent in a new way through daily emails and videos. Sign up online at *Best Advent Ever* by *Dynamic Catholic*.