



Sacred Heart Parish

The United Parish Family of Sacred Heart and Saint Joseph

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Office Hours: Mon. thru Thurs, 8:30 AM – 2:00 PM

Office Closed on Friday

Mass Times:

Weekends: Saturdays: 4:00pm **Sundays:** 8:00am, 9:30am and 11:00am

Daily Mass: 8:00AM Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday (NO Thursday Mass)

Holy Day: Please consult the Bulletin.

Sacraments:

Confessions: Saturdays 2:30 - 3:30pm or by appointment.

Baptisms: Sundays at 12:00 Noon. Please call the Rectory to schedule a date.

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

Anointing of the Sick Please call the office.

On going devotions:

Weekly Morning Rosary: Tuesdays at 7:30 AM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays 6 to 7 PM, Fridays 7:30 to 8 AM

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. Joseph Keough Email: frjfk@aol.com

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***Please note that neither Fr. J Keough nor any staff member, volunteers, or members of Sacred Heart Parish will ever call or text requesting donations of gift cards online, bitcoin or electronic transfer of funds.**

Please report any suspicious activity to the parish office and/or Suffield Police.

To report an incident of sexual abuse in the Archdiocese, visit our website or the archdioceseofhartford.com

December 24, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23

4:00 PM Jeffrey Mandirola

Sunday, December 24

8:00 AM Trevor French
Richard & Frank Czajkowski
John & Marianna Bucior

10:00 AM Deceased members of the Bland
And Ducharme Families
Sandra, David, and Brenda Desmarais

4:00 PM For Our Parishioners
Frank Kulina

10:30 PM For Our Parishioners
Thomas O'Connor

Monday, December 25 ~ Merry Christmas

8:30 AM Ladizki, Solari, & Malone Families
Sybille Ehongo Dima(L)~Birthday Intentions

10:00 AM For All Our Parishioners

Tuesday, December 26

8:00 AM **NO MASS ~ Office Closed**

Wednesday, December 27

8:00 AM Raymond Stearns
Evelyn Richards ~ Birthday Anniversary
Donald Krajewski
Dorothy Gogulski
Robert Giegel Sr.

Thursday, December 28

9:00 AM **NO MASS**

Friday, December 29

8:00 AM Eileen Taylor

Saturday, December 30

4:00 PM Cpl. Stephen Bixler
Ann Miller~10th Anniversary
Ecce Houenou(L)~Birthday Intentions

Sunday, December 31

8:00 AM For Vocations

9:30 AM Anthony & Doris Urgo

11:00 AM For Our Parishioners

Our Weekly Offertory

On **December 17**, **521** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

December 17, 2023, Parish Support:

\$6,425.00	Offertory
\$855.68	Online Giving
\$7,280.68	Total

Thank you for your support!

On behalf of the staff and volunteers of Sacred Heart Parish Family, have a Blessed and Merry Christmas Season!



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

Christmas Eve 4:00 PM Children's Mass with Living Nativity before Mass
10:00 PM Christmas Hymns with our choir
10:30 PM Christmas Mass at Night

Christmas Day 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM

- No Holy Hour Monday (Christmas Day)
- Parish Offices are closed on Tuesday, Dec. 26
- No 8:00 AM Mass on Tuesday, Dec. 26

New Year's Day is the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God. It is not a holy day of obligation this year since it falls on a Monday. Mass on New Year's Day will be at 9:00 AM.

PARISH REGISTRATION/UPDATE

NAME/s: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE #: _____

EMAIL: _____

New Registration Request Envelopes

Change Address, E-Mail, Phone Number

Moving out of parish.

STATUS: Single, Married, Divorced, Widowed (circle one)

Would you like to receive ENVELOPES: YES NO

You may leave it in the marked basket in the church lobby or drop it in the mailbox outside the rectory office.

Come home for Christmas! The Sacred Heart Parish Family has been praying for our family and friends who for whatever reason(s) are not active members of our Sacred Heart Parish Family and the Catholic Faith. The stars have been hung on the Christmas trees in the sanctuary and will remain through the Christmas Season.

A gift for you!
Please accept a free copy of the **Beautiful Eucharist**, by **DYNAMICCATHOLIC.org**. Paid for in part by a generous member of our parish family. This book could be very helpful in deepening your appreciation for the gift of the Eucharist. Books are available in the vestibule while supplies last.



The "Holiday Season" is not always joyful for everyone. If you or someone you know is struggling emotionally, please know the National Suicide Prevention Hotline is available by texting 988 or calling 1-800-273-8255. This free service is available in English and Spanish 24/7/365.



BIBLE STUDY
Fr. Ted Hall Tuesdays 6:30 PM.



Knights of Columbus

Suffield Council # 6281
Ed McAnaney, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates:

- Watch for January date to be announced for the local district (boys and girls ages 9 to 14) competition of the Connecticut Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship, with winners eligible for the area competition scheduled for February 4, 2024, at St. Gabriel School in Windsor.
- National (Washington, DC) March for Life on January 19, 2024, and Connecticut (Hartford) March for Life on March 20, 2024.
- Next local council meeting is scheduled for January 7, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. Father Ted Hall.

Messages or inquiries can be left with the Parish Office at 860.668.4246 and someone will get back to you ASAP.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Office hours: Tuesday 10am-12noon and by appointment only

Closed holidays and vacations

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Please use voicemail, email, or our handy outdoor mailbox as necessary to conduct Religious Ed business.

THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED through January 1, 2024, for the Christmas/New Year Holiday. Voicemail and email will be checked once a day during this period. **Classes resume on Sunday, January 7, 2024, for grades K-7 and 9. Grade 8 resumes Sunday, January 21, 2024.** To all our parish families, a holy, blessed, and safe Christmas/New Year's holiday.



SAVE THE DATE

SAVE THESE SUNDAY DATES! 1) **January 21, 2024**, Youth Masses at 8am and 9:30am. Hope you can join us! 2) Our twelfth annual "**Winter Carnival**" from 12noon-2:00pm in Fr. Ted Hall on **Sunday, January 28, 2024!** Youngsters and the "young at heart" are invited! Food, fun and entertainment!

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Happy Fourth Sunday of Advent and Merry Christmas! Wherever you are, please find your place at the manger. This year marks the 800th anniversary of the Nativity Scene as presented by St. Francis of Assisi. Each figure represents a fulfillment of the prophecies about the coming of the Messiah. The ox and donkey, the sheep, angels, magi, shepherds, the star, the town of Bethlehem and of course Mary, Joseph and the Christ Child all have a specific purpose for the fulfillment of the Hebrew Scriptures centuries before.

The nativity is also important for each of us, today. Find your place at the manger. Allow yourself to recognize and embrace God's perfect gift for you. The gift of your salvation. As we make merry, we need to remember why we are celebrating. The Word of God became flesh and dwells among us to bring us the promise of eternal life.

Gift yourself and your family a meaningful Christmas. Gift them with an awareness of Christ's love.

Have a blessed Christmas Season!

Fr. Joe Keough frjfk@aol.com



Catholic Calendars for 2024 are available through the generosity of Heritage Funeral Home and Carmon Funeral Home as well as the Archdiocese of Hartford. Please pick one up for yourself and your friends as you exit the church this weekend. As always, we thank our friends at Carmon and Heritage funeral homes for these beautiful calendars.

We welcome our visitors and guests and pray that you have a good experience with us. Please consider becoming an active member of our parish family. Check out our website at www.SacredHeartCT.com and follow us on Facebook.

