



# 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

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## Mass Times:

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

**Summer Hours:** June through August: **Saturdays:** 4:00pm **Sundays:** 8:30am and 10:30am

**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 after the last Mass. 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

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## Parish Staff

**Pastor:** Fr. Joseph Keough Email: [frjfk@aol.com](mailto:frjfk@aol.com)

**Administrative Assistant:** Jackie Dion email: [SacredHeartSuffield1@gmail.com](mailto:SacredHeartSuffield1@gmail.com)

## Religious Education:

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**Director:** Miss Donna M. Swols email: [shc\\_dre@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shc_dre@sbcglobal.net)

**Assistant :** Jackie Dion email : [reledaa22@proton.me](mailto:reledaa22@proton.me)

## Directors of Music

Floyd Higgins & Gretchen Collins [floydandgretchen@comcast.net](mailto:floydandgretchen@comcast.net)

**\*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](http://archdioceseofhartford.com)

# September 29, 2024 Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Saturday, September 28

4:00 PM Clare Martin  
Harold Bower  
Carolyn Stack

## Sunday, September 29

8:00 AM Gallagher Family  
Frances & Michael Sanzaro  
9:30 AM For Our Parishioners  
11:00 AM James Wessling

## Monday, September 30

8:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
6 – 7 PM **Holy Hour**

## Tuesday, October 1

8:00 AM Jennie "Olga" Colson

## Wednesday, October 2

8:00 AM Paul Ehongo(L)~Birthday Intentions

## Thursday, October 3

8:00 AM **NO MASS**

## Friday, October 4

8:00 AM Elba Lozada

## Saturday, October 5

4:00 PM Roland Desmarais  
Carolyn Stack

## Sunday, October 6

8:00 AM Lise Roy  
9:30 AM Keane Family  
James Sheridan  
11:00 AM Thomas & Rose Modzelesky

### **FAIR TRADE ☸**

Fair Trade items will be for sale after all Masses the weekend of October 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. Please stop by the table in the Church lobby and support the Equal Exchange/Fair Trade Farmers! Chocolate bars, cashews, coffee, tea, olive oil and some awesome gift giving items!

### **2024 HOPES Collection: Thank You for supporting our Parish** **Educators and Students**

On behalf of the students, teachers, and staff in the Archdiocese of Hartford's Catholic elementary schools, we extend our deepest gratitude to all who contributed to the 2024 HOPES Collection last weekend. Your generosity supports a culture of faith and academic excellence in our Catholic schools that benefits the entire community. Your contribution will make a difference in the lives of our children. Thank You!

**For those who would like to give, you can access the HOPES Collection online donation at, visit the website:**

<https://www.catholicedaohct.org/catholic-schools/hopes>

## **Our Weekly Offertory**

On **September 22**, **481** members and visitors worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

September 22, 2024, Parish Support:

<b>\$6,605.00</b>	<b>Offertory</b>
<b>\$1,035.67</b>	<b>Online Giving</b>
<b>\$7,640.67</b>	<b>Total</b>

*Thank you for your support!*

*Baptized in Christ*  
*Kerrigan Wilson Sullivan*



### **A Special "Thank You"**

Sacred Heart and our coordinator for Bingo would like to extend our greatest appreciation and Thank You to Jack and Margaret from Suffield Pizza for continually going above and beyond to help our Parish and support our functions. Most recently, our Scholarship Bingo event! Thank you from your Sacred Heart Parish Family ♥♥♥

### **Little Sisters of the Poor Visit**

On next weekend October 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024 the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our Parish. The collection taken for them will be exclusively for the care of the elderly poor who reside with them at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield. The Little Sisters of the Poor have been serving the needs of the elderly poor in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts for over 150 years. They are most grateful for your generosity.

### **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.

**Very Rev. John P. Melnick**  
Rector  
Cathedral of Saint Joseph  
[www.hartfordcathedral.org](http://www.hartfordcathedral.org)  
860-249-8431 x3330



*Very Reverend*

**John P. Melnick**

**Vicar for Clergy, Archdiocese of Hartford**

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Pastoral Center, 467 Bloomfield Ave, Bloomfield, CT 06002

**All are welcome** to attend the Pallium Mass at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

At this celebration, the apostolic nuncio to the United States (the pope's U.S. representative) will bestow the blessed Pallium upon Archbishop Coyne in a tradition dating back centuries in the Catholic Church. The Pallium itself is a scarf-like liturgical vestment representing a lamb, denoting the wearer's role as a "good shepherd" to his flock. This will be a historic moment in the annals of the Archdiocese of Hartford, as Archbishop Coyne will be the first in this role to officially receive the Pallium in Hartford since Pope Francis's mandated change to the longstanding custom of public investiture (formal conferment of rank) by himself in Rome.

If you would like to participate in this joyous celebration, please simply go to **[www.hartfordcathedral.org/pallium](http://www.hartfordcathedral.org/pallium)** and submit the registration form.

**Location:** Cathedral of St. Joseph – 140 Farmington Avenue, Hartford

**Time:** Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 11am (seated by 10:30am)

**Registration:** [www.hartfordcathedral.org/pallium](http://www.hartfordcathedral.org/pallium)

**RSVP by:** Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

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

*Closed holidays and school vacations*

Donna Swols, DRE: [shc\\_dre@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shc_dre@sbcglobal.net)

Jackie Dion, Adm. Asst.: [reledaa22@proton.me](mailto:reledaa22@proton.me)

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

### **FIRST DAY OF CLASSES: IMPORTANT - Please note!!**

Grades 6 & 7, 8 and 9 begin **TODAY** Sunday, September 29, 2024

Grades K-5 begin **NEXT** Sunday, October 6, 2024.

Please refer to our website for class schedules/additional information. Thank you.

**PLEASE NOTE**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!:** We are still currently in need of just a few volunteers to teach our children.

Kindergarten-early session, grade 2-early session and grade 5-late session. If you are interested, please email [shc\\_dre@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shc_dre@sbcglobal.net), Donna Swols, DRE. For those who have already stepped up - my heartfelt thanks!

**NEW FAMILY REGISTRATION 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:** – We are still accepting registrations from **new** families/students. Please be sure you have registered with the parish and then contact Donna Swols, DRE at [shc\\_dre@sbcglobal.net](mailto:shc_dre@sbcglobal.net) for registration and program information. Forms, calendars and information may be found on our website. Thank you!

### **BINGO**

There were 90 players, and we raised: \$2,362 for our Scholarship Fund!!!! Thank you to our volunteers, participants, and all who donated items for the raffle!!



### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter:**

Some of the dates to sign up are:

**October 18-20, 2024, Sunapee, NH**

**November 1-3, 2024, Glen Rock, NY**

**November 4-25, 2024, (Virtual)**

**November 22-24, 2024, Calais, VT**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Registration is limited; there is a \$100 application fee. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.



**Knights of  
Columbus®**

**Suffield Council # 6281**

Ed McAnaney, Grand Knight

### **Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:**

- Next local Suffield Council # 6281 meeting is scheduled for **Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** at Father Ted Hall.
- The Knights of Columbus will host a Pancake Breakfast for Sacred Heart Parishioners following masses on **Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup>** in Father Ted Hall. Suffield Council # 6281 members interested in helping out on this day should contact Brian Kruczek at 203.886.8884 or [BK60611@gmail.com](mailto:BK60611@gmail.com). All are welcome to attend this **free-of-charge event** and there **will be a gluten-free option available**.
- Notifying all members of Suffield Council # 6281 that there is a 4<sup>th</sup> degree exemplification scheduled for **Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>** at St. Martha's Church, 214 Brainard Rd. Enfield. Please note candidates must be 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Knights, so if you are still a 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Knight, contact our Grand Knight about attending an exemplification to advance to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree. The 4<sup>th</sup> Degree exemplification is a moving ceremony and represents a great opportunity for our members. If interested in attending this event, a completed **Form 4 and \$60 payment** (payable to: your Assembly) must be submitted to our Council Financial Secretary, Craig Tini, for signature and verification of your 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree status, who will forward your membership document and payment to our local Assembly for final approval.

**The deadline for your application and reservations is Oct. 7, 2024.**

### FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

*End of summer, start of autumn, back to routines. Between all the schedules of family, work, and other demands, thank you for finding time to be here. Putting worship of God as a priority is our first duty, no matter what our vocation may be.*

*There are so many other things we could be doing from catching up on sleep, finishing last week's chores, participating in, or watching sports, binge watching our favorite shows, the list goes on and on. All of these things are great, should be done, and enjoyed BUT, we stop and recognize the source of all time, all talent, all life, and we honor God with thanks and praise each Sunday and hopefully each day God gives us.*

*Can we step it up a notch? Can we give a bit more of our time and talents and volunteer to serve in our parish family? Pray about what you can offer. If you don't see it on a parish list or in the bulletin, speak up and let's see if we can get things going. My personal wish list for the parish is a Picnic Committee, more catechists, readers, people to help with home visits, marriage prep team, altar servers, musicians, ushers/greeters, picnic committee people, quilting group, a picnic group, young adult group (20-35 years old) bereavement ministry, picnic planners, adult altar servers, knitting/crochet group, and possibly, a bowling team.*

*Let me know if you want to do any or all or something else.*

*God bless!*

*Fr. Joe Keough [fjfk@aol.com](mailto:fjfk@aol.com)*

**Attention 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students: First Class Session for parents and students will be TONIGHT, Sunday, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the church. At least one parent is required to attend this session with the student.**

**Bible Study every Tuesday at 6:30pm, Fr. Ted Hall**

### RACHEL'S VINEYARD WEEKENDS FOR HEALING AFTER ABORTION

If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend **October 25-27, 2024, in Litchfield, CT.** The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness, and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175.00 for meals, private room, and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030, e-mail her at [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org), or visit our website at [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).

**EMAIL SCAM ALERT:** Someone has been sending out emails claiming to be from the pastor, asking for gift cards as presents for the parish staff. **THIS IS A SCAM!** We will never solicit ANY gift cards, crypto-currency, or debit card information via email. **PLEASE** report all suspicious emails claiming to be from any Sacred Heart staff member or volunteer to the parish office and/or Suffield Police.

### SAVE THE DATES

October 5<sup>th</sup> 1:00PM – Blessing of the Animals

October 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM - Confirmation at the Cathedral of St. Joseph

October 13<sup>th</sup> - **FREE** PANCAKE BREAKFAST

October 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM - Mass of Welcome for Archbishop Coyne at the Cathedral of St. Joseph

October 16<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM – Outdoor Rosary

October 19<sup>th</sup> 7:00 PM – Barn Dance