



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:** 8:30am 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 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 (Fall-Spring 3-4PM), Fridays 7:30 to 8 AM

Rosary: First Sunday of the Month 8:00 AM

Parish Staff

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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

April 5, 2026 Easter Sunday

The Tabernacle Candle this week burns
in Memory of *Our Parishioners.*



Saturday, April 4

10:00 AM Blessing of the Food
8:00 PM Carolyn & Gregory Stack

Sunday, April 5 ~ Easter Sunday

8:30 AM Chancy Beneski
10:30 AM For Our Parishioners

Monday, April 6 ~ Easter Monday Office Closed

8:00 AM NO MASS
3 – 4 PM NO Holy Hour

Tuesday, April 7

8:00 AM Ellen Taylor-Stearns(L)~*Birth*day Wishes
Boris Houenou(L)~*Birth*day Wishes

Wednesday, April 8

8:00 AM Caron Family

Thursday, April 9

8:00 AM NO MASS

Friday, April 10

8:00 AM Justin Waterman(L)~*Birth*day Wishes

Saturday, April 11

4:00 PM Bart & Alice Sheehan
Peg MacDonald~*Ann*iversary

Sunday, April 12

8:30 AM Leo & Regina Morency
10:30 AM Steven Bombard(D)~*25th* Anniversary
3:00 PM Divine Mercy

***Apologies for any misspelled names**

**Our Monday Holy Hour will move back to 6-7PM
beginning April 20th. There will be no Holy Hour on
April 6 or 13.**

Please keep Our Church clean!

*Please put Missalettes & Hymn Books back in their places
and remove any items you may have in your pew. Thank you!*

Our Weekly Offertory

On **March 29, 760** members and visitors
worshipped with us at Sacred Heart Parish.

March 29, 2026, Parish Support:

\$6,856.00	Offertory
\$1,132.83	Online Giving
\$7,988.83	Total

Thank you for your support!

FAIR TRADE SALE

Fair Trade items will be available for purchase next weekend, April
11th & 12th. Please stop by and support the farmers. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE

April 6th – Men’s Group in the Rectory at 7:00 PM.

April 10th 2:00PM – Children’s Holy Half Hour.

April 10th – Virtual/In Person Meeting regarding the Pilgrimage.

April 11th – 9AM St Joseph Cemetery Clean Up

April 12th – Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions 3:00 PM

April 12th – Prayer Shawl Ministry, Children’s Chapel 4-5 PM.

April 15th – Book Club 10:30-11:30AM-Fr. Ted Hall

Sipsworth, by Simon Van Booy

May 8th – **BINGO Night** to benefit Sacred Heart Scholarships

October 7th–12th – Pilgrimage to Mexico, Our Lady of Guadalupe.

October 24th – Barn Dance

Tuesdays at 6:30 – *Bible Study ~ Fr. Ted Hall.*

**ANNUAL ST JOSEPH CEMETERY CLEAN UP: THIS
WEEK Saturday, April 11th.** Please remove all Christmas items and
any other decoration from the plots that you want. Everything
winter related will be discarded. American Flags will also be
removed and will be replaced by Memorial Day. Appropriate
Easter Items will remain.

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.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Office hours: Monday 4pm-6pm and by appointment only

Closed holidays and school vacations

Donna Swols, DRE: shc_dre@aol.com (temporary)

Jackie Dion, Adm. Asst.

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



BLESSED EASTER!: Wishing all our families and parishioners a most blessed and happy Easter and Easter season. God bless from all of us at Religious Education!

DATES TO NOTE: Grade 9 Retreat, NEXT Sunday, April 12, 2026; 1st Holy Communion Retreat, Saturday, April 25, 2026; 1st Holy Communion rehearsal, Wednesday, April 29, 2026; 1st Holy Communion Mass, Saturday, May 2, 2026; Grade 3 Youth Mass and Crowning of Mary, Sunday, May 3, 2026, at 8:30am.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS: 1) All community service should have been submitted on completed/signed forms as of April 1st. Forms may be downloaded from our website and are located on the rack outside the Religious Ed office. Thank you! 2) All overdue make up work should be completed and submitted to the Religious Education office no later than April 20, 2026. Please note that non-submission of make-up work, community service hours and other requirements affect grade promotion. Thank you!



*Happy Easter!
He is Risen!*

attention parents of "little ones": How about a "Pray-date" instead of the usual "Play Date"? Bring the little ones (infants on up) to the church for a "Holy Half Hour" followed by some activities and crafts for them and some connections with other Catholic parents. Our first session will take place in the main body of the church with an explanation of Eucharistic Adoration so the kids and parents (hopefully) can come to a deeper appreciation of this tradition. Join us at 2:00 on Friday, April 10 in the "big church". Sign up online at www.sacredheartct.com/childrens-adoration/.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

To view some of the wonderful things accomplished through your generosity, the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is continuing the web-series called, *The Appeal at Work*. The season premiere will be airing on Friday, April 17th on all Archdiocesan Social Media sites as well as the Archbishop's Annual Appeal webpage. New episodes will also air mid-May & mid-June.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Easter Sunday- The Resurrection of the Lord

Resurrect your marriage! Sign up today to attend one of the upcoming Worldwide Marriage Experiences on one of the dates below.

April 17-19, 2026, Silver Bay YMCA, Silver Bay, NY

April 24-26, 2026, Corpus Christi Parish, East Sandwich, MA

June 26-28, 2026, Huntington Seminary, Huntington, NY

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



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Suffield Council # 6281

Ed McAnaney, Grand Knight

Important Upcoming Dates & Knights News:

- Spring clean-up at Saint Joseph Cemetery, Hill Street has been scheduled for **Saturday, April 11th at 9:00 a.m.** (rain date April 18, 2026). **Please have all personal items cleared from the cemetery grounds prior to this date.** Suffield Council # 6281 members wishing to help are welcome to show up on the day,
- Next local Knights of Columbus Council #6281 monthly meeting will be Sunday **April 12, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.** Father Ted Hall.
- Suffield Council # 6281 members will again participate in **HomeFront** on **Saturday, May 9th**, when volunteers will report to a local residential property for a day of doing repairs or maintenance for a low-income homeowner. All tools and expertise will be provided, **just arrive ready to work!** Anyone interested in volunteering for this one-day project please contact Ed McAnaney at (860)668-2000 for sign up details.

From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you to everyone who journeyed through Lent with us! On behalf of our Sacred Heart Parish staff, Happy and Blessed Easter Season! This is the start of something big! Today we shake off the ashes and fasting of Lent and joyfully renew ourselves in the waters of Baptism. We know in faith that we who have died with Christ in the font of salvation will live with him the everlasting glory of his Resurrection. Easter is the promise and hope of eternal life!

Open your hearts to the joy, peace, and love that your Savior won for you and desires for you to share. Whether a lifelong member of our parish family, a visitor for the Easter celebration or a family member home again this weekend, bring yourself closer today to the Risen Lord. See in his outreached arms his desire to embrace you and wrap you in his eternal love!

Don't "just" celebrate Easter—live it! Live it here and now with our parish family so that you can live it forever with the Christ who suffered, died, and rose for you!

May our Risen Lord bless you and your loved ones with a joyous Easter Season!
Fr. Joe Keough

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### *Pilgrimage to Mexico in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe:* **INFORMATIONAL MEETING: FRIDAY, APRIL 10 AT 7PM IN FR. TED HALL**

*Pilgrimage to Mexico in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe:* "Mexico with Fr. Joe" Join Fr. Joe as he celebrates his 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year with a pilgrimage to honor Our Lady of the Americas. This trip is not a "tour" but a pilgrimage—a time away to pray and discover the rich history of this devotion honoring the apparition of our Blessed Mother in the "New World" for the spread of the Church in this hemisphere. (You're with Fr. Joe so there will also be some fun activities as well) October 7-12, 2026. For more information visit [www.VersoMinistries.com/sacred-heart-mexico](http://www.VersoMinistries.com/sacred-heart-mexico) or contact Fr. Joe at [frjfk@aol.com](mailto:frjfk@aol.com). This trip is not recommended for people with mobility issues as Mexico does not have much in the way of access ramps, or other mobility supports. INFORMATION MEETING: FRIDAY, APRIL 10 AT 7PM IN FR. TED HALL.



**MASS INTENTIONS:** Archbishop Coyne has decided that beginning January 1, 2026, all parishes in the Metropolitan of the Archdiocese of Hartford (consists of Hartford, Bridgeport, Norwich, and Providence diocese) will have the same system of Mass intentions. The stipend (offering) will be the same for Sunday/Holiday and weekdays, which will be \$15.00 per Mass. There will be **only one intention per Mass** and one Mass per week to be a "Pro-Populo" Mass or "For the People".

To honor the memory of loved ones who have passed, you can dedicate the **Tabernacle Candle (Sanctuary Lamp)**. For a \$50.00 donation, the tabernacle candle for that week will be noted in the bulletin "In loving Memory of \*\*\*\*\*". There will be only one name or family each week. Call the Parish Office to schedule a week for your memorial.