

Sacred Heart Parish

Served by the Missionaries of Our Lady of La Salette
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Parish Office Hours:

Monday through Friday, 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Weekday Masses

Wednesday & Friday 8:00 AM

Tuesday & Thursday 7:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00-4:30; anytime on request.

Sacrament of Baptism: Contact the Parish Office 3 months before the birth

Sacrament of Matrimony: Contact the Pastor 6 months before the wedding date.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Please notify the parish office immediately if any one in the family is seriously ill.

Communion for Homebound: Please keep us informed of our sick and others who may be incapacitated so that we might minister to those in need, at home, in the hospital or a nursing home.

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to all who are visiting or are here for the first time. If you attend Sacred Heart regularly and consider this your parish, please take time to register at the parish office. Make our church a home away from your home.

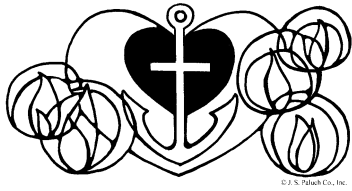
Parish Mission Statement

We, the People of Sacred Heart Parish, have the welcoming, loving presence of Jesus Christ as the center of our life, especially in the **Eucharist**. Through the ministry of the La Salette Missionaries we are committed to continuing the reconciling ministry of Jesus Christ.



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 30-31, 2010

Faith, hope, and love remain, these three; but the greatest of these is love. — *1 Corinthians 13:13*



STRENGTH AGAINST OPPOSITION

In appointing Jeremiah to stand up to the people and announce the truth, God at the same time promised him the strength to do the job. “They will fight against you but not prevail over you, for I am with you” (Jeremiah 1:19).

Jesus also faced opposition, right from the start. In his home town of Nazareth the people couldn’t accept the idea that someone from among their own could be God’s messenger. “[Filled with fury,]” they expelled Jesus from town and would have hurled him over the edge of the hill. “But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away” (Luke 4:28, 30).

Although the true prophet has strength from God, Saint Paul says there’s something even more important than suffering death for the sake of God’s word. “[I]f I hand my body over so that I may boast, but have not love, I gain nothing” (1 Corinthians 13:3). © Copyright, J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS

First Reading — God appoints Jeremiah as prophet to the nations (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalm — I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading — Love with its many facets is the most important of the virtues (1 Corinthians 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel — When Jesus claims his salvific mission is for all people, not just the Jews, he is expelled by the enraged members of the Nazarean synagogue (Luke 4:21-30).

SAINT AGATHA (died 251) February 5

“Of noble birth and great beauty,” so the ancient accounts describe Saint Agatha, martyred during an early persecution for refusing a powerful Roman’s offer of marriage, since she had consecrated her virginity to Christ. An early preacher, Saint Methodius, reflects instead on her name, noting that, in Greek, Agatha means “good,” goodness being something we can all strive for, nobly born or common, blessed with beauty—or not! So brutal the tortures that violated her youthful innocence, Agatha, like Agnes and several other women martyrs, was honored from time immemorial by having her name inscribed in the Roman Canon (Eucharistic Prayer I). Long invoked as protector against earthquakes — Mount Etna erupted as she was being tortured—recent attention has focused on the particularly cruel torture decreed for Agatha, the cutting off of her breasts. This has inspired cancer survivors to promote Saint Agatha as patron and intercessor for women courageously facing breast cancer, for their families and the multitude of supporters who participate in fund-raising marches and races, and, of course, for the dedicated researchers who seek a cure.

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Be a Sponsor and Support our Church Renovation

Chairs for Handicap Seating (16) – \$ 250.00 (each)

New Kneeler - \$200 (each)

Refinish a Pew - \$400

Restoring Exterior doors - \$500 (each)

Donate any amount towards construction of a new ADA Restroom, new Confessional, Painting, Tiling and Carpeting of the church.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES... *A wise person once said, “Flowers are for the living. Memorials should be eternal.” As Catholics, we believe in the Resurrection, life after death, and that we will spend eternal life with Jesus Christ and our departed loved ones. We miss those who have died and passed into God’s hands. Our memories of them are precious, and we seek ways that will not only memorialize them, but also celebrate their lives and what they represented. A gift in memory of a loved one can be a fitting tribute, and can also benefit the mission and future of our parish.*

JESUS IN THE TABERNACLE: THE REAL PRESENCE

Because of our belief in the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, we know when we enter any Catholic Church; we have the Blessed Sacrament in our tabernacles. The little red or white sanctuary lamp signifies the presence of our Divine Lord and Savior. What a marvelous thing that you and I can come and sit and actually be in his presence!

I remember the story about an old man, a wanderer who came to a downtown church frequently and sat for a good long while in the front pew. After spotting him a number of times, the church sacristan, who would dust the sanctuary each day, couldn't contain herself anymore. She approached the man, curious as to what he prayed about. His response was beautiful. "Oh," he said, I don't say anything. I'm not even sure I'm praying. I just sit here and look at Jesus and Jesus looks back at me." Yes, this man was indeed praying in quiet and silence.

▲ EUCHARIST MAKES US TOGETHER THE BODY OF CHRIST

As wonderful as that is, to have Jesus right before our eyes, it cannot compare to what Jesus gave us in the Eucharist. We don't just sit with him. We don't just look at him, as great as that grace is. We take him into ourselves.

Some people think that Jesus just sits inside us until the species of bread and wine dissolve in our stomachs, then Jesus is no longer present within us. But what actually happens in those few minutes of his Real Presence with us is something almost beyond belief—except it is not.

First of all, it is a most intimate union we have at that moment at Communion time. Actually it is even more intimate than the marriage embrace. A husband and wife love each other; a mother lovingly embraces her infant. Have you ever heard the expression at a moment like that, "I love you so much I could eat you." We know what a person means. "I want to get as close possible to you as I can." And we know when we eat food, we absorb the nutrients and they foster our life. But in human relationship we embrace one another lovingly; that is as close as we can get with another.

But who is Jesus? He is the Word of God, the Son of God made flesh, now resurrected and glorified in heaven and everywhere. It is *God* that we receive. But we must never think that Jesus lies dormant within us. The relationship we have with him, and he with us, is a dynamic, most powerful one. We may be at rest with Jesus within us. But he is not at rest.

In fact, Jesus fills our whole person—body, soul, mind and will—with his divine presence. Who is this Jesus? The same Jesus who preached and taught, who drove out demons, who healed lepers and the lame and the sick, who raised the dead to life, who gathered sinners around him and forgave them with joy and happiness in his heart. It is the very same Jesus who died for you and me that we might live forever.

▲ THE POWER OF THE EUCHARIST WITHIN US

The "graced-radiation" we receive when Jesus comes into us in Eucharist fills our whole body with his presence, his grace, his goodness. What a perfect moment to ask for healing, for help, for forgiveness, for strength.

We stand back in awe to think of how blessed we are who believe in Jesus' clear and deliberate words to us: "This is my body, this is my blood." No matter how hard people try to explain this away by saying Jesus didn't mean what he said, we know for a fact that he did! And we have two thousand years of history and tradition that says Jesus spoke the truth.

When we receive Eucharist and say quietly, "Amen," the word means, "I believe." When people in the RCIA program each year come to the moment when they receive their first holy Communion, at the Holy Saturday Vigil, their eyes are often filled with tears of joy. We, too, know the same love. If we watch them, our eyes will also tear up.

ALL COMMITTEES NEED VOLUNTEERS!

OUR PARISH COMMITTEES

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YOUTH CHOIR: Christina Haidari 448-5065

YOUTH MINISTRY: Debra Campbell 863-2120

OUR ALTAR MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEK

Eucharistic Ministers: 4:30 Dick Bates, Bert Blais

8:00 Randy Parla, Brian Sagraves

10:30 Anne Jette, Linda & Steve Kosiorek

Lectors: 4:30 Janet Lloyd, Laurette Dupree

8:00 Fred Stevens, Frank Tamburrino

10:30 Jeremy Stout, Gail Mc Donald

Altar Servers: 4:30 Justine, Calvin & Emily Hunnewell

8:00: Jesse & Miguel Hernandez, Michael White

10:30: Nicholas, Ben & Lucas Gerow, Alec Greeley

MASS INTENTIONS / STIPENDS

The celebration of the Eucharist is the highest form of worship in the Catholic Church because we unite ourselves with Christ's sacrifice on the cross in worship of his Father.

OFFERING OF A MASS -- It is the custom of the Church to offer and apply a Mass for anyone, whether living or deceased, following the intention of the person. It is the practice of the Church to celebrate many Masses for the dead and to pray for all the dead in each Mass. Offering a Mass with a special intention is not only a sign of love for our beloved, but it is also helpful for the soul for whom the Mass is offered.

MASS INTENTIONS are applied to some person or purpose by intention of the priest, at the request of the faithful. This is the portion of the fruits or benefits of the Mass which is left to the free application or disposal of the presider through the intention he formulates. You can offer Mass for a departed soul, for a thanksgiving, for healing of the sick or for a person's special intention. We, at Sacred Heart parish do encourage the family or the person who offers a Mass, to participate in that Mass, if possible.

HOSPITAL VISIT...

If you or someone you know is going to the hospital, please call the rectory. We would like to pray with you and for you while you are ill or undergoing surgery. If you want a visit from a priest from the parish please specify and give your consent. This is required by the new hospital policy on privacy.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parents wishing to have a child baptized during the next few months -- the child need not be born yet -- should contact the rectory now since the next Baptismal Preparation begins on February 7th. If you have already called the rectory, you need not do so again.

OUR MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

TUESDAY 2 PRESENTATION OF THE LORD(W)
7:00 PM Mona Monica /
Connie & Maurice LeBlanc

WEDNESDAY 3 ST. BLAISE (R)
7:40 AM Novena to Our Lady of La Salette
8:00 AM Msgr. Francis Curran

THURSDAY 4 WEEKDAY (G)
7:00 PM Fr William's Mother & Father

FRIDAY 5 ST. AGATHA (R)
8:00 AM Ted Menard / M&M Richard Dulac

**SUNDAY 7 FIFTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME (G)**
4:30 SAT Philip Greenan/Wife & Children
8:00 All Parishioners
10:30 Catarina Mateo Juan /
Marguerite Lopez & Family

OUR PARISH CALENDAR FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 31 -Religious Ed Grade K-6
-Diocesan Catholic Schools
Collection

MONDAY 1 -Youth Ministry 7:00 PM

TUESDAY 2 -Choir 5:30 PM

WEDNESDAY 3 -Pastoral Council 6:30 PM

THURSDAY 4 -Divine Mercy Cenacle

SATURDAY 6 -Confessions 3:45 PM

SUNDAY 7 -Rel. Ed K-6 School 9:05 AM
-Baptismal Prep 8:45 AM
-Faith Formation 9:05 AM
Jesus Death & Rising Part 1

\$\$\$ STEWARDSHIP REPORT \$\$\$
To meet our weekly budget expenses we need \$5,500

Offertory Collection: \$4,210.00
Haiti Collection: \$3,715.00

The Finance Board wishes to thank you for your support in helping to meet the expenses of our parish!

FAMILY CENTERED FAITH FORMATION

Jack O'Leary will present part 1 of *Jesus: Death and Rising* next Sunday February 7th at 9:05 AM.

AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE 1

HOSTED BY THE VERMONT CENTER FOR
THE DEAF AND HARD
OF HEARING (VCDHH)

WHO: Anyone interested in learning beginning
American Sign Language

WHERE: TBA Lebanon

WHEN: Wednesday evenings starting April 7th
(13 weeks)

TIME: 6:00pm- 8:00pm

TEACHER: KARA GHIO

COST: \$175 FOR THE CLASS plus the cost of the
Book

REGISTRATION DEADLINE March 29th

If you have any questions or need additional
information, please call Keri at (802) 661-4240 OR
by e-mail at kdarling@dvas.org

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AT MASS...

If you are having a special Mass intention on the weekend, please see an Usher 10 minutes before Mass if you wish to bring up the gifts during the Offertory.

REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL...

Have you remembered your Parish in your Will? Please consider Sacred Heart Parish in your Will. The Future of our Church depends on our generous sharing of our wealth today. Together let us build our Church for the next generation. Remember your faith community who spiritually nurtured your journey. For more info call 448-1262.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Loving God, you chose Jesus as your beloved servant to bring justice to the world. Through baptism you also call us to be your chosen servants. Show us the path to follow and be with us in our journey. May your Spirit guide women and men to serve the church.
Bless us with your grace now and forever. Amen.

IF GOD BRINGS YOU TO IT, HE WILL BRING YOU THROUGH IT

Happy moments, praise God
Difficult moments, seek God
Quiet moments, worship God
Painful moments, trust God
Every moment, thank God

Pray For

We ask for your prayers for the following individuals:
Fr William's Mother and Father,
Frank Boutin, John Crane, Miriam Creighton,
Howard Frojd, Liz Hannah, Lammie Leahy, Ted Minard, Michael Quinn, Kathy Rhodes, Ellie Smith, Michael Swain. For Captain, Chris Denardo, John Craven, Tanya Tedeschi and all who have been deployed and their families.