

Sacred Heart, Salem, Christ the King, Bunker, St. Jude.

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Parish Bulletin: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Jan. 18, 2026

Office Hours: Mondays & Thursdays 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Reconciliation Schedule

Wednesday: 4:45 p.m. - 5:10 p.m. (SH)

Thursday: 4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. (CK)

Saturday: 4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. (SH)

Sunday: 8:20 a.m. - 8:50 a.m., or by appointment (SH)

Faith Formation

Thursdays: 6:00 p.m. Bible Study at SH (Dent Addition)

OUR MISSION

Located in Salem, Missouri Sacred Heart Parish is a Roman Catholic community growing together spiritually with Jesus Christ, sharing the Gospel, studying and teaching the word of God, and caring for people who are in need, to bring forth the Kingdom of God.

Anointing of the sick, homebound visit, hospital visit & house blessing; Contact the pastor at 573-729-4291

Sacrament of Baptism:

Contact the Pastor.

Sacrament of Matrimony;

Pastor should be contacted at least six months prior to the proposed date of the couple's wedding.

Our Gift to God

STEWARDSHIP REPORT: Sacred Heart Church:

<u>Annual Budget</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>	<u>Collected</u>	Amount Needed to Meet the Budget; July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026
Budget Total	\$148,200.00	up to this year \$72,647.01	\$75,552.99
Weekly Goal	\$2,850.00		
Jan. 11	\$3,000.00		

Holy Mass Schedule for January 19 to January 25:

Mon. 19: 8:45 a.m. Lauds, 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass +Souls in Purgatory

Wed. 21: 5:15 p.m. Vespers, 5:30 p.m. Holy Mass +Teresa Nguyen

Thur. 22: 5:30 p.m. Holy Mass (CK)

Fri. 23: 8:45 a.m. Lauds, 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass Intentions of SH Parishioners

Sat. 24: 5:30 p.m. Holy Mass +Peter Dep Nguyen

Sun. 25: 8:30 a.m. Rosary, 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass

Sun. 25: 11:30 a.m. Holy Mass (CK)

Lectors: Sat. 24: 5:30 p.m. Julie Salyer

Sun. 25: 9:00 a.m. Glenyl Leathers

Altar Servers: Sat. 24: Minh & Kien Nguyen

Sun. 25: Volunteers

Money Counters: Sun. 25: Brenda Rocaberto & Traci Wulff

Ushers/Greeters: Sat. 24: Thom & Sally Haines

Sun. 25: Mark and Theresa Harris

Prayer List: Barb Wickam, Danny Burch, Anna Stump, Bernie Loyd,
Joanne Nothaus

Upcoming events:

Birthday's this week: January 20 Rich Bolesta; 23 John Marxkors and Kim Nguyen. May God continue to bless you and keep you in good health.

Christmas Flowers – Thank you to all who donated a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, which made our church beautiful for the Christmas season. We collected \$455 and the expense was \$400 for 20 flowers.

Catechism Meeting – Come join us this third Sunday, January 18 at 10:30 a.m. in the church basement classroom. In this meeting, we will learn the answer to the questions: “What does God reveal to man? and What are the Stages of God’s Revelation?”

Special Collection January 24-25 - Next weekend, we will have a special collection for the Church in Latin America. This collection supports lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Knights of Columbus – The Knights of Columbus will have their Rose for Life Campaign on January 24 and 25, which seeks to promote and protect human life from contraception to natural death.

REGISTRATION FOR THE DIOCESAN EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS ALREADY BEGAN. You may now register at the Diocesan

Website at: <https://dioscg.org/diocesan-eucharistic-congress/>. On August 15, 2026, all people of the diocese are invited to participate in a year of spiritual preparation for this momentous celebration. The doors to the West Plains Civic Center will open at 8:30am on Sat., Aug. 15 and the first presentation begins at 10:00am. The day will be filled with activities, culminating in the celebration of the Sunday Vigil Mass at the close of the Congress. All activities and the celebration of Mass will conclude at 6:30pm. There is a registration fee of \$10 per person or \$25 maximum per family (parents with minor age children). The registration fee includes all Congress activities, speakers, materials, and a lunch meal. A variety of grab-n-go lunch options will be provided by area restaurants that will be serving meals at the Civic Center. You will be able to view menu options and order your lunch meal ahead of time, during the online registration process.



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings: Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34

LET US GROW AS A DISCIPLE: I have struggled when doing work that feels unseen. Has anyone noticed that the floors were mopped today? Do my students care about the feedback I provide on their writing? Does my supervisor notice the extra time I put into my work? In today's Gospel we hear John the Baptist announcing Jesus as "the Lamb of God." John has been preparing for the coming of Christ and now that Jesus has arrived, his role is to step aside and encourage his followers to move their gaze toward Christ, the Messiah. Although we know John's name and his faithfulness, it would have been easy for him to assume that his work would have been forgotten – overshadowed by the signs and wonders of Christ himself. But in his humility, this is exactly what John seemingly wanted. His life and words were focused solely on proclaiming the coming of Christ. While I may have been tempted to say, "Please don't forget about what I did," John responded faithfully to God's call to preach and prepare for Christ's coming, without worry of receiving credit for his actions. And in our lives, too, what matters is not whether our work is appreciated or noticed, but whether our actions are in response to God's call to holiness.

LET US GO EVANGELIZE: Despite not knowing whether his work would extend for years or decades, John the Baptist continued to lead others toward repentance. He did not know the full scope of his role in the plan of salvation, but he trusted in the voice of God. Like John, we are called to persevere in faithfulness to the work that God has called us to do, right where we are. When we persevere in our faith, living according to the teachings of Christ and our vocation, we give witness to the truth that the God who called us is worthy of our trust.

LET US REFLECT: Consider the countless men and women who have gone before us who remained faithful to God's call. Their lives bear witness to their trust in God, in big and in small ways, sometimes visible, but often hidden. What simple acts of faithfulness are you being called to persevere in today? Recommit to practicing faithfulness in the big – as well as mundane – aspects of daily living.