

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

December 10, 2023

Mass Schedule and Intentions:

Sunday, December 10th – 8:00am (Rosary at 7:30am)
+ Andy Frascht
Thursday, December 14th – 5:30pm
(Adoration & Confession beginning at 5:00pm)
+ Don Washington
Friday, December 15th – 10:15am (Rockwell Nursing Home)
For the Residents
Sunday, December 17th – 8:00am (Rosary at 7:30am)
+ Bridget Bamrick

Sacred Heart Mission: We, the Sacred Heart Catholic Church parish, are a community of Christian faith striving to teach the word of God, to minister the sacraments, and to share Jesus' love.

SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS:

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10th – Men's Shelter Donations Due
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 16th – Advent Penance Service at 10:00am
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17th – Religious Education Christmas Program, Parish Potluck, and Cookie Walk

JOIN US for coffee, rolls, and fellowship after Mass.
All are welcome!

WELCOME to Joel and Kristi Kohler and their daughters, Hadley, Landry, and Collins, who have recently joined Sacred Heart!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Bernice Kirk who will be 104 tomorrow, December 11th. Cards can be sent to her at the Rockwell Community Nursing Home, 707 Elm St E., Rockwell, IA 50469. Have a great day, Bernice!

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – John the Baptist's call to repentance is echoed in the U.S. Bishops' Pastoral letter on stewardship: "Christians must beg God for grace of conversion: the grace to know how they are, to whom they belong, how they are to live – the grace to repent and change and grow, the grace to become good disciples and stewards."

SOCIAL JUSTICE – Tags and items are due back TODAY. Thank you to Hy-Vee East for their generous donation of 25 \$10 Gift Cards for our baskets! We will be delivering the baskets to the shelter on Saturday, December 23rd and having Hy-Vee cater a Christmas dinner for them at noon on that day. Sacred Heart has always been very generous with this campaign. Thank you to all who have donated to this cause! If you have questions, please see Kim Tracy.

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE is NEXT Saturday, December 16th, at 10:00am here at Sacred Heart.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM AND POTLUCK is NEXT Sunday, December 17th following Mass. All are welcome! Please stay and support the young people of our Parish. They are so excited every year to dress up and put this program on, it is so fun to see the joy on their faces. The Knights of Columbus will be providing Egg Bake after the program, please bring a dish to share. There will also be Holiday Crafts set up for all the kids and Parish Members, as well! **CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK** is also taking place during the potluck. Like last year's, we are asking all to please bring a couple of dozen cookies/treats to sell. Treats will sell for a free will donation! This will be a great place to get your Christmas treats!

DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS – If you wish to donate for poinsettias for Christmas, please put the donation in collection basket. If the donation is for someone special, please make note of that on the envelope.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR PRACTICES: Today at 9:45am, December 10th at 10:15am, and December 17th around 10:00am (after the Religious Ed Christmas program/potluck). Any age, any music ability are welcome! Besides choir, we are also looking for instrumentalists and/or vocalists for special music before Mass - soloists, small groups, family groups, etc. If interested or have questions, please contact Ann Wolf, text 641-583-3647, or email ann.maywolf@gmail.com.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE – Christmas Eve Mass: Sunday December 24th, at 6:00pm. There will NOT be a Mass here at Sacred Heart on Christmas Day. There will be the regular 8:00am Mass on Sunday, December 24th, which is the 4th Sunday of Advent.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS – Attached to the bulletin today is a brochure on Retirement Fund for Religious along with an envelope for a donation. Please be as generous as you can. You can make check out to Sacred Heart with notation on check of "RFR" and put in collection or you can mail your donation direct, just follow the instructions on the brochure.

FAITH UNITED CHURCH (Formerly United Methodist Church) is having their annual Soup Supper this Wednesday, December 13th, serving from 5:00pm–7:00pm. They are having 3 kinds of homemade soup, cinnamon rolls, and hot fudge sundaes for a free will offering.

RETIRED PRIESTS – On the bulletin board is a list of retired priests with their addresses. Many of them served at Sacred Heart or in the area and would enjoy hearing from you, especially in this Christmas season.

FOOD DONATION BASKET is up front for anyone wanting to share items for the food pantries (West Fork Food Pantry and Hawkeye Harvest Food Bank). Items are very much in need this time of the year. If you or someone you know is in need, the

West Fork Food Pantry hours are Thursdays from 2:00pm–5:00pm and the first Saturday of the month from 10:00am–12:00pm. They are located on Main Street in Sheffield. Their phone number is 641-892-4010. You must be a resident of the West Fork School District to be eligible for receiving food. The phone number to the Hawkeye Harvest Food Bank in Mason City is (641) 424-3073.

HAT & MITTEN BOX is out again this year for anyone who wants to donate warm items. Scarves are also welcome. The last couple years items went to Salvation Army. If anyone has any other places that we could give them to just let the office know.

NEWMAN CATHOLIC CAN DRIVE – There will be a Can Drive next Saturday, December 16th, from 10:00am–12:00pm in the Newman Catholic High School parking lot. Just pull in and students will unload them from your car! Harley Davidson of Mason City is sponsoring the event and is doubling the donations raised. Monies raised are for the Booster Club to help with busing, etc

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK! Did you know we have a Facebook page? Look for Sacred Heart Catholic Church Rockwell!

Religious Education News

TODAY – Youth Choir sings at Mass. **Donuts:** *McLaughlin, Pearce, & Robison Families*
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17th – Christmas Program and Potluck. *No Donuts.*
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th & SUNDAY, DECEMBER 31st – No class for Christmas Break.

***Donuts – Please bring 4 dozen donuts, bagels, or muffins and assist with serving and clean-up. No nuts or peanut butter, please

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<u>BUDGET</u>	<u>December 3, 2023</u>	<u>BUILDING FUND</u>	
Adults	\$5,234.62	Balance:	\$7,052.78
Offertory	\$58.00	Donations	\$405.00
Building	\$405.00	TOTAL:	\$7,457.78
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DECEMBER 10, 2023 – 8:00am – Second Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Kim Tracy
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tammy Hrubetz, Kate Osterman
 Matt Reed, Lisa Schultz
 MUSIC: Youth Choir
 SERVERS: Jayden Pitzengerger
 GREETERS/USHERS: Les & Sandy Knowles
 MONEY COUNTERS: Les Knowles, Charley Sprung
 ROSARY: Dale Hubka

DECEMBER 17, 2023 – 8:00am – Third Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Charley Sprung
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Amanda Dick, Pat McLaughlin
 Jim Weaver, Dave Weiland
 MUSIC: Andrea & Avah Hanig, Ann Wolf
 SERVERS: Owen & Beau Hanig
 GREETERS/USHERS: Tony & Renee Laudner
 MONEY COUNTERS: Dan Hrubetz, Paul Rowe
 ROSARY: Bill Martin

DECEMBER 24, 2023 – 8:00am – Fourth Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Dave Weiland
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Renee Laudner, Pat McLaughlin
 Pat Sheldon, Jim Weaver
 MUSIC: Kim Thyne, Ann Wolf
 SERVERS: Makenna & Crayton Dick
 GREETERS/USHERS: Bill & Denise Martin
 MONEY COUNTERS: Jill Rowe, Mary Schulz
 ROSARY: Paul Rowe

DECEMBER 24, 2023 – 6:00pm– Christmas Eve

LECTOR: Steve Abbas
 EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Tammy Hrubetz, Sarah Johnson
 Tim & Margaret Nuehring
 MUSIC: Christmas Choir
 SERVERS: Brylie & Norah Hubka
 GREETERS/USHERS: Tony & Renee Laudner

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Bulletin: Items for the bulletin? Email sacredheartrockwellbulletin@gmail.com or call Sarah
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