Sacred Heart Catholic Church

1	Mass Schedule and Intentions:
įs	Sunday, December 1st – 8:00am (Rosary at 7:30am)
-	+ Jeanette Leyen
; T	hursday, December 5th – 9:30am
Ì	(Adoration & Confession beginning at 5:00pm)
Ì	+ Rita Stevenson
	Friday, December 6th – 9:00am (Sheffield Nursing Home)
1 5	Sunday, December 8th – 8:00am (Rosary at 7:30am)
	+ Dave & Mary Scholl

December 1, 2024

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: THURDAY, DECEMBER 5th – Parish Council Meeting SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th – Donations for Men's Shelter due SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th – Communal Penance at 10:00am SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22nd – Christmas Program, Church Potluck, Cookie Walk

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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – "Be on guard," Jesus warns in today's Gospel, "Lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence." Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet THIS Thursday, December 5th, after Mass.

DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX (DMI) SURVEY – Our Parish, along with all others in the Archdiocese, is participating in this survey conducted by Catholic Leadership Institute. Your input helps strengthen our parish and results help leadership prepare for the future. To participate in this 10-15 minute survey, use the QR code on the back or the link to the survey is: https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/b93715. The link will be active Thursday, December 5th through Thursday, January 9th. You can also find the link on our Facebook page starting on the 5th. There are paper copies available the table going into the Waking Area or in the office. Paper copies must be received back to Catholic Leadership Institute by 1/23/2025. You can drop off your completed survey in the box on the same table and also on the table by the votive candles. Make sure you have paper copies back by January 15th. All responses will be confidential, and the Parish will only receive information about the community as a whole. If you have any questions, call the office at 641- 822-4950.

NORTHERN LIGHTS MEN'S SHELTER CAMPAIGN has kicked off. The Giving Tree is out. Please take a few tags! We ask that all items and/or monetary donations be brought back from the tree by **Sunday**, **December 15th**, in order to have time to put these together and deliver the baskets on December 22nd. Thank you for your support!

FLOWERS - If you would like to donate towards the flower fund for the Christmas season, please put an envelope marked 'Flowers" in the collection. If you would like your donation to be in in memory or honor of someone, please make note of that on the envelope.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION – Please join us for cake and ice cream to celebrate Richard Noss' 90th birthday here in our Parish Center this Saturday, December 7th, from 2:00pm–4:00pm. In Lieu of gifts – if you wish – we will be taking donations for the West Fork Food Pantry. Cards may be sent to 2867 Raven Avenue, Rockwell, IA 50469.

HAT & GLOVE BOX is out again this year for anyone who wants to donate any of the items. The last few years the items have been taken to Salvation Army. If you have other ideas of where to give them let the office know.

CHRISTMAS CHOIR – Do you like to sing or play an instrument? Looking for people to sing in the Christmas Choir and/or provide music before our Christmas Eve Mass at 6:00pm. Contact Ann Wolf, 641-583-3647, ann.maywolf@gmail.com. Practices will be the first three Sundays of December. Today from 9:15am–10:00am; December 8th & 15th after Religious Education Class from 10:15am–10:50am.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM, CHURCH POTLUCK, AND COOKIE WALK will be Sunday, December 22nd. The Knights of Columbus will be providing egg bake and french toast sticks. Please bring a side dish to share! All are welcome! **Cookie Walk** – All are invited to bring 2 dozen individually packaged cookies/treats to share. Treats will be sold for a free-will donation! You do not have to provide to purchase!

MASS SCHEDULES FOR CHRISTMAS – The *Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary* is on December 8th and is not a Holy Day this year since it falls on a weekend. *Christmas Eve*: 6:00pm here at Sacred Heart; 4:00pm at St. Patrick's (Clear Lake), No 8:00pm Mass at St. Patrick's. *Christmas Day*: No Mass here at Sacred Heart; 10:00am at St. Patrick's (Clear Lake). *New Year's Eve – Eve of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*: 5:30pm at Sacred Heart. *New Year's Day – Eve of the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God*: 5:00pm at St. Patrick's (Clear Lake).

FOOD BANKS – Help us fill the baskets during the Advent Season! There is always a need, especially during the holidays. *West* Fork Food Pantry: If you or someone you know is in need, their hours are Thursdays from 2:00pm–5:00pm and the first Saturday

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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. *Hawkeye Harvest Food Bank* is always in need of donated items. There are baskets in the entry to the church to leave any items you want to donate.

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TODAY – No class for Thanksgiving Break. SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8th – Donuts: McLaughlin Family

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, December 15th – Youth Choir will sing at Mass. Please be in the Waking Area at 7:45am wearing your blue Sacred Heart shirt. If anyone still needs a shirt there will be extras available. Practice for Christmas Program during class. Sunday, December 22nd – Christmas Program and Church Potluck and Religious Education party. There will be cookies to decorate, hot chocolate, and crafts.

***Donuts – For the first half of the year, donuts will be purchased by Religious Education. Families are needed to help serve and clean up.

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