

**Saturday, November 17:**

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 18:

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

Monday, November 19: Weekday

1 Mc 1: 10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63, Lk 18:

35-43

No Mass Today

Tuesday, November 20: Weekday

2 Mc 6: 18-31, Lk 19: 1-10

No Mass Today

Wednesday, November 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Mc 7: 1, 20-31, Lk 19: 11-28

7:00 p.m. Mass-Thanksgiving Eve

Thursday, November 22: Cecilia, virgin martyr/Thanksgiving Day

1 Mc 2: 15-29, Lk 19: 41-44

No Mass today

Friday, November 23: Weekday, Clement, pope, martyr/Columban, abbot/Miguel Pro, priest, martyr

1 Mc 4: 36-37, 52-58, Lk 19: 45-48

No Mass Today

CHRIST THE KING

2 Sm 5: 1-3, Col 1: 12-20/Lk 23: 35-43

Saturday, November 24:

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, November 25:

9:00 a.m. Mass

11:00 a.m. Mass

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY

The baskets once again are at the entrances of the Church to receive your donations of non-perishable food for the less fortunate of our church/community. The folks who come to us for help greatly appreciate your assistance.

SOUP LUNCHEON

Please note all senior citizens from Sacred Heart are invited and welcome to come to a FREE soup luncheon at the Parish Center this Sunday, November 18 @ 12:30 p.m. It will be served by our High School youth. Don't miss it!

K/C SENIORS

Our next meeting/luncheon will be this Monday, November 19th at noon at the K/C Hall. We are planning a turkey dinner!! Instead of the usual potluck, you are asked to bring a dessert. Since we are looking for more new members, an open invitation is extended to all K of C members, wives and widows, and to members of Sacred Heart Church. Please join us for our Thanksgiving meal.

Happy
Thanksgiving

FROM FR. DENNIS & THE STAFF OF SACRED HEART SATURDAY, & SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 & 25**LECTORS:**

5:00 p.m. Eleanor Razmus

9:00 a.m. Joanne Richardson

11:00 a.m. Mark Ransford

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST:

5:00 p.m. Mary Ann Vandemark*

J.R. Vandemark, Paul Langlois

Denise Burkey, Theresa Burkey

9:00 a.m. Rose Putnam*

Pete & Norma Sayers

Andy Schlaud, Becky Learman

11:00 a.m. Lee Starling*

Carol Starling, Chris Creguer

Rita Papp, Lil Guild

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:00 p.m. Andrew Rollend, Alex Rollend

9:00 a.m. Daniella Babcock, Evan Smith

11:00 a.m. Claire Starling, Beth Roesner

GREETERS:

5:00 p.m. Sharon Allen, Jerry, Lil Guild, Mandy

Knox, Eva Rodriguez

9:00 a.m. Richard, Barb Tetil, Pete, Kaye Zurek,

Norma, Bob Berry, Joan Smith

11:00 a.m. Lee, Carol Starling Family, Cindy Jackson,

Keith, Lynette Baur, Sharon Vandenbossche

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER:

5:00 p.m. Pat Hepfer*, Dave Kolacz

Dave Lagos, Doug Lagos

9:00 a.m. John Papp Sr.* Charles Pistro,

Pat Stapleton, John Papp, Jr.

11:00 a.m. Bill Blaylock*, John Kopko

Jack Generous, Paul Ellsworth

THANKSGIVING VIGIL WEDNESDAY, NOV 21 @ 7:00 PM**LECTOR:** MariAnn Saenen**MINISTERS OF EUCHARIST:** Bob Chisholm*, Pat Chisholm, Norm & Jan Daniels, Char Bauerschmidt**ALTAR SERVERS:** Mallori Adams, Emily Strasz**THANKSGIVING-LOOK CLOSER**

This Thanksgiving season can be the beginning of a new initiative in gratitude. When we wake in the morning we should be grateful to have risen from a warm bed. As we sit at the dinner table, eyeing the overstuffed turkey, take a quiet moment to remember the many in this country (and our own community) who dream of meals this lavish, and then wake to empty stomachs. Look deeper, beneath the surface, instead of seeing the dated wallpaper in the kitchen or the furniture in the dining room that doesn't quite match the new carpeting, be grateful to *have* a home to call your own. Many don't. Many never will. Remember that sad reality when the howling November winds swirl outside your bedroom window. Think of the many people who brave the elements without four walls to protect them. We are undoubtedly the lucky ones. And don't forget what gives Thanksgiving its true heart: our families. Although many holiday celebrations begin or end with bickering, think twice before engaging in that petty ritual. Look further, past our trivial differences, and count the ways our families enrich our lives. We should keep close to our hearts those who will be spending Thanksgiving alone. The deafening noise of silence is often worse than the dizzying clamor of your family. Look into the faces of those seated around us. Imperfections and all, they are some of our finest blessings. It's important to honor our history with our friends and families. Being thankful is an invaluable act of grace that never loses its luster. Now more than ever it must shine.

(From St. Anthony's Messenger)

PARISH SUPPORT

Our Weekly Need.....\$5800.00
 Last Weekend..... \$6116.51
 482 Envelope Holders- 244 Envelopes Used Last Weekend

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE-After a summer break, the Sacred Heart planning committee reconvened their monthly meetings in September. The committee is diligently focusing on the charge and purpose set forth before them which is "to follow the goals and dreams from the general parish survey, to plan for those needs and dreams and to implement them, and any other needs, for the future benefit of our parish".

As mentioned in the past newsletters, efforts at this time are to concentrate on the current and future needs of the parish center. There are several ideas and options that are currently being discussed and investigated. Mr. Chip Hendricks, with R.C. Hendricks Contracting, came in May to present his findings after a survey of the parish center. The planning Committee has been busily processing that information and has now invited Mr. Hendricks to review several ideas and options. With his expertise, and with God's grace, the intent is to come to a mutual decision on how to move forward. R.C. Hendricks was chosen because there is NO COST for the many meetings, surveys, and opinions asked of them. A few will be charged only if we proceed with any activity to the parish center. A great deal of time and planning is going into this effort. Be assured this committee is hard at work to do what is right for the current and future needs of our parish. This has been, and will continue to be, a very thorough process. Stay tuned...more to follow. Peace, Fr. Dennis



SPIRIT HOCKEY! Our parish is inviting all parishioners to "Faith Night" @ a Saginaw Spirit Hockey game. During intermission time there will be a guest speaker and a popular Christian band. Don't miss out on the fun!



When: Saturday, January 5th, 2008

Time: 7:00-11:00 pm

Where: Dow Event Center

Cost: \$7.50 per person

Transportation will be your responsibility. Tickets will be purchased in advance, so our parish community will sit in the same section. Contact Karen to purchase tickets or for more information @ 673-2276.



CELEBRATE ADVENT

When: Dec. 1st & 2nd **Time:** After all Masses

Where: Sacred Heart Parish Center **Who:** All are welcome

What: *K/C Auxiliary Cookie Walk, *Middle School Straw Draw *Wreath Sales (to benefit Homeless Coalition-wreaths donated by Will's Greenhouse), *Poinsettias, *K/C Breakfast (Sunday only)

Be sure to join us for this **very festive time**. You'll be supporting our parish and community and have fun doing it

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

This weekend we will have a collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD is the Catholic Church's anti-poverty program in the U.S. It supports groups of low-income

people as they work to bring long-term change to their lives. CCHD does not do for people what they can do for themselves. Your generosity is always appreciated.

†FAITH FORMATION NEWS†

Nov. 18-Children's Mass @ 11:00

Nov. 18-Senior Citizen soup luncheon, hosted by High School youth

Nov. 20-S.P.R.E.D. Friends & Leaders meet 7:00 p.m.

Nov. 25-No Sunday Faith Formation Class

Dec. 1/2 "Celebrate Advent" after all Masses

Dec. 2-K of C Breakfast

Dec. 4-S.P.R.E.D. Friends & Leaders meet 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 8-High School shopping trip to Great Lakes Crossing

Dec. 9-7/8th grade shopping trip to Bay City Mall

Dec. 15/16- After Mass coffee & cookie social

Dec. 18-S.P.R.E.D. Christmas Party @ 7:00 p.m.

MOVIE NEWS-There will be a new children's movie out in December called THE GOLDEN COMPASS. Phillip Pullman, a proud atheist, who has written a trilogy where in the end the children kill God, writes it and everyone can do as they please. Nicole Kidman stars in the movie, so it will likely be advertised a lot. Many of the large bookstores are already displaying the books and accessories that go along with children's movies. For more information on this movie go to www.snopes.com/compass.

IT'S "STRAW DRAW" TIME AGAIN-Many of our parishioners have been very generous the past few years in donating items for our popular Straw Draw event. The profit from this event is used for our youth programs. This year it will be part of our "Celebrate Advent" event, which will be held in the Parish Center the weekend of Dec. 1 & 2. If you have items to donate, please bring them to the Parish Center or call Karen @ 673-2276.

"CIRCLE OF STRENGTH" is meeting on Monday's from 6:15-7:30 in the Parish Center. Join us as we read Sunday by Sunday and reflect on the upcoming Sunday readings and how they relate to our own lives. The cost is FREE, the learning and growth you will attain are priceless! You'll be supporting our parish and community and have fun doing it!

MARCH FOR LIFE- (TO WASHINGTON, D.C.) You are most welcome to join our group from Sacred Heart Church who will be showing their support for LIFE in our nation's capitol on January 20-23, 2008. It is open to all 8th graders through adults. We will be going by charter bus. Cost is \$150.00 per participant. For more information call the Parish Center @ 673-2276.

POINSETTIA SALE- The Christian Service committee is sponsoring our annual Poinsettia Sale. Committee members will be **taking orders** for poinsettias after Mass on **November 17-18**, and **November 24-25**. Poinsettias will be **ready for pick up at the Parish Center on November 30, 3:30-5:00 and after Masses on December 1 and December 2**. Proceeds from the sale will fund scholarships for Sacred Heart High School Seniors. For more information, contact Mary Gettel 673-8281.

CHRISTMAS EVE 4:00 MASS-CHILDREN'S CHOIR

PRACTICE TIMES WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:

Pre-schoolers/Kindergarteners on Dec. 8, 10-10:30; Dec. 15, & 22, 9:30-10:00.

First/Second Grade- on Dec. 8, 10-10:30; Dec. 15 & 22, 9:45-10:15

Third-Eighth Grade with the Children's Choir on THURS., NOV. 29, 3:30-4:30, THURS. DEC. 6, 3:30-4:30, THURS. DEC. 13, 3:30-4:30 and/or SAT., DEC. 15, 10:00-11:00, SATURDAY, DEC. 22, 10:00-11:00.

Parents are needed to help with Pre-School through 2nd graders. Call Mary Gettel 673-8281 for info if you can help.