

Mass Intentions for the Week

10/26 Mon	9:00 AM	Joseph Geisler <i>By His Wife</i>
10/27 Tues	9:00 AM	Ken & Mary Bagley <i>By Pete & Ellie</i>
10/28 Wed	9:00 AM	All Deceased Parishioners
10/29 Thur	9:00 AM	All Deceased Parishioners
10/30 Fri	9:00 AM	Communion Service
10/31 Sat	4:00 PM	Ann Pahl <i>By Paula Ciborowski</i>
11/01 Sun	10:30 AM	Madeleine DeFalco Franzo <i>By Joseph L. Franzo</i>

Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp donation is given this week in memory of Al Maruszewski.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

If you would like birthdays and anniversaries for yourself, friend or relative posted in the bulletin, please contact the Parish Office at 607-563-1591.

Commemoration of All Faithful Departed Mass

It has been our tradition at Sacred Heart to light a candle and display the names of our deceased faithful who passed away during the church year. Next weekend on **October 31st and November 1st** a family member or friend has been invited onto the sanctuary to light a candle in memory of their departed loved one. Letters have been mailed to family members and they should contact the parish office if they plan to attend.

If you wish to have any loved ones remembered at all Masses during November, please fill out the All Souls envelope in your packet of envelopes and place it in the collection basket. If you don't use envelopes, please use the All Souls envelopes provided in the vestibule of the church. All Souls envelopes will remain on the altar during the month of November.

No Mass Thursday November 5th, 2026

There will be no Mass Thursday November 5th, 2026, due to Father Ben's attendance at the Propagation of Faith meeting scheduled that day.

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

God's love pushes us outside of ourselves.

Today's Gospel is considered to be one of the most important teachings of Jesus. Indeed, the message is very clear: Love of God and love of neighbor are the two most important commandments in the eyes of the Lord.

Too often we think of love in terms of feelings. But love is not just sending good thoughts or feelings to others. It takes its form in concrete action, as the first reading points out. But what if we feel no capacity to love others? It is easy to get caught up in our own busyness and think we have nothing left to give. If this is the case, something is missing, and today's Gospel holds the answer.

To love God with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength means that we are orienting all those areas toward God. God's love has already been given to us. He brought us into existence because of his love for humanity. His love sustains us every day. When we open ourselves up to him, our hearts are flooded with his love. It is that experience which gives us the ability and the capacity to love others. Remember the words of the First Letter of John: *We love because [God] first loved us* (4:19).

We cannot give what we do not have. This is why it is essential to be committed to prayer and the sacraments. Every time we receive the Eucharist, we receive God, who is love, into our hearts. When we pray, his grace is poured out into our hearts. This love, greater than the universe, cannot be kept to ourselves. God's love always pushes us outside ourselves, toward others. The experience of being loved so deeply by our Creator and Savior naturally pushes us to desire that others have that same experience. To love our neighbor as ourselves means acting in a way that demonstrates that we want the best for the other person, the same way we want what is good for ourselves.

There is nothing better than the love of God. By first receiving God's love, and letting it pour out into our actions, we fulfill Christ's commandments.

Wisdom of the Saints

By your prayers you can bring down the rain of mercy.

~ St. Charbel Makloutf

Community Food Bank

Next week is our monthly collection for our local food bank. Donations of canned and boxed food items, as well as boxed cereal are always appreciated. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Weekend of October 31 & November 1st, 2026

First Reading:- Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

Second Reading: 1John 3:1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12a

Saturday 4:00 PM

Celebrant:

Fr. Ben

Lector:

Lorraine Keckeisen

Eucharistic Ministers:

Carole Ostrander, Jane Artis, Dorothy Yaiser

Altar Servers:

Sunday 8:00AM

Fr. Ben

Paula Ciborowski

Ada Rice, Emelinda Gronwall, Josh Gronwall

Jack & Henry Grigoli

Offerings from October 17th & 18th, 2026: Regular: \$2,893.00; Fuel: \$200.00; Mission Sunday \$756.00

Share the Bounty

Thank you to everyone who supports “Share the Bounty” with their time and energy every month continuing to serve the Lord by serving others. Through your efforts, no matter how you help, our numbers keep increasing to bring fellowship and food to our brothers and sisters. May you be greatly blessed for your efforts.

Holiday Bazaar and Bake Sale

St. John's, Bainbridge will be holding a Holiday Bazaar & Bake Sale Saturday, November 14 from 8:30am – 12:30am at the Afton Town Hall, 204 Co Rd 39 (handicap accessible). Raffles, Crafts, Gift Baskets, & Delicious Baked Goods.

Pope Leo XIV Update: No Further Treatment Needed After Lung Cancer Surgery

Pope Leo XIV's cancer was localized and successfully removed; he is recovering well, continuing his papal duties, has already resumed his weekly General Audience and is expected to remain active in the coming weeks. He is expected to travel to South America in early November.

Homebound/Nursing Home Parishioners

There is a list posted on the bulletin board in the vestibule of homebound and nursing home parishioners. Please consider taking one of the lists and sending a card to one or all of them.

You also might want to include them when you send Christmas cards this year.

If you know of someone not on this list that should be included please contact the parish office.

Share the Bounty Dinner

October 29, 2026, 4:30 – 6:30PM
Mac & Cheese, Salad, Bread & Cookies
All are welcome!

Methodist Church ~ Thanksgiving Baskets

The Methodist Church is accepting requests for the Thanksgiving basket throughout the month of October. The last day to register is October 31st.

October Bulletin Quotes

“When we meet Jesus in the Eucharist, this encounter has the power to change us. The Eucharist has the power to transform the depths of our hearts and the heart of our culture. United to the power of his Eucharistic Presence, may we work to ensure that each person has life—and has it in abundance.”

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities Respect Life

Reflection:

“I Came So That They Might Have Life”

Question of the Week

(Jesus) said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ (Matthew 22:37-39)

Adults: In practical sense, what is one thing that would change in your life if you loved your neighbor as yourself?

Kids: Why is it hard sometime to love your neighbor?

Diocesan Appeal 2026

If you have not received your Diocesan Appeal mailing at home, there are envelopes at each of the exits for you to use to make your pledge/donation. We have raised \$7,287.00 of our \$12,217.00 assessment. Please consider making your pledge/donation to help us reach our assessment if you have not already done so.

Pastoral Visit of the Bishop ~ Hancock

Bishop Mark will make his pastoral visit to St. Paul's Church
Sunday, November 1st, 2026
and will preside at the 10:30AM mass.
Our Mass here at Sacred Heart Church on November 1st, 2026 will be held at 8:00AM.



Happy Halloween!

Please pray for the following people, who have requested our prayers: Joe LaFave, Ginni Roe, Gabi Bakeman, Kimberlee Roe, Michael Bell, Barbara Bennett, Kim Sumski, Grady Charles Weigand, Daniel Rickard, Dorothy Kashuda, Alyson Sabillon, Linda Falk, Bonnie La Voie, Doug Williams, Faith Williams, Don Butler, Debra Patterson, Ed Nicol, Dawn Maruszewski, Madlyn Sumski, Alex Roberts, Mary Munetz, Jazmers Moore, Bruce Allen, Kimberly Bosket, Jackie Bargher, Matthew Baxter, Darline Smith, Joseph Dermody, Alice Anderson, Sandy Kemp, George Walters, Lorraine Keckeisen, Maria LaBar, John McCann, Natalie Stone, Marian Heeps, Mary Kolermous, Terri Cristofaro, Nancy Daugherty, Mark Moratwe, Sharon Guenther, Kira Cronk, Terry Yackel, Jack Yackel, Jim Mylotte, Alice Walters, Rev. Steve Deckard, Nick Gibson, Andy Woods, Bob Jenks, Dolores Starzinger, Alexis Spencer, Ines Warlock, Susan Chidester, Bob Oliver, Rose LoCasci, Eugene & Yvonne Cutler, Timothy Bell, Ruth Glaum, Holly North, Dixy Pflug, Celeste Hartman, Aidan Burns, James Jennings, Marge Suriano, Marlena Keath, Marian Agyemang, Frank Holley, Nicholas Gaedeke, Gary Maraia, Rachel Feyh, Marge LaFave, Olivia Ross & family, Joe Maggio, Eric Roll, Barbara Haynes, Renee Joseph, Charlie Washburn, James Rattrie, Sean Granan, Marge Ramsey, Fran Groshans, Marion Kiselic, Pat Nabinger, James Stanley, Chris Smith, Bonnie De Salvo, Lori White, Ellen Reuter, Jaxson Beadle, Francis Duguay, Joan Rice, John MacDonald, Rowan DeCocker, Stephanie Soldinger, Bonnie Tabone, John Gilmore, Will Sterchak, Donna Khan, Anthony Barber, Jr., Payton Lakin, Joan Barber, Mathias Mietzelfeld, Maggie Hoffman, Marybeth Modinger, Jacqueline Richardson, Celeste Aber, Teri Fralich, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Bill Babbage, Sarah Pressler, Chris West, Dawn Cronin, Josephine Materazzo, Avery Maggio, Barb & Jerry Patrick, Paisley Halbert, John MacDonald, Anne Klopchin, Gloria Parsons, Anthony Naples, Danielle Spry, Ellen Hogan, Bradley Lathan, Peter Burghardt Jr., The Family of Mufide, Kathy Saludo, Elizabeth Cline, Kyle Banas, Kristin Barber, Susan Hanaway, Betsy, Bobbie Galchutt, George Innes, Veronica Rivera, Cassandra Hoblitz, Marianne Johansen, Tom Ruff, Ann Weibel Capecelatro

Please note: All names will remain on our prayer list and will be prayed for unless our office is notified to remove an individual.