

Sacred Heart Church

714 Lincoln Street
Elsberry, Missouri 63343
Telephone Number: 898-2202
Website: www.SacredHeartElsberry.org



Pastor: Rev. Charles P. Tichacek

Sunday Mass

8:00 am

Week Day Masses

Monday 7:00 pm

Tuesday 8:00 am

Adoration is the third Tuesday of each month beginning after the 8:00 am Mass and concluding with Benediction at 7:00 pm

Communion Service Thursday 7:30 am

Communion Service Friday 7:30 am

Baptisms by appointment

Devotion

Rosary at 7:40 am on Tuesday and Perpetual Help Devotions.

Marriages

To be arranged at least 6 months prior to the wedding

Confession

Sunday 7:30 am

Parish Office Hours

Tuesday 10:00 am until 5:00 pm

**Epiphany of the Lord
January 8, 2017
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MASS INTENTIONS

Jan. 9 - Jan. 15

Mon. 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus L & D
Tues. 8:00 am Tobias Family
Thurs. 7:30 am Communion Service
Fri. 7:30 am Communion Service
Sun. 8:00 am Cecil, Madeline & Don Heitman

Feast Days

Mon. Baptism of the Lord
Fri. St. Hilary

Dec. 25, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 1,175
Loose: \$ 862
Total: \$ 2,037

Parish Improvements

\$1
Seminary - \$388

January 1, 2017

Envelopes: \$ 783
Loose: \$ 532
Total: \$1,315

Parish Improvements

\$95
Solemnity of Mary - \$110

Money Counters: **Today: Pat Wood**
Kaye Byers
January 15: Mike Byers
Make Shaffer

Sacred Heart Calendar of Events

Today: PSR resumes

Mon., Jan. 9: Mass 7:00 pm
Tues., Jan. 10: Mass 8:00 am
Tues., Jan. 10: Bible Study 7:00 pm
Thurs., Jan. 12: Communion Service 7:30 am
Fri., Jan. 13: Communion Service 7:30 am

FOR SALE

8 OLD TABLES FROM THE HALL. Call the office.

MASS SCHEDULE AT ST. ALPHONSUS

Jan. 9 - Jan. 15

Wednesday 8:15 am Friday 8:15 am
Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 10:00 am

Phone # at St. Alphonsus 573-384-6223

January Papal Intentions

Dear Heavenly Father,
As we celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity this month, we pray that all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching on unity. May we, with prayer and fraternal charity, strive to restore Christian unity and collaborate to meet the challenges facing humanity

LECTORS

Sun. Jan. 15 8:00 am Edward D. O'Brien
Sun. Jan. 22 8:00 am Rachele Presley

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Sun. Jan. 15 8:00 am Phyllis Galati &
Jimmy Henry
Sun. Jan. 22 8:00 am Tim Heitman &
Rosemary Laws

ALTAR SERVERS

Jan. 15 8:00 am Aureliano & Seferino Gonzalez
Jan. 22 8:00 am Philipp & Paul Brickey

GREETERS

Sun. Jan. 15 8:00 am Patty Koch &
Kandi Kinsler
Sun. Jan. 22 8:00 am Rosemary Laws
Judy Robinson

GIFT BEARERS

Sun. Jan. 15 8:00 am Ed & Sarah O'Brien
Sun. Jan. 22 8:00 am Rosemary Laws &
Jimmy Henry

Take a poinsettia after Mass
today if you would like one!



Need a Priest?

Fr. Wissler, Sacred Heart Troy 636-528-8219 or
Fr. Rath, Immaculate Conception, Old Monroe
636-661-5002

Pray For

Please pray for all the sick or homebound.
To add to the prayer list please tell Father or
contact the parish office 898-2202



Margaret Bartold
Joe & Mary Buescher
Kim Tobiasz
Nancy McCullough
Jack Burkemper
Leroy Schramm
Ernest Ogden
Raymond Geosling
Trina Burnette

Sammy Mayes
Cecile Mesker
Jerry Heitman
Maurice Illy
Eric Byers
Charlie DeMoulin
Andrew Heitman
Bonnie Kindred

The Mysteries of Jesus' infancy

528 The *Epiphany* is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (*magi*) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning toward the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that "the full number of the nations" now takes its "place in the family of the patriarchs," and acquires *Israelitica dignitas* (are made "worthy of the heritage of Israel")

529 The *presentation of Jesus in the temple* shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. With Simeon and Anna, all Israel awaits its *encounter* with the Savior - the name given to this event in the Byzantine tradition. Jesus is recognized as the long-expected Messiah, the "light to the nations" and the "glory of Israel," but also "a sign that is spoken against." The sword of sorrow predicted for Mary announces Christ's perfect and unique oblation on the cross that will impart the salvation God had "prepared in the presence of all peoples."

530 The *flight into Egypt* and the massacre of the innocents make manifest the opposition of darkness to the light: "He came to his own home, and his own people received him not." Christ's whole life was lived under the sign of persecution. His own share it with him. Jesus departure from Egypt recalls the exodus and presents him as the definitive liberator of God's people.

THANK YOU

Thanks for all the cards and gifts at Christmas Time. Everyone is so very generous. You all make Sacred Heart a wonderful parish.



Let us pray for the eternal rest of **Lester McClain**.

He died December 25.

Father Rath celebrated the funeral Service at Carter-Ricks on Dec. 30



READINGS FOR the WEEK of Jan 9– Jan. 15

Monday	Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; Matthew 3:13-17
Tuesday	Hebrews 2:5-12; Mark 1:21-28
Wednesday	Hebrews 2:14-18; Mark 1:29-39
Thursday	Hebrews 3:7-14; Mark 1:40-45
Friday	Hebrews 4:1-5, 11; Mark 2:1-12
Saturday	Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 2:13-17
Sunday	Isaiah 49: 3, 5-6' 1 Corinthians 1:1-3 John 1:29-34

STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11
The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow all year long. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all of our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be the most generous with that one thing that means the most to us.

PRO-LIFE

SIGN A ROSE FOR LIFE IN YOUR PEW!

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, January 20th, 2017. Lincoln County Right to Life Annual Pro-Life Prayer Vigil.

MISSOURI LIFE CARAVAN IS ONCE AGAIN ORGANIZING BUSES FOR THE Annual March for Life in Washington, DC. Thurs. - Sat., Jan. 26-28. This trip does not involve overnight stays in hotels as we sleep on the buses. The cost before Dec. 23 is \$190, after Dec. 23 is \$205. For registration and bus info contact us at: 314-434-4900 or mrl.eastern@yahoo.com You can download our registration form at www.missourilife.org. Deadline is Jan. 3.

Government Should Not Tell a Woman What to Do with Her Body

To suggest that there are no circumstances in which the government can tell people what to do has no merit whatsoever. Our govt. routinely enacts laws which prevent people from doing certain actions both to their own bodies & other peoples' bodies. Example, we are not legally allowed to sell our bodies for sex, or take drugs, or sell organs.

However, the most important issue is that the woman's body is not the only body involved in an abortion. The baby, as a matter of scientific fact, is a separate human being from the mother with its own genetic code, blood type and fingerprints.

The fatal "choice" being made does not relate to the mother's body, but that of the innocent child.