

# SACRED HEART CHURCH

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**Pastor: Rev. Charles P. Tichacek**

**Sunday Mass**

8:00 am

**Week Day Masses**

Monday 7:00 pm    Communion Service Thursday 7:30 am

Tuesday 8:00 am    Communion Service Friday 7:30 am

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

**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



PSR - begins September 8 at 9:00 am  
We are in need of a Catechist and Aids .  
If interested please contact Rachele Presley at  
636-662-2407  
We will have sign-ups soon.

RCIA will begin soon. Call 898-2202 if interested in becoming Catholic.

**THANKS TO ALL LABORERS!!** - workers and volunteers at our parish. Thanks for all you do!!

**St. Gregory the Great** - Tuesday, September 3  
Born in Rome around 540, Gregory was a senator and civic administrator who at age 35 entered the Benedictine monastery. After five years he was legate to Constantinople, and on this date in 590 became Pope. For 14 years he worked in incomparable fashion, guiding the church in decadent times, facing the Lombard invasions, sending out missionaries, writing, advancing the liturgy. Gregorian chant is named for him. One of the greatest Popes in centuries, equal to the crisis of his age, Gregory the Great died in 604.

### CATECHISM What is Prayer?

For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; It is a simple look turned toward heaven, it is a cry of recognition and of love, embracing both trial and joy.

2559 "Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God or the requesting of good things from God." But when we pray, do we speak from the height of our pride and will, or "out of the depths" of a humble and contrite heart? He who humbles himself will be exalted; *humility* is the foundation of prayer. Only when we humbly acknowledge that "we do not know how to pray as we ought," are we ready to receive freely the gift of prayer. "Man is a beggar before God."

2560 "If you knew the gift of God!" The wonder of prayer is revealed beside the well where we come seeking water: there, Christ comes to meet every human being. It is he who first seeks us and asks us for a drink. Jesus thirsts; his asking arises from the depths of God's desire for us. Whether we realize it or not, prayer is the encounter of God's thirst with ours. God thirsts that we may thirst for him.

2561 "You would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." Paradoxically our prayer of petition is a response to the pleas of the living God: "They have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewn out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water!" Prayer is the response of faith to the free promise of salvation and also a response of love to the thirst of the only Son of God.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**St. Paul Church, St. Paul Parish Picnic** Today, Sept. 1. Fried chicken and Kettle Beef Dinners served from 11 am to 7 pm.

**Fall Quilt Social - Immaculate Conception Parish - Old Monroe** Sun., Sept. 8. Lunch served at 11:30 am. Bingo starts at 1:00 pm.

### Season of Hope - Grief Support

New 6-week session begins Tuesday, Sept. 10th, 6 pm to 7:30 pm at the St. Paul Church Parish Center. To register or for more information, please contact Mary Hargadine at 314-378-3217 or maryahargadine@gmail.com

**Families Who Have Lost a Child** - Children's Memorial Rosary & Prayer Service - Sunday, Sept. 15th, at **St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles** - 3:30 pm Seven Sorrows of Mary Rosary Prayer, 4 pm Children's Memorial Prayer Service. Please join us on the Feast of the Sorrowful Mother to offer spiritual support for all families who are suffering from the loss of a child at any age.

### EVENTS AT SACRED HEART TROY

The **High School Youth Group** meets most Sundays from 6:30-8:00 pm. All High School teens are welcome to attend. Contact Sarah Eberhard at 636-528-8219/ seberhard@sacredhearttroy.org

The **Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus Charity Foundation Golf Tournament** will be held **Sept. 14** At Woods Fort Golf Course. For info contact Jerry Schulte at 636-459-0466

**Sacred Heart Troy Employment Opportunity**  
Sacred Heart School is looking for a **Part-time (6 hrs. per day) Custodian**. The hours are 3-9 pm, Mon. - Fri. Interested candidates may apply at the Parish Office

**Please Note:** The monthly 5:30 pm Youth Masses will begin Sunday, October 6th.

### TV MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

KPLR ch. 11 (CW) at 8:30 am & KTVI ch. 2.2 (antenna TV) at 9:00 am  
Tune in to 1460 AM on your radio, or listen on our free Covenant Network app on your mobile device or on our website: ourcatholicradio.org

### STEWARDSHIP AWARENESS

*"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you."* Luke 14:13-14

We have a difficult time with the concept of giving without expecting something in return. Even when we give to charity we often want something in return—a raffle ticket, a dinner, a chance to play golf or our name in print. Yet as Christian stewards, we need to remember that the true reward for our giving awaits us in heaven.