

Notes from Barb

- † This week's second collection is for the Church in Latin America. Envelopes are in the rack at the entrance.
- † We will be offering blessing of throats after mass today.
- † Join us for Coffee & Donuts after mass.
- † Hope to see you at Super Bowl Bingo!
- † Give the gift of life! If you are able, please stop to give blood for the Deanery Blood Drive at Sacred Heart on Thursday. Slots are open from 3:30-6.
- † We may still have some money coming in, but we have made at least \$1280 on the flower cards!
- † At Easter we will begin offering the Precious Blood. If you would like to be an extraordinary Eucharistic Minister, please let me know.

Friday, February 3 was the Feast of St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr.

St Blaise was the bishop of Sebaste in Armenia who was martyred in the year 316 AD. The oldest accounts tell us that Blaise was a physician at Sebaste before he was made bishop. In the 4th century persecution of Licinius, St. Blaise was taken prisoner. After suffering various forms of torture he was beheaded.



The most popular story attributed to St. Blaise occurred while he was in prison, when he cured a young boy who was in danger of choking to death because of a fishbone in his throat. That story, and the fact that St. Blaise was a doctor, made the saint very popular for intercessory prayer for throat ailments. At an early date, the veneration of this Eastern saint was brought into Europe, and Blaise became one of the most popular saints of the Middle Ages. Numberless churches and altars were dedicated to him.

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time *Isaiah 58:7-10* The Light of Charity

If you do good things for others, good things will be done for you. That simple promise comes from Isaiah's prophecy. Feed the hungry. Shelter the homeless. Clothe the naked. Then your wound will be healed.

Isaiah addresses people being freed from their oppression. He tells them to be mindful of the needy. Several weeks ago, we heard him promise that those who had dwelled in darkness would see a great light. Now he says that light is coming from a specific location. It will come from within. As God's chosen people, their light will shine. But they should not just sit and wait for it. Their light will shine when they act in kindness.

Food, shelter, and clothing are basic human needs. Without them, people cannot live. Isaiah expects that those who have will share with those who have not. If we do not, the world cannot live at peace.

Many parishes offer practical opportunities for this kind a charity. They support a food pantry. They collect clothing. They repair homes and help the needy pay their bills. God may be calling you to perform a very specific action to help someone overcome a very basic need. Let your light shine.

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February 5, 2023
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Sacramental Life

Weekend Worship Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Fr. Darvin is available to hear confessions on Saturdays 4:00-4:20 at Sacred Heart or before Sunday Mass by appointment.

The sacraments of Baptism and Matrimony are arranged by calling the Parish Office to schedule preparation.

We welcome new members. To enroll call the Parish Office or contact Barb Black: plc@shjth.org or 812-240-8092.

Ministries		
Date	February 5	February 12
Lector	Students	Chris Mangia
Gift Bearers	Students	Dan Kane Family
Ushers	Students	Steve Norris & Waylon Robertson
Counters	Sue Heck & Karen Harris	Tom McKinney & Kay Jatczak
Cleaners	Sheila Stultz & Linda DuBois	Off week

Mass Intentions:

Feb. 5 Robert Sieman
Feb. 12 Shirley Rogier

If you wish to have a mass said, the suggested stipend is \$10.00. We are now scheduling masses for April, May and June



Prayers Please for:

Barbara Hofmann, Louise Arnold, Bill Marrs, Dick Stultz, Joe Mangia, John Kirkham, Jonnie Hooper, Ray Edwards, Mary Ann Whallon, Lou Ann Wake, Jim Callahan, John Heck, Terry Jatczak, Sr. Jane Iannaccone, Regina Crowell.

If you have people on the parish prayer list, please contact Barb to update her on their conditions.

Finance Report

January 29, 2023	Actual	Budgeted	Additional Donations	Actual	Budgeted
Sunday Collection	\$2177	2308	Propagation of the Faith	\$289	
Galvin Fund Donations	\$0	115			
Cemetery	\$0			\$	

2023 Envelopes can be picked up at the church entrance. If you did not use envelopes this year but would like some, please let me know.

FRIDAY!!!! DON'T MISS IT!!!



SUPER BOWL



BINGO!!!

It will be held February 10 from 6-9pm. Chili will be provided as well as tea and lemonade. Please bring a "tailgate" food to share as well as your quarters and dollar bills! Hope you all can make it because we always have a great time!



Birthday Blessing to:

Shannon Corbett 2-5
Jessica Leclercq 2-7
Dexter Lozier 2-10

"You are the salt of the earth. You are the light of the world." - Matthew 5:13-14

SALT & LIGHT



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As is our tradition, we have again sponsored a

Right to Life billboard.

Drive by 807 Poplar to see it.



Did You Know?

To receive the Eucharist worthily, one must be a baptized Catholic, free of any mortal sin who desires union with Christ. Our younger members must be prepared to understand the meaning and importance of Eucharist so they, too, can receive worthily.

When receiving Eucharist, we should:

1. Approach the minister
2. Give reverence to the Eucharist with a slight bow
3. Make a throne of our hands with the dominant hand on the bottom. The minister will say, "The Body of Christ". The response is, "AMEN". This amen is acknowledgement that we truly believe we are receiving the Body of Christ. Using your dominant hand, pick up the Precious Body and place it in your mouth and consume it.
4. If receiving the Precious Blood, the minister will say, "The Blood of Christ". The response again is "AMEN". Take the cup and sip from it, returning it to the minister.
5. Return to your place and pray silently for this holy food to strengthen you.

