33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | NOVEMBER 15, 2026

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OUR PARISH MISSION: PUTTING HEARTS ON A COLLISION COURSE WITH THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

WEEKEND MASS
Sat: 4:30 PM
Sun: 8:30 AM,
10:30 AM, 4:30 PM

WEEKDAY MASS
Mon - Fri: 6:30 &
8:05 AM
Thu: 6:00 PM
Sat: 8:05 AM

RECONCILIATION
Mon, Tues, Fri: 7 - 8 AM
Wed: 6-7 PM
Thu: 5 PM
Sun: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM

PASTOR
Fr. Jaime Zarse

ASSOCIATE PASTOR
Fr. Joseph Asante

EVENTS OVERVIEW

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ADVENT RESOURCES

Need some ideas of what to do this Advent? Checkout some of the devotions that Ave Maria Press has this season! Scan the QR code or see the flyers available at the greeter's desk in the narthex.



SAINT SIDE KICKS

Join High School Youth Ministry for four weeks for Saint Side Kicks! We will discover how the saints can help us tackle real-life challenges and be the people God created us to be. Come for the food, stay for the friends, and leave ready to level up your faith!



ANGEL TREE 2026

Through our Angel Tree ministry, you can help bring the blessings of Christ to families, and individuals served by local agencies, schools, and nursing facilities. Sign-up for a gift by scanning the QR code. A limited number of gift tags will also be available on the Angel Tree in the narthex. Please return your WRAPPED gifts with the sign-up code on either November 28-29 or December 5-6. Thank you for bringing blessing to our community!

CONFESSION UPDATE

Confessions will be reserved for those receiving their First Reconciliation on November 18th. Please pray for them as they receive this Sacrament for the first time!



PIE DONATIONS

Help make Thanksgiving a little sweeter! We're collecting pies to be served at the Thanksgiving meal at First Christian Church in Bonner Springs. Please provide a pie that does not require refrigeration. You can drop-off on November 24, from 4:00–8:00 p.m. or November 25, by noon at Beth Menghini's home (23711 W. 51st St., Shawnee.) Need another time? Contact Beth at 913-620-1141. Thank you for helping make a difference this Thanksgiving!



CHIPOTLE FUNDRAISER NIGHT

Join in our Chipotle Fundraiser Night on November 16th at 4 - 8 PM at the Chipotle at 22410 W 66th St, Shawnee KS 66226. If ordering online use the code: QQZXQ37 or show the flyer (available at the greeter's desk) in the restaurant. 25% of event sales get donated to the new playground!



ADVENT SMALL GROUPS

This Advent, gather for a four-week journey of faith and fellowship. Contemplate Scripture and reflect on insights from Archbishop McKnight's letter on synodality, as well as papal documents. These groups are for adults who will meet in homes or other spaces off-campus. If you have a group or would like to gather some friends we will provide the materials - at no cost! Register by November 20th. You can pick up your materials starting November 17th. Contact Emily Dumler at emily.dumler@shoj.org if you have any questions.

LISTENING WITH THE HEART: ARCHDIOCESAN LISTENING SESSION

Everyone, Catholics and non-Catholics, are invited to participate in this 90-minute, prayerful listening session as part of the Archdiocese's Renewal from the Heartland initiative. Your input will help shape pastoral planning as our parishes become even greater centers of charity and sanctuaries of mercy. Sacred Heart will host a session on November 19 at 6:30 p.m. We encourage parishioners, ministry leaders, and anyone interested in the future of our Church to attend. If that date doesn't work, you are welcome to attend a listening session at another host site.



MASS AND HAPPY HOUR

Join the Verso l'Alto Young Adult Group (ages 21-39) on December 10th for 6:00 PM Mass followed by a happy hour at a nearby restaurant. Come meet other Catholic young adults, build friendships, and enjoy a night together! Please RSVP directly on the Verso l'Alto GroupMe page - scan the QR code to join.

PARISH MISSION

Join us for our Parish Mission: Healing the Whole Person with Fr. Philip Scott, November 30-December 3. Fr. Philip Scott will give a talk each day with your choice to attend either at 9:00 – 10:30 AM or 7:00 – 8:30 PM. These talks are for adults only. Limited childcare is available for the evening sessions, please register for childcare using the QR code.
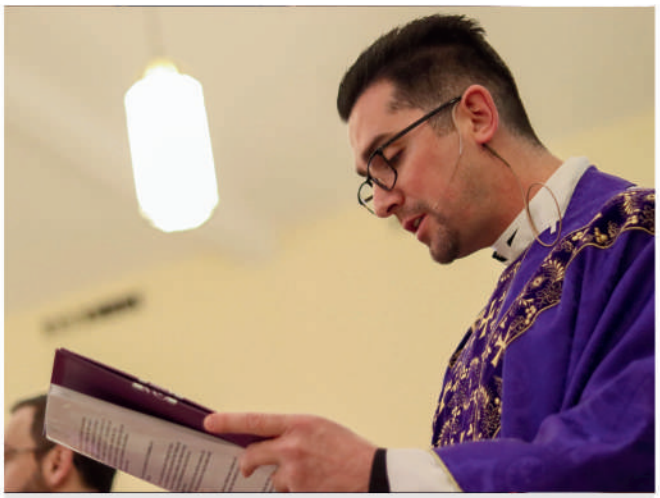




SASH CHRISTMAS POTLUCK

Our Seniors at Sacred Heart (S.A.S.H.) are excited to gather and celebrate Advent with a Potluck on December 1st at 5:00 PM in the Rectory. As part of our celebration, we invite you to bring a canned food item to help support those in need. If you'd like to bring a dish to share, please use the registration form. We look forward to enjoying good food, wonderful fellowship, and Christmas cheer together.

OCIA SPONSORS

We have an urgent need for <u>male</u> OCIA sponsors to accompany individuals who are exploring the Catholic faith and preparing to enter into full communion with the Church. Consider sharing your faith, prayer, and encouragement by walking alongside someone on their journey toward Christ— complete registration link or contact Char Mies at charlene.mies@shoj.org with any questions.



WAR ON MEDIOCRITY

Thanksgiving is more than just a holiday. It's something we're called to practice every day, particularly in prayer.

In his latest podcast, Fr. Zarse breaks down the importance of thanking God, the spiritual and psychological benefits of gratitude, and how making thanksgiving a regular part of our prayer lives can help us grow closer to God. He also discusses why gratitude can be difficult, how to give thanks even in suffering, and what happens when we begin to recognize God's goodness in the ordinary moments of life.

Listen Here!

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Find all updates about construction on our website.
https://shoj.org/capital-campaign



-MASS INTENTIONS-

Monday, November 16
6:30 - George Reischman +
8:05 - Mary Ann Matthews +

Tuesday, November 17
6:30 - Patricia Stallbaumer +
8:05 - Mary Beth Nelson +

Wednesday, November 18
6:30 - Margaret & Davide Baughman
8:05 - Carol Rorick +

Thursday, November 19
6:30 - Michael Fogarty +
8:05 - Gerald Culver +
6:00 - Debbie Umbarger +

Friday, November 20
6:30 - Michael Hansen
8:05 - Galen & Janice O'Keefe +

Saturday, November 21
8:05 - James "Jimmy" DePorter +
4:30 - Lynn Frankenfield +

Sunday, November 22
8:30 - SHOJ Parishioners
10:30 - Piper Gray
4:30 - Jim DePorter +

BECOMING CATHOLIC

Interested in becoming Catholic? Our new year-round OCIA process welcomes unbaptized inquirers at three different start times each year. Already baptized? You may begin right away. To learn more about the process pick up a flyer at the information desk.

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Fr. Joseph Asante Sunday Reflection

INTRODUCTION

The 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A reminds us that faith is shown in how we live each day. The readings speak of hard work, care for others, and using the gifts God has given us. They call us to be watchful and ready, not afraid or lazy, but active in faith and love. This Sunday points to the end of the Church year. It helps us think about how we spend our time and how we serve God in our daily lives. The wise woman in Proverbs, the faithful worker in the Gospel, and the alert believer in Thessalonians all show what it means to live with purpose.

EXPLANATION OF THE READINGS

The First Reading **(**Proverbs 31**:**10**-**13, 19**-**20, 30**-**31**)** shows that a good wife is invaluable, trusted by her husband and doing good all her life. She's hardworking and charitable, deserving of praise especially for her fear of the LORD.

The Responsorial Psalm **(**Psalm 128**)** says that those who fear the LORD and walk in His ways are blessed. They enjoy fruitful labor, a prosperous family, and lifelong blessings from God.

We are told in the Second Reading **(**1 Thessalonians 5**:**1**-**6**)** that the day of the Lord will arrive unexpectedly. While others may be caught off guard, believers are children of light and should stay alert and sober.

In the Gospel Reading **(**Matthew 25**:**14**-**30**)** a man going on a journey entrusts his servants with different amounts of money. Two servants invest and double their money, receiving praise and more responsibility from their master upon his return. The third servant hides his money and is chastised for his inaction, losing even what he had. **"**Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy,**"** said the master to the faithful servants.

WHAT WE SHOULD DO – PRACTICE

Using God's Gifts Well**:** The Gospel shows how people should use what God gives them. The two servants who worked with their money were rewarded, while the one who hid his was punished.

Being Ready for God**:** The second reading warns that God's time is unknown. People should stay awake and live in a way that prepares them for God.

Hard Work and Effort**:** The first reading praises a hardworking wife. The Gospel also shows that effort and responsibility are important.

Trust and Responsibility**:** The good wife is trusted by her husband, and the master in the Gospel trusts his servants. Trust comes with responsibility, and people should use it wisely.

Fear of the Lord**:** The first reading says a woman's fear of the Lord is what truly matters. Respecting and following God is more important than outside success.

Judgment and Consequences**:** The Gospel teaches that actions have results. Those who use their gifts well are rewarded, while those who do nothing lose what they have.

CONCLUSION

Let us use the gifts and opportunities that God gives. Some people may have more than others, but what matters is how they use what they have. The two servants take risks, work hard, and grow their gifts. The third one lets fear stop him, and in the end, he loses everything. Fear can keep people from moving forward. It can make them afraid to try new things or take on responsibilities. But playing it safe and doing nothing is not the answer. The master in the parable does not expect his servants to be perfect. He expects them to try.



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Preschool Program Interest Survey

We are exploring preschool program options for the 2027–2028 school year and would love to hear from our parish and school families!

We are considering adding a full-time preschool option while continuing our current part-time programs. Your feedback will help us determine what programs and schedules would best serve our families. Please take a few minutes to complete our Preschool Interest Survey by scanning the QR code below.

Your response is simply to help us gauge interest and does not commit you to enrollment.

Thank you for your feedback!



LOVE BOX

Love Boxes are available at the Greeter's Desk and in the Parish office. Each box inspires a mom who is unexpectedly pregnant to be brave and choose life and also includes an invite to a local Embrace Grace group.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Parishioner Joel Zillner's father, Thomas Zillner
Parishioner, Nancy O'Connor

Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

WE'RE HIRING!

MATH PARAPROFESSIONAL & FRONT OFFICE ASSISTANT

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Parish and School is seeking a dependable, organized, and student-centered individual to serve in a dual role as a Part-Time Math Paraprofessional for grades 3–5 and Front Office Assistant. Applications must be submitted online on our website.

BUSINESS MANAGER

Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Parish and School is seeking a dependable, organized, and experienced professional to serve as Business Manager. This position provides leadership and oversight of the parish's financial and operational functions. This role also supervises administrative and facilities staff while helping create a well-organized, efficient, and welcoming environment for parishioners, families, and employees.



MARRIAGE BOOK STUDY

Make investing in your marriage one of your New Year's resolutions! Join other couples in January until mid-February for a FREE five-week study of "The 21 Undeniable Secrets of Marriage" by Dr. Allen Hunt. You'll read the book and gather weekly in a small group to discuss ways to strengthen your marriage. For information about the study, established groups, or to register your own group, visit our website or scan the QR code.

FINANCIALS

Your continued support helps sustain our ministries, form our students, and care for our parish community all year long. Please prayerfully consider what you can give as an expression of gratitude for God's ongoing blessings. Thank you for being part of this mission!

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