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# Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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Dear Parishioner of Sacred Heart,

The 2021 parish directory contains an alphabetical listing of parishioners as well as organizations and contact persons. Each year, for the past 26 years, we have published an updated Guide Book and Directory. Your feedback has encouraged us to continue to provide a book at no cost to the parish. If you find mistakes, be sure to let us know by calling the Parish Office at (630) 627-0687.

There is so much for which we are grateful when we stop to consider the parish life of Sacred Heart. New parishioners continue to join us and old parishioners return. Our long time families continue to take pride in their parish family and more parishioners are becoming involved in virtually every aspect of parish life. Many continue to serve the long-standing activities of the parish while others challenge us in new directions. We give thanks to God for these signs of a vital parish, but we always continue to encourage more members to participate in parish life. Please review the listings within the Guide Book as you consider in which ministries you could serve, and please watch the bulletin for special activities and Masses. As the Guide Book goes to the publisher this summer, we are still making changes to when and how we gather. Please check out our website [www.sacredheartlombard.org](http://www.sacredheartlombard.org) for updates.

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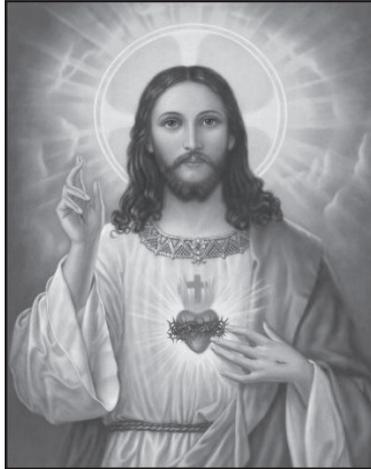
If I can be of any assistance to you or your family, please always feel free to contact me. Be assured that you and your intentions are remembered in the Masses and prayers offered at Sacred Heart.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Thomas Dunn

# Daily Offering to The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

O, JESUS, THROUGH THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY,  
I OFFER YOU MY PRAYERS, WORKS, JOYS,  
SUFFERINGS OF THIS DAY IN UNION WITH THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF  
THE MASS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.  
I OFFER THEM FOR ALL THE INTENTIONS OF YOUR SACRED HEART;  
THE SALVATION OF SOULS, REPARATION FOR SIN,  
THE REUNION OF ALL CHRISTIANS. I OFFER THEM FOR THE  
INTENTIONS OF OUR BISHOPS, AND ALL APOSTLES OF PRAYER,  
AND, IN PARTICULAR, FOR THOSE RECOMMENDED BY  
OUR HOLY FATHER THIS MONTH.



# Devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

“It was to Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690), a humble Visitandine of the monastery at Paray-le Monial, that Christ chose to reveal the desires of His Heart and to confide the task of imparting new life to the devotion. There is nothing to indicate that this pious religious had known the devotion prior to the revelations, or at least that she had paid any attention to it. These revelations were numerous, and the following apparitions are especially remarkable: that which occurred on the feast of St. John, when Jesus permitted Margaret Mary, as He had formerly allowed St. Gertrude, to rest her head upon His Heart, and then disclosed to her the wonders of His love, telling her that He desired to make them known to all mankind and to diffuse the treasures of His goodness, and that He had chosen her for this work (27 Dec., probably 1673) that, probably distinct from the preceding, in which He requested to be honored under the figure of His Heart of flesh; that, when He appeared radiant with love and asked for a devotion of expiatory love ... frequent Communion, Communion on the First Friday of the month, and the observance of the Holy Hour (probably June or July, 1674); that known as the “great apparition” which took place during the octave of Corpus Christi, 1675, probably on 16 June, when He said, “Behold the Heart that has so loved men ... instead of gratitude I receive from the greater part (of mankind) only ingratitude ...”, and asked her for a feast of reparation of the Friday after the octave of Corpus Christi, bidding her consult Father de la Colombiere, then superior of the small Jesuit house at Paray; and finally, those in which solemn homage was asked on the part of the king, and the mission of propagating the new devotion was especially confided to the religious of the Visitation and the priests of the Society of Jesus. A few days after the “great apparition”, of June, 1675, Margaret Mary made all known to Father de la Colombiere, and the latter, recognizing the action of the spirit of God, consecrated himself to the Sacred Heart, directed the holy Visitandine to write an account of the apparition, and made use of every available opportunity discreetly to circulate this account through France and England. At his death, 15 February 1682, there was found in his journal of spiritual retreats a copy in his own handwriting of the account that he had requested of Margaret Mary, together with a few reflections on the usefulness of the devotion.

This journal, including the account and a beautiful “offering” to the Sacred Heart, in which devotion was well explained, was published at Lyons in 1684. The little book was widely read, even at Paray, although not without being the cause of “dreadful confusion” to Margaret Mary, who, nevertheless, resolved to make the best of it and profited by the book for the spreading of her cherished devotion. Moulins, with Mother de Soudeilles, Dijon, with Mother de Saumaise and Sister Joly, Semur, with Mother Greyfie, and even Paray, which had at first resisted, joined the movement. Outside of the Visitandines, priests, religious, and laymen espoused the cause, particularly a Capuchin, Margaret Mary’s two brothers, and some Jesuits, among the latter being Fathers Croiset and Gallifet, who were destined to do so much for the devotion.” (Excerpt from the Catholic Encyclopedia of 1917.)

Of the many promises Our Lord Jesus Christ did reveal to Saint Margaret Mary in favor of souls devoted to His Sacred Heart the principal ones are as follows:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.
12. In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion of the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.



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# Parish History

The Parish Family of Sacred Heart welcomes you and your family. Father Tom and his staff sincerely hope that you will receive much spiritual profit from your association with Sacred Heart Parish. Sacred Heart Parish was founded in 1912. Back then, the Parish was eleven miles long and six miles wide, with 54 Catholic families in its 66 miles of territory. Today you are a part of 1900 plus registered families. Our parish boundaries today are:

North Avenue from Grace Street to Swift Road on the north  
Roosevelt Road from DuPage River to Finley Road,  
Wilson from Finley Road to Hammerschmidt,  
Madison from Hammerschmidt to Grace Street on the south  
Swift Road ... DuPage River on the west

**Our parish offers a full range of activities although the pandemic in 2020 has changed many parts of our parish life. Please check our website for current information about activities including the Mass and confession times.** Brief descriptions of these programs are included on the enclosed pages. We sincerely hope that you will take advantage of your parish opportunities. Better yet, we hope you will offer your God-given talents to help our parish family achieve its goals. The dedication of parishioners and staff to Sacred Heart is evident when one surveys the past 109 years of parochial life. Perhaps a mosaic, in the end, is our best comparison, as each of us adds to the beauty of the parish family and creates a magnificent design for the glory of God.

Our church and school are among the finest anywhere. Support of them is the responsibility of every parishioner.

The only ongoing record of church attendance in large parishes, such as ours, is the Sunday envelope. From the date you register, about 1 month will pass before you start to receive envelopes. Until then, simply use a plain envelope with your full name printed on it. We will keep a current record of your contributions.

## Celebrations of the Lord's Day (Sunday)

Saturday ..... 5:00 PM  
Sunday ..... 8:30 AM and 11:00 AM

## Weekday

Monday - Friday ..... Noon

## Confessions

Saturday ..... 3:00 PM or by appointment

## Eucharistic Adoration

Perpetual-seven days per week, 24 hours per day for registered adorers.

## Pastoral and Office Staff

### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday ..... 9:00 AM-4:00 PM  
(closed for lunch from 12:00-12:45)

Friday ..... 9:00 AM-12:00 PM

Saturday and Sunday ..... Closed

(We are closed on most Federal holidays.)

### **Life and Death Emergencies for Anointing of the Sick**.....

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Pastor ..... Fr. Thomas Dunn..... (630) 627-0687 x202

Deacon Dave Mahoney

Deacon Christopher Mazzacano

Office Manager .....Christina Thomas..... (630) 627-0687 x200

Music Director..... Daniel Pollack..... (630) 627-0687 x206

Part-time Accountant .....Daniel Sledz..... (630) 627-0687 x204

Brick Paver ..... (630) 627-0687

Liturgical Event Coordinator .....Kristen Mahoney..... (630) 276-6091

Maintenance ..... Tomasz Wasilewski..... (630) 627-0687

## Sacred Heart Church Mission

In accordance with God's word and His example, we will strive to nurture the Catholic faith and values of our parish family, to be cognizant of its spiritual and physical needs and to act upon them accordingly in order to build a stewardship of unity engulfed in a common goal.

## Sacred Heart School Mission Statement

Sacred Heart School of Lombard, an integral part of Sacred Heart Parish, is a Catholic Elementary School dedicated to preaching the message of the Gospel in response to the Call to model the person of Jesus.

We strive to foster the dignity of the child and to bring to greater awareness the uniqueness of each individual and every family situation.

We acknowledge the parent as primary educator and we work in partnership with the parents, families and parish.

By providing quality education that is academically challenging, we instill community, national and global awareness, with a commitment to serving others and a love for life-long learning.

## Sacred Heart School Office Staff

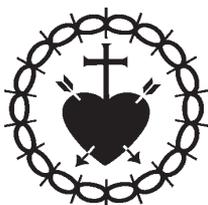
Principal..... Maureen O'Neill Nielsen..... (630) 629-0536 x300  
Secretary.....Chris Tyl..... (630) 629-0536 x301

## Religious Education Office Staff

### General Information

The Religious Education Department provides continuing education for our parish family. Our Religious Education classes aim to communicate an ever-increasing knowledge of God to all people in the parish. It strives not only to inform, but to form all parishioners in the spirit of Christ to live a Christ-like life. The Religious Education Department offers a variety of programs throughout the year.

Director of Religious Education.....Dr. Linda Andrejek  
..... (630) 495-0843



## Sacramental Information

### Baptism for Infants

- Baptisms are held typically on the 2nd Sunday of each month. We encourage parents to have their child baptized as soon as possible.
- Parents must attend a Baptism Class prior to the Baptism. These classes are usually held on the first Saturday of the month. Arrangements must be made ahead of time.
- The Church requires that a child have at least one sponsor, preferably two.
- All sponsors must be active, practicing Catholics, who are 16 years of age or older and have received the Sacrament of Confirmation.
- If there is only one sponsor, another individual may be a Christian Witness if he/she is a Christian but not a Catholic who is not in good standing with the Church.

Contact the parish office to make arrangements for an infant Baptism.



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### **Baptism and Confirmation for Children**

- Children age seven and older who desire Baptism and Confirmation are normally prepared through our parish school or religious education programs.
- Holy Communion and Confirmation preparation is part of the regular religion program in the parish school.
- For those in the religious education programs, preparation for each Sacrament requires two years of study.
- First Holy Communion is traditionally received in second grade.
- Confirmation is typically scheduled for eighth grade.

### **RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)**

- Adults interested in finding out more about the Catholic Faith and/or becoming a Roman Catholic are invited to contact the parish office about our RCIA program (Journey into Faith).
- Classes begin in September and go through Easter and meet once a week.
- In this program, inquiries and faith are shared as the Bible, prayers, and teachings of the Church are explored together. Individuals ready to join the Church will then officially become catechumens or candidates.
- As Lent begins, they will become members of the Elect as they prepare, with the help of their sponsors, for the celebration of Baptism and/or Confirmation and the reception of Holy Communion during the Easter Vigil Mass.

### **Marriage**

- Diocesan policy requires that marriage preparation begin at least six months prior to the proposed wedding date.
- This requirement provides couples with sufficient time to complete the required FOCCUS inventory, attend one of the marriage preparation workshops, and to prepare for the celebration of the Sacrament.
- The Church presumes that at least one partner in a marriage is a practicing Catholic.

Please contact the rectory office for more information.

### **Annulments**

Often, individuals are not fully participating in the Church because of divorce and marriage. Others, civilly divorced, have questions regarding the previous marriage. Our parish priest welcomes the opportunity to meet to discuss the status and possibilities of these particular situations.

### **Anointing of the Sick**

- This Sacrament is primarily intended for those who suffer from serious or chronic physical or emotional illness, or those who struggle with the infirmities of age.
- A person does not have to be in danger of death in order to receive the Sacrament.
- Those scheduled for surgery or a serious hospital stay may wish to receive this Sacrament prior to entering the hospital.

Contact the parish office for additional information.

### **Hospital Visits**

Contact the parish office if one of your family members is hospitalized and you wish a priest to visit.

- Area hospitals covered by the parish are:
- Central DuPage, Elmhurst, Good Samaritan
- Catholic chaplains are assigned to all hospitals to administer the Sacraments and care for the spiritual needs of patients; inform the hospital that you are Roman Catholic and a member of Sacred Heart Church.

### **Home Visits**

Contact the parish office if you or a family member is homebound and you wish clergy or an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to visit. We will happily bring Holy Communion to those who are sick or otherwise restricted to home.

Please Note: Since other faiths hold beliefs different from ours regarding the Eucharist, the traditional practice of the Roman Catholic Church is that only baptized and practicing Catholics may receive Holy Communion.

## **Liturgical Ministries**

### **Altar Servers**

Contact: Kristen Mahoney (630) 276-6091

Altar servers assist at the Eucharistic Celebrations on weekdays and weekends. This ministry is open to boys and girls, grade 5 or older. Servers are trained by the pastor and assigned to celebrations on a regular basis.

### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

Contact: Kristen Mahoney (630) 276-6091

These men and women help distribute Holy Communion at weekend and special liturgies. Some also take Holy Communion on a weekly basis to individuals who are sick or incapacitated.

### **Lectors**

Contact: Kristen Mahoney (630) 276-6091

Lectors are parishioners who have shown both the interest and ability to proclaim the Scriptures in support of our weekend and Holy Day liturgies. This ministry is open to parishioners who are high school age and older.

## **Ushers**

Contact: Ron Wisniewski

Ushers serve at weekend liturgies and other celebrations held in our Church. Ushers assist by serving as greeters, helping those with special needs and taking up collections.

## **Sacristy Committee**

Contact: Kristen Mahoney (630) 276-6091

This committee handles preparations for weekday and Sunday Masses as well as funerals and weddings. It also handles housekeeping duties of the Sanctuary and Sacristy including care of the priests' albs, vestments, purificators, linens, altar server cassocks, candles, and vigil lights.

## **RCIA Program - Journey into Faith**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults are initiated into the Christian Community. Classes meet once a week beginning in September and continuing through Easter. Please call the parish office, (630) 627-0687, for further information.

## **Music Program**

Contact: Daniel Pollack, Music Director, (630) 627-0687 x206

In addition to our cantors, the choirs provide musical leadership at our weekend Masses and special liturgies throughout the year. The cantor and choir programs are always looking for new members (both singers and instrumentalists).

**The Festival Choir** - A mixed choir ranges in age from high school to senior citizens. Rehearsals are on Tuesdays from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM in the church, September through May. This choir participates in one of the Sunday liturgies and focuses on a wide range of liturgical choral music. The Festival Choir also sings for special services and liturgical events throughout the year.

**The Contemporary Ensemble** - A mixed choir of musicians and vocalists ranging in age from high school to senior citizens. Rehearsals are on Thursdays from 7:00 PM until 9:00 PM in the church, September through May. This group participates in one of the Sunday liturgies.

**The Cantor Program** - The cantor leads the congregation in song for liturgies on Sunday as needed. Previous musical training is helpful but not mandatory.

**The Cherub Choir** - A mixed choir of children in grades 1-3. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:00 PM to 5:30 PM in the church, September through May. The children participate in Family Masses occasionally throughout the year. Children will concentrate on learning and developing basic musical skills and will grow in their understanding of the significance of music within today's liturgy.



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**The Children's Choir** - A mixed choir of children in grades 4-8. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 5:30 PM until 6:15 PM in the church, September through May. The children participate in Family Masses throughout the year and may, on occasion, also join the Festival Choir for special liturgical functions. Expose your children to the musical arts! Help your children find a hidden talent!

## **Service and Social Organizations**

### **Parish Advisory Council**

The Parish Advisory Council consists of a panel of parish members who assist the Pastor by providing communication between the parish organizations and offering recommendations on areas of concern within the parish. The council consists of the following commissions:

Administration Commission  
Christian Education Commission  
Christian Service Commission  
Christian Worship Commission  
New Evangelization Commission

### **Athletic Association**

Athletic Director: Ed Sullivan

### **Home & School Committee**

The Home & School Association is the fundraising, information and social aspect of Sacred Heart School. It consists of teachers, parents and interested parishioners.

### **Hopeful Hearts Ministry**

Hopeful Hearts is a ministry for women who are currently dealing with or have dealt in the past with any struggles in growing a family. Whether longing for a child or grieving the loss of a baby, this group is intended to be a place to come together and give each other support, encouragement, and hope. Please contact Lindsay Hollenbach [lshull2@yahoo.com](mailto:lshull2@yahoo.com) or Sarah LaSota [sarah.m.lasota@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.m.lasota@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Knights of Columbus**

Contact: Dennis Jensen (630) 629-1518

The Knights of Columbus organization was founded in 1882 in New Haven, CT, by Fr. Michael J. McGivney and a small group of pioneering Catholic men in the parish of St. Mary's Catholic Church. This Society now has over 1.5 million members. If you are a practicing Catholic man 18 years or older, the Knights of Columbus may be just what you have been searching for.

Father Boecker Council #6090 was formed in 1968. At the present time it serves the parishes of Sacred Heart Church and St. Pius X Church.

Membership is currently at approximately 200 men. Fr. Boecker's Council has many activities involving the Church, youth, family, and the community.

### **Legion of Mary**

Contact: Shirley Sullivan (630) 627-9130

This apostolate of men and women devote themselves to prayer as well as active spiritual personal contact by visiting the homebound, contacting active and inactive Catholics, new parishioners, and by providing information about our Faith to non-Catholics.

### **Ministers of Care**

Contact: Kristen Mahoney (630) 276-6091

Our Ministers of Care make weekly visits to Good Samaritan, Central DuPage, and Elmhurst hospitals and also bring Holy Communion to the homebound.

### **Ministers of Praise - Prayer Petition Book**

Ministers of Praise promise to pray daily for God's assistance in support of the petitions in the Prayer Petition books. These books are located in the back of the church for parishioners and friends to list their need for prayer. Those interested in joining this 60-member volunteer group should fill out one of the coupons that can be found in the Prayer Petition book.

### **Moms & Tots**

Moms & Tots has impromptu "come if you can" play dates at places like the playground, the library, and other fun spots. For more information, please contact Corrie Donovan at (312) 631-8815 or email [clsdonovan@gmail.com](mailto:clsdonovan@gmail.com).

### **Prayer Blanket Ministry**

Contact: Kathleen Zver (630) 932-1473

This ministry takes the form of a personalized "no-sew" fleece Prayer Blanket to bring about support, prayer, healing and a feeling of connectedness and caring from the parish family. These blankets are made for all occasions. Volunteers from the parish tie knots of the fleece fabric while saying a prayer for the recipient with each knot tied. This ministry is a non-profit, self-supporting project. It is being supported by the generosity of many people who have given or received blankets themselves. Any donation is accepted with great appreciation!

### **Pro-Life Committee**

The Pro-Life Committee of Sacred Heart is dedicated to the implementation of the goals and programs of the Diocese of Joliet's "Respect Life Program," praying and teaching about the sanctity of human life. We help those in need and advocate laws and policies that affirm human life.

### **Saint Vincent de Paul Society**

For Assistance: Call (630) 765-5919

This organization is open to both men and women. The purpose of the Society is to fulfill the two great commandments: love of God and neighbor. The less fortunate have need of your talents and your love. In coming closer to the needy, you are coming closer to God. Meetings are held the second Saturday of the month.

### **School Alumni Association**

The Alumni Association Mission Statement was formulated by alumni on August 24, 1994, and reads as follows:

- Declaring the good news of Catholic Education and supporting its efforts, the alumni of Sacred Heart School dedicate themselves to nurturing Catholic values and celebrating friendships.
- An alumni newsletter "Heart Beat" is published two times a year. If you are an alumnus and have not already done so, please send your name, year of graduation, address and telephone number to the school office, c/o Development or call in this information so you can receive an alumni newsletter.

The Development Office is always looking for alumni who are willing to donate their time, talent and treasure to Sacred Heart School as well as getting a representative from each class. If you are interested and can help, please be sure to email [alumni@shslombard.org](mailto:alumni@shslombard.org). Monetary donations ensure our financial stability and enable us to educate future leaders in the church and community. As a financial donor, you may be affiliated with a company that will match your generous gift to Sacred Heart School. Your company's matching gift program may double or triple your gift dollars. If we are eligible for your company's matching gift support, please obtain the proper matching form from your personnel or public affairs office and enclose the form with your gift. If you are unsure if you work for a company who will match your gift to Sacred Heart School, ask your company.

### **School Board**

School Board President: Maria Garcia Herrmann

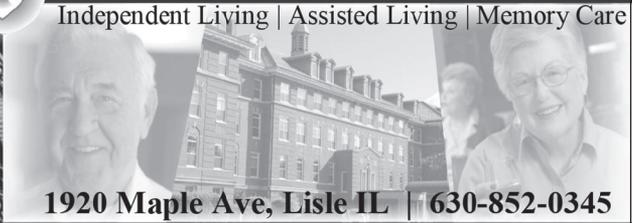
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### **Scouts**

Contact: Sacred Heart School, (630) 629-0536

Sacred Heart participates in a well-established scouting program, including Cub Scouts, Webelo Scouts, Bear Scouts, Wolf Scouts, and Girl Scouts.

### **Website for Parish**

Contact: Rectory

### **Young Couples Hospitality Ministry**

Contact: Sarah La Sota (630) 286-9662

This group provides married couples and young families the opportunity to meet each other. We generally meet one Friday each month beginning at 6:00 PM for food and fellowship. It is a very informal gathering where the kids run around and play and we enjoy each other's company.

### **Younger than Ever Club**

Contact: Marlene Annerino

Seniors (55 or older) are provided with a welcoming venue for serving God and our parish family. Club meetings are held from 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM on the third Wednesday of the month, except for July and August. At every meeting, members enjoy a wide variety of activities ranging from future planning, fellowship, entertainment, educational presentations, games, field trips and more.

### **Youth Ministry**

Contact: Dr. Linda Andrejek (630) 495-0843

The Youth Group typically meets on the last Thursday of each month in the Parish Center. This ministry is open to all 8th graders, high-schoolers, and college-aged students. Meetings consist of some prayer time and catechesis, as well as service opportunities and fun activities—all in an effort to offer the young people of our Parish an opportunity to support each other in the practice of their holy Catholic Faith, as well as continuing to provide them with an outstanding Catholic formation after their grade school years.