

SACRED HEART CHURCH

221 Berger Street
Lawrenceburg, Tennessee 38464

September 20, 2026 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?"

Matthew 20:15

WELCOME

Sacred Heart Catholic Church welcomes our visitors and friends to our Worship and Liturgical Celebrations.

If you would like us to pray for your intentions, please call (931) 762-3183, or stop by the Parish office in the school at any time during our office hours.

Pastor: Reverend Andrew Forsythe

Bookkeeper & Parish Secretary: Jillian Stout

Parish Pastoral Council: Lee Piovarcy

Music Coordinator: Bob Augustin

Knights of Columbus: Joe Beckman

SHCCW—President: Becky Patt

Principal: Julie Owens

Assistant Principal: Tina Harris

Parish Office Hours:

8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Monday through Friday

Mailing Address

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
220 Berger Street
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Parish Office: (931) 762-3183 Fax: (931) 762-5128

School Office: (931) 762-6125 Fax: (931) 244-7234



Website: www.shclb.org

Email: parishoffice@shclb.org

School website: www.shslburg.com

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:30 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Monday - Friday - 8:00 a.m.

Sacraments

Sacrament of the Sick: Call the office

Confession: Saturday 9:30 a.m.

Any other times : Call the office

Baptism: Call the church office at least four weeks before the baptism. Baptismal instruction is required for the parents and godparents.

Marriage: Call the church office at least six months before for the registration and required marriage preparation.

Prayer Requests: Call the church office or send an email with the details to parishoffice@shclb.org.

Emergencies: Call 931-762-3183

St. Vincent de Paul Society: Call 931-201-0786

Mass Intentions this week:

Sun: 09/20/2026 - 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Kevin Hollander ☩ Sacred Heart Parish
Mon: 09/21/2026 - 8:00 a.m.	Mary Linda Niedergeses Smotherman ☩
Tues: 09/22/2026 - 8:00 a.m.	Virginia Ann Garland ☩
Wed: 09/23/2026 - 8:00 a.m.	Antonio Santini ☩
Thurs: 09/24/2026 - 8:00 a.m.	Lucy Teves ☩
Fri: 09/25/2026 - 8:00 a.m.	Bob Garner ☩
Sat: 09/26/2026 - 5:30 p.m.	Noah Harris
Sun: 09/27/2026 - 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Jerry Whitehead ☩ Sacred Heart Parish

Collection Report for 09/13/26

Cash:	\$	1,624.00
Envelopes/Loose Checks:	\$	3,220.00
School:	\$	2,530.00
Restoring Our Heritage:	\$	537.00
Online Giving (Weekly):	\$	1875.00

Special collections INCLUDED in totals

Mass Intentions:

Candles:	\$	25.00
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O CIA begins
Thursday, September 24th
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.



Please remember

Please email or call the parish office to add to the prayer list

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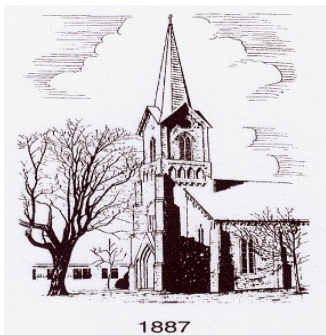
Second Collections for September

.September 20th: School Support Collection
Please place all other envelopes in the main collection

David P. Yurchak ☩	James Manuele Sr. ☩	Jimmy Crawford ☩	Dr. Scott Benefield	Donna Spearman
Tony Woodall ☩	Kevin Hollander ☩	Buddy Seymore ☩	Anna Bell Remke	Gary Fraley
Jerry Whitehead ☩	Barbara Gower ☩	Mary LeFils ☩	Dorothea Ellis	Lori Dollar
Tom Tesnow ☩	Dorothy Gawne ☩	Jerry Ray Hendrix ☩	Jamie Sevier	Michael Gobble
Barbara Ann Smith ☩	Imogene Garner ☩	Mary Ann Ihrle ☩	Jimmy Beckman	James Binkley
Antonio Santini ☩	Maria Delgado ☩	David Ihrle ☩	Tim Niedergeses	Darlene Schwind
Thomas Rohling ☩	Kevin Carpenter ☩	Mary Ann Ihrle ☩	Nancy Sanders	Courtney Abercrombie
Linda Remke ☩	Charles Edward Bishop ☩		Candace Copeland	

Liturgical Ministry Schedule - September 26th & September 27th

	Saturday 5:30 pm	Sunday 8:00 am	Sunday 10:30 am
<i>Lectors</i>	Marian Pickett	Rosemary Harris	Thomas Dancison
<i>Extraordi- nary Ministers</i>	Bruce Beckman	Gary Rohling	Wallace Coleman



Parish & School Dates Coming Up

Sunday, September 20th	SHP	Rosary at 7:30 a.m. Mass 8:00 a.m. Mass 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, September 20th	Fraternity of Exodus 90	After the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the cafeteria
Monday, September 21th		
Tuesday, September 22th	SHS	Home and School Meeting
Wednesday, September 23rd	Fraternus	Cafeteria 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, September 23rd	Ladies Bible Study	Resumes, contact Rosemary Harris for more information
Thursday, September 24th	Knights of Columbus	KC Hall Social Hour 6:30 p.m.
Friday, September 25th		
Saturday, September 26th	SHP	Confession 9:30 a.m. Serious Catholicism 10:30 a.m. Rosary at 5:00 p.m. Mass at 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, September 27th	SHP	Rosary at 7:30 a.m. Mass 8:00 a.m. Mass 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, September 27th	Fraternity of Exodus 90	After the 8:00 a.m. Mass in the cafeteria

On the night of June 20, 2000, Matteo was admitted to the intensive care unit of the hospital with meningitis. By morning doctors had lost hope for him as nine of the boy's internal organs had ceased to give signs of life. That night, during a prayer vigil attended by Matteo's mother and some Capuchin friars of Padre Pio's monastery, the child's condition improved suddenly. When he awoke from the coma, Matteo said that he had seen an elderly man with a white beard and a long, brown habit, who said to him: "Don't worry, you will soon be cured." The miracle was approved by the Congregation and Pope John Paul II on 20 December 2001.

—Adapted from the Discount Catholic Store, Inc.

September 21st

FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW, APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST

No one was more shunned by the Jews than a publican, who was a Jew working for the Roman enemy by robbing his own people and making a large personal profit. Publicans were not allowed to trade, eat, or even pray with others Jews.

One day, while seated at his table of books and money, Jesus looked at Matthew and said two words: "Follow me." This was all that was needed to make Matthew rise, leaving his pieces of silver to follow Christ. His original name, "Levi," in Hebrew signifies "Adhesion" while his new name in Christ, Matthew, means "Gift of God." The only other outstanding mention of Matthew in the Gospels is the dinner party for Christ and His companions to which he invited his fellow tax-collectors. The Jews were surprised to see Jesus with a publican, but Jesus explained that he had come "not to call the just, but sinners."

St. Matthew is known to us principally as an Evangelist, with his Gospel being the first in position in the New Testament. His Gospel was written to convince the Jews that their anticipated Messiah had come in the person of Jesus.

Not much else is known about Matthew. According to tradition, he preached in Egypt and Ethiopia and further places East. Some legends say he lived until his nineties, dying a peaceful death, others say he died a martyr's death.

September 23rd

MEMORIAL OF ST. PIUS OF PIETRELCINA, PRIEST

Born to a southern Italian farm family, the son of Grazio, a shepherd. At age 15 he entered the novitiate of the Capuchin Friars in Morcone, and joined the order at age 19. He suffered several health problems, and at one point his family thought he had tuberculosis. He was ordained at age 22 on 10 August 1910.

While praying before a cross on September 20, 1918, Padre Pio received the stigmata. He is the first priest ever to be so blessed. As word spread, especially after American soldiers brought home stories of Padre Pio following WWII, the priest himself became a point of pilgrimage for both the pious and the curious. He would hear confessions by the hour, reportedly able to read the consciences of those who held back. He was reportedly able to bi-locate, levitate, and heal by touch.

In 1956 he founded the House for the Relief of Suffering, a hospital that serves 60,000 a year. Padre Pio died on September 23, 1968 at age 81.

Today there are over 400,000 members worldwide in prayer groups begun by Padre Pio in the 1920s.

His canonization miracle involved the cure of Matteo Pio Colella, age 7, the son of a doctor who works in the House for Relief of Suffering, the hospital in San Giovanni Rotondo.

Parish Ministries

Men of the Parish: please consider joining us (the Fraternity of Exodus 90) as we begin our next spiritual exercise called St. Michael's Lent. This exercise covers the months of August and September. During this exercise, we will read and reflect on the Book of Daniel and we will focus on prayer, asceticism and fraternity. All this, as we strive to become better men for our families and loved ones. As we go, you will be amazed at how much we learn from each other. The experience is truly rewarding and the time well spent. Give us a shot.



Coffee & Donuts

Sunday, 9-27

After 8 & 10:30 Masses

The St. Vincent de Paul conference of Sacred Heart - Lawrenceburg invites you to join us in celebration of the feast day of our patron saint.

Coffee and donuts will be served in the school dining hall next Sunday.

Please stop by to learn of all the events we have planned for the coming year.



Catholic Brotherhood is back! Fraternus meets in the cafeteria every Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm. Fathers, sons, and men of all ages gather weekly for a two-hour time of formation, challenge, and camaraderie.

"I'm so grateful for Fraternus and am glad that it continues to be an important part of my life." Fr. Luke Wilgenbusch, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Nashville

- ♦ **Fraternus**— Meets during the school year every Wednesday in the cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. A shared meal, good conversation, prayer, and time to be active. We are the largest, oldest, and most effective Catholic brotherhood of its kind. We help Catholic men and fathers lead in their homes and communities and inspire young men to grow in virtue, strength, and service through a unique framework of prayer, mentoring and formation.
- ♦ **St. Vincent de Paul**— Meets every second Wednesday (unless other wise notified) in the Art Room at 5:00 p.m. SVDP offers food assistance to neighbors in need. If you know of someone struggling to provide food for themselves and or family, call 931-201-0786. You may also make donations to the SVDP charity through the collection plate at Mass with your donations marked "SVDP".
- ♦ **Exodus**— Meets every Sunday (unless notified otherwise) in the cafeteria after the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Coffee and donuts are served.
- ♦ **Knights of Columbus**— First Thursday Meeting 6:30 p.m. Third Thursday Social Hour 6:30 p.m. Contact Grand Knight Joe Beckman, 931-242-1635, for more information.



Parish Ministries



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Our Lady's Ladies

A WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
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FIRST MEETING
Monday, September 21
at 6:00 PM

IN THE CAFETERIA

AFTER OUR FIRST MEETING,
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— ALL ARE WELCOME! —

September 2026

PRAYERS FOR PRIESTS AND RELIGIOUS OF THE DIOCESE OF NASHVILLE

Reverend Bede Price, O.S.B.	Ordination Anniversary	September 1st	1227 Seventh Avenue N	Nashville	TN	37208
Reverend Mark Sappenfield	Birthday Celebration	September 4th	3001 Belmont Blvd.	Nashville	TN	37212
Reverend Sony Matthew	Birthday Celebration	September 5th	7668 Nolensville Road	Nolensville	TN	37135
Reverend S. Bang	Ordination Anniversary	September 8th	2319 Lebanon Pike	Nashville	TN	37028
Reverend Jose Ramon Ayala	Birthday Celebration	September 13th	3112 Nolensville Road	Nashville	TN	37211
Reverend Hung Pham	Birthday Celebration	September 25th	2750 Tucker Road	Nashville	TN	37218
Reverend Martin de la Cruz	Birthday Celebration	September 26th	421 North Washington Avenue	Cookeville	TN	38501
Reverend David Herrera	Birthday Celebration	September 26th	113 Second Avenue South	Franklin	TN	37064
Reverend Jose Ramon Ayala	Ordination Anniversary	September 27th	3112 Nolensville Road	Nashville	TN	37211
Reverend Justin Farr	Birthday Celebration	September 30th	1729 Stop Thirty Road	Hendersonville	TN	37075

Prayers for Priests, Seminarians and Religious of the Diocese of Nashville

September 2026

Father, be with the leaders of your flock in their needs today. Help your bishops and priests to interpret the Gospel message with clarity and urgency, witnessing in their own lives to the teaching and example of Christ. Fortify and encourage those among them who are fearful and confused: be truly a Father to those who have fallen away. Bless those who are involved in new responses to contemporary needs: guide those who direct and foster dialogue with other Christians, with non-Christians and the secular city. Assist those who are trying to promote Christian values, that with zeal tempered by prudence, and in the framework of lawful authority, they may help to build up a truly Christian world for man. Send your Holy Spirit in a new outpouring, so that under these leaders chosen by you, the entire People of God may progress in a harmonious cooperation towards their final consummation in unity, truth and love by, with and in your Son Jesus Christ.

Amen.

A Project of The Nashville Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

Rejoicing in God's Generosity

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A teaches that God's mercy is for everyone. The gospel parable shows that even those who come to faith later receive the same reward. This challenges those who feel they deserve more. It invites them to rejoice instead of resent.

It is easy to compare ourselves to others. People often feel jealous when someone else is blessed. But the parable reminds us that God is generous. Instead of being upset when others receive grace, we should celebrate His kindness.

This also applies to how we treat others. The parable highlights the dignity of labor and fair treatment. Every worker in the vineyard received what they needed. This reminds us that all people deserve respect and just wages. Supporting the dignity of work is a way to live out our faith.

The 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A invites us to let go of comparison and embrace gratitude. God's generosity is beyond human understanding. Instead of focusing on what we think we deserve, we should trust in His goodness and share His love with others.



Announcements



Serious Catholicism

A course for those Catholics seeking to become serious about their Faith at the deepest levels

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 10:30-11:30am in the School

- Taught by Fr. Forsythe
- Serious in-depth study
- There is no childcare available
- Ages 11 and Up

Starts **THIS SATURDAY**
8/15

Building Prayer

Father, we thank you for our parish family: the love and fellowship we share. We now surrender to You our hope and trust as we travel the journey of restoring our campus to meet the needs of our worship.

Grant us patience and wisdom as we proceed. Bless the hearts and hands that will design and build our sacred spaces. Provide us with the resources we need to fulfill our vision to better serve You.

We ask this through Christ, the Word through which all things are made. He lives and reigns forever and ever.

Amen

THE POPE'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTION

SEPTEMBER

For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Bishop Spalding will celebrate a Red Mass for all legal professionals, including judges, lawyers, and government officials on Friday, October 23rd at 12:10 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Incarnation. All are invited to attend this Mass celebrated on the feast of St. John of Capistrano, patron of judges. Please visit nashvillefaithformation.com/red-mass for more information.

Please join Bishop Spalding on Sunday, October 25th at 2:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Incarnation for the third annual Queen of Families Mass for those who have experienced miscarriage, stillbirth, or other child loss. All families who have ever experienced the loss of a child at any stage of life, before or after birth, as well as all the faithful who want to pray with us in support of these families are welcome to attend. For more information and resources, please visit nashvillefaithformation.com/queen-families-mass.



Saturday, September 26th at 5:00 p.m.

Feast of Sts. Cosmas & Damian (Patrons of physicians)

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Celebrated by Bishop J. Mark Spalding

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The advertisement for Loretto Florist features a vibrant background of various flowers, including yellow lilies, pink tulips, and red and white roses. In the center, there is a white oval with a decorative border. Inside the oval, the text reads: "Loretto Florist" in a pink, cursive font, followed by "931-853-4317" in a pink, sans-serif font, "103 S Military St" and "Loretto, TN 38469" in a grey, sans-serif font, "www.facebook.com/LorettoFlorist" in a grey, sans-serif font, and "Gwen Kollefrath - Owner" and "931-242-2426" in a grey, sans-serif font.

The advertisement for Lawrenceburg Glass features a black background with a white logo on the left consisting of a square with diagonal lines. To the right of the logo, the text "Lawrenceburg Glass" is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below this, the text "Danny Patt" and "Manager" is written in a white, sans-serif font, followed by "www.lawrenceburgglass.com" in a white, sans-serif font. At the bottom, the text "(931) 766-1004" and "info@lawrenceburgglass.com" is written in a white, sans-serif font on the left, and "1018 North Locust Ave." and "Lawrenceburg TN 38464" is written in a white, sans-serif font on the right.



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