

July 27th, 2025: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
5th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Prayer

How beautiful are these words of yours, Lord!
Help us to continue our pilgrimage through time,
animated by the hope that comes from You!
Help us in this divisive world,
to bring the hope of communion.
Help us in this world, wounded by wars,
to bring the hope of peace.
Help us in this world, which is dehumanizing,
to bring the beauty of an ancient smile.
Help us to be, for our grandchildren, for our loved ones
and for everyone we meet,
the memory of your tenderness.
Help us to bring, in a world distracted from You,
the Hope of a new life that only You can give!
For in You, Lord, nothing is lost
For in You, Lord, everything begins again!
Amen

Reflection:

Prayer of petition

I asked for health that I might do great things;
I was given infirmity that I might do better things.
I asked for riches that I might be happy;
I was given poverty that I might be wise.
I asked for power that I might have the praise of men;
I was given weakness that I might feel the need of God.
I asked for all things that I might enjoy life;
I was given life that I might enjoy all things.
I got nothing that I asked for, but everything I hoped for.
Almost despite myself my unspoken prayers were answered.
I am, among all men, most richly blessed.

*Flor McCarthy, New Sunday and
Holy Day Liturgies – Year B,
Dominican Publications, Dublin (Ireland), 1999, p.266*

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Sacred Heart Parish
A Stewardship Parish in Union with Christ



Parish Information

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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11 am.

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday to Friday 10:00a.m.

Daily mass is cancelled & Office Closed any day schools are closed due to bad weather.

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Will start again September 5th, 2025.

Bible Study:

To be determined at a later date.

Holy Hour of Adoration:

Postponed until further notice.

Reconciliation:

By request.

Marriages:

Six months' notice required. A year's notice is recommended.

Baptisms:

Please call the Parish Office to schedule preparation session.

Family Connections:

At www.rcchurch.com you will find a link to family connections.

St. Vincent de Paul:

To assist those in need. Call 709-638-9010.

RECEIVED WITH THANKS July 19 & 20	
Regular Sunday	1337.00
Loose Offering	203.65
Building Fund	10.00
Votive Candles	14.00
Mass Stipends	20.00
Living with Christ	8.00

MASS INTENTIONS July 29 – Aug. 3	
July 29	The Late Susan Canning
July 30	The Late Patrick McConnell & Mildred McConnell
July 31	The Power Family
Aug. 1	The Late Theresa Joyce
Aug. 3	The Late James Moore The Late Edith Leonard

LITURGICAL MINISTERS August 2 – Saturday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Jacqueline Neville	Donna Mitchell
August 3 – Sunday	
Reader	Eucharistic Minister
Anna House	Amelia Dicks
Communion to the Sick: Tony Griffin	

NO MASS:
There is no morning mass on **Tuesday, July 29th**, there will be a cemetery mass at **7pm** at Mount Cecelia in Curling.

MASS INTENTIONS:
Our August mass intentions list have several days available. Call or email or add to weekend envelope your request.

WALK-A-THON: September 20st, 2024
Keep those Shoes handy for our next Fundraiser for our Walkathon.
Starting from: Sacred Heart Church
To: The parking lot/picnic tables area.
Nothing is finalized yet, but we will keep you posted.

CEMETARY MASSES:
Sacred Heart Cemetery Masses:
Mount Cecelia Cemetery - Curling -
Tuesday, July 29 at 7:00 pm.
Old RC Cemetery - Benoit’s Cove
Wednesday, July 30 at 7:00 pm.

PARKING:
We have updated the parking lot area with new lines, please pay attention to the **In and Out** arrows as we are trying to avoid any problems. Also **DO NOT park** in the **NO PARKING** section, especially facing the school, this is a lane for the bishops’ office and the private home behind the church and **CANNOT** be blocked.

DIRECT DEPOSIT:
You now have the option of Direct Deposit for your weekly donations to Sacred Heart Parish – which will be withdrawn from your account on the **15th** of each month for the Sunday Collection (**White envelopes only**). Special collections are not included in this option.
All you need is a pre-authorized monthly donation form, available through the Parish Office, fill it out and drop it back to us or take it to your bank and give us a copy.
We still are using envelopes and etransfers; this is just another way to donate that you may want to take advantage of.

**5TH WORLD DAY
FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY:**
Blessed are those who have not lost hope
(cf. Sir 14:2)

The Jubilee we are now celebrating helps us to realize that hope is a constant source of joy, whatever our age. When that hope has also been tempered by fire over the course of a long life, it proves a source of deep happiness.

The elderly as signs of hope
In the Bible, God repeatedly demonstrates his providential care by turning to people in their later years.

...Moses, who was called to set his people free when he was already eighty years old (cf. Ex7:7). God thus teaches us that, in his eyes, old age is a time of blessing and grace, and that the elderly are, for him, the first witnesses of hope.

Augustine asks, “What do we mean by old age?” He tells us that God himself answers the question: “Let your strength fail, so that my strength may abide within you, and you can say with the Apostle, ‘When I am weak, then I am strong’” (Super Ps.70,11).

The increasing number of elderly people is a sign of the times that we are called to discern, in order to interpret properly this moment of history.

The life of the Church and the world can only be understood in light of the passage of generations. Embracing the elderly helps us to understand that life is more than just the present moment, and should not be wasted in superficial encounters and fleeting relationships.

If it is true that the weakness of the elderly needs the strength of the young, it is equally true that the inexperience of the young needs the witness of the elderly in order to build the future with wisdom. How often our grandparents have been for us examples of faith and devotion, civic virtue and social commitment, memory and perseverance amid trials!

The precious legacy that they have handed down to us with hope and love will always be a source of gratitude and a summons to perseverance.

Signs of Hope for the elderly
Every parish, association and ecclesial group is called to become a protagonist in a “revolution” of gratitude and care, to be brought about by regular visits to the elderly, the creation of networks of support and prayer for them and with them, and the forging of relationships that can restore hope and dignity to those who feel forgotten.

Excerpt of Letter from: Pope Leo
<https://www.laityfamilylife.va>

Reflection: Ask, seek, knock

Jesus urges us to ask, seek, and knock. This means our faith has to be an active one. However, sometimes we are too proud to ask, so we don’t receive; we are too lazy to seek, so we don’t find; and we are too timid to knock, so the door doesn’t open for us. We mustn’t wait for things to happen, or to fall into our hands. We must be humble and trustful, yet bold and energetic, If we are to receive good things from our Father in heaven.