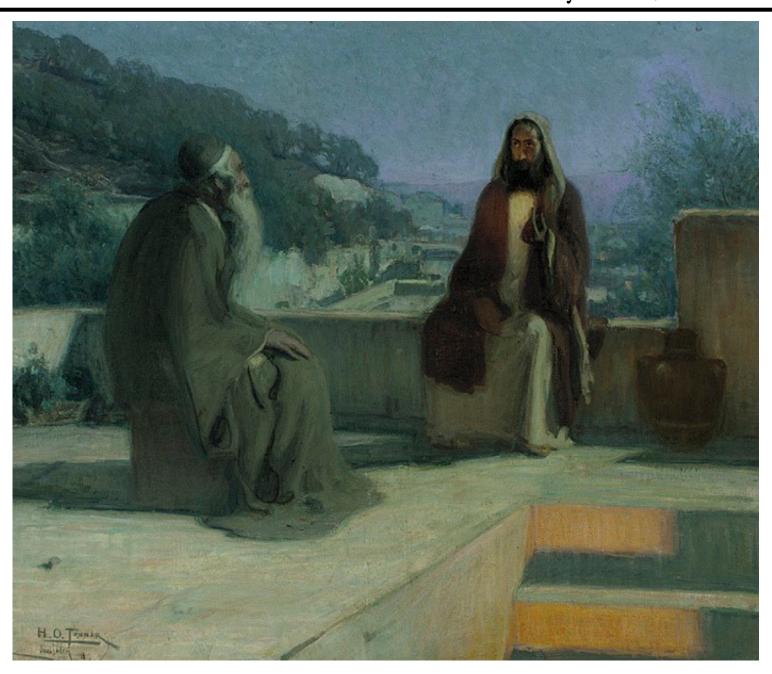


## Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church

Rev. John G. McDonald, Pastor Welcome to all visitors and parishioners!

March 10, 2024

The Fourth Sunday of Lent, Year B



Nicodemus Visiting Christ, 1899, Henry Ossawa Tanner

#### Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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#### Parish Mission Statement

We, the faith community of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church, in striving to be like Christ, are committed to living the Gospel by participating in the Sacraments, promoting spiritual growth and religious education, and being an example of His Eucharistic love.

#### **MASS TIMES**

Saturday
Reconciliation 3:30PM - 4:30PM
Mass 5:00 PM
Sunday Mass
9:00 AM and 11:00 AM,
1:00 PM (Misa en Español)

**Holy Days** 

7:00 AM, 12 Noon and 6:30 PM

### A Message from our Pastor

Dear Parish Family,

The experience of exile is terrible. When a family or an individual is forced for whatever reasons to leave behind all that is familiar and comfortable and be thrust into a new and often harsh landscape, they face the crisis of not "fitting in" and not knowing how to make a place for oneself in the new reality. In human history, there have been many exiles of whole peoples and nations, and those deportations and expulsions leave behind terrible scars and require massive efforts to heal.

But Jesus, the Son of the Living God, came into the world to heal the scars and wounds of a most terrible expulsion: the expulsion of our first parents, Adam and Eve, from the Garden of Paradise. That expulsion, provoked by their disobedience, has been the origin of suffering for humanity. But, from the moment of that expulsion, our God provided a way to return. We find that Way in the person of Jesus Our Lord.

The Gospel tells us that that Way is indicated by Light, but that so often, we do not follow that light which will lead us to a better place. Instead, we prefer the darkness of our own anger and resentments, and we turn away from the Truth and instead invent stories that are more convenient for our personal interests. Despite all our actions in turning away, Jesus still waits patiently with open arms to receive us when we turn to Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Light.

This week, we will have a moment for a penance service with opportunity for individual confession. Let's heal the wounds of our exile and come again to the Lord Jesus, who "came into the world to save us."

Heartfelt blessings to you all!

Fr. John

### Prayer to Be Disciples and Missionaries

Lord you left your Mother in our midst that she might accompany us. May she take care of us and protect us on our journey, in our hearts, in our faith.

May she make us disciples like herself, missionaries like herself.

May she teach us to go out onto the streets.

May she teach us to step outside ourselves . . .

May she, by her meekness, by her peace, show us the way.



### HOLY WEEK

• Palm Sunday

March 24th

Normal Mass Schedule

• Holy Thursday March 28
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
6:30pm

Good Friday

March 29

Stations of the Cross 3:00pm

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion 6:30pm
• Easter Vigil March 30

8:00pm

Easter Sunday

March 31

Normal Mass Schedule



### Immaculate Heart of Mary

Parish Life Center Pledged: \$526,765.20 Total Collected Last Week: \$9,595.00

Total Collected Overall: \$612,048.00





Monday No St. Hildegard's this Week

# Tuesday

Choir Practice 6:00pm-church Scouts 6:00pm-8:00pm-Activity Center

# Wednesday

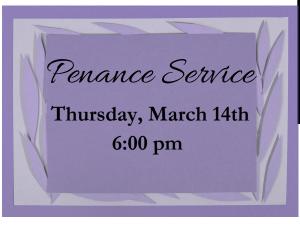
Religious Education Night-6pm

# Thursday

Young at Hearts Mass 10:00am Penance Service 6:00pm

# Friday

Adoration-Exposition 8am Stations of the Cross 5:30pm Benediction 6:00pm Knights of the Columbus Fish Fry 5pm-7pm





Sacred Heart Choir presents

# SEVEN LAST WORDS

SUNDAY, MARCH 24 6:30PM

### Easter Flowers

If you would be interested in donation flowers in honor or memory of a loved one, please donate on our website at sacredheartanniston.org or complete a form in the vestibule and place it in the purple box. You can also scan the image below to donate digitally. There will be a special insert in the Easter Bulletin listing those names.



# Yv Young at Hearts Yv Y

Join our Young at Hearts group for the rosary and Mass on Thursday, March 14, at 9:30 am. There will be a potluck lunch bingo and fellowship following Mass in our new parish life center.

### **EASTER EGG HUNT**



The Knights of Columbus will have their annual Easter Egg Hunt after the 11am Mass on Easter Sunday. If you would like to donate candy or plastic eggs, please bring to the church office.



#### FORMED THE CATHOLIC FAITH.

Restore: Week Four ,Äì The Healing Balm of Almsgiving

In week four of Restore, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, reflects on almsgiving and how it heals your relationships with others. One of the most powerful ways to heal your brokenness is to give—not only money or clothing, but also your presence and love—to those whom God has placed in your life, even those who have wounded you.

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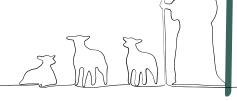
Daily Mass Schedule Saturday, March 9th 5pmSandra Pasquinelli Sunday, March 10th 9 am+ Hohnny Frank Turner 11amParish family 1 pm+ Juan Jose Becerra	MINISTER'S SCHEDULE  March 16th and March 17th  Lectors  5 pm Shari Doyal  9 amRichard Curtin  11 am Nan Estes	Mass Attendance March 2nd-3rd 5:00 pm142 9:00 am242 11:00 am224 1:00 pm431
(Misa en Epañol) Tuesday, March 12th 7am +Johnny Frank Turner Wednesday, March 13th 7am +Apolania Palacios Thursday, March 14th 7amTonette Tudisco	Eucharistic Ministers  5 pm Tim Barton.  9 am Jeanette Griffin  9 am (choir) Gina Reaves  11 am Margaret Roberts  Ushers	UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS March 17, 2024 Sixth Sunday in Lent Jer. 31: 31-34 Psalm 51:3-4,12-15 Hebrews 5: 7-9 John 12: 20-33
10amYoung at Hearts Friday, March 15th 7 am+Emily Cassidy Saturday, March 16th 5 pm Melody Tudisco Sunday, March 17th 9 am	lay, March 15th  1+Emily Cassidy  1 rday, March 16th  1 Melody Tudisco  1 day, March 17th  1Parish Family  9 amPat Quillian, Kenny Steppe  11amMatt Graessle, Ximena Martine Sacristans  5 pm Susan Watson  9 amNick and Tristn Bonds	Weekly Offertory Offertory:\$10,456.00 Online:\$4,356.00 Total:\$14,812.00
1 pm+Desiderio Gutierrez (Misa en Español)  Grass Cutting Ministry  It's time to sign up to be a member of the grass cutting team!  If interested please contact the church office.	Hospitality 5 pmLinda Chenard 9 amJolene Loescher 11amLindsay Tyson Hospital Ministry March 12-March 18thSarah Seales	Online Giving You can make your offertory gift by scanning the QR code which links directly to our online giving website.  SCAN MEI
Prayers Requested Cathy Little, Kitty Moore, John Winn, Migdalia Santiago, Chris Clement, Jim Roberts, Andrew Wackerle, Teresa		

Atkins, Greg Bavonese, Nan Estes, Carolyn Brouillette, Isabela Gomez, Telly & Michelle Munn, Robert Pate, Janet Reese, Brenda Marcelino, Connie & Everett Pollard, Bobby Yates, Lillian Jennings, Jessica Haas, Benny & Marilyn Holderfield, Gail Foster, Cirilo Vizcaya, Stephanie Velasquez, Dan and Judy Myers, Rita Lindsey, Janet Griffin, Brandon Mancilllas, Alex Navarro, Elizabeth-Anne Heathcock, Diane Seales, Debbie Buzan, Julianne & Oliver Semmes, Tom Beam, Sharon Coverstone, Chris Warden, Michael Ingram, Sandie Pasquinelli, Bob Anderson, Allison Doyal, Sandy Demarois, Sheri Ballard, Mark Scheuring, Beverley Pletcher, JoAnn Nelson, Manuel Becerra Acevedo, Cameron Chenard

"The negligence of the shepherd is the joy of the wolves."

- St. Ephrem of Syria





### Our Holy Father's **Prayer Intention**

For New Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.