

# Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

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<b>Weekend Mass Schedule</b> .....	Saturdays 5:30 pm; Sundays 9:00 am & 11:00 am
<b>Weekday Mass Schedule</b> .....	Tuesday through Friday 8:05 am
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation</b> .....	(by appointment) Fridays 8:40 am and Saturdays 4:30 pm
<b>Wednesday Faith &amp; Family Night</b> (CGS, Youth, RCIA / all adults) .....	Dinner - 6:00 pm; Class 6:30 - 8:00 pm

## Weddings

Begin your wedding preparation with a minimum of 6 months (preferably 1 year) prior to your wedding date with a meeting with your pastor

## Baptisms

Baptisms are usually celebrated after weekend Masses.  
 Baptismal Preparation classes are offered by Pastor through appointment  
 Preregister by calling (785) 242-2174

## New Parishioners

Welcome to Sacred Heart Parish Community! Get involved and begin meeting your fellow parishioners. Start with a phone call to the Parish Office.

Parish Office ..... (785) 242-2174  
 Pastor's Office Phone Number ..... (785) 915-1508  
 Fr. Kenneth Clem (Pastor) ..... [pastor@shottawa.org](mailto:pastor@shottawa.org)  
 Carmelita Sieg (Parish Secretary) ..... [office@shottawa.org](mailto:office@shottawa.org)  
 Sandy Vrbas (Faith Formation Coordinator) ..... [dre@shottawa.org](mailto:dre@shottawa.org)  
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 Finance Council Advisory Chair ([bhayden1720@gmail.com](mailto:bhayden1720@gmail.com)) ..... Bob Hayden  
 Altar Society Guild President ([bbirzer@yahoo.com](mailto:bbirzer@yahoo.com)) ..... Betty Birzer  
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 Shayla Siebenthall (School Secretary) ..... [school@shottawa.org](mailto:school@shottawa.org)

## **AUG. 9 – AUG. 10, 2025**

**MONDAY, Aug. 11, 2025**  
**NO MASS**

**TUESDAY, Aug. 12, 2025**  
**8:05 AM MASS**  
+ Carol Cover  
by: Gary & Karen Kimball

**WEDNESDAY, Aug. 13, 2025**  
**8:05 AM MASS**  
+ Tony Birzer  
by: Betty Birzer

**THURSDAY, Aug. 14, 2025**  
**8:05 AM MASS**  
+ Frank Seibert  
by: Donna Seibert

***ADORATION IN THE CHAPEL***  
**8:40 AM to 8:00 PM**

**FRIDAY, Aug. 15, 2025**  
**8:05 AM MASS**  
+ John W. Gibson  
by: the Redeker Family

**SATURDAY, Aug. 16, 2025**  
**4:30 PM – Confession/ 5:30 PM MASS**  
John & Phyllis Birzer (wedding anniv.)  
by: Bibiana Zweig

**SUNDAY, Aug. 17, 2025**  
**9:00 AM MASS**  
For the People of the Parish

**CONFESSION: 10:00 AM**

**SUNDAY, Aug. 17, 2025**  
**11:00 AM MASS**  
+ Brian Jones (birthday)  
by: Guerin Family

**CHURCH CLEANING ANGELS**  
**BECKY SHRIMPLIN/ THERESA PAXTON**  
**KAY & BUD STRATTON**

## **LITURGICAL ROLES**

**SAT., Aug. 16, 2025 – 5:30 PM MASS**  
Gifts: Aracely Madrid Family  
Ushers: George & Weng Mendez/  
Charles Patry  
Servers: Olivia & Quinn Bambach  
Eucharistic Minister: Dan Gast  
Lector: Rick Nuckolls  
Sacristan: Debbie Blakeley  
Rosary Leader: Mike Fischer

**SUN., Aug. 17, 2025 – 9:00 AM MASS**  
Gifts: Wellnitz Family  
Ushers: Michael & Jamie Keiter/  
John Golden  
Servers: Leo & John Paul Wellnitz  
Eucharistic Minister: Maureen Downing  
Music: Guitar/ Flute  
Lector: Gregory Wellnitz  
Sacristan: Blake & Kelly Jorgensen  
Rosary Leader: Sharon Shields

**SUN., Aug. 17, 2025 - 11:00 AM MASS**  
Gifts: Russ & Crystal Moyer Family  
Ushers: Stacey & Makayla Potter/  
Joan Hazelton/ Karen Chanay  
Servers: Maggie Moyer/ Alyss Sayler  
Eucharistic Minister: James Boyer  
Lectors: Steve & Alex Boetel  
Sacristan: Katie Smith  
Rosary Leader: Jan Wallis

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LAWN CARE**  
8/09 - MIKE BROWN / GIB BRUNA  
8/16 - CHRIS LAMAR / PARKER OLMSTED

## **FINANCIAL CORNER –Offertory:** **Aug. 2 – Aug. 3**

Collection	\$7,617.00
Cash	\$ 560.00
Candle	\$ 57.00
Leaven	\$ 21.00
On-line Giving (Donation)	\$ 558.54
	<b>\$8,813.54</b>

**OTHER DONATIONS**

Memorials	\$ 135.00
Masses	\$ 10.00



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## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

- The Knight of the Month is Dale Hermreck. Dale worked very hard to get the right people to work on the church A/C unit so everybody would be comfortable at church.
- The Knight Family of the month is Tom & Becky Shrimplin. Becky takes charge of the Adoration schedule and makes sure that there is a person at all the slots. The Shrimplins arranged help for Donna Diddie so she could spend time with Gerry before his passing.
- On October 6, 2025, we are conducting an Exemplification Event (1st, 2nd, 3rd degree) for new Knights and those seeking their 2nd and 3rd degree. If you are 18 years or older and interested in becoming a Knight, contact Bud Stratton 785-226-3273.
- The Fire Pit Raffle has been postponed until later this year.
- SAVE THE DATE: We are planning a "TURKEY BINGO" event to take place on November 8, 2025. Mark your calendar now!
- The next breakfast will be on August 17, 2025, after the 9 AM Mass.
- Our next meeting is Monday, September 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Pizza will be served at 6:00 p.m., followed by the meeting at 6:30 p.m. Meetings are on the first Monday of each month unless it falls on a holiday. Then it's scheduled the following Monday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Frances Gordon, Diann Prentice, Fred Foss, Larry Kanatzar, Kathy Laws, Donald Fischer, John Schnieders, Virginia Quintana, JoAnn & Dennis Nowatzke, Shirley Fischer, Erin Chappell, Phillip Pearce, Terry & Jack Shepard, Reba Miller, Koby Becker, Larry Fisher, Kathy Jordan \* Bill Helmick, Vickie Smith, Mike Adell, Charles Miller, Carol C., Cassy Higgins, Diana Shepard, Robert Strangways, Jr., Ashley Jones, Paul Nation, Judith & Frank Dixon, Tim Chanay, Cal Lantis, Joann Kauffman, Amanda Wray, Rev. Bill Prather, Mark Andrew Kohn, Mark Austin Kohn, Shelly Frank, Annie O'Brien, Jerry Krause, Kenny Read, Beckham Moody and J Dalton Hennessy.

### ALTAR SOCIETY

August 12th, (Tuesday) 5:30pm. Altar Society dinner /meeting in the Parish Center. Light meal to be provided by Pamela Wheeler and Maureen Downing. This format was a huge success last month, so we voted to try it again, some even staying to play Farkle!

### FUNERAL DINNER CONTACT LIST

The Altar Society is refining the contact list for funeral dinners. If you want to receive the sign-up when we have an upcoming dinner, please contact one of the funeral dinner committee members:

Deb Henningsen, 785-418-6010  
Sharon Thompson, 785-418-6500  
Sandy Vrbas, 785-893-2654

Thank you for considering to volunteer for this beautiful Work of Mercy.

### CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NE KANSAS

August 10 – 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
"Love never ends." 1 Corinthians 13:8 - The love for your parish can live on forever when you include the parish endowment fund in your will. August is National Make-A-Will Month and a good time to create or update your will. To access free will writing tools, go to [cfnek.giftlegacy.com](http://cfnek.giftlegacy.com) or contact the Catholic Foundation of Northeast Kansas at 913-647-3062 or [cfnek@archkck.org](mailto:cfnek@archkck.org).

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**ROSARY SUPPORT GROUP**  
**FOR CAREGIVERS**

The Special Needs Ministry Fully Alive Mental Health Apostolate, in partnership with the Holy Family School of Faith, is looking for 10 individuals or couples who are caregivers of a person or persons with a disability, who are interested in joining a monthly support group that prays the Rosary together via zoom and strengthens each other's prayer life. Support groups are limited to 10 people or couples so if you are interested please sign up now. More information will be shared once we have a full group that is interested in starting.

Visit the link below.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BA5AE29A4F4C43-57425872-rosary#/>

**YOUNG ADULT MASS WITH**  
**ARCHBISHOP MCKNIGHT – AUGUST 14, 2025**

Young adults are invited to share in celebrating the Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption with Archbishop McKnight. Food, drinks and fellowship will follow Mass!

**When:** August 14th (Thursday) – 6pm Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption

**Where:** Savior Pastoral Center Chapel – 12601 Parallel Parkway, Kansas City KS **Cost:** FREE

**Please RSVP at:**

<https://ycp.glueup.com/event/meet-the-archbishop-149898/>) Questions? Please contact Emily Lopez – [elopez@archkck.org](mailto:elopez@archkck.org)

**FAMILY DAY AT PRAIRIE STAR RANCH**

invites you and your family to join us for Family Day on September 21st, 2025 from 9 AM to 5 PM! Come and step away from the hustle for a Spirit-filled day of fun, adventure, and prayer with one another. Enjoy those closest to you as you make memories on kayaks, the climbing wall, and our many other activities. All ages are welcome to this come-and-go-as-you-please event! Visit our website today to learn more and register. We hope to see you there. <https://archkck.org/psr> - 785-746-5693 - [psrministry@archkck.org](mailto:psrministry@archkck.org)

**BREATHE SPECIAL NEEDS RESPITE CARE**

BREATHE is Respite Care, a break in caregiving for families who have a family member with a disability. Volunteers work generally 1:1 or 2:1 in a recreational/ leisure setting.

Volunteers 16 and older are VIRTUS trained and all volunteers 14 and older have adult supervision. A registered nurse is on staff to provide medical care and any necessary procedures such as medications, tube feeding, and toileting needs. A meal is provided.

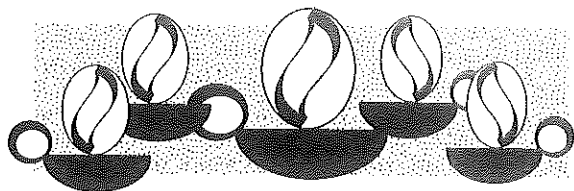
**Who:** Any person with a disability age 5 or older.

**When:** Saturday, August 16, 2025 Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Where:** Bishop Miege High School (5041 Reinhardt Dr, Roeland Park)

**Questions:** Call Josh Ruoff, Lead Consultant for Special Needs Ministry for the Archdiocese of Kansas City in KS (913)647-3054 or email [jruoff@archkck.org](mailto:jruoff@archkck.org)

The poster features a large, stylized white cross on a dark background. The word "BREATHE" is written in large, white, sans-serif capital letters, with the cross acting as the letter "A". Below "BREATHE" is the text "RESPITE CARE" in smaller white capital letters. To the right of the cross, there are two QR codes. The top QR code is labeled "VOLUNTEER SIGNUP" and the bottom QR code is labeled "PARTICIPANT SIGNUP". Below the QR codes, the text "NEXT EVENT:" is followed by "AUGUST 16" in large, bold, white capital letters. Below that, "BISHOP MIEGE HIGH SCHOOL" is written in white capital letters, followed by "4:00-7:00 PM" in white capital letters. At the bottom, there is a silhouette of a family (a man, a woman, and two children) walking. Below the silhouette, the text "GIVING FAMILIES WHO HAVE A CHILD WITH A DISABILITY A BREAK FROM CAREGIVING." is written in white capital letters, flanked by two rows of small white dots.



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## ADULT STUDIES & PROGRAMS

**Parish Mission: The Mass**  
Postponed until January/February 2026.  
Watch for registration information toward the end of 2025.

**Grieving with Great Hope - Five Sessions**  
Thursdays, Sept. 4 - Oct. 2 | Parish Center  
6:30 - 9:00 p.m. (Rides available, if needed)  
All men and women grieving the death of a loved one are invited to participate in this workshop. You will need to be able to participate on September 4. We need at least two more participants. Registration flyers are on the vestibule table. Register by Sunday, August 17, 2025.

**Old Testament Bible Study**  
Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. | Parish Center  
Father Clem will be leading three more sessions: August 5, 12, and 19.

**Catholic Classics Book Club**  
Thursdays, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. | SHS Library  
The last session of *The Confessions of St. Augustine* will be this week on August 7, 2025:  
**Book X (Memory)**

**Questions about these opportunities?**  
Contact Sandy Vrbas 785-893-2654 |  
dre@shottawa.org

ONLINE WEBINAR



## Faith in Action: Ending Human Trafficking Through Catholic Social Teaching



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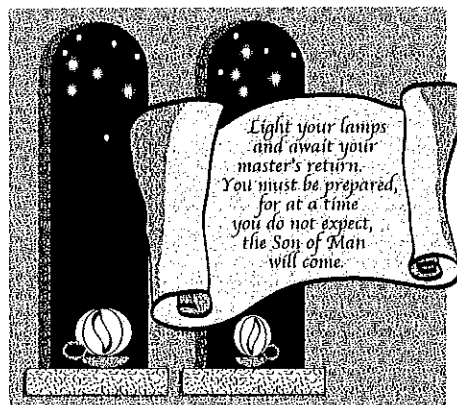
This webinar explores how the principles of Catholic Social Teaching — including the dignity of the human person, the call to family and community, the preferential option for the poor and vulnerable, and solidarity — provide a moral and spiritual framework for confronting this injustice.

- 📍 Online
- 📅 Aug. 21
- 🕒 2 P.M. EST

REGISTER NOW

**MORE INFORMATION**  
[AllianceToEndHumanTrafficking.org](http://AllianceToEndHumanTrafficking.org)

**REGISTRATION: BIT.LY/3TMZZRV**



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# SUPPORT THE Solidarity Fund for the CHURCH IN AFRICA

We live our Catholic faith with a deep understanding of ourselves as pilgrims walking together and helping one another through life. From biblical times to our present day, Catholics have always visited holy sites, shrines, and other places significant in the history and life of the Church. In walking and praying together at these sites, Catholic pilgrims experience unity with Christ, with one another, and with the Church today and throughout history in a deeper way.

During the first week of Lent, in early March 2024, approximately 1,000 Catholics from across the Diocese of Gbarnga in Liberia in west Africa went on a pilgrimage to the site of the people's first encounter with Catholic missionaries in the town of Saclepea, Liberia. By retracing the footsteps of those 19th-century missionaries, these pilgrims connected with their history while also deepening their call to build upon this legacy today.

This special event was made possible by a grant from the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, which helped provide food and accommodations for the pilgrims and liturgical furnishings for Masses and confessions. Throughout Africa, your donations to the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, a program of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, help African Catholics continue the work of evangelization and building up the Church that began with those first missionaries.

Please be generous through the offertory collection envelope or your parish's e-offertory platform. To learn more about the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa, visit [www.usccb.org/africa](http://www.usccb.org/africa).



## 2023 DISTRIBUTION OF GRANTS

PERCENTAGES HAVE BEEN ROUNDED OFF TO THE  
NEAREST ONE HUNDREDTH AND SO MAY NOT TOTAL EXACTLY 100%.

**Total Grants: 75**

**Total Granted: \$2,108,250**

PROGRAM AREA	NUMBER OF GRANTS	GRANT AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
Construction/Renovation	10	\$412,600	19.57%
Leadership Formation	16	\$380,850	18.06%
Church Capacity Support	14	\$301,300	14.29%
Vocations	4	\$170,000	8.06%
Communications	5	\$169,100	8.02%
Evangelization	7	\$157,000	7.45%
Justice and Peace	6	\$155,300	7.37%
Religious Education and Catholic Schools	4	\$116,000	5.50%
Child Protection	4	\$103,100	4.89%
Clergy/Religious Continuing Education	3	\$94,000	4.46%
Youth Ministry	2	\$49,000	2.32%

\*CONSTRUCTION GRANTS PRIMARILY FUND REHABILITATION AND RENOVATION OF EXISTING, DETERIORATED STRUCTURES.

## EXPENSES

Grants and Donations	\$2,110,175	73.39%
Program Costs	\$510,169	17.74%
Promotions and Fundraising Expenses	\$158,843	5.52%
Administrative Expenses	\$95,998	3.34%

**Total Expenses**

**\$2,875,185**



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