

# Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus



Rev. J. Gabriel Piedrahn, Pastor

Sharon Lawrence, Parish Formation

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Friday - 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Closed For Lunch 1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sunday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

All adult Catholics should be registered. We want to know and serve you and hope that you will become an active member of our parish community. Please notify the rectory of any change in address, or if you are leaving the Parish. It is necessary to be a registered member of our parish for a minimum of 3 months in order for us to testify to your ability to be a sponsor for Baptism/Confirmation, witness to a Catholic marriage, or provide recommendation for a position at work/school or character reference.

## MASS SCHEDULE

### Sunday:

English - Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 9:30am, 12:30pm

Spanish - Saturday 7:00pm

Sunday 11:00am

### Weekdays:

Monday - Friday 8:30am

Wednesday - 8:30am

Saturday - 9:00am

**Holy Days** - see website for listing

**Holy Hour** 7pm fast Thursday of the month

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## SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

**Baptism** - First Saturday of the month in English at 1:00 pm. Second Saturday of the month in Spanish at 1:00 PM. Parents must meet with the pastor prior to the Baptism. Parents and Godparents are required to attend Baptismal instruction. Instruction is held same day as Baptism, prior to ceremony.

**Reconciliation** - 4:00 PM before the Saturday evening Mass or by appointment.

**Marriage** - Couples are required to make arrangements one year to six months prior to the date of marriage. One party must be a registered and active member of this parish. Participation in Pre-marriage Program is required. Couple must meet with the pastor prior to any arrangements being made.

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 6, 2015

### First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7a

Isaiah tells the people to be strong and unafraid. God will save his people, and the blind will see, the deaf will hear, and the lame will walk. Streams will come forth in the desert, the sandy ground will become springs of water.

### Second Reading: James 2:1-5

James encourages the people to never show favoritism. He discusses an usher who escorted a rich man to the best seat, while ignoring a poor man. God chose poor people to be rich in faith, so we should never judge people by their riches.

### Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Some people brought a deaf man who could not speak to Jesus and begged him to lay his hand on the man. Jesus opened the man's ears and cured his speech impediment. He ordered the people not to tell anyone, but they were too amazed to keep this to themselves.

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday September 5

9:00am

5:00pm William W. Williams (†)

7:00pm The priest will announce the names and intentions

### Sunday September 6

9:30am Irene Garcia (†)

11:00am The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30pm Ramon Lucero (3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary) (†)

### Monday September 7

8:30am

### Tuesday September 8

8:30am

### Wednesday September

8:30am

### Thursday September 10

8:30am

### Friday September 11

8:30am

### Saturday September

9:00am

5:00pm Helen & Edward Hayde (†)

7:00pm The priest will announce the names and intentions

### Sunday September 13

9:30am

11:00am The priest will announce the names and intentions

12:30pm

## SUNDAY'S REFLECTION

### Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

He took him off by himself away from the crowd. He put his finger into the man's ears, and spitting, touched his tongue, then he looked up to heaven and groaned and said to him 'Ephphatha' that is 'Be opened.' And immediately the man's ears were opened, his speech impediment was removed, and he spoke plainly...They were exceedingly astonished and they said 'He has done all things well.'"

We can make a list of the miracles of Jesus. Some were cures from a distance, some taking one by the hand, some by a spoken word.

Today we find touch, saliva, a groan and a word. We do not learn how the man reacted, but the people, ordered told to remain quiet, told the story.

Each one of us, at our baptism, found the minister touching our ears and tongue and told; As Jesus made the deaf to hear and dumb to speak, so may He open your ears to hear His word and your mouth to proclaim His praise.' We were told that we, in the words of Pope Francis, are to be 'Missionary Disciples.' We have encountered Christ, turned to Him, accepted His teaching, and now are sent to live out that baptismal mandate. Though the man who was cured was anonymous, we are to tell others that He has done all things well.

### GOD'S PLAN FOR GIVING/TITHING

Our Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a tithing parish. Tithing means to give back to God a portion of what God has given to us.

Last Sunday's  
Collection  
\$ 2,666.00

Last Year's  
Collection  
\$ 2,072.00

### Parishioner's Testimony

"Tithing is our way of making a difference, of giving some of what we receive to God and to those in need."

## ANOUNCEMENTS

**THE BIRTHDAY OF MARY- SEPTEMBER 8** "Today the Virgin is born, tended and formed and prepared for her role as Mother of God, who is the universal King of the ages... Therefore let all creation sing and dance and unite to make worthy contribution to the celebration of this day... Today this created world is raised to the dignity of a holy place for him who made all things. The creature is newly prepared to be a divine dwelling place for the creator." (From a discourse by St. Andrew of Crete). The II Vatican Council places in perspective all of honor to Mary. In the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy we find: "Holy Church honors the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, with a special love. She is inseparably linked with her Son's saving work. In her the church admires and exalts the most excellent fruit of redemption, and joyfully contemplates, as in a faultless image, which which she herself desires and hopes wholly to be."

### Information

**Labor Day is tomorrow Monday September 7<sup>th</sup>** we will only have one mass a 8:30am. After the mass, the church and office will be closed for the rest of the day.

**Free tickets for the Pope (Lottery)-** We have received only 10 tickets. Please, only registered parishioners can give their names and address one at the time for a raffle to determine who will attend the mass. The winning tickets will be drawn Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup> at 12pm. Any one who would like to be present is welcomed. Thank you.

**Mass Intentions-** the Mass Intentions book is available for those who want to have masses said for their family and friends. Masses for this year are still available.

### Collections/Fund Raisers

**Second Collection for Saint Joseph's Seminary** will be on the weekend of the 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of September. Please be generous.

**Flea Market** -Next Sunday September 13, 2015 in Campbell Hall from 10am till 2pm. Tables are available for rent. If you would like to rent a table contact the rectory.

*Happy Birthday!*

*Maria Aldana  
Gloria Gomez*

### Sacred Heart Classes

**Children's Faith Formation-** Sessions open Sunday September 20<sup>th</sup> beginning with our family mass at 9:30am. This is a family event, a parent or guardian must accompany the child.

**Sacramental Sessions-** If your family received an invitation to our sacramental program last spring, please be reminded that our first session is Sunday September 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

**Adult Faith Formation-** sessions begin Saturday October 24<sup>th</sup> at 10am with Fr. Gabriel in the Mooney Room. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Altar Servers Training** -Open to any child/teen who has received First Communion. Please register at the parish office.

**English as a second language-** We need volunteers in helping with ESL classes. The starting date of classes will be announced. Please contact the office for more information.

### The Wine and Hosts



If you would like to offer the Wine and Host for your loved ones please visit the office.