

# Sacred Heart Parish Community

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*We, the people of Sacred Heart Parish,  
united in faith, strive to worship, play and work together,  
for the building of Christ's kingdom of justice,  
peace, and love in our community.*

Dear Friends,

Together, as a parish family, we have accomplished some exciting things since this you last received this little book.

We welcomed 29 new families to Sacred Heart last year. We celebrated 9 weddings, and 29 funerals, baptized 27 children and 3 adults into the catholic faith, and we welcomed 3 adults into full-communication with the Catholic Church during the Easter Vigil. We had 34 second graders join us at the Eucharistic table for the first time, and traveled to Toledo to watch as Bishop Blair confirmed 30 of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade parishioners. We certainly are a growing parish.

Early last fall with the help of some of our friends, we planted an array of trees and shrubs to serve as living memorials in our prayer garden located on the grounds near the parish offices. In February, the generously donated, granite statue of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus was delivered and took its place at the center of this garden keeping watch over our garden, our parish, and our families. While the garden remains unfinished I invite you to walk amongst the memorials, reflect, and pray for God's continued blessings.

In December, we paid off our parish debt! *Remember, one family approached me after Thanksgiving and offered to, very generously, match dollar for dollar funds collected thru December 31<sup>st</sup>.* Well, **WE DID IT** and boy was I shocked at the excitement that created! It was amazing, especially given today's economy with so many of our parish families stretching their dollars to provide for their growing families. Simply said~ *it was incredible!*

March 6<sup>th</sup> we held our Annual Pancake and Sausage Breakfast. This breakfast almost did not happen you know. Over the years, it had become a school function and with the consolidation there was no one to chair the kitchen. One family came forward... and another, and then an army of volunteers came together to ensure this now parish function went on. The purpose: To bring families and friends together to enjoy a great breakfast and reconnect. *What a blessing!*

In July we again came together. We set up the tents, dusted off the booths and chairs, and held our 42<sup>nd</sup> Parish Festival. Many heartfelt thanks to the chairpersons, all of the volunteers, and the families that stopped by to enjoy the bands, the food, the rides and overall fellowship this festival created.

As I reflect on the past year and its milestones it has become apparent to me that we the people of Sacred Heart can do just about anything- *together*. We are definitely a diverse group. Each of us was created with our own strengths and talents. It is amazing when we put them all together what we can accomplish. Just look at the past year.

As we move forward, it is one of my goals to get more of our families to utilize their strengths and talents to assist in enhancing our parish life. In our ministries and all the parish activities that bring us together. I cannot wait to see what the next year holds.

Sincerely,

Fr Ken Lill

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## Liturgical Celebrations

Lord's Day Liturgy      Saturday, 4:00 p.m.  
                                 Sunday, 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:00 a.m.  
                                 Misa en Espanol: St. Joseph Church, 1:00 p.m.

Holy Days                Consult the bulletin for days and times.

Weekdays               Mondays, and Fridays, 8:10 a.m.  
                                 Wednesday, 6:30 p.m. Thursdays, 9:10am

## Confessions

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) is available every  
Saturday at 3:00 p.m. in the church.

## Office Hours

The Parish Office is open Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Children's Christian Development Program is in session on Wednesdays  
from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

The Sacred Heart Elementary is in session from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Office Hours are from 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Childcare is available for families with children attending classes  
on our campus from 6:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. during the school year.

## Parish Vision

We, the Sacred Heart Parish community, united in faith, strive to worship, play and work together for the building of Christ's kingdom of justice, peace and love in our community.

## Parish Mission Statement

Sacred Heart Parish is a Catholic community dedicated to giving praise to God through communal worship, Christian formation and service to others.

In support of this mission, we are committed to

- fostering prayer
- providing holistic education and formation
- providing support and enrichment for all parishioners
- identifying and responding to others in need
- reaching out to the inactive and the unchurched with Christ's message of love and salvation
- sharing with other faith communities
- being good stewards in the furtherance of these goals.

## History of Sacred Heart Parish

Unique among the Catholic communities in Fremont, Sacred Heart Parish is the youngest and the only Catholic Church on the east side of the city.

In June 1956, Bishop Rehring appointed Fr. Leo A. Lehmkuhl to Fremont St. Joseph Parish as an assistant pastor with the duty of starting a new parish on the east side of Fremont. The new parish was officially established on September 8, 1956. Its area included the east side of Fremont to the borders of St. Mary, Clyde, and St. Mary, Tiffin. At the time the parish was formed, 2,200 persons were listed as members.

At first, Sunday Mass was celebrated in the Fremont National Guard Armory on East State Street, Fremont. On August 12, 1958, a new church and school building was solemnly blessed by Bishop Rehring. Sacred Heart School opened on September 5, 1958, with an enrollment of 360 students in eight classrooms. Due to the large enrollment, eight additional classrooms were constructed the following year. The Sisters of Notre Dame have been among the faculty of Sacred Heart School from its beginning.

During the first 12 years of the parish, Fr. Lehmkuhl served as "Father Sacred Heart," encouraging its growth by building church, school, convent, and rectory. He implemented the vision of Vatican Council II, celebrating the first liturgy with the priest facing the people and inviting the laity into active ministry.

Fr. Bernard J. Shenk succeeded Fr. Lehmkuhl as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish on April 18, 1968. During his five years as pastor, he supervised the construction of a parish hall that was dedicated on November 28, 1971.

In 1972 Fr. Benedict E. Ringholz was appointed the third pastor of Sacred Heart Parish. The following year, the interior of the church was renovated in accordance with the directives of Vatican II. In 1977, the parish became part of the Pastoral Alliance and a collaborative pastoral staff was formed.

In 1980 Fr. Earl Loeffler was appointed the fourth pastor of Sacred Heart Parish and was privileged to preside over the parish Silver Jubilee Year. Growth and change continued to mark the parish and school community. In 1984 a pre-school program for 3 to 5-year-olds was established. To meet the needs of working parents, an extended-day program began in 1988.

Fr. Michael Ricker was appointed the fifth pastor of Sacred Heart Church in 1991. In 1993 the S.H.A.R.E. (Sacred Heart Alternative Readiness and Extended Day) Center moved into the renovated former convent. Visioning for the future continued: a parish five-year development plan was inaugurated; and the Fremont deanery began pastoral planning. In 1995 Fr. Mark Herzog became Sacred Heart's sixth pastor. During his administration, the parish five-year development plan was implemented. On September 15, 1996, the parish celebrated its 40th anniversary. In 1998 the Sacred Heart community inaugurated a capital campaign to build a new worship space and renovate existing buildings. The new church was dedicated

on the feast of the Sacred Heart in June of 2000. Soon after, Fr. John Brennen celebrated his first Mass as a priest here in his home parish.

In 2006 we celebrated our Jubilee with many parish activities. The 50th Anniversary celebration began with Mass on January 15, 2006 with Bishop Leonard Blair presiding. The celebration year wrapped up in September with a parish picnic.

In July, 2006 Fr. William Pifher was appointed Sacred Heart's seventh pastor. The Sacred Heart youth group was rekindled for students grades 9 thru 12. This group gave teens an opportunity to gather and discuss Christ's workings in their own lives. The Sacred Heart Youth Choir was also created. Inspiring the youth of the parish to utilize their musical talents to play instruments and sing praises to the Lord. This choir provided music for the selected Masses during the summer. They also performed at other area functions and churches.

Fr. Kenneth Lill was selected as our eighth pastor in July 2009. In 2009 - 2010 the Fremont Catholic Schools of St. Ann, St. Joseph, Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Central Catholic HS came together to form a unified school system called The Bishop Hoffman Catholic School System. This system will change the future of Catholic education in the Fremont area by ensuring students will be formed in gospel values within the Catholic tradition so that they will be able to contribute to extending God's Kingdom and transforming the world in Christ.

## Bishop Hoffman Catholic School System

The Early Childhood Program (419-332-7190) located on Sacred Heart's Campus provides education and care for children 3, 4, and 5 years of age. 3 year-olds attend a morning session on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Four and 5 year-olds can attend a half-day session on Mondays, Wednesdays and Friday or full day sessions Monday thru Friday from 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Lisa Swaisgood serves as the Program Director.

Sacred Heart Elementary Campus, Preschool thru Grade 3  
(419-332-7102)

Saint Joseph Elementary Campus, Grades 4 thru 8  
(419-332-5161)

Both campuses working with parents/guardians, aim to integrate our Catholic faith and tradition with a solid academic program to ensure the well-rounded education of all our students. Before and after school care is available at both locations.

St. Joseph Central Catholic High School (419-332-9947) is a collaborative effort of the Catholic parishes in Fremont to provide quality Catholic education to students in grades 9-12. It serves the Catholic population of Fremont and the surrounding area.

BHCS Parent-Teacher Organization This organization is made up of parents with students at Sacred Heart Elementary School or St Joseph Middle School. They are responsible for coordinating the school fundraisers and offering teacher support throughout the school year.

Men's Association is an organization open to all catholic men throughout the city. This group sponsors social, athletic and civic fundraising events, purchases sports equipment and supports other needs of the parish and for the BHCS system. Special events include a bratwurst and euchre tournament in November, a steak fry and card tournament in January, and the Sacred Heart 200 Club. Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of each month in the teachers' lounge at Sacred Heart Elementary School. John Spader (419-334-2214) is current president.

## Liturgical Ministries of Our Parish

...fostering prayer

The 9:30 Mass Choir enhances the liturgy and encourages congregational singing by leading songs and responses at the Sunday 9:30 a.m. Mass and at certain liturgies through the year. The group practices every Tuesday from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to join.

Altar Servers are elementary, junior high and high school students who assist at the weekday, Saturday evening and Sunday morning Eucharistic liturgy, as well as at other liturgical celebrations. Training for this ministry begins in grade 5.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are men and women who, after preparation and commissioning, assist in giving the Body and Blood of Christ to the worshipping assembly.

Gift Bearers represent the assembly in presenting the gifts of bread and wine to the celebrant at the Eucharistic liturgy.

Greeters/Ushers offer hospitality to the gathering assembly and bring a sense of order to the assembly before, during and at the end of the liturgy. They also collect and deposit the Sunday offering. Contact persons are Scott & Laurie Young .

Lectors are men and women who combine faith and reading skill to proclaim the scriptures at Mass and other liturgical services.

Liturgical Ensemble is a contemporary music group that assists the parish in praising God through song at the Sunday 11:00 a.m. and at other liturgical celebrations. This group practices on Wednesdays from 6:45 p.m.-8:00 p.m. in the church. Please call Kim Jenkins (419-334-8492) or Anne Karcher-Molyet (419-639-2610) to join in.

Organist works in collaboration with the 9:30 Mass Choir and Sacred Heart School to provide appropriate accompaniment for liturgical services. Eileen Bauer (419-332-3007) is the organist at Sacred Heart.

Sacristan prepares the church for liturgical celebrations.

## Sacramental Life

**Baptism:** Baptism preparation highlights the role of parents as first teachers of the faith for their children. Before the baptism of their first child, parents are required to attend one baptismal preparation session. Families expecting a child are invited to call the parish office for more information.

Confirmation preparation is now devised as a 2 year process that helps candidates for confirmation, their parents and sponsors to develop a more mature understanding of the mission of Christ that has been entrusted to us, the Church. Preparation includes a parent meeting, 2 sessions between the candidate and his/her sponsor, 2 retreat days, 20 hours of service, 4 special group sessions and regular Mass attendance. Year one begins in the 7th grade. For those in year two, usually 8th grade, 8 special group sessions are planned. Tonya Caron (419-332-7339) coordinates this preparation.

Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Catholic children in second grade are prepared at Sacred Heart Campus and CCD to come to the Eucharistic table for the first time. Parents are given help to prepare their children for fruitful reception. Older children baptized in the Catholic faith but uncatechized will receive the necessary preparation and receive the Eucharist when they are ready Tonya Caron (419-332-7339) and our second grade teachers (419-332-7102) collaborate to prepare children.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) is celebrated on Saturdays at 3:00 p.m. The Fremont area Catholic churches also host communal penance services during Advent and Lent. As part of their preparation for their first Eucharist, children in second grade receive age-appropriate catechesis for the sacrament of reconciliation. Parents are invited to a deeper understanding of the theology, history and contemporary practice of the sacrament so that they may support their children by word and example. Tonya Caron (419-332-7339) and our second grade teachers (419-332-7102) coordinate preparation.

Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament of healing and spiritual strength celebrated by the priest when requested. Anyone who is seriously ill, preparing for surgery, of advanced age, or who suffers chronic serious illness may receive this sacrament. Please call Fr. Ken Lill (419-332-7339) as needed.

Marriage preparation should begin as soon as a couple makes a decision to marry and at least six months before the anticipated wedding date. Those interested in celebrating the sacrament of marriage at Sacred Heart participate in 4-6 preparatory sessions with the parish priest and attend an Engaged Couples Conference. If this is a second marriage for

either or both parties, an annulment process may be necessary. Please call Fr. Ken Lill (419-332-7339) for more information.

Annulment is a declaration by a church tribunal (court) that a couple's previous marriage lacked essential elements to be considered valid in the Catholic Church. A person seeks an annulment 1) to put closure on a former relationship, 2) to receive an internal spiritual reconciliation, or 3) to remarry within the Catholic Church. All information gathered as testimony is confidential and is only disclosed to tribunal personnel. Please call Fr. Ken Lill (419-332-7339) for more information.

## Catholic Education

...providing holistic education and formation

Children's Liturgy of the Word offers children in grades K-2 an alternative to the Liturgy of the Word celebrated during the Sunday 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass. After the penitential rite, the celebrant invites children to leave the worship space with their catechist. In an informal setting, the children explore the meaning of the Sunday lectionary readings and rejoin their families after the prayer of the faithful.

Elementary School Religious Education (Children's Christian Development) offers students in grades K-8 from area public schools a comprehensive religious education program. Volunteer catechists invite young parishioners to grow in their relationship with Christ and the Catholic Church through liturgy, catechesis, and service in the context of community. Classes are held during the academic year on Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m-8:00 p.m.

Tonya Caron (419-332-7339) is our religious education coordinator and oversees both of these programs.

## Prayer Support

Prayer Line is a network of parishioners who pray regularly for the special needs of the community upon request. Anyone may ask for intercessory prayer for oneself, a family member or a friend by contacting a Prayer Line coordinator. Confidentiality is respected. Coordinators are Margie Wasserman (419-355-1625) and Sally Molyet (419-639-2939).

## Advisory Council

Finance Advisory Council advises the pastor and operations manager about stewardship, development and financial concerns of the parish. The council assists with the parish budget, reviewing the total parish financial picture and updating the parish on the sacrificial giving program. Members are elected for a three-year term. Meetings are held monthly.

Tina Bohannon (2008) .....	419-334-7373
Cindy Connell (2009) .....	419-334-3874
Mike Hartenstein (2007) .....	419-332-7862
Steve Lagrou (2009) .....	419-355-9511
Scott Hanes (2009) .....	419-333-9220

## Ongoing Formation

...providing support and enrichment for all parishioners

Baptism Preparation Team is composed of parents who share their faith and experiences with other parents bringing their children to Sacred Heart for baptism. Team members take turns attending the baptism preparation session and describe how they help their children grow in faith within the domestic church, the family. Please contact the rectory for more information

Engaged Couples Conference is an experience-centered learning process for couples planning to marry in the Catholic Church. During the conference, engaged couples put into perspective and communicate with each other their individual and shared priorities, values and goals. Married team members share their experiences and the challenges of married life. In dialogue with each other, other engaged couples and married couples, the engaged couple internalizes certain values of Christian marriage. Engaged Couples Conferences are held either as an all-day Saturday session or in two evening sessions.

Fellowship Sunday is an opportunity to build community after all the Sunday Masses Watch the bulletin for exact dates and times. Parishioners are invited to gather in the parish hall for rolls, coffee, juice and conversation.

Knights of Columbus is a fraternal insurance and social organization open to all Catholic men 18 years and older who are in good standing with the Church. The K of C provides funds and manpower for charitable and community action programs, youth, the disadvantaged and area parishes. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month at the K of C Hall, 226 N. Park Avenue, Fremont. Jim Seiler (419-334-9373) is the contact person.

Hispanic K of C Ministry meets monthly at St Casmir. Gus Garcia (419-334-2136) coordinates this ministry.

Lay Ministry Program is a diocesan formation program open to women and men who feel called to become more fully active adult Catholics in their parish communities. This holistic formation process incorporates prayer, reflection, teaching and group work under the guidance of well-trained catechists. Each of the 3 levels is a complete course of study supplemented by first-hand ministry observations and experiences. Sessions are located throughout the diocese and are held monthly for 7 months on Friday evening and Saturday; this program can also be taken as a Summer Institute and online year-long experience. Go to [www.toledodiocese-spl.org](http://www.toledodiocese-spl.org) for more information.

Altar Rosary Society is an organization open to all catholic women of the area. The group provides support for the spiritual lives of its members by encouraging devotion to Mary and the Blessed Sacrament. Fundraisers finance items for liturgical worship and religious education. Ladies also provide assistance for various parish events. Meetings are held on the first Monday of each month. Janet Wood (419-332-1294) is the president.

Fremont Vocation Committee: Is an organization of Catholic men and women in the Fremont deanery who promote vocations to priesthood and religious life through prayer, encouragement and deepening of their spiritual lives. Meetings are held at 1pm on the third Wednesday of the month at Sacred Heart Church. Jan Hazen is our parish representative. (419-490-4566)

Small Faith-Sharing Communities provide a setting in which to prayerfully open ourselves to the grace of God and gather with others to share faith. Groups of 8-12 people meet in people's homes and are led by a facilitator. During the group gatherings, the participants read and reflect on the Scriptures, pray together, share each other's lives and faith, and respond in action. Small communities may meet for 6 weeks in the fall and spring or meet monthly throughout the year.

## Social Concerns

...identifying and responding  
to others in need

Bereavement Team ministers to parishioners who are suffering a loss through the death of a loved one. The team ministers through cards, phone calls and visits and also provides resource information to the bereaved in the parish bulletin and local newspaper. The bereavement team co-sponsors a Community Memorial Service as a way to remember loved ones.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to the Homebound visit sick or disabled parishioners to pray with them and to show the community's concern for them. Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion bring communion each week or on First Friday to parishioners who request it. Please call the parish office (419-332-7339) to arrange visits.

Funeral Choir supports the bereaved family at a funeral by singing the hymns the family selected to celebrate the life of the deceased loved one.

Funeral Luncheon Team: prepares a meal in the school hall for a deceased parishioner's family and friends after the funeral. There are teams of ladies who coordinate and provide this ministry.

Funeral Planning Team: offers the family of a deceased parishioner the ministry of consolation. Members of the family are invited to plan the funeral rites in accord with the Order of Christian Funerals and to take an active part in the celebration of the rites. Fr. Ken, Jan Hazen, Lou Ann Kramer or John & Chris McClellan are available to meet with the family and assist them in liturgy planning.

The Giving Tree: is Sacred Heart's form of participation in the Sandusky County Community Christmas project, which provides help for those who request it through United Way First Call for Help (419-334-2720). On the First Sunday of Advent, the Giving Tree is displayed in the narthex of the church. Parishioners are invited to take a tag from the tree, to purchase gifts for the persons identified on the tag, and to return the wrapped gifts for distribution.

Heartbeat is a confidential crisis pregnancy agency that offers education, counseling and infant care items to families

Hispanic Ministry is an outreach of the Fremont Catholic churches to the Hispanic community. It includes the 1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass at St. Joseph Church each Sunday and summer sacramental preparation for the children of seasonal farm workers. Please call Sr. Roseria (419-332-4973) for more information.

Hospital Visiting Team visits Memorial Hospital to show the concern of the entire parish community for parishioners who are hospitalized. Each week the pastor visits hospitalized parishioners. Each day Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion from one of the Fremont parishes visit all Catholic patients at Memorial Hospital. Emergency visits are also made on request. Parishioners who are admitted to the hospital are asked to notify the parish office.

Nursing Home Visiting Team provides a personal connection between residents of Countryside Continuing Care Center, Rutherford House and Sacred Heart. Residents at Countryside gather each Sunday at 10:30 a.m. to watch the pre-recorded Mass for Shut-Ins and to receive the Eucharist. Residents at Rutherford meet every Friday at 10:30 a.m. for a communion service or on the third Friday of each month for Mass. Kay Szymanowski (419-332-7441) leads the Rutherford House communion services. In October and May the sacrament of the anointing of the sick is celebrated at both locations. Carol Courtney (419-332-4926) coordinates the parish ministry to the sick.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is an international Catholic organization of lay persons that seeks, in a spirit of justice and charity and by person-to-person involvement, to help those who are suffering. The Fremont-Clyde-Green Springs conference is a collaborative effort of the parishes and institutions in this sector of the Fremont deanery.

Share & Care is a used clothing store located at 202 Lynn St. Area churches share the responsibility for sorting and displaying clothing and small articles at Share & Care, which is open 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and 12:00 noon-3:00 p.m. Thursdays. In April and October Sacred Heart parishioners team up to work on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Sarah Seilheimer (419-332-2951) coordinates the parish team.

Welcoming Team contacts newly registered families or individuals to welcome them into the parish community and to acquaint them with parish ministries and programs. Jan Hazen (419-490-4566) serves as contact person.

## Evangelization

...reaching out to the inactive and  
the unchurched with

Christian Initiation of Adults and Children (R.C.I.A.) is a gradual four-step process designed to welcome new members into the Catholic Church and to invite all parishioners into ongoing conversion. Today's Rite of Christian Initiation recovers the early church's emphasis on conversion of heart leading to a dramatic single celebration of baptism, confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. At the same time, the Christian initiation process respects the experiences of baptism and formation that may have already taken place in those called to continue their faith journey in the Catholic Church. Sister Adell Linninger (419-332-8600) coordinates this ministry.

## Ecumenism

...sharing with other faith communities

Fremont Ministry Association is an ecumenical organization of clergy from area churches. It sponsors a Lenten series of evening prayer and preaching and supports the Fremont Clergy Emergency Fund. The organization also networks information about area agencies in need of help. The fellowship meets at 10:00 a.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Pontifex.

## Stewardship

...being good stewards in the  
furtherance of these goals

Building and Grounds Committee oversees the development of our exterior buildings and landscaping. They both serve as hands-on volunteers and they discuss all proposals for improvement and upkeep. Contact Fred Wehring (419-332-8730) to serve on the committee, to volunteer for projects and to submit proposals or ideas.

Catholic Education Development Fund (CEDF) is an endowment fund that supports Catholic elementary and high schools in Sandusky County. Sue Berryman (419-355-8757) is the parish contact person.

Church Cleaning takes place weekly by a group of volunteers on a rotating schedule. Each person is part of a crew with 5-6 other people. Each crew is assigned to clean 4-5 weeks each year. The cleaning consists of vacuuming; dusting and general clean up and takes about 1 1/2 hours. Day and evening shifts are available. Jan Hazen (419-490-4566) prepares the schedule.

Church Linens are picked up from the work sacristy drawers, washed and ironed, and returned to the sacristy by volunteers on a monthly schedule. Muriel Haynes (419-332-7722) heads this team.

Collection Counting Team counts and records the weekend collection on Monday mornings. Anita Hotz (419-332-7339) coordinates this team.

Festival is held each July as a social and fundraising event. Our parish festival features rides, raffle, food, music and games. Chairpersons serve on a rotating 3-year basis. Festival chairpersons are Cindy Frank (419-334-8680), Wendy Mowry (419-986-5996) and Nan Genzman (419-334-4002).

Holiday Bazaar is held within Sacred Heart School each November. Area vendors display arts and crafts for sale, and parishioners prepare a lunch. Mary Mayle (419-334-8111), Jean Spader (419-639-3358), Rita Engeman (419-332-1073) and Andrea Carter (419-680-2716).

Parish Registration/Census The parish mailing list is generated from this data.. Parishioners are encouraged to update the office when their address, phone number or other information changes, or when one of their children reaches the age of 25, gets married, or begins their own family. At that time he/she should create their own parish registration at that time. New parishioners may register by contacting the parish office (419-322-7339).

Sacred Heart Endowment Fund was created to perpetuate, partially support and uphold the educational ministry of Sacred Heart. Funds given for this purpose are invested under the supervision of a board of trustees.

Spaghetti Dinner is a social and fundraising event held each spring in the parish hall. Larry & Elaine Fisher (419-334-8333), Jerry & Sue Cunningham (419-334-3586) and Sarah & Jimmy Richards (419-355-9935) are chairpersons.

## Parish Publications

Weekly Bulletin provides the parish with news of events in the parish, school and surrounding area. The bulletin is available at the doors of the church each weekend. Friday is the deadline for news items for the following Sunday.

Parish Newsletter is mailed to each registered parishioner periodically during the year. It includes a letter from the parish priest, reports from parish teams, and items of interest to all. Anita Hotz is the contact for both of these publications.