



A Note from Fr. Hoodenpyle

We are an Easter People

During his Papal visit to Australia in 1986, the saintly Pope John Paul II famously proclaimed of all Christians, “we are an Easter People.” The visit did not take place during the liturgical season of Easter as one might expect, but in November of that year. Nevertheless, the pope reminds us that Easter is the deciding factor in whether Christianity is worth it or not.

Easter means that the hope we have in Christ is hope for the future resurrection. The future resurrection is worth more than any sacrifice we might be called to make on its behalf. Saint Paul tells us, “If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied” (1 Corinthians 15:19) because the Christian life is not easy, and it is not accepted by the world. It is a life of self-denial and self-sacrifice, a life of rejecting the norm to be in the world, but not of it.

The fact is that the resurrection of Christ on the first Easter happened. It continues to happen in the hearts of every Christian made alive in Christ. Let us live now as a people destined for that resurrection.

-Fr. Hoodenpyle



What's happening at Sacred Heart?



"Jesus, I Trust in You"

**DIVINE
MERCY
at
SACRED
HEART**



At Sacred Heart Parish, we recently observed the Easter Triduum, the peak of the Church's liturgical year, spanning from Holy Thursday through Easter Sunday. As Lent drew to a close, the Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ was commemorated through several meaningful celebrations. The Triduum began with the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, including the Washing of the Feet. On Good Friday, parish youth prayerfully reenacted the Stations of the Cross ahead of the Adoration of the Cross service. Holy Saturday included the blessing of children's Easter baskets by Fr. Hoodenpyle prior to the Easter Vigil. The week culminated in a joyful Easter Sunday Mass celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord. We extend appreciation to those who assisted in the preparation and celebration of the Easter Triduum at Sacred Heart. May the risen Christ bring renewed hope and peace to all.

He is risen—Alleluia!

**MARK YOUR
CALENDAR**



May Crowning: May 4

Bring flowers & line up by 6pm at SHHS (6th St.) for procession, crowning, rosary & novena.



Safe Environment Renewal Training: May 5

SE Training from 6pm – 7:45pm at the SH Community Center. Sign up on parish website.



Pastoral Scholarship Deadline: May 11

Parish HS seniors may apply online. Two \$1,500 and two \$750 scholarships will be awarded.



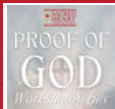
Baccalaureate Mass: May 20

Mass at 6pm followed by Reception & Pastoral Scholarship Awards in the Community Center.



Corpus Christi Sunday with First Communion: June 7

Devotional Mass with Parish 2nd Graders First Holy Communion & Eucharistic Procession.



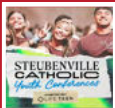
'Proof of God' Workshop Series: June 8, 15 & 22

3-Part Series led by Fr. Hoodenpyle & Jack White from 6:30-8pm in the Community Center.



Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: June 12

Celebratory details for our Parish's Feast Day will be announced soon.. Stay tuned!



Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference: June 19-21

SH Parish teens to attend annual Catholic Youth Conference. Let us all pray for them!



Vacation Bible School: June 22-26

Lead VBS Coordinator, Adult & Teen Volunteers needed. Register on the parish website.

2026 Easter Triduum at Sacred Heart



Holy Thursday ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of the Feet



Good Friday ~ Live Stations of the Cross



Good Friday ~ Adoration of the Cross Service



Congregation Announcements!

Baptism

Everett Samuel Broxson

Parents: Wyatt & MiKinzie Broxson

Maya Jo Flusche

Parents: Dylan & Amanda Flusche

Phoebe Marie Flusche

Parents: Micah & Samantha Flusche

Henry James Jackson

Parents: Bryson & Bailey Jackson

Karli Ann Sidwell

Parents: Clint & Cassie Jackson

Holy Matrimony

Noah Connoly & Abby Walterscheid



Newly Initiated Catholics

From back, left - Timothy Gehrig, Carson Cheaney, Fr. Hoodenpyle, Beckham Ragan; front - Hattie Hunt, Josie Hunt, Lauren Olsen. (Austin Howell, not pictured.)

*Congratulations & Blessings
to all of our Sacred Heart parishioners
who received Holy Sacraments for the first time!*

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MONDAYS | 6:30 - 8 PM

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