

**HEARTS ON FIRE
SACRED HEART VALUES REFLECTION
MARCH: LITURGY**

The person or group who will share this reflection should gather in a quiet place and begin with a moment of silence (and perhaps light a candle or some other way of being mindful of prayer).

*All make the sign of the cross together:
In the name of the Father, and of the Son...*

One person reads the Scripture passage:

A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians.
(1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus, on the night he was handed over, took bread, and, after he had given thanks, broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

The Word of the Lord.

All read the Parish Mission Statement together:

Sacred Heart Parish is a welcoming Catholic community which inspires faith in God through prayer, sacraments and service while living Gospel values as faithful followers of Jesus Christ.

One person reads the definition of Liturgy:

Liturgy means encountering Jesus and one another in hope-filled celebrations.

Spend a few moments in silence answering the following questions (you can write your answers if you like):

1. What does this value say to you?

2. How do you experience this value at Sacred Heart?

3. How could I help encourage parishioners to participate more actively in hope-filled celebrations at Sacred Heart?

Spend a few moments sharing your answers to the three questions. If the group has more than four members, share your answers with one other person.

Finish this reflection by praying the Hearts on Fire prayer together:

Let us pray.

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
set our hearts on fire for love of you
and help our parish to know how to best serve you.**

Help our parish to

Follow you,

Invite participation,

Renew community, and

Explore our future

by discerning together how we can be your faithful disciples.

You have been our inspiration for many years;

may we continue to trust in you

and place you above all else in our lives.

We make this prayer in your holy name,

for you live and reign in unity

with the Father and the Holy Spirit,

one God, forever and ever. Amen.