



*Your talent is God's gift to you.  
What you do with it is your **gift back to God.***

At Sacred Heart, our liturgies provide an excellent opportunity for you to utilize your talents and gifts in service to one another and the larger parish community. From Altar Servers to Eucharistic Ministers to Readers, and even through Music, all of these roles are essential to the Mass and performed by parishioners like you.

- **Altar Servers** | Must be 10 y.o. and have received First Eucharist  
o Contact: Deacon Ray Ferreris | [shfla.org/servers](http://shfla.org/servers)
- **Eucharistic Ministers** | Distributing the Body or Blood of Christ  
o Contact: Fr. Zack Elliott, OFM | [shfla.org/em](http://shfla.org/em)  
o Opportunities available to assist homebound, hospitalized
- **Environment** | Decorate the parish for joyous celebrations  
o Contact: Erin McKernan | [erinpmckernan@gmail.com](mailto:erinpmckernan@gmail.com)
- **Music Ministry** | Welcoming all singers and instrumentalists  
o Contact: Philip Jakob | [pjakob@sacredheartfla.org](mailto:pjakob@sacredheartfla.org)  
o Contemporary Group | Sam Corson | [sam.corson@gmail.com](mailto:sam.corson@gmail.com)
- **Ushers** | Extend a warm welcome to parishioners, offer assistance  
o Contact: Fr. Mike Jones, OFM | [mjones@sacredheartfla.org](mailto:mjones@sacredheartfla.org)



*Contribute to the needs  
of the holy ones,  
**exercise hospitality.***

Romans 12:13

Hospitality is intrinsic to the fiber and being of the Sacred Heart community; it is infused in all of our ministries. The dedicated people of the Hospitality ministry are the face of the Body of Christ to those God sends our way.

- **Bake Someone Happy** | Desserts Made for Parish Events  
o As Needed | Contact: Gail Lewis | [shfla.org/bsh](http://shfla.org/bsh)
- **Coffee & Donuts** | Second & Fourth Sundays of each month  
o Following the 9 a.m. Mass in St. Francis Hall
- **Event Planning Committee** | Assists with all major parochial events  
o Contact: Vicky McCarthy | [vmccarthy@sacredheartfla.org](mailto:vmccarthy@sacredheartfla.org)
- **Gift & Book Store** | Volunteers needed to assist daily operations  
o Contact: Gail Lewis | [lewno92@gmail.com](mailto:lewno92@gmail.com)
- **University Dinners** | Monthly Meal shared with local college students  
o Contact: Vicky McCarthy | [vmccarthy@sacredheartfla.org](mailto:vmccarthy@sacredheartfla.org)



## Contact Us



[shfla.org/getinvolved](http://shfla.org/getinvolved)



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# Parish Ministry Guide

Outreach | Liturgical | Social | Prayer | Service



## A Vibrant Community of Faith

The parish is where the Church lives. Parishes are communities of faith, of action, and of hope. They are where the Gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth. At Sacred Heart, we have so many opportunities for you to give of your time or volunteer in service to one another and the larger parish community, exemplifying that renewal. We, as a community, offer our open hearts, open minds, and open doors to all, being especially attentive to those who society often overlooks. **Get involved today!**

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# Social Groups

From social and service ministries to ministries that help support and preserve the history, tradition, and heritage of our cherished church building, all of these groups would welcome you, your support, and your fellowship.

- **Knights of Columbus** | Local Council #12110
  - Grand Knight: Michael Cabrera | [shfla.org/knights](http://shfla.org/knights)
- **Prayer Groups** | Join your fellow parishioners in guided prayer sessions.
  - Women's Group | 2nd & 4th Wed. | North Campus | [shfla.org/wpg](http://shfla.org/wpg)
  - Men's Group | 1st and 3rd Fri. | NC Alumni Hall | [shfla.org/mpg](http://shfla.org/mpg)
  - Rosary | 1st Sat. | NC Alumni Hall, Zoom | [shfla.org/rosary](http://shfla.org/rosary)
- **Young Professionals** | Focused on prayer, volunteering, and fellowship. | [shfla.org/shyp](http://shfla.org/shyp) | @tampashyp
  - Email | [sacredheartyoungprofessionals@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartyoungprofessionals@gmail.com)
- **Book Club** | Monthly gathering to discuss intriguing selections
  - Contact: Madison Wise | [madmkoe@gmail.com](mailto:madmkoe@gmail.com)
- **Historical Society** | Preserving our parish history, guiding tours
  - Contact: Dan Winegrad | [shfla.org/shhs](http://shfla.org/shhs)
- **Council of Catholic Women** | Local Sacred Heart Chapter
  - Contact: Chave Johnson | [shfla.org/shccw](http://shfla.org/shccw)
- **Open Doors** | Catholic Outreach for the LGBTQ Community
  - Contact: Don Murray | [opendoors.sacredheartfla@gmail.com](mailto:opendoors.sacredheartfla@gmail.com)
- **Garden Ministry** | Planting seeds for the future of our North Campus
  - Contact: Shannon Leigh | [shfla.org/garden](http://shfla.org/garden)
- **Social Justice Committee** | Addressing modern issues with Catholic social teaching | [shfla.org/sjc](http://shfla.org/sjc)
- **Secular Franciscans** | Third Order; Living the Gospel in Society
  - Contact: Jim Taylor, OFS | [shfla.org/seculars](http://shfla.org/seculars)



## Faith Formation

If you are prayerfully considering sharing your time and talent in teaching our faith, we have many ways you can help.

- Family Faith Catechists
- Children's Liturgy of the Word
- Sacramental Preparation Catechists

To learn how you can help, please contact our Faith Formation department via email or at **813-229-1595, Ext. 204 or 214**



## Bible Study

The Bible is the inherent Word of our God and we demonstrate our love for Him through dedication to reading the word and following His commandments. Our Bible Study group is a supportive, learning environment that opens our minds to understanding God's Word and Its application in our lives.

Visit [shfla.org/biblestudy](http://shfla.org/biblestudy) to learn more and join!

## Giving from the Heart

In our continued effort to meet the growing needs of our community, Sacred Heart hosts a large-scale drive-through donation drive every other month in support of local beneficiaries. Be sure to check the bulletin and parish website for details of future drives!

## New to the Parish?

Take the next step and register as a parishioner at the longest running Catholic parish in Tampa Bay! Scan the QR Code here, or visit [shfla.org/register](http://shfla.org/register)



**FRANCISCAN CARE**  
LOVE AT WORK

*Compassionate & intentional in our service,  
driven & devoted in our actions*

Our mission at Sacred Heart is "to cultivate a vibrant community of faith by creating meaningful connections with both God and each other." In no greater way do we do this as a parish than through our outreach ministries. The reality of human suffering, whether physical, spiritual, or mental, challenges believers at the core of their religious convictions.

Ministry to those who suffer involves the art of attending to one another in his or her pain as well as the ability to stand in solidarity without judgment or criticism as the first step towards healing.

- **Hands of Hope** | Meals, goods delivered weekly to the unhoused.
  - Every Sat. @ 10 a.m. | North Campus Kitchen | [shfla.org/hoh](http://shfla.org/hoh)
- **St. Vincent de Paul** | Assisting families experiencing hardship.
  - Multiple volunteer options | [shfla.org/svdp](http://shfla.org/svdp), 813-229-1595 ext. 302
- **Loving Hearts** | Parish connection to ecumenical partners Love INC.
  - Multiple volunteer options | [shfla.org/lh](http://shfla.org/lh)
- **Bikes from the Heart** | Repairs and donates used bikes to those in need
  - Contact: Tim Eves | [shfla.org/bikes](http://shfla.org/bikes)
- **St. Vincent de Paul** | Answering the call of those in need
  - Contact: Susan Coppin, Walt Wirth | [shfla.org/svdp](http://shfla.org/svdp)
- **Outreach Committee** | Monthly meetings to organize, collaborate
  - Chair: Larry Bevis | [shfla.org/outreach](http://shfla.org/outreach)