

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am

Weekdays Tues- Fri 6:30 am *in the Adoration Chapel*

Mon-Sat 7:30 am

Thurs 8:15 *check school calendar*

Holy Days 5:15 pm day before

10:30 *if a school day*; 5:15 pm

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 4:00, 7:00, 8:00

*in the Adoration Chapel*

Saturdays 3:45 & 1/2 Hr before

Sun Masses *in church*

Saturdays 7 pm *in Adoration Chapel*

## EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Wednesdays, 5:15 pm

Natural family planning information: 1-800-255-6226

Catholic Radio WKBH 1570 AM

Blessed Sacrament welcomes new parishioners at any time. Contact the rectory to make an appointment.

To arrange for a wedding, contact the rectory at least six months in advance.

To arrange for a baptism, contact the rectory for Baptismal class information.

Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick or have been ill for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

If you are home-bound because of illness and would like to be visited, please call the parish office.

**December 24/25, 2006**

## OFFERING FAMILIES

Dec 30/31

4:30 Jackie & David Craig and family

7:30 Maureen & Tom Kieffer

9:00 Ann & Jay Linhart

10:30 Amy & James Schams

## SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY

December 26 Jeanne Stevermer

## BLESSED SACRAMENT WEEK FOR

### MOBILE MEALS

December 25 - 31

December 24/25, 2006

Christmas is a busy moment in the year. It is predictably so, but it is also a wonderful time of the year. Father Francis and I wish to thank all who remembered us with gifts and cards, and you were so very many. God bless all of you.

A thank you to the members of the staff and the many volunteers who carried an extra load of activity these past couple of weeks. All was done in good cheer and with the usual efficiency.

As Christmas Eve comes upon us try to re-capture the wide-eyed wonder of a young child who sees a Christmas tree and gifts and hears the story of a baby born in a stable while shepherds heard the songs of angels as they herded their sheep under the night sky. The marvel of the moment is so great that we number our years from that night. Sensitive souls still grow quiet in the presence of the mystery of the Son of God lying helpless and humble in a drafty wayside shelter for animals and late night travelers.

Hoping the flame of Christmas wonder and faith is God's special gift to all of you. Your priests and parish staff extend to all a wish for

***A happy,  
holy,  
peaceful  
Christmas.***

**REST IN PEACE**

Lorraine Juster

Mother of Mary Jo Reinders

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon	Isaiah 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:15-20 Isaiah 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; John 1:1-8
Tues	Acts 6:8-10;7:54-59; Matt 10:17-22
Wed	1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a & 2-8
Thurs	1 John 1:5-2:2; Matt 2:13-18
Fri	1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-25
Sat	1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40
Sun	Sirach 3:2-6,12-14; Col 3:12-21; Luke 2:41-52

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Dec 24 - Dec 31**

**Mon, Dec 25 Nativity of the Lord**

7:30 **+Jerome Rybarczyk & Joann Hutschenreuter**  
Servers: Bill Chamberlain  
10:30 **+Dorothy Kelsey**  
Servers: Jason & Zach Hutzler, John Paul & Charlie Soldner

**Tues, Dec 26 Stephen**

6:30 **Intention of Fitzgerald & Weinberger Families**  
Server: Bill Arnold  
7:30 **Intention of Lou & Mary Ritter**  
**55<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
Servers: Grace Riley, Olivia Roubik

**Wed, Dec 27 Weekday in the Octave of Christmas, John**

6:30 **+Edward Chow**  
Servers: Jason Hutzler, Dave Allen  
7:30 **+Tom Noelke**  
Servers: Grace Riley, Olivia Roubik  
5:15 pm Evening Prayer & Benediction  
Server: John Paul Soldner

**Thurs, Dec 28 Holy Innocents**

6:30 **Intention of Chuck & Laura Priebe**  
**Wedding Anniversary**  
Server: Dan Skaff  
7:30 **+Alvin Gerke**  
Servers: Collin Schell, Nathan Bartley

**Fri, Dec 29 Weekday within the Octave of Christmas, Thomas Becket**

6:30 **+Virginia Drake**  
Server: Dick Meyer  
7:30 **Intention of Don & Anne Gilbert**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
Servers: Collin Schell, Nathan Bartley

**Sat, Dec 30 Weekday within the Octave of Christmas**

7:30 **+Bud Stroeh & Family**  
Servers: Katie Kachel, Lizzy Knothe  
4:30 **Intention of Harold Martini Birthday**  
Servers: Stephanie Koehne, Kelly Kroner, Anna Rigden

**Sun, Dec 31 Epiphany of the Lord**

7:30 **+Rose Bakkum**  
Servers: Jacob Dee, Carson Schneider, Dan Bagniefski  
9:00 **+Hank Schneider**  
Servers: Tony Linhart, Jared Van Order, Fritz & Gus Wiggert, Joey Francksen  
10:30 **For the People of the Parish**  
Servers: Alex Bahr, Dan Chamberlain, Tim Clements, Luke Schuttenhelm, Bobby Steingraeber

**Mon, Jan 1 BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF GOD**

7:30 **Intention of Bob Weiske**  
Servers:  
9:00 **+Cleo Downy Kroner**  
Servers: Mike Vanderploeg

**LOOKING AHEAD Saturday, Jan 6**

7:30 Hannah Braun, Anna Schuttenhelm  
4:30 Kate Riley, Erin Roop, Alexa Roubix

**Sunday, Jan 7**

7:30 Jason & Zach Hutzler, Collin Lounsbrough  
9:00 Nathan Omans, Alex Ness, Mark Steingraeber, Joshua Lenth, Eric Clements  
10:30 Matthew Coppola, David Linhart, Michael Oney, Jamie Cooper, Michael Czeiska

## AROUND THE PARISH

### MASSES TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS

Sun, Dec 24, 4:30 and 10:00 pm

Mon, Dec 25, 7:30 and 10:30 am

Thanks to all parishioners who so cheerfully volunteered to help at these Masses. Make a New Year's resolution to get involved in this aspect of our Parish's life. Be an usher, server, choir member or cantor, petition reader, office helper, or church cleaner. Just call us for all the great opportunities.

*Come early for Mass and enjoy the beautiful music of the season. Caroling will begin 1/2 hr. before the 4:30 and 10:00 Mass on Christmas Eve and the 10:30 Mass on Christmas Day.*

We're still looking for someone or a family(ies) to head up a parish sledding party. AND we're still looking for snow.

#### YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Meetings are held on Mondays at 7 pm in the rectory.  
Questions? Call John at 780-5328.  
No meetings Dec 25 or Jan 1.

*The Salvation Army has need of warm blankets for folks who stop in. Drop off your blankets in the barrel in the Narthex.*

*New unused toiletry items can also be dropped off in the Narthex for the Beauty Bags for New Horizons shelter.*

#### Evening Prayer and Benediction

Wednesdays, 5:15

Adoration Chapel

"Come, Let us Adore Him."

## WELCOME

Ralph and Pauline Jagodzinski

#### NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

Wednesday, December 27

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

Needed each week: \$ 17,400.00

Received 12/17 \$ 16,792.00

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When notified there was not enough money for needed repairs to the church roof, the pastor was informed also that the regular organist was sick. "Here's a copy of today's service," he quickly said to the substitute musician. "Just one addition. You'll have to think of something to play after I make the announcement about the finances." During his sermon, he reported on the drastic need and begged, "Any of you who can pledge \$100 or more, please stand up." At that moment the organist played "The Star Spangled Banner." And that is how the substitute became the regular organist!

## COMING UP

Dec 22-Jan 1 School Christmas vacation  
Dec 26 Parish Office CLOSED  
Jan 1 Mass times: 7:30 & 9:00 (This is not a holy day this year)

## MUSIC NOTES

**FAMILY CHOIRS** will lead us in song next Sunday, the Feast of the Holy Family.

**ADULT CHOIR** will NOT practice on Thursday, Dec. 28. The choir will sing on Sun, Jan 7, and will practice on Jan. 4, 7-8:00.

#### \$crip News

Don't forget to use \$crip when refilling the refrigerator this week. Amazing how fast that left-over ham and cheese-nut spread goes.

## CONGRATULATIONS

**Don & Anne Gilbert**  
**50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
**December 29**

STOP ABORTION AND SUPPORT FAMILY LIFE  
Mass intention for a novena of Masses on First Saturdays  
Oct - June. The Jan. Mass will be Sat, Jan 6, 8:00, St. Joseph the Workman Cathedral. Everyone is invited to participate and pray for these intentions. Sponsored by the La Crosse DCCW.

#### ANGELS OF MERCY PRAYER GROUP

*If you or someone you know is seriously ill, facing surgery, or needs prayers, give the Parish Office a call at 782-2953 so our ANGELS OF MERCY PRAYER GROUP can be notified.*

## CANDLES FOR THE PARISH CENTER HALLWAY WINDOWS

*In Memory of*

Betty J. Ambrose      Gus Bentz  
Richard Coaty      Virgil Grabinski  
Jerry Berg      Joseph & Lumina Kratt  
Philip & Lucile Hutson  
McCarthy/Smetana Families  
Deceased members of Skemp Family  
Deceased members of Heberlein Family  
William & Florence Koenig

*Purchased by*

Dick & Nancy Meyer  
D.B. Reinhart Family  
Scott & Caryl Doberstein Family  
Pauline Connell  
Elizabeth Nutter  
Tom & Ev Gallagher  
Pat Crowley

*There's work to do, deadlines to meet;  
You've got no time to spare,  
But as you hurry and scurry -  
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER*

*It may seem like your worries  
Are more than you can bear.  
Slow down and take a breather  
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER*

*In the midst of family chaos,  
"Quality time" is rare.  
Do your best; let God do the rest-  
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.*

*God knows how stressful life is;  
He wants to ease our cares,  
And He'll respond to all your needs  
ASAP-ALWAYS SAY A PRAYER.*

**MEMORIAL MASS** to commemorate the 6<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Fr. John Hardon, Founder of the Marian Catechist Apostolate will be held Sat, Dec 30, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Rosary at 10:30; Mass at 11:00.

**NEW YEAR'S RETREAT** at St. Anthony's Center, Marathon, 7 pm, Dec 31, to 2 pm, Jan 1. With food, fellowship, private and shared prayer, this is a great alternative to the usual New Year's party. 715-443-2236.

**DAY OF PRAYER** Dec 31, 11:30 - 4:30, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at the Cathedral. This is in preparation for the 40<sup>th</sup> annual "World Day of Prayer for Peace" on Jan. 1, as designated by Pope Benedict XVI. The World Day of Prayer for Peace was instituted by Pope Paul VI in 1967.

**NEW YEAR'S EVE PRAYER SERVICE** at Maria Angelorum Chapel, St. Rose Convent, 6:00 - 6:45, Dec 31. Use the 901 Franciscan Way entrance. Handicap entrance is at 912 Market St.

**GET TO KNOW US NIGHT** at Aquinas. Area 6<sup>th</sup> graders and parents at 6:30; 8<sup>th</sup> graders and parents at 7:30, in the Aquinas Theater. General information about the schools and enrollment information, plus tours, will be available. For more information call the Middle School at 784-0156, or the High School at 784-0287. Date: Mon, Jan 8.

**PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE** from, Jan 19, to Tues, Jan 23, for anyone 13 years and older. \$235 per person includes 5-day motorcoach, 2 night in a hotel, and sweatshirt. Contact Sister Stephanie at 788-4530. Need a gift for a teenager? This is a dandy idea.

**CAUSEWAY** is looking for more volunteers to help folks who are homebound. If you have a bit of extra time and can offer a hand with light household chores, transportation, reading, respite, etc., give Causeway a call at 784-4517, or contact Liz Nutter, our Parish representative at 784-4850

**MARDI GRAS BALL** at Stoney Creek Inn on Jan. 20. Cocktails 5:00; dinner 7:00; dance to "Double Take" all evening. Our Parish's Lord and Lady, Tim and Ahna Clason, extend an invitation to all.

## AQUINAS MIDDLE SCHOOL NOVEMBER AWARD

*St. Teresa de Avila Foreign Language Award*

**Kelly Kroner**