

**Blessed Sacrament Parish**  
130 Losey Blvd. S.  
La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601

**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am  
Weekdays Tues-Fri 6:30 am; 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  
Saturday 3:45 & 7:00  
1/2 Hr before Sunday Masses

**WEEKLY EXPOSITION AND ADORATION**

Wednesdays 2:00 - 9:00 pm  
Evening Prayer & Benediction 5:15

**March 12, 2006**

Monsignor Robert Hundt, Pastor  
Father Francis Thadathil, MSFS, Associate Pastor

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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.

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**OFFERING FAMILIES**

**March 18/19**

4:30 Kevin & Helen Roop family

7:30 Gaylord & Karen Perry

9:00 Paul & Angela Franke family

10:30 Tim & Ahna Clason family

**SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY**

March 14 Ted Riley family

**BLESSED SACRAMENT WEEK FOR**

**MOBILE MEALS**

March 20 - 26

**March 12, 2006**  
**2nd Sunday of Lent**

It is more than 2 years ago now that serious revelations about wrong doings on the part of parish priests and bishops of our Church began a period that had become known as the long Lent of our Church. That long Lent is not yet finished, and some state legislatures are attempting to pass laws which would make the "long Lent" longer and more demanding. Lent is a time of purification of life, personal and institutional. Sometimes events we cannot control make for an especially purifying period in our personal life and the life of the Church. The scandals that besmirched Mother Church these past several years have surely been a time of deep purifying and deep questioning of the Church.

In the atmosphere in which we live it is so reassuring to have the gospel event of the Transfiguration read on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent. The divine nature of Jesus is revealed. A voice thunders out, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." This is the Jesus in whom we place our faith, and who founded the Church, and who said he would be with us until the end of ages. The 3 apostles present at that event were the same 3 who saw the Transfigured One in a totally different situation. He was sweating blood in profound anguish and agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.

Those 2 moments in Christ's life say much more about the life of the Church. There are moments of high glory and wonder, and moments of agony. But it is the same Christ and the same Church in both situations. Our faith must be strong enough for us to live through the ecstasy and the agony.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**Wednesdays, 2:00 - 7:00**

**Confessions, 4:00 & 7:00**

**Evening Prayer & Benediction, 5:15**

**Stations of the Cross, 7:00**

**RCIA CORNER**

*The rite of Call to Continuing Conversion held last weekend at the Cathedral was a beautiful, inspiring sight. The Cathedral was full of people moving one step closer to Christ and His Church. Congratulations once again to our candidates! This past week our candidates reflected upon how temptation works and how it can be overcome through the power of prayer and the grace of the sacrament of reconciliation. Next week, we continue to prepare for Easter by going deeper into a life of prayer and holiness.*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**March 13 - 19, 2006**

Mon, Mar 13 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **Intention of Irene Pierce**  
7:30 **+Howard Bradley (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Carson Schneider, Chris Cavadini

Tues, Mar 14 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **Intention of Wade Pittman Birthday**  
Server: Bill Arnold  
7:30 **+Irene Hoffman (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Casey Cooper, Kyle Sieck

Wed, Mar 15 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **Special Intention**  
Server: Jason Hutzler, Dave Allen  
7:30 **+Richard Coaty**  
Servers: Lizzy Knothe, Nicole Cox  
5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction  
Server: Bobby Steingraeber

Thurs, Mar 16 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **Intention of John Priebe Birthday**  
Server: Dan Skaff  
7:30 **+Robert Gazeley**  
Servers: Stephanie Koehne, Kelly King  
8:15 **+Seth Hammes**  
Servers: Colin Lounsborough, Anthony McLean

Fri, Mar 17 Lenten Weekday, Patrick

6:30 **+Charles Mathy, Sr.**  
Server: Pete Fiorini  
7:30 **+Mary Oswalt Hafner (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Hannah Johnson, Irene Kelly

Sat, Mar 18 Lenten Weekday, Cyril of Jerusalem

7:30 **+Richard Pearse**  
Servers: Patrick Campbell, Matt Schlesinger  
2:00 Nuptials **Gina Purtell & Jacob Busch**  
4:30 **+Richard Pearse**  
Servers: Alexa Roubix, Erin Smith, Danielle Weinberger

Sun, Mar 19 Third Sunday of Lent

7:30 **+Geraldine Thornton**  
Servers: John Paul Soldner, Joshua Alexander, Patrick Campbell  
9:00 **+Jerry Heberlein**  
Servers: Eric Clements, Peter Coppola, Joey Francksen, Joshua Lentz, Riley Reinhart  
10:30 **For the People of the Parish**  
Servers: Doug Merkitich, Dan Sans Crainte, Max Wiggert, Tim Holland, David Cramer

Looking ahead: Sat, Mar 25

7:30 Stephanie Koehne, Erin Roop  
4:30 Caroline Kroner, Emily Dolan, Debbie Oney

Sun, Mar 26

7:30 John & Tim Brennan, Casey Cooper  
9:00 Michael Czeiska, Luke Schuttenhelm, Michael Hanson, Benjamin Kolter, Taylor Donskey  
10:30 Tom Bagnieski, Alex Bahr, Dan Chamberlain, Tim Clements, Matthew Coppola

**Baptism**

**Jackson Alvin Gerke**  
**son of Brad and Betsy**

## AROUND THE PARISH

### **Men's Club Meeting**

**Monday, March 13, 7 pm**

*All men of the parish are invited to come for conversation, planning, enjoyment, and refreshments.*

### SCHOOL BOOK FAIR

March 19, after all Sunday Masses

Check out books for sale in the school library

Refreshments served

Book Fair will run Mar 17 - 23

### **St. Patrick's Day, March 17**

*Check the home page of the Diocesan Website for fasting and abstaining information.  
dioceseoflacrosse.com*

## PARISH CENTER INFORMATION

At a meeting of the Building Use Committee it was decided to offer to parishioners the opportunity to help with maintaining the beauty and tidiness of our Center.

We are looking for someone(s) to be responsible for weekly cleaning and for tidying up after events (vacuuming, etc.). If interested please contact the Parish Office, 782-2953.

### *MOVING DAY AT LAST*

*The Parish Offices will be moving into the Parish Center Wed, Mar 15. Hooray, Good-bye, white house. Same phone number, but phone service may be disrupted briefly.*

*You can visit the offices either by entering the Center through the doors on Losey Blvd. or by using the ramp in the ally. Signs will direct you.*

## BORN INTO ETERNAL LIFE

**Dr. Charles Mears,  
husband of Teresa**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

**Grades 1-10 Wed, Mar 15**

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006

Needed each week: \$ 17,400.00

Received \$ 19,012.00

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**The hardest years are those between 10 and 70.**

**-Helen Hayes**

## COMING UP

Mar 13 Men's Club meeting, 7:00  
Mar 14 No school, inservice  
Mar 15 Parish Offices moving to Parish Center  
Mar 17 St. Patrick's Day  
Mar 19 Book Fair at school  
Mar 20 Combined meeting: Finance & Pastoral  
Apr 6 Church cleaning, 2 pm - ?  
Apr 8 Senior Dinner

## MUSIC NOTES

**ADULT CHOIR** will practice Thursday at 7:00.

**FOLK CHOIR** will sing at 9:00 Mass next Sunday.

Warm-up at 8:45. Come, join us!

## BEAUTY BAGS FOR NEW HORIZONS

**Don't forget to add to your shopping list this week any of the following: shampoo, conditioner, combs, antiperspirants, disposable razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, new washcloths. Drop-off box in the church narthex. Thanks for helping. Keep the women in your prayers.**

## \$crip News

Keep a few \$crip cards in your wallet handy for a quick lunch or special treat at Panera's, Quiznos, The Recovery Room, Wendy's, Culvers, and many others.

\$crip is available during the business day in the Parish Office, before and after Sunday Masses, and at school on Thursdays.

## SENIOR DINNER IS COMING

**Seniors of the parish, mark your calendar for a great evening of food and fun -**

**April 8.**

**Everyone else, look around the house for white elephant items that can be given away as door prizes at the dinner. Old is fine; silly is best. There will be a box in the Narthex.**

## Grocery Receipts add up

Our school received a check for \$705.86 from Quillins for grocery receipts handed in. Wow! Drop your receipts in the box in the church narthex. Also drop in box tops, Campbell soup labels, and moo-la milk tops.

+It is moving day. On Wed. the move from the temporary office that served so well for 20 months will end, and the phone lines will be switched to the new offices. It will be a big job to get everything up and running. During these past months we have risen to many challenges, and this one, too, will be met. The office area is at the north end of the new facility. There is parking available in the alley.

+It was a sad but still peaceful and even joyous day on Thurs night and Fri morning at the Cathedral. The respect and love displayed for Bishop John J. Paul was so well-deserved. I first met Bishop Paul when he was a tall, handsome, virile Monsignor who was rector of Holy Cross Seminary, and I was a high school student. He was God's good servant, priest and Bishop. May he be rewarded with the peace and joy of eternal life in the company of the apostles, to whom he was a successor.

+Our weekday Lenten Mass attendance is an inspiration to many. If possible, join your friends and neighbors.

+The celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation for this year's First Communicants was a very special moment. To parents and children we extend congratulations, and to those who prepared the students and the prayer service our thanks.

**SIRLOIN TIP DINNER** at Holy Trinity Sun, Mar 12,

**Steak Fry** at St. Elizabeth's, Holmen, Sat, Mar 18, 6:00 or 7:15.  
11:00 - 2:00 or until sold out. Carry-outs available. \$20. Reserve your ticket by calling 526-4424.

**PANCAKE-OMELET BREAKFAST** Sun, Mar 19, 7:30-11:00, Cathedral. To help pay for the new sound system.

**GIANT AUCTION** to support a sister parish destroyed by Hurricane Katrina, St. Thomas, Long Beach, Miss., will be held Mar 25 at the Diocesan Center. Can you donate a NEW appliance or furniture, saleable merchandise of value, antiques, gift certificate, etc. Questions? Call Marie & Dave Allen at 784-5189.

**SOUP SUPPER AND DISCUSSION** (Topic: Dignity of the Human Person: Empowerment and Life) on each of the 6 Fridays of Lent in the Cathedral Undercroft. Eucharistic Adoration following the 12:10 Mass, Stations of the Cross at 5:10, supper following. No charge.

**THE LEGACY OF THE POPES** Exhibit at the Milwaukee Public Museum through May 7. The exhibit includes over 300 pieces of Vatican art, relics and historical documents. Here We Go Tours is hosting a motor coach trip on April 29. Call 787-8787 for details.

**COURAGE MINISTRY** for men and women struggling with same-sex attraction who seek to live in full communion with the Catholic Church. Contact Fr. Joe Hirsch at 791-2666 for information on meetings.

**YOUTH: YES, LORD** Wisc. Catholic Youth Rally will be held Mar 25 at St. Pius, Wauwatosa. Cost: \$20. For more info or to register call 262-694-6018, x. 133.

**CATHEDRAL FORUM** lecture by Brian Luckner Sat, Mar 18, 9-10:00, Cathedral Undercroft. Sacred choral music of 16<sup>th</sup> century England. Refreshments served. Free.

**DIOCESAN CHOIR** will sing for the Chrism Mass on April 13. Practice at Cathedral Sat, Apr 8, 9-11:00. Sign up by Mar 17. See Pauline Connell for registration form. Singers from the Diocesan area join together to provide music for this beautiful Mass on Holy Thursday.

#### AQUINAS MIDDLE SCHOOL

**January Foreign Language Award**  
*Joseph Francksen      Helen Kirch*

**Spelling Bee Winner**  
*Jared Van Order*