

# 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

Mon-Sat 7:30 am

Thurs 8:15 check school calendar

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

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

*in the Adoration Chapel*

Saturdays 3:45 & 1/2 Hr before

Sun Masses *in church*

Sat 7 pm *in Adoration Chapel*

## EVENING PRAYER

5:15 pm *in the Adoration Chapel*

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.

### April 15, 2007

#### OFFERING FAMILIES

April 21/22

8:30 Walter & Jean Susdorf

7:30 Dr. Joe Durst & Barbara

9:00 Matthew & Jennifer Cambio

10:30 Robert Hancock family

#### PETITION READERS Apr 21 & 22

4:30 Peter Kieffer

9:00 Claire Donskey

10:30 Emily Dolan

#### BL. SAC. WEEK FOR MOBILE MEALS

April 16 - 22

**April 15, 2007**  
**Divine Mercy Sunday**

Pope John Paul II left behind many things that will last for generations. One of those is the designation of the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. Sister Faustina and her famous diary were rescued from anonymity because her bishop, the future John Paul II, saw in it and in her two of God's special gifts to the Church in the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries. Sister Faustina was the first saint canonized in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, and devotion to the Divine Mercy is a rich and growing devotion in the Church.

We are blessed with having a beautiful, original painting of the image revealed to Sister Faustina. It is one of two done by the artist. The other was chosen by Pope John Paul to hang in the Vatican Museums in Rome. If you have not visited that picture, it is in the chapel area of the church. It's worth a visit and a prayer for the out-pouring of Divine Mercy on our troubled world.

During these past several months I have personally sought the Divine Mercy in this transitional moment in the life of the parish and my life personally. God is rich in mercy, and I have come to the point of accepting peacefully what has been given to me. I have lifted up to the Lord in prayer all you beautiful and supportive people who faithfully read these scribblings I put together each week.

I had a long talk with my successor this past week. He remarked, "I can see why you don't want to leave this place." But it is because of you that a new pastor can come into such a lovely place and work with such splendid people.

God bless you all.

**RCIA CORNER**

The new members of our Catholic family came together again last Tuesday to celebrate their reception into the Church. We began by gathering in front of the Divine Mercy image to prepare for the Feast of Divine Mercy by praying the chaplet. It is amazing to comprehend this revelation of Himself that God has given us; His great desire to shower His Mercy down upon us. Let us truly celebrate this feast this Sunday. Please continue to pray for all those involved in our RCIA process and to pray for new inquirers to our faith.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**April 16 - 22, 2007**

Mon, April 16 Easter Weekday

7:30 **+Charles Pierce**  
Servers: Anthony McLean, Jacob Dee

Tues, April 17 Easter Weekday

6:30 **+Ruth Wisnieski**  
Server: Bill Arnold  
7:30 **+Dorothy Zahn (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Calie Fuchs, Maddie McLean

Wed, April 18 Easter Weekday

6:30 **+J. Tracy Schneeberger**  
Server: Jason Hutzler, Dave Allen  
7:30 **+Genevieve Kelzer**  
Servers: Carina Braun, Claire Craig  
5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction  
Server: John Paul Soldner

Thurs, April 19 Easter Weekday

6:30 **+Arch & Ellen Skemp**  
Server: Dan Skaff  
7:30 **+Corinne Schreck**  
Servers: Claire Trussoni, Ivy Gierszewski  
8:15 **+Tracy Schneeberger**  
Servers: Katie Kachel, Anna Schuttenhelm

Fri, April 20 Easter Weekday

6:30 **+Gerald Heberlein**  
Server: Pete Fiorini  
7:30 **+Eleanor Pavela**  
Servers: Mollie Vandenberg, Eliza Skemp

Sat, April 21 Easter Weekday, Anselm

7:30 **+Bernard Banasik**  
Servers: Krissy Sauer, Aly Steingart  
1:00 Nuptials Melissa Berzinski & Matthew Waller  
4:30 **+Debbie Watunya**  
Servers: Cassie Steele, Helen Kirch, Emily Walker

Sun, April 22 3rd Sunday of Easter

7:30 **+Norbert Schmidt**  
Servers: Matthew Brannon, Dan Bagniefski, Jacob Dee  
9:00 **+Mary J. Pape**  
Servers: John Paul Soldner, Derek Craig, Tony Linhart, Gus Wiggert, Eric Clements  
10:30 **For the People of the Parish**  
Servers: Michael Hanson, Bobby Kachel, Ben Kolter, Luke Riley, Luke Schuttenhelm  
12:00 **+Brian Steele**

Looking ahead: Sat, April 28

7:30 Simon Leslie, Collin Schell  
4:30 Jenny Gallagher, Michaela Gores, Stephanie Koehne

Sunday, April 29

7:30 Tim & John Brennan, Colin Lounsborough  
9:00 Peter Coppola, Joey Francksen, Josh Lenth, Riley Reinhart, Fritz Wiggert  
10:30 Nick Guggenbuehl, Matt Kachel, Ryan Rademacher, Bobbie Reinhart, Charlie Soldner

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MASS**

Mon Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8  
Tues Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15  
Wed Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21  
Thurs Acts 5:27-33; John 3:31-36  
Fri Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15  
Sat Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21  
Sun Acts 5:27-32,40b-41; Rev 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

## AROUND THE PARISH

### DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

*Sunday, April 15. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at noon; hourly rosary recited; confessions heard until 2:30. Divine Mercy Devotions begin at 2:45, followed by Benediction. St. James Parish.*

### Don't plan to cook on April 29

#### Men's Club

**Cornish Hen Dinner, 11:00 - 3:00**

**Dine in or Carry out**

**Presale tickets \$7.00 available in the Parish Office or after Masses**

### FAMILY ROSARY

Sunday, April 15, 4:00-6:00

Fun at 4; food at 5; pray the rosary together afterward. School cafeteria.

### ANGELS OF MERCY PRAYER GROUP

*Several folks have been touched by the comfort of knowing their health issues have been put into the Great Healer's hands through the prayers of the Angels of Mercy. To them a heartfelt thanks!*

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Out for a Spring walk or bike ride? Stop in our Adoration Chapel to get your batteries recharged. If you'd like to make that a regular weekly stop, call Lloyd and Florence Koenig to sign up. 782-3834.

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### BAPTISM CLASS

If you intend to have your baby baptized here at Blessed Sacrament, plan to attend Baptism Class on the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30. Call the Parish Office to reserve your spot.

### BEAUTY BAGS FOR NEW HORIZONS SHELTER

Drop off new unused toiletry items in the Narthex of church. Needed are shampoo, conditioner, hand lotion, toothpaste and tooth brushes. Please no make up.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

April 18 6:30-7:45

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007

Needed each week: \$17,400.00

Received 4/8 \$24,796.00

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**Question: What did the income tax auditor say?**

**Answer: He said I'm making more money than I can afford.**

## COMING UP

- Apr 15 Low Sunday DCCW Collection taken
- Apr 15 Mercy Sunday, Services at St. James Church
- Apr 15 Family Rosary, 4-6 pm
- Apr 19 Happy Birthday, Father Francis
- Apr 22 First Communion, noon
- Apr 22 Organ concert, 2:45
- Apr 28,29 Anniversary Weekend
- Apr 29 Cornish Hen Dinner sponsored by Men's Club
- Apr 29 Server Party

## MUSIC NOTES

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will NOT sing next Sunday at the 9:00 Mass. NO PRACTICE Saturday.

**ADULT CHOIR** will sing at 10:30 Mass next Sunday and will practice Thursday, 7-8:00.

**SUMMER CHOIR** We will have a summer choir this year, directed by Mark Earlywine. The choir, high school age and up, will sing almost every Sunday and practice twice per month. Right now might be a great time to get your feet wet by joining our adult choir. Love to have new voices!

## \$crip News

Want to get a jump on your summer tan? You could accompany Father Francis to his graduate school in California, **OR** you could pick up a \$20 \$crip card from Beautanica Salon. It's good for hair cuts and manicures, also.

## PARISH MEN'S CLUB MINUTES

- \*Meeting Mon, Apr 10, Conference Room called to order at 7:04. Msgr. led the group in prayer.
- \*Ken Hanson delivered the financial report.
- \*Finalized plans for Cornish Hen dinner on Apr 29.
- \*OKed payment of organ tuning in March.
- \*OKed purchase of HD vacuum for parish center.
- \*Voted to contribute \$1,000.00 to the Parish Endowment Trust.
- \*Thanks to all who attended.

## MOTHER'S DAY CARDS

*will be sold to benefit Birthright (an organization of Prolife volunteers who help anyone affected by a troubling pregnancy) on April 28 and 29 & May 5 and 6 after Masses.*

*+A final word of thanks to all who made our Holy Week and Easter such splendid moments of prayer and worship. Many people work so very hard to make it happen. I think especially of the choirs and musicians who added so much, the church decorators, readers, servers, Eucharistic Ministers, and the good lady who spent much time scheduling all the various people for the liturgies of the Three Great Days. Thank you to all.*

*+Thank you to all who made special contributions to our parish at Easter time. Your generosity is inspiring.*

**150 YEARS OF RELIGION IN LA CROSSE** presentation by Msgr. Bernard McGarty, Gayda Hollnagel and Susan Hessel at Viterbo on April 22 at 2 pm. The presentation will follow the influence of religion on our area through the years.

**THE WOLF OF GUBBIO**, based on the true story of St. Francis of Assisi and his encounter with a ferocious wolf, will be presented at Providence Academy, 716 Windsor St, Sat, Apr 21, 7 pm, and Sun, Apr 22, 3 pm. Suggested donation: \$5; \$12 per family. Reserve tickets by calling 784-6167.

**IS THE BIBLE A MYSTERY TO YOU?** Learn from Jeff Cavins Sat, Apr 28, Heyde Center for the Arts, Chippewa Falls. Jeff is a renowned Bible teacher and evangelist. Cost for day includes lunch and seminar materials: \$40. Contact Deacon Mark Arnold at 715-382-4422.

**RUMMAGE SALE** at Cathedral Undercroft Wed, Apr 25, 4-7 pm, Thurs, Apr 26, 8-3:00; half price on Fri, 8-noon.

**LAY FORMATION INSTITUTE** of our Diocese is open to men and women who desire to deepen their knowledge of the Faith and develop their pastoral abilities. The program meets one weekend a month (Fri evening -Sat) with summers off, for 2 years. Participants are typically sponsored by their parish. Contact our pastor and the Office of Ministries and Social Concerns at 791-2667 or [cruff@dioceseoflacrosse.com](mailto:cruff@dioceseoflacrosse.com) for application forms.

**MISSION TRIP** Three high schoolers from our parish have answered God's call to work among the poor in Mexico in June. They will work side-by-side with the poor in Agua Prieta, a border town south of Douglas, Arizona. Daily Mass, faith sharing, and hard work are on their agenda. You can be part of this marvelous work by contributing to their travel expenses. Contact the parish office for details. *"Whatsoever You Do.."*

**ORGAN CONCERT** here at Blessed Sacrament Sunday, April 22, 2:45 by Dr. Dean Whiteway and Louise Tempte. Sponsored by the Riverland Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

**CELEBRATE LIFE, WEAR THE SHIRT, SPREAD THE WORD, SAVE THE WORLD.** American Life League's t-shirt sale will be Tues, Apr 24. This pro-life project's contact person is Celine Lauermann, 783-4661. Contact her to place orders. Price only \$6.

**TOOL AND SPORTS SALE** sponsored by the Holy Trinity Men's Club will be  
Sat, Apr 28, 7:30am-1 pm. Tools, fishing equipment, sport items, etc.

**MARRIAGE ANNULMENT** Do you have questions or are looking for help? Contact  
the Matrimonial Tribunal of our Diocese at 791-2684.

**HOSPICE VOLUNTEER TRAINING** May 7 and 14 at the At Home Green Bay location, 914 Green Bay St. The rewards of volunteering on a Hospice team are invaluable. For more information call Jody at 775-1415.

**MMOC-ECC SUMMER CAMP** for school-age children will begin June 11. For information call 788-5225.

**"COME, FOLLOW DAYS"** AT Mater Redemptoris Convent. Girls in grades 4-6 Fri, May 11, 5 pm, to Sat, May 12, 3 pm. Girls in grades 7-10 Fri, May 18, 5 pm, to Sat, May 19, 3 pm. Women's Discernment Retreat, 17-30 years, Sun May 20, 5 pm, to Tues, May 22, 9 am. More information in the parish office. Contact Sister Stephania at 788-4530 with questions.

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**Evan Fisher**  
**2006-7 Spelling Bee Champion at Emerson School**