

# 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.

**February 18, 2007**

## OFFERING FAMILIES

Feb 24/25

4:30 Tom & Anne Gees

7:30 Nick & Kathy Nicks & family

9:00 Jeff & Shandy Scheidt & family

10:30 Jeff & Sandra Reinhart & family

## PETITION READERS

4:30 Katie Gees

9:00 Jackie Gerke

10:30 Emily Dolan

## BL. SAC. WEEK FOR MOBILE MEALS

February 19 - 25

## February 18, 2007 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

At mid-week we begin our yearly spiritual retreat, or, if you will, our yearly spiritual hospital visit. We need it, and the Church provides it.

On Ash Wednesday when the priest marks our forehead with a cross of ashes he repeats the stern sentence of God upon sinful Adam and upon all of us, "Remember, man, that you are dust, and into dust you shall return." That means more than a grave awaits us. It means that we are creatures whose very existence depends at every moment upon the gift of God. None of the vast universe exists by itself; it hangs from the thread of God's will to keep it in existence. It is dust, and we are dust.

Yet, the dust which is us is endowed with a reason and a will that can know and chose to look beyond the stars to the things that are truly above and where there waits for us the reward of eternal life won for us by a crucified Savior.

When Adam sinned we all developed a crick in the neck that holds our attention to the things of earth. They may be good and entice us with their beauty, but they are not the final good of the human person. The dust at our feet may have some glitter, but it is still dust. So when we are called to sacrifice for Lent what are we really doing that is sacrificed? Dust cannot satisfy, so we "give up" dust to turn again to the Lord. It's hard to walk with back bent and neck turned cocking half a glance over the shoulder at heaven while keeping a keen eye for some glittery treasure on earth, some food, drink, pleasure, attraction that holds power over us and keeps our back bent and eyes on the things of this world.

So "mortify the flesh" by putting its crookedness to death, that we may finally straighten up and walk with ease and liberty, our eyes and hearts fixed on the things that are above. Lent is our yearly spiritual hospital visit, and we need it.

### **LENTEN REGULATIONS**

*Abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all the Fridays of Lent - those who have reached the age of 14.  
Fast (one full meal, 2 smaller meals, no snacks)  
- those 18 to 59.*

### **RCIA CORNER**

Next weekend is an important gateway for our RCIA candidates as they continue on their path to full communion with the Church. At the 10:30 Mass we will hear testimony from their sponsors that our candidates, who have been preparing for many months, are ready to become full members of the Church this Easter. We as a parish will send them to the Bishop at the Cathedral where they will experience another Rite calling them to a life of continual conversion. Please continue to pray for them as they draw ever closer to a more complete communion with our Lord and with us.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK February 19 - 25, 2007

### Mon, Feb 19 Feria

7:30 **+Poor Souls**  
Servers: Jacob Dee, Carson Schneider

### Tues, Feb 20 Feria

6:30 **+Pat Sweeney**  
Server: Bill Arnold

7:30 **+Ruth Cook**  
Servers: Evan Dolan, Nick Shankey

### Wed, Feb 21 Ash Wednesday

6:30 **+Thomas Coughlin (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Jason Hutzler, Dave Allen

7:30 **+Irene Sweeney**  
Servers: Evan Dolan, Nick Shankey

8:15 **+Gen Weiss**  
Servers: Dan Bagniefski, Chris Cavadini

5:15 **+Mary J. Pape**  
Servers: Matt Vach, Mike Vanderploeg, Joe Clements

6:45 **Intention of Julia Olson**  
Servers: Mitchell Degenhardt, Matt Brannon, Dan Skaff

### Thurs, Feb 22 Chair of St. Peter

6:30 **+Msgr. J. Floyd Dwyer**  
Server: Dan Skaff

7:30 **Levi Family**  
Servers: Sam Scheidt, John Bosshard

### Fri, Feb 23 Fri after Ash Wed, Polycarp

6:30 **Intention of Matthew Mader family**  
Server: Bill Chamberlain

7:30 **+Norbert Schmidt**  
Servers: Collin Schell, Henry Sayner

### Sat, Feb 24 Sat after Ash Wed

7:30 **+Bernard Banasik**  
Servers: Hannah Johnson, Hannah Braun

4:30 **+Brian Steele**  
Servers: Anna Schuttenhelm, Emily Dolan

### Sun, Feb 25 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

7:30 **Intention of Mary Jane Fowler**  
Servers: Tim & John Brennan, Carson Schneider

9:00 **For the People of the Parish**  
Servers: Nathan Schneider, Kyle Sieck, John Paul Soldner, Derek Craig, Tony Linhart

10:30 **Intention of Lucille Stecker**  
Servers: Luke Schuttenhelm, Nick Guggenbuehl, Matt Kachel, Ryan Rademacher, Bobby Reinhart

### **LOOKING AHEAD Saturday, Mar 3**

7:30  
4:30 Caroline Kroner, Debbie Oney, Monica Kachel

### **Sunday, Mar 4**

7:30 Jason & Zach Hutzler, Matthew Brannon  
9:00 Gus Wiggert, Eric Clements, Peter Coppola, Joey Francksen, Josh Lenth  
10:30 Charlie Soldner, Alex Bahr, Dan Chamberlain, Mike Oney, Matt Coppola

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon Sir 1:1-10; Mark 9:14-29  
Tues Sir 2:1-11; Mark 9:30-37  
Wed Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Matt 6:1-6,16-18  
Thurs 1 Peter 5:1-4; Matt 16:13-19  
Fri Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matt 9:14-15  
Sat Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32  
Sun Duet 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13; Luke 4:1-13

## AROUND THE PARISH

### JASON EVERT

*Nationally acclaimed speaker on Chastity*

*(Relevant Radio, T.V., print media)*

**Monday, February 26, 7:00-8:30**

**Blessed Sacrament Parish Center**

*Jason's presentation is a MUST for teens and young adults and parents. The presentation is free, but a free will offering will be accepted to cover the cost.*

*Parking in our lot or across the street at Congregational church. **Families, mark your calendars!***

### FAMILY ROSARY

You and your family can get a head start to spiritual renewal this Lenten Season by coming to the Family Rosary

**Sunday, February 18, School basement**

**4:00 fun (kickball, card games, board games, good conversation)**

**5:00 potluck supper**

The Rosary is prayed for all our intentions after supper. We look forward to seeing you there.

### BAPTISM

**Benton Thomas Arnold**  
son of Bill and Dera

### PARISH SPIRIT SHIRTS

Men's and Women's long and short sleeve denim or polo

Samples can be seen and orders placed in the parish office.

### ADORATION OPPORTUNITY

*As folks take to the South for some R & R from winter, there are a few hours open for adoration. Right now we're looking for someone to cover 4-5pm Tuesdays. Call Florence or Lloyd Koenig at 782-3834.*

*Come whenever you can. He's waiting for you.*

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

Wednesday, February 21, 6:30 - 7:45

Students gather in classrooms at 6:30

Ash Wednesday Mass for students and families at 6:45.

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

Needed each week: \$ 17,400.00

Received 2/11 \$ 12,857.00

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**The invisible man married the invisible woman. Their children weren't much to look at either.**

### COMING UP

Feb 18 Family Rosary  
Feb 19 Young Adults Group  
Feb 26 Jason Evert Presentation, 7 pm  
Mar 3 Marriage Enrichment Evening for couples

### 🎵 🎵 MUSIC NOTES 🎵 🎵

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will sing at 9:00 Mass next Sunday and will practice Saturday, 9:30-10:15.

**ADULT CHOIR** will practice on Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:00, in the loft. Consider joining the choir during the Lent and Easter Seasons. It's a great way to use your talent to praise Our Lord.

### \$CRIP NEWS

**SEED SALE AT WILD BIRDS UNLIMITED ENDS FEB 25. GET YOUR \$CRIP FOR WILD BIRDS AND STOCK UP. THEY'LL EVEN STORE THE SEED FOR YOU.**

### ITEMS LOOKING FOR THEIR HOME

**PAIR OF BLACK GLOVES LEFT AT THE MEN'S CLUB  
WOMAN'S RING FOUND IN THE ALLEY  
CALL THE PARISH OFFICE, 782-2953.**

### MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT EVENING

**"Honoring the Treasure of our Marriage"**

**Saturday, March 3, 5:30, Parish Center**

*See the enclosed flyer for details*

### FAITH ALIVE LENTEN FAITH-SHARING GROUPS UPDATE

**THE HOLY SPIRIT IS REALLY WORKING IN OUR PARISH. WE HAVE HAD A TREMENDOUS RESPONSE TO OUR FAITH-SHARING GROUPS. BASED ON YOUR RESPONSE GROUPS WILL BE MEETING AT THE FOLLOWING TIMES, PLACES AND WITH THE LISTED FACILITATOR:**

**WED, 1 PM CONFERENCE RM MARYLYN PETERSON**

**WED, 7 PM RECTORY DAVE ALLEN**

**THURS 1 PM CONFERENCE RM JENNIFER KULZER**

**THURS 7 PM CONFERENCE RM MARIANNE & GALEN PITTMAN**

**SUN 7 PM RECTORY MARYLYN PETERSON**

**IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY SIGNED UP AND ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING A GROUP PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE SO WE CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY.**

+Our Valentine party. It was elegantly presented, the food was exceptional, the company was splendid, and the memories will last. Something to be repeated. Thank you to all who came and to our very generous volunteers who put the evening together so beautifully.

+During Lent the 6:30 Mass, Monday through Friday, will be in church. Happily the chapel will not accommodate those who come to the early Mass. Join those who make daily Mass a Lent time practice. If that is not possible, make a 30 minute visit to the Adoration Chapel part of your week.

+Needed for our Parish Center: a good industrial upright vacuum cleaner (and a few kind souls to run it), and a chest freezer. Call the office at 782-2953 if you can help with either item.

**COME AND SEE DAY** at Mater Redemptoris Convent for girls in 4-6<sup>th</sup> grades, Sat, Feb 24, 9-3:00. No cost. Come and join the Sisters for a day of prayer, fun, and learning about the Sisters' way of life. Call Sister Stephania to register: 788-4530, or email: [materredemptoris@pngusa.net](mailto:materredemptoris@pngusa.net).

**DIOCESAN WOMEN'S CONFERENCE** Sat, March 3, St. Mary's Community Center, Altoona. Elegant luncheon and uplifting one-day conference. Early registration by Feb 16: \$25. Call Beth DeCook at 715-288-5968 or online at [www.dioceseoflacrosse.com](http://www.dioceseoflacrosse.com).

**DO SOMETHING NICE FOR YOUR SOUL** during Lent. Join Fr. Sam Martin on the Saturdays of Lent at 9:30 at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe. His conferences will focus on the classic *THE SPIRITUAL LIFE* by Tanqueray, which you can order from the Bookstore at the Shrine.

**CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL** Conference Tues, March 13, 9:30-3:00, Monona Terrace in Madison. \$30 adult; \$10 high school and college. Register by calling 608-257-0004. Topics: Effective parish advocacy, Catholic social teaching, health care issues, immigration, life issues.

**BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS** is looking for more mentors for young people. The commitment is 2-3 hours/week for at least one year. Call 782-2227 for more details.

**AQUINAS STUDENT ART SHOW** February 2 -27, La Crosse Public Library.

**FIRST COMMUNION 18" DOLL DRESS** available by special order, \$17.00. Fits America Girl, American Harvest - all 18" dolls. Call Sandra Stingl at 784-8418.

#### AQUINAS MIDDLE SCHOOL BATTLE OF THE BOOKS WINNERS

Mary Franke and Mary Dolan - first place

Helen Kirch - second place

To Hannah Oney whose poem "You're So Special to Me" will be published in the LEAGUE OF AMERICAN POETS anthology.

To Olivia Curti, Aquinas Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade Spelling Bee Champion

To Fritz Wiggert, Aquinas Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade Geography Bee Champion

To Elizabeth Brannon, Peter Kieffer, and J.J. Pearse, members of the winning Quiz Bowl Team. They are the champions, the first win for Aquinas in 12 years.

To the December Aquinas Middle School Award winners: *Students of the Month*: Derek Craig and Kylie Doberstein; *Music*: Kyle Sieck; *Art*: Danielle Weinberger and Mark Carrk; *Foreign Language*: Katherine Riley and Joshua Lenth; *Phys Ed*: Michael Guggenbuehl and Emily Walker; *Computers*: Emily Hyde.