

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm

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

Weekdays Mon- 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*

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND BENEDICTION

Wednesdays, 7 pm *in church*

## EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION

Wednesdays, 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.

**March 18, 2007**

## OFFERING FAMILIES

March 24/25

4:30 Joe and Natalie Bennett & family

7:30 Tim and Mary Brennan & family

9:00 Carl and Sandy Wiggert & family

10:30 Chris and Tami Thilgis & family

## PETITION READERS Mar 24/25

4:30 Emily Walker

9:00 Peter Kieffer

10:30 Jessica Butzman

## BL. SAC. WEEK FOR MOBILE MEALS

March 19 - 25

**March 18, 2007**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent (Laetare)**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**March 19 - 25, 2006**

The Gospel for the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent is St. Luke's masterpiece known as the Parable of the Prodigal Son. It is about profound, even over-the-top generosity in forgiveness and reconciliation. Lent is the season when we seek to achieve the sweetness of healing old wounds that separate us from God or from neighbor or family member. How far must we go or can we go in seeking or effecting reconciliation? If you have read this far, please continue.

The world was at war in 1944. A Russian poet writes in his personal life story how he was brought to Red Square in Moscow. There he watches as 20,000 German prisoners of war were marched through the great square. Thousands of Russians, all of whom must have lost someone they loved to the German war machine watched the shattered army. The stench of hatred was in the air. But then everything changed. An elderly Russian woman in broken down boots and much patched coat pushed her way past the guards and went up to the column of shuffling, tottering half-starved prisoners. She reached into her coat and brought out a crust of black bread. She pushed it into the pocket of a German soldier. Then women came from all sides and put bread, cigarettes, anything they had into the hands of the prisoners of war. The hated Germans were no longer enemies. They were people. The stench of hatred went out of the air, and, though it was bitter winter, suddenly it seemed like a beautiful spring day to the young boy who, as a grown man, would recollect that moment and put it into his book.

Lent, a time for generous acts of forgiveness and reconciliation. In the sacrament of penance God will be the prodigal Father prepared to forgive anything we humbly present in the sacrament of penance. In our personal life is there some very special act or word of forgiveness that would make this Lent one never to be forgotten?

**RCIA CORNER**

This past week our RCIA candidates delved deeper into the reality of sin and temptation. Though we all fall into sin, how merciful of our heavenly Father to provide the Sacrament of Reconciliation through which we are reconciled to Him. But, in His great mercy, He did not stop there. He provided us with virtues to strengthen us when we come to Him and ask for them. Please continue to pray for all those involved in the process that we may continually seek His grace and strength.

Mon, March 19 Joseph

6:30 **+Mary Lyon**  
 7:30 **+Joseph Bushek**  
 Servers: Elizabeth Schultz, Grace Riley

Tues, March 20 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **+Gerald Heberlein**  
 Server: Bill Arnold  
 7:30 **+Ora Young**  
 Servers: Clare Roop, Claire Craig

Wed, March 21 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **+Hank Schneider**  
 Server: Jason Hutzler, Dave Allen  
 7:30 **+Irene Sweeney**  
 Servers: Clare Roop, Claire Craig  
 5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction  
 Server: John Brennan

Thurs, March 22 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **+Florence Swieczak**  
 Server: Dan Skaff  
 7:30 **+Bob Fowler**  
 Servers: Jim Papenfuss, Evan Dolan  
 8:15 **+Pat Forer**  
 Servers: Hannah Johnson, Katie Kachel

Fri, March 23 Lenten Weekday

6:30 **Intention of Betty Nelson**  
 Server: Dick Meyer  
 7:30 **+Debbie Watunya**  
 Servers: Jim Papenfuss, Evan Dolan

Sat, March 24 Lenten Weekday

7:30 **+Bernard Banasik**  
 Servers: John Bosshard, Henry Sayner  
 4:30 **+Michael Imgrund**  
 Servers: Stephanie Koehne, Kelly Kroner, Anna Rigden

Sun, March 25 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

7:30 **+Sally Schockmel**  
 Servers: Tim & John Brennan, Jacob Dee  
 9:00 **For the People of the Parish**  
 Servers: John Paul Soldner, Derek Craig, Tony Linhart, Gus Wiggert, Eric Clements  
 10:30 **+Eleanor & Ellis Crook**  
 Servers: Ben Kolter, Luke Riley, Luke Schuttenhelm, Nick Guggenbuehl, Matt Kachel

Looking ahead: Sat, March 31

7:30 Collin Schell, Sam Scheidt  
 4:30 Kate Riley, Erin Roop, Alex Roubik

Sun, April 1

7:30 Jason & Zach Hutzler, Colin Lounsbrough  
 9:00 Peter Coppola, Joey Francksen, Josh Lentz, Riley Reinhart, Fritz Wiggert  
 10:30 Ryan Rademacher, Bobbie Reinhart, Charlie Soldner, Alex Bahr, Dan Chamberlain

**SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MASS**

Mon 2 Sam 7:4-5a,12-14a,16; Romans 4:13,16-18,22; Matt 1:16,18-21,24a or Luke 2:41-51a  
 Tues Ezek 47:1-9,12; John 5:1-16  
 Wed Isaiah 49:8-15; John 5:17-30  
 Thurs Ex 32:7-14; John 5:31-47  
 Fri Wisdom 2:1a,12-22; John 7:1-2,10,25-30  
 Sat Jer 11:18-20; John 7:40-53  
 Sun Isaiah 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56

## AROUND THE PARISH

Moral Issues in the Care of the Dying  
Sunday, March 18, 7:30, Parish Center

*An opportunity to hear from a respected expert on the issues  
surrounding end of life care.  
Open to all.*

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### PARISH SENIOR DINNER

Sunday, March 25, 5:00  
Parish Center

Reservations by calling 782-2953

*Great food prepared and served by the Confirmation  
Candidates, door prizes and entertainment. What else could  
you ask for?*

Parishioners who AREN'T SENIORS, join in the fun by  
donating a "White Elephant" gift - wrapped. Box in the  
Narthex.

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Men's Club News

Cornish Hen Dinner

Sunday, April 29, 11:00-3:00 or until sold out  
Tickets available after Masses or in the Parish Office  
Next meeting: April 9, 7 pm

### PARISH VIDEO AND AUDIO LIBRARY

We have a nice collection of religious and family-oriented  
videos and inspirational audio tapes to loan. They are in the  
RCIA office in the Parish Center and can be checked out any  
time during the business day, Mon to Fri, or after Masses.  
Directions for checking out are in that office. Call 782-2953  
with questions.

### **Something very special for your Friday evenings**

*There are openings in our Adoration Chapel 9-10:00, 10-  
11:00, and 11-midnight on Fridays. What a great way to  
end the work week and begin a weekend! Call Lloyd and  
Florence Koenig to reserve your time, 782-3834. He's  
waiting for you. Stop in for a chat.*

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS & BENEDICTION

Wednesdays, 7 pm during Lent

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

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

Students will attend the Stations of the Cross at 7:00. Families  
are invited to join us.

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007

Needed each week: \$17,400.00

Received 3/11 \$20,310.00

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**The next time you doubt your spouse's judgment, stop and  
look at who they married.**

## COMING UP

- Mar 18 Book Fair at school after Masses
- Mar 18 Moral Care of the Dying Presentation, 7:30,  
Parish Center
- Mar 19 Pastoral Council, 6:30
- Mar 25 Anniversary Weekend
- Mar 25 Senior Dinner, 5:00

## MUSIC NOTES

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

**ADULT CHOIR** will practice Thursday, 7-8:00, in the loft.

## REST IN PEACE

Genevieve Reinders, mother of Dave

## \$crip News

Tuck a gift card in that Easter card you're sending to  
someone. They'll be hippity-hoppity happy you did.

New \$crip Sponsor: **Coldstone** \$10 cards

## BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL NEWS

\*181 boxes of cereal and a ton of pasta and sauce collected for  
Place of Grace

\*Students pay \$1 to wear jeans on Fridays. The money  
supports our "adopted brother" Alberto at Casa Hogar. \$890 of  
our \$1000 commitment has come in.

Anyone interested in washing church linens once  
every 2 months  
please call Marge Chamberlain, 788-3553

Mass Etiquette (a few reminders):

\*As you enter church, turn off your cell phone ringer

\*No eating, please - including bottled water and gum chewing

\*As the weather warms, remember to dress modestly

\*The Narthex is ideal for fussy babies and talkative small  
children

## EASTER FLOWERS

*If you would like to purchase flowers in memory of a loved one  
or in honor of someone, pick up a slip from the Narthex and  
drop it off with payment in the parish office or the collection  
basket, or just call the office at 782-2953. Lillies: \$14;  
hydrangeas: \$18.*

+What a beautiful thing it is to walk into the Chapel of Mary, Mother of the Eucharist to find 6-8 people in the quiet. This kind of devotion will bring great blessings to individual families and the total parish.

**AQUINAS MIDDLE SCHOOL FEBRUARY AWARD WINNERS**

<i>Students of the month</i>	<i>Art Award</i>	<i>Physical Ed Award</i>
<i>Patrick Campbell, Erin Roop, Eric Clements</i>	<i>Derek Craig</i>	<i>Taneesha Boudreau</i>

**AQUINAS HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE MONTH FOR FEBRUARY**  
*Paige Coriden*

**LA CROSSE INTERFAITH COLLABORATIVE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING** partners renters with mentors. An informational meeting will be held Mon, Mar 19, Catholic Charities Offices, 3710 East Ave S. (old St. Pius School).

**ALL'S GOD'S CHILDREN, KEEPING THE SPIRIT OF SR. THEA BOWMAN ALIVE** presentation by Vanessa White, Dr. of Ministry, will be held Mon, Mar 19, Viterbo University San Damiano Chapel. Open to all.

**BUTTER BRAID FUND RAISER**, sponsored by the Catholic Order of Foresters, for Coulee Catholic Schools, is beginning. Delivery date is March 28; place orders by calling 784-6800.

**LENTEN ORGAN RECITAL** March 25, 3 pm, Christ Episcopal church, 9<sup>th</sup> and Main. Mary Larson, organist.

**SMELT FRY** at St. Joseph Ridge Parish Fri, Mar 30, beginning at 4pm. Carryouts available.

**CHICKEN-QUE** by the KCs on Palm Sunday to benefit seminarians. Mark your calendar.

**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 Tanquerey, which you can order from the Bookstore at the Shrine. On March 31, a Spirituality Day will provide time for Confession, conferences on Examination of Conscience, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction, lunch. Cost: \$15. Reserve seating only. Call 782-5440.

**DCCW SPRING DEANERY MEETING** Mon, Mar 19, 7:00, St. Peter's Parish, Middle Ridge. Speaker: Herb Heili. Topic: Organ Donation. Herb is a heart transplant recipient and is engaged in the awareness and value of organ donation.

**PART-TIME LINE COOK** position available at Culina Mariana. Weekdays. Applications at the Shrine.

**LACROSSE L'ARCHE INITIATIVE** is a faith-filled community project to establish an adult family home for people with developmental disabilities. There will be a workshop with a light supper March 20, 4:30-7:30 at St. Joseph the Workman Undercroft. Hosts; Sue Gilbert and Tom Thibideau. RSVP by March 15 to Sue Gilbert at 784-8122 or [shg@centurytel.net](mailto:shg@centurytel.net).

**ADOPTION INFORMATION** meeting, sponsored by Catholic Charities, will be held Tues, March 27, 6:00, South Community Public Library, 1307 South 16<sup>th</sup> St. Topics: options for adoption, length of time involved, fees, agency infant program, and international adoption programs. For more information or to make a reservation call Rhea Newman at 782-0710, ext 210, or 608-769-1493.

**MINIATURE REPLICA OF POPE JOHN PAUL II** memorial sculpture by Timothy Schmalz can be seen in the parish office. Copies may be purchased. April 2 is the anniversary of the Holy Father's death. Sculpture cost: \$40.

**MOTORCOACH TOUR OF WASHINGTON DC**, sponsored by the Catholic Order of Foresters, April 17-23. Details in the Parish Office.

**Needed for Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday  
Eucharistic Ministers, Servers, Readers, Ushers  
Call the Parish Office at 782-2953**