

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

130 Losey Boulevard S. La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601

Father David Olson, Pastor

Father Edmund Donkor-Baine, Associate Pastor

July 27, 2008

## SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

Most needed supplies:

Crayola markers and colored pencils

#2 pencils

Spiral notebooks

Elmer's glue and glue sticks

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### MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm

Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am

Monday – Saturday 7:30 am

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Saturday after 7:30 am Mass & 3:30-4:00

Confessions heard in church; other times by appointment

### EVENING PRAYER DAILY WITH BENEDICTION ON WEDNESDAYS

5:15 *in the Adoration Chapel*

Contact the Parish Office to join the parish, to arrange for a wedding (6 months in advance), and for Baptism 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.

**July 27, 2008**  
**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Notes from the Pastor

Yes, with the ceremony this past Sunday at the 10:00 Mass I am now officially the Pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish. Practically there isn't much difference in having my title change from "Administrator" to "Pastor" but it is an indication that, as Monsignor Gilles told folks at the Mass, you are going to be stuck with me for a while. But, I think it seems a pretty good fit.

It was good to welcome Fr. Francis back to Blessed Sacrament. A number of parishioners met him at the airport to welcome him. Fr. Francis will be with us for about a month working to finish writing his masters degree thesis. Save the dinner invitations and come join Fr. Francis on Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> for dinner in the Parish Center. This will be a great way to give Fr. Francis a chance to explain, just one time, the work he is now doing in India. Look for more details in the near future.

I will be gone the week of July 27<sup>th</sup> to Mundelein Seminary to make use of their theological library to do research for my doctoral thesis. Fr. Edmund will be having Masses during the week.

Work is being done on portions of the school building roof, and work will get underway in the next couple of weeks for the steps of the church and to replace the older windows in the school building. Maintenance is, obviously, a never ending task.

Let us pray for one another.

**ANGELS OF MERCY**

If you or someone you know is seriously ill, facing surgery, or needs prayers, please let us know by calling 782-2953. Our Angels of Mercy Prayer Group is ready to lend their spiritual support.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**July 28 – August 3, 2008**

Mon, July 28 Weekday

7:30 **+Bernard Volz (Anniv.)**  
Servers: Bill Chamberlain

Tues, July 29 Martha

7:30 **+Timothy Skemp**  
Servers: Dick Meyer

Wed, July 30 Weekday, Peter Chrysologus

7:30 **+Paul & Martha Brom**  
Servers: Jason Hutzler  
5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction  
Server: John Soldner

Thurs, July 31 Ignatius of Loyola

7:30 **+Jack & Phil Knothe**  
Server: Joe Cambio, Kellan Doberstein

Fri, August 1 Alphonsus Liguori

7:30 **Intention of Jim & Millie Finn**  
**Wedding Anniversary**  
Servers: Maria Franke, Courtney Frick

Sat, August 2 Weekday, Eusebius, Peter Julian Eymard, BVM

7:30 **Intentions of Dave & Betty Hammes**  
**64<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**  
**Dave's 89<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
Servers: Alyssa Johnson, Lucy Wiggert

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, August 2

**4:30 +The Rybarczyk family**

MC: Pete Fiorini  
Servers: Kate Riley, Erin Roop, Claire Craig  
Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders  
Petitions: Helen Kirch  
Eucharist: Cheryl & Tom Horvath, Tom & Ann Gees, Marilyn Holland  
Ushers: Harlan Wills, Tony Flottmeyer, Allan Fukuda, David Sweeney  
Offering family: The Ted & Sheila Riley Family

Sun, August 3

**8:00 For the People of the Parish**

MC: Mike Vanderploeg  
Servers: John Paul Soldner, Nathan Schneider, Matt Brannon, John Brennan  
Readers: Joe Durst, Mary Ritter  
Petitions: Stephanie Koehne  
Eucharist: Helen Flynn, Pat Lyga, Jean Kachel, Kathleen Hanson, Lance Olson  
Ushers: Adolph Szymkowiak, Bill Chamberlain, Bob Kachel, Thomas Keil  
Offering family: Earl & Lucille Newton

**10:00 +Jeanette Collins**

MC:  
Servers: Bob Kachel, Taylor Donskey, Luke Riley, Luke Schuttenhelm  
Readers: Dave Weinberger, Kris Gerke  
Petitions: Anna Soldner  
Eucharist: Jim Kroner, Gene Kolaczowski, Kathy Hancock, Craig Sallander, Nick Nicks  
Ushers: Tom Oney, Terry Felt, Al Klein, John Honeck  
Offering family: Matthew & Jennifer Cambio family

## AROUND THE PARISH

### SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

**Most needed items: crayola markers and colored pencils, Elmer's glue and sticks, #2 pencils, spiral notebooks.**

**Our Parish Council Peace and Justice Committee will be on hand to collect your donated new items to be given to the needy of our community.**

You might consider using \$crip to get in on the great stock up sales going on this week.

(If shopping at Office Depot mention our school's ID #70109223; the school will receive 5% of your purchase amount. That's good "double dipping.")

### PARKING ON LOSEY

**Parking is at a premium along Losey. This is a very handy spot for dropping off and picking up folks who have a hard time walking a distance. Please use it for parking ONLY if you have no other way to get into church from the parking lot across King Street.**

**Thanks!**

### GOLF OUTING & FALL SOCIAL

Mike Watunya is chairing this year's event.

Date: Sunday, Sept 7. If you'd like to help out with planning, organizing, and running the events, give Mike a call at 788-9798.

### CALLING ALL CENSUS FORMS

**FILL OUT YOUR CENSUS FORM SENT WITH YOUR BI-YEARLY STATEMENT LAST MONTH. DROP IT OFF IN THE COLLECTION BOX OR BASKET AT MASS OR MAIL IT TO THE PARISH OFFICE.**

**IN CASE YOU MISPLACED THE FORM YOU MAY PICK ONE UP IN THE OFFICE OR IN THE BACK OF CHURCH.**

### GREEN THUMBS NEEDED

The pretty flowers on our parish grounds need tending: dead-heading, etc. Call the office at 782-2953 if you can lend a hand.

### REST IN PEACE

**Joseph Potaracke, Sr.  
Father of Debbie Verse**

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009

Needed each week: \$17,400.00

Received 7/20: \$11,528.00

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*The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one often comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won't.*

### COMING UP

Aug 4-10 Our week for Mobile Meals

Aug 10 Dinner with Father Francis

Aug 6 Women's Club meeting, 9:45 am.

Sept 7 Parish Golf Outing & Fall Social

### MUSIC NOTES

**SUMMER CHOIR** Mark Earleywine leads a summer choir at the 4:30 Saturday Mass every other Saturday. We will sing again Sat, Aug 2. Come at 4:00 to practice.

**HANDBELL CHOIR** is making a joyous sound. **We welcome more handbell ringers.** The ability to read music is not necessary. All ages are welcome. Questions? Call Mark at 397-7210.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will sing at the 10:00 Mass next Sunday and practice Saturday at 9:30-10:15. Children in grade school, come join us!

### \$crip News

Vacationing in August? Remember to stock up on gas cards.

It's great to know that even though the bill is high, a percentage goes toward education expenses.

### SCHOOL WINDOWS

Would you like to help fund replacement windows in the older section of school? Cost: \$609 a piece.

### MARTHA'S MEALS

*Do you know someone from our parish in need of meals due to family illness, surgery, new baby...? Please contact Natalie Bennett if you know someone who would benefit from home-cooked meals for a temporary period, or if you'd like to be a volunteer cook. Her phone number is 788-4711.*

### SAVE THE DATE

*Sunday, August 10*

*Parish Dinner with Father Francis*

*Details next week*

*Everyone is invited*

## Parish Finance Council Meeting July 15, 2008

Fr. Olson opened the meeting with a prayer. Present were Jerry Borreson, Mark Chamberlain, Joe Melde, Cheryl Pearse and Susan Fukuda. Fr. Olson gave an update on both the WBTC Campaign (under target by \$369,078.17) and the Annual Appeal (over target by \$93,501.68). Mark Chamberlain gave an end of the fiscal year report and will be providing a summary for the new parish directory.

Jerry Borreson, of the Building & Grounds committee, reported that 34 windows in the school will be replaced starting July 29.

Bill Kratt reported that options for replacement of the church steps are being considered with the work to be done as soon as possible.

Bequests and memorials since the last meeting totaled \$335. Susan reported that we have sold over \$417,800 worth of Scrip so far since January 1 with a profit of over \$17,000. More families are realizing the value in purchasing Scrip for tuition credit.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

**HELPERS NEEDED AT PLACE OF GRACE** on Thursdays to cook supper, provide hospitality to guests, and clean up after the meal. Contact Ben Kruse, Place of Grace Coordinator, at 782-6224, or 386-7680, or email [bmkruse@gmail.com](mailto:bmkruse@gmail.com).

**LIVING WITH DIABETES** presentation Tues, Aug 12, 9:30-noon, Southside Neighborhood Center, 1300 S 6<sup>th</sup> St. Preregister by Aug 11 by calling 775-4717. \$5 registration fee. Light refreshments will be served.

**INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT THE DIACONATE?** There will be an information night Aug 5, 5:30-8:00, St. Joseph's Parish, 507 Main St., Black River Falls. Supper will be served. If married, please bring your wife, also. Call 791-2664 to register. Men must be at least 35 years of age. For more information on the diaconate visit [www.dioceseoflacrosse.com](http://www.dioceseoflacrosse.com), click on "Offices and Ministries," then "Permanent Diaconate." Two excellent Vatican documents on the formation, life and ministry of the permanent deacon can be found at <http://www.cin.org/docs/deacon98.html>.

**GOING TO COLLEGE? KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS?** A new Catholic website, [www.goingtocollege.org](http://www.goingtocollege.org), has information about campus ministry at Wisconsin schools. It's a great way to meet people and experience the prayer, service, and social events that campus ministry offers.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**, will take place Feb 8-18, 2009. For information contact one of the pilgrimage leaders, Fr. Robert Schaller, 526-4424 or [seasfrschaller@charter.net](mailto:seasfrschaller@charter.net), or Fr. Kevin Louis, 715-344-6115 or [www.saintpetercatholic.com](http://www.saintpetercatholic.com).

**RAFFLE** for 2 tickets for the pilgrimage (or \$5789 cash) are on sale at St. Elizabeth's (526-4424). \$25 each or 3 for \$50. Only 2000 tickets will be sold. Drawing on Aug 3.

**BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS** matches children with caring adult mentors to share time, experiences, friendship and fun. You can be a positive role model and friend to a young person who needs caring adults in his/her life. Call 782-2227 for more information.

**ROAD TO RECOVERY** Can you help drive cancer patients to and from their needed treatments? Contact CAUSEWAY at 784-4517 if you can help out.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Join this unprecedented campaign: 40 days of prayer, public witness, and fasting to end abortion in our world. Date: Sept 24 – Nov 2. For more information go to [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com).

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

*The Coffee Club* meets 2 Wed am's at Schumacher Kish. Call June at 782-1252 for details.

*Caring for Each other* meets weekly at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, West Ave & Cass. Call 784-4248 for info.

### RIDGE HISTORY FEST

1 MILE WEST OF Middle Ridge on Hwy 33

Sun, July 27, 12-4:00 pm

Refreshments & food, fellowship, door prizes

### ELIZA-FEST

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish, Holmen

Sunday, August 3

11:30-5:30 live music, great food, fun for all!!!