

Blessed Sacrament Parish

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Father David Olson, Pastor

June 1, 2008

NEXT WEEKEND

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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.

June 1, 2008
9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK
June 2 - 8

Dear Parishioners:

For the Corpus Christi Procession last Sunday well over 200 people joined in walking in procession and giving witness to our Catholic belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. While this year's procession was not very long, only about 20 minutes, this proved to be an excellent opportunity to give public witness to our faith. What a truly wonderful spirit we have here at Blessed Sacrament Parish. We walked and sang and, following Benediction from the steps of the Church, we enjoyed cookies and donuts in the Parish Center. My thanks to the many people who helped in putting together a very well attended and spirited procession and in arranging for the refreshment afterward. My thanks, also, to the Knights of Columbus who joined us at the 10:00 a.m. Mass and for the procession. Finally, my thanks to the many parishioners who joined in the procession. We will do this again next year to honor Christ among us.

In June we will have a food drive coordinated by the Social Justice committee of the Parish Council and the Totus Tuus summer program for young people from our parish and neighboring parishes. On the Diocesan level, Priest Unity Days will be held June 8-10 with a gathering of all the priests of the Diocese here in La Crosse, and the end of June will be the ordination of three new priests for our Diocese. Please pray for them and let us, as always, pray for one another.

SERVERS – We have openings for you during the summer. If you would like to serve at a 7:30 Mass on Thurs, Fri, or Sat, please call Pauline Connell at 782-2953 or email her at musiconlosey@yahoo.com. so you can get on the list. Thanks!!

STOP ABORTION AND SUPPORT FAMILY LIFE
Mass intention for a novena of Masses in First Saturdays from Oct to June. The June Mass will be Sat, June 7, 7:30, at St. James. Everyone is invited to participate and pray for these intentions. Sponsored by the La Crosse Deanery DCCW.

Mon, June 2 Weekday, Peter & Marcellinus

7:30 **+Augie & Marguerite Grams**

Servers: Bill Chamberlain

Tues, June 3 Charles Lwanga & companions

7:30 **Intention of Michael Nix**

Servers: Pete Fiorini

Wed, June 4 Weekday

7:30 **+Mary & Charles Stellick**

Servers: Jason Hutzler

9:00 **+Kent Lawrence**

5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction

Server: Nathan Schneider

Thurs, June 5 Boniface

7:30 **+Phil Knothe**

Servers: Emilie Steingraeber, Clare Roop

Fri, June 6 Weekday, Norbert

7:30 **+Walt & Mary Pust**

Servers: Maria Franke, Claire Craig

Sat, June 7 Weekday, BVM

7:30 **+Bernice Oliver**

Servers: Kellan Doberstein, Sam Scheidt

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, June 7

4:30 +Ann Austin

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Grace Riley, Claire Craig, Anna Schuttenhelm

Readers: Steve & Marian Pavela

Petitions: Cassie Steele

Eucharist: Ed Maroon, Mary Ann Bradley, Loretta Clarkin, Susan Fukuda, Chris Papke

Ushers: Wayne Levi, Walt Susdorf, Allan Fukuda, Dave Sweeney

Offering family: Dale & Priscilla Reinhart

Sun, June 8

8:00 +Desmond (Scotty) Harris

MC: William Arnold

Servers: Jason & Zach Hutzler, Connor Rademacher, Derek Craig

Readers: Bob Skemp, Ruth Vanderploeg

Petitions: Maggie Clements

Eucharist: Carol Melde, Mike Vanderploeg, Florence Koenig, Dave Allen, Frank Nevelle

Ushers: Pat Cavadini, Joe Sweeney, Lloyd Koenig, John Gallagher

Offering family: Ruth & Mike Vanderploeg

10:00 For the People of the Parish

MC: Dave Allen

Servers: Luke Riley, Mark Vach, Taylor Donskey, Bobby Kachel

Readers: Scott Doberstein, Mark Steingraeber

Petitions: Elise Flottmeyer

Eucharist: Betty Roth, David & Trish Coriden, Kathy Curti, Carolyn Steingraeber, Caryl Doberstein

Ushers: John Sullivan, Jim Kroner, Si Schaub, Tom Richert

Offering family: Dean & Maxine Rink & family

ADORATION CHAPEL open daily. Drop by any time to visit with The Lord. It's a great destination for a summer walk.

AROUND THE PARISH

FOOD DRIVE NEXT WEEKEND

Did you know that 39% of the La Crosse area school children are eligible for free or reduced price lunch? Imagine the burden on families during the summer when this program is not available. Our Parish Council's Social Justice Committee will head up a food drive next weekend. Bring a big bag of whatever groceries you know a family can use. All food will be delivered to area pantries where the shelves are almost bare.

CHRISTMAS FAIR PLANNING MEETING
Wednesday, June 4, 9:00

Parish Center Conference Room
ALL BOOTH CHAIRPEOPLE ARE NEEDED!
Some wonderful new ideas are brewing!
Questions? Contact Chief Elf, Karen Perry,
at 788-1546.

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS CHANGE
The Parish Office will be CLOSED on Friday afternoons during the summer months.

Lynn Donskey
For assembling the new server schedule.

WIDOWS AND WIDOWERS GROUP
Dinner at Seven Bridges Restaurant
Tues, June 10, 6 pm
Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667
Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917

WELCOME
Bob & Jean Skemp
Carliegh, Camille, Stephanie
& Robert III

Confession schedule
Saturdays after the 7:30 Mass,
3:30-4:00 pm, and by appointment.
NO Confessions Wednesday evenings.

PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008
Needed each week: \$17,400.00
Received 5/25: \$12,360.00
Budget 48 weeks
Needed: \$835,200.00
Received: \$768,954.00

Our Parish's fiscal year ends on June 30.
Please check your records and bring your Fair Share giving up to date. Thanks.

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If you hear that someone is speaking ill of you, instead of trying to defend yourself, you should say, "He obviously does not know me very well since there are so many other faults he could have mentioned."
Epictectus

COMING UP

June 7 Rectory Garage Sale, 9-12:00
June 7/8 Food Drive sponsored by the Social Justice Committee of the Parish Council.
June 9-15 Mobile Meals week for Bl. Sac.
June 10 Widows & Widowers, Seven Bridges, 6 pm
June 14/15 Fr. Sebastian here for weekend Masses
June 14 Rummage Sale
June 22-27 Totus Tuus

MUSIC NOTES

SUMMER CHOIR Mark Earleywine will lead a summer choir at the 4:30 Saturday Mass every other Saturday through Aug. Anyone who enjoys singing is welcome to join the choir for any or all Masses. Come at 4:00 to practice the music for the Mass at 4:30. The first date to sing will be June 7.

HANDBELL CHOIR will resume practicing on Mon, June 16. **We are looking for more handbell ringers.** The ability to read music is not necessary. All ages are welcome. Questions? Call Mark at 397-7210.

8:00 CHOIR will sing at the 8:00 Mass each week. We invite everyone who loves to sing to join us.

Two ways to help out

We will be installing apparatus for the hard of hearing in church. A system which includes a transmitter and 4 receivers plus ear-pieces will cost about \$850 installed.

During the warm humid summer months it is best to keep the wine and altar breads for Mass in a refrigerator. If you can help fund these needs, please write a check to the parish.

Thanks in advance.

FATHER IS DOING A LITTLE SPRING CLEANING
Saturday, June 7, 9-12:00

Rectory Garage Sale

Sets of dishes, dining room chairs, other small furniture, pictures and frames, Mission Oak rocking chair, miscellaneous household items. Come and shop, or come and help. Call the office at 782-2953 to volunteer.

TOTUS TUUS

June 22-27

TOTUS TUUS is a Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and Catholic teachings with youngsters during a special week of activities, learning, celebration of Mass, and fun. Cost is \$20 for the entire week. Grade schoolers meet Mon-Fri, 9:00-3:00 with Mass celebrated daily. They need to bring a sack lunch. Middle and high schoolers meet Sun through Thurs, 7:30-9:30. We will need volunteer helpers during the day and during lunch time. To register, volunteer to help, or for further information call Pauline Connell at 782-2953.

PROCESSION AND MASS WITH BISHOP LISTECKI AT OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, JUNE 7, PROCESSION BEGINNING ON THE FRONT STEPS AT 11:00; MASS AT NOON; REFRESHMENTS FOLLOWING YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO FAST FROM MIDNIGHT UNTIL AFTER MASS AS A MEANS OF REPARATION FOR THE SINS RESULTING FROM THE CONTRACEPTIVE MENTALITY AND FOR THE CONVERSION OF MANY TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS PLANNED AND SPONSORED BY LIFEVOICE

CANCER BENEFIT FOR SUZANNE HUNDT Sunday, June 1, 1-5:00, Seven Bridges Restaurant in Onalaska. Food, silent auction, live music.

COME, FOLLOW DAYS at Mater Redemptoris Convent, for girls considering the consecrated life. 4th-6th graders Mon, June 9, 10:00 – Tues, June 10, 3:00
7th – 10th graders Wed, June 11, 10:00 – Thurs, June 12, 3:00.
Discernment Retreat for women 17 – 30 years old Fri, June 6, 5 pm – Sun, June 8, 1 pm.
Contact Sister Stephanie, 788-4530 or email snewell@dioceseoflacrosse.com.

MARDI REX AND QUEEN NOMINATIONS FOR 2009 must be submitted by June 8 to Mike & Denise Kachel. Nominees should be active in the parish and community and support Catholic education.

BLOOD DRIVE at the Cathedral June 2, 12:45-5:45. Call 782-0322 for an appointment. Sponsored by the BloodCenter of Wisconsin.

Parish Finance Council Meeting May 27, 2008

Fr. Olson opened the meeting with a prayer. Present were Jerry Borreson, Mark Chamberlain, Tim Hall, Bob Kelemen, Bill Kratt, Joe Melde, and Susan Fukuda. Fr. Olson gave an update on both the WBTC Campaign (under target by \$374,105.81) and the Annual Appeal (over target by \$93,271.68). Mark Chamberlain reported that income toward our projected budget is ahead because of special gifts but behind in weekly envelope giving. Currently we have about 78% of the parish supporting 100% of the member families.

Jerry Borreson, of the Building & Grounds committee, reported on the committee's progress in prioritizing needed repairs and maintenance for the church building, parish center and rectory. Lighting in the sanctuary will be updated as soon as the materials arrive.

Bill Kratt reported estimates on school building repairs and updates are still coming in and a complete report will be available soon.

Bequests and memorials since the last meeting totaled \$1,137.50. Susan reported that we sold over \$180,000 worth of Scrip so far since March 1.

The meeting ended with a prayer.

My heartfelt gratitude to all of you who made my participation in the International Congress/Pilgrimage possible. The days were filled with enriching presentations by Cardinals, Archbishops, Bishops, consecrated virgins, celebrations of the Divine Office, Holy Mass, and visits to sacred places in Rome. Our Holy Father even met with us for a half hour Thursday, May 15, in one of the smaller audience halls, a grace indeed! Your intentions were remembered in my prayers during those days.
Gratefully, Barb Swieciak