

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

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## MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 and 10:00 am  
Monday – Saturday 7:30 am

## CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 7:00 pm  
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.

**MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 24, 7:00 PM  
ALL MEN OF THE PARISH ARE INVITED!**

**March 23, 2008**  
**Resurrection of the Lord**

*“Easter is the feast of feasts, the unalloyed joy and gladness of all Christians.*

*[I]f it is right to praise You, Lord, at all times, how much more so should we not glorify You on this day when Christ our Passover was sacrificed, for He is the true Lamb who took away the sins of the world, who by His Death destroyed our death and by His Resurrection restored our life. Easter means, then, Redemption obtained — sin destroyed, death overcome, divine life brought back to us, the resurrection of our body which is promised immortality. With such a certitude, we should banish all trace of sadness.” Catholicculture.org, Easter Day*

Easter Joy to all of you, dear Parishioners.

Thank you to those many people who helped to make our celebrations of this Holy Week special. Pauline Connell and the musicians and cantors, Mark Earlywine and the choirs, bells and voices; the Sacred Worship committee of the Pastoral Council, Pete Fiorini, Karen Perry, Mike Vanderploeg, and many others who helped decorate the church and plan much of our celebrations. Thank you to the Masters of Ceremony, servers, sacristan helpers, readers, and the church cleaning crew, under the direction of Marie Allen, who helped to make our church sparkle a bit more. And, thank you to all those who brought a variety of beautiful flowers to help decorate the church.

Truly this is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.

Reminders to those who minister at Mass  
\*Be sure to check in with the Master of Ceremonies when you arrive.  
\*Offering families, please wait to bring the bread and wine to Father until he walks to the steps. This gives the Master of Ceremonies time to prepare the altar.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**Mar 24 - 30**

Mon, Mar 24 Easter Monday

7:30 **+Marjorie Panico**  
Servers: Courtney Frick, Lucy Wiggert

Tues, Mar 25 Easter Tuesday

7:30 **+Jack & Phil Knothe**  
Servers: Grace VonRuden, Louise Hauptert

Wed, Mar 26 Easter Wednesday

7:30 **+Lillian Wagner**  
Servers: Danielle Langlie, Michelle Jacobs  
9:00 **+Robert Partridge**  
Servers: Nick Meddaugh, Evan Dolan  
5:15 **EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION**  
Server: John Paul Soldner

Thurs, Mar 27 Easter Thursday

7:30 **Intention of Don Kirby**  
**80<sup>th</sup> Birthday**  
Servers: Alex Harris, Zach Snyder

Fri, Mar 28 Easter Friday

7:30 **+Edward Landskron**  
Servers: Claire Trussoni, Aly Steingart

Sat, Mar 29 Easter Saturday

7:30 **+Michelle Werner**  
Servers: Sam Scheidt, Henry Sayner

Second Sunday of Easter

Sat, Mar 29

4:30 **+Margaret Lang**  
Servers: Mary Dolan, Katie Kachel, Kelly Kroner  
MC: Pete Fiorini  
Readers: John & Elizabeth Lyon  
Petitions: Emily Walker  
Eucharist: Walt Susdorf, Luci Johnson, Cheryl Pearse, Ruth Wills, Marilyn Holland  
Offering family: Tom & Ann Gees

Sun, Mar 30

8:00 **For the People of the Parish**  
Servers: Michael Guggenbuehl, Nathan & Carson Schneider, Kyle Sieck  
MC: Mike Vanderploeg  
Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders  
Petitions: Helen Kirch  
Eucharist: Mary & Lou Ritter, Bill Chamberlain, Karen Perry, Pat Lyga  
Offering family: Don & Lorna Kirby

10:00 **+Mary Kimmet**

Servers: Tony & David Linhart, Mark Steingraeber, Gus Wiggert  
MC: Jason Hutzler  
Readers: Luke/Ted Riley, Dale Kusmitch  
Petitions: Claire Donskey  
Eucharistic: Marianne Pittman, Mary Ellen Robertson, Mary Ann Brownell, Barb & Terry Felt  
Offering family: Richard & Candy Pearse & family

EVENING PRAYER WITH BENEDICTION  
Wednesdays, 5:15, Adoration Chapel

## ***AROUND THE PARISH***

### **MEN OF THE PARISH**

**COME TO OUR MARCH MEETING ON MONDAY,  
THE 24<sup>TH</sup>, 7 PM.  
BRING A FRIEND, YOUR SMILE, AND YOUR  
IDEAS.**

### **THE SENIOR DINNER**

Hosted by the Confirmation Candidates & helpers  
Saturday, March 29  
5:30 in our Parish Center  
Food, fun, games, no dishes

*Call 782-2953 to reserve your spot.*

### **PARISH OFFICE CLOSED MONDAY, MARCH 24**

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

St. James Parish invites everyone to join in celebrating  
Divine Mercy Sunday March 30. Our Lord promised  
oceans of blessings to those who participate.  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, noon  
Rosary prayed hourly  
Confessions, 2:30  
Divine Mercy Devotions, 2:45, ending with Benediction

*Happy 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday*  
**Alvera Meir**

### **WHITE ELEPHANT GIFTS NEEDED**

**Drop off your dandy "white elephants" (re-gifting is  
OK) in the box in the Narthex of church. The gifts  
will be used at the Senior Dinner March 29. Gifts  
may be wrapped or unwrapped. Thanks!**

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS**  
Wednesday, March 26, 6:30-7:45

## ***PARISH SUPPORT***

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008

Needed each week: \$17,400.00  
Received 3/16 \$15,808.00

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'Tis better to be silent and thought a fool, than to speak and  
remove all doubt.

-Abraham Lincoln

### **COMING UP**

Mar 24 Parish Office CLOSED  
Mar 24 Men's Club meeting, 7 pm  
Mar 29 Senior Dinner hosted by Confirmandi  
Mar 30 Divine Mercy Sunday  
Apr 20 First Communion at 10:00 Mass  
Apr 27 Cornish Hen dinner  
May 5 Confirmation, 7 pm Mass

### **MUSIC NOTES**

**ADULT CHOIR** will NOT practice Thursday.  
**8:00 CHOIR** will sing at the 8:00 Mass each week. We  
invite everyone who loves to sing to join us.

### *\$crip News*

If you call the office, 782-2953, or email us at  
**BLESSEDSACRAMENT@centurytel.net** by noon  
Friday with your \$scrip order, we will have your cards in  
an envelope waiting for you when you come to Mass on  
the weekend. This surely will speed up the \$scrip desk  
operation and lighten the load of the \$scrip seller.

### **WELCOME**

**Adam & Melissa Walbrun**

### **PICTURES FROM FATHER FRANCIS'S GOOD-BYE PARTY**

*Pictures taken at the reception are available for you to  
have. They are in the Parish Office. There is no cost, but  
your generous gift to a Food Pantry would be  
appreciated. If you have questions, call Margaret  
Cunningham at 782-3885.*

**Knight of the Month**  
**KC Council 839**  
**Denis Kuennen**

## Parish Finance Council Meeting March 18, 2008

Fr. Olson opened the meeting with a prayer. Present were Jerry Borreson, Mark Chamberlain, Tim Hall, Bob Kelemen, Bill Kratt, Cheryl Pearse, and Susan Fukuda. Fr. Olson also gave an update on both the WBTC Campaign (under target by \$384,135.81) and the Annual Appeal (over target by \$90,271.68). Mark Chamberlain reported that monies received so far are over our projected budget. This reflects income from monies over our target amount received from the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Regular envelope giving for the year is slightly below the projected budget.

Fr. Olson reported that the Diocese has transferred legal title of all Blessed Sacrament properties, including the school building, to Blessed Sacrament Parish Corporation. Because CCS is using the school building, but Blessed Sacrament owns the building, the parish is in the process of assessing the maintenance needs of the building as well as negotiating a lease agreement with the Coulee Catholic Schools system. Bill Kratt gave a report of the maintenance needs of the building. Further work needs to be done to determine which maintenance and capital expenditures must be made and which may be deferred.

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. Among the repairs discussed was the lighting in the sanctuary, as it appears there may be a short in the lighting, which must be addressed.

Bequests and memorials since the last meeting totaled \$10,385. Susan reported that we sold over \$55,000 worth of Scrip during the month of February!

The only item of new business was a discussion of Parish Center fees. The Pastoral Council had asked that this be re-visited by the Finance Council. The Finance Council reviewed the current fees and unanimously agreed to maintain the fee schedule as it is currently.

### AQUINAS BOOSTER CLUB ITALIAN DINNER & AUCTION

Saturday, April 5. Dinner 6-7:30, silent auction 5:30-9:15, live auction 8-9:00, music 9:00 until midnight

Dinner tickets \$10.00, available at Aquinas, no charge for admission to auction

4 raffles throughout the evening

### SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR POPE BENEDICT

In preparation for his visit to the United States and for his birthday on April 16, Bishop ListECKI encourages everyone, young and old, to offer a Spiritual Bouquet for our Holy Father. Bishop ListECKI will give Pope Benedict a card listing our prayers and sacrifices. You and your family can participate by praying and listing the number of those prayers; drop off that list at the parish office or email it to [sskemp@dioceseoflacrosse.com](mailto:sskemp@dioceseoflacrosse.com) by Tues, April 8. Some prayers you might include: Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Apostles' Creed, Rosaries, Litanies, making a holy hour, attending Mass, sacrifices.

**ETHICS OF TERMINAL SEDATION** public lecture Thurs, April 3, 7 pm, Viterbo Fine Arts main theatre. Presenter: Daniel Sulmasy, Director of the Bioethics Institute of N.Y. Medical College. Sponsored by the La Crosse Guild of the Catholic Medical Association.

*Happy Birthday, Father Francis, on April 19.*

*If you would like to include a card or birthday wish for Father, drop it off in the Parish Office by Fri, April 4, so it can be included with a packet from our Parish.*