

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

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.

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Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

Notes from the Pastor

Dear Parishioners:

Elections

I write this the day after the election of the President. We offer our prayers for the newly elected President and for all those who have been elected to lead our country. Regardless of whomever any of us voted for, we are meant to work together for the good of the country and the common good of all. In this parish, of course, we also have a common uniting factor in our Catholic faith.

We trust all things to the Divine Providence. God is, after all, God and he rules all things making them work to the benefit of his faithful people. We keep our eyes on Jesus and on the guidance of the Church which he established. The task of each one of us, and as a parish, is to remain faithful to God and to His Son Jesus, seeking in all things the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Veterans Day

This coming week we celebrate Veterans' Day, November 11. Originally this began as Armistice Day marking the end of WW I but it has become a day to remember that there are brave men and women among us who have given much to defend freedom and to promote it in the world. Sincere thanks to those who have served or are serving in our armed forces.

Deacon candidates

Our Parish has the wonderful privilege of having two men who are studying and preparing to become ordained as Deacons in our church. These two men are Jason Hutzler and David Allen. One of the steps along the way to become deacons is for them to formally be installed as Lectors in the church by the Bishop. This will be done on November 15 at St. Joseph Cathedral at the 5:10 p.m. Mass. Anticipatory congratulations to Dave and Jason.

Evening Prayer and Benediction
Wednesdays, 5:15
Adoration Chapel

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

November 10 - 16, 2008

This week's reader: Mary Ann Bradley
Communion Minister: Lou Ritter

Mon, Nov 10 Leo the Great

7:30 **+Grace Maney (Anniv.)**

Servers: Dick Meyers

Tues, Nov 11 Martin of Tours

7:30 **+Leo & Marguerite Schneider**

Servers: Pete Fiorini

Wed, Nov 12 Josaphat

7:30 **+Joseph Robertson, Sr. (Anniv.)**

Servers: Jason Hutzler

9:00 **+Don Hefti**

5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction

Server: Riley Campbell

Thurs, Nov 13 Frances Xavier Cabrini

7:30 **+Dave, Mary & John Boland**

Servers: Maria Franke, Tyler Ebner

Fri, Nov 14 Weekday

7:30 **+Margaret Schubert**

Servers: Evan Dolan, Kellan Doberstein

Sat, Nov 15 Weekday, Albert the Great, BVM

7:30 **+Lauretta Jahimiak**

Servers: Claire Craig, Joe Cambio

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, Nov 15

4:30 +Margaret Maney (Anniv.)

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Katie Kachel, Kristen Sauer, Cassandra Steele

Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders

Petitions: Caroline Kroner

Eucharist: Walt Susdorf, Luci Johnson, Ruth Wills, Don Gilbert, Andy Brannon

Ushers: Ralph Jagodzinski, Mike Watunya, Allan Fukuda, Dave Sweeney

Offering family: Steve & Marian Pavela

Sun, Nov 16

8:00 For the People of the Parish

MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Jason & Zach Hutzler, Patrick & Riley Campbell

Readers: Betty Nelson, Jeff George

Petitions: Bob Steingraeber

Eucharist: Mary & Lou Ritter, Bill Chamberlain, Bernice Lansing, Denis Kuennen

Ushers: Dave Herlitzke, Paul Lyga, Joe Durst, Pat Cavadini

Offering family: Florence & Lloyd Koenig

10:00 +Eleanor Crook

MC: Dave Allen

Servers: Mark Steingraeber, Gus Wiggert, Eric Clements, Peter Coppola

Readers: Jonella Rademacher, Patti Keil

Petitions: Emily Dolan

Eucharist: Marianne Pittman, Mary Ellen Robertson, Mary Ann Brownell, Barb & Terry Felt, Cheryl Pearse

Ushers: Tony Weisse, Tim Desmond, Dan Skaff, Steve Flottmeyer

Offering family: Sandy & Jeff Reinhart & family

AROUND THE PARISH

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS GROUP

Dinner at Famous Dave's
Tuesday, November 11, 6 pm

Contact people: Barb Schmitz, 788-1667
Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917

or

VETERANS' DAY PROGRAM
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11
1:30 IN THE SCHOOL GYM
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND

CHRISTMAS FAIR UPDATE

Cinnamon ornament making, decorating, and packaging party

Thurs, Nov 13, 10 am

Parish Center kitchen

Come, lend a hand!

Questions? Call Bernice Lansing, 793-1972

PARISH ROSARY

Guys, gals, families, all ages:

Join us after the 10:00 Mass, Nov 16, in the school cafeteria.

Bring a dish to pass for a brunch potluck. The Rosary will follow at noon with time for fellowship afterward.

BLANKETS FOR THE HOMELESS

PUT YOUR GOOD CLEAN BLANKETS IN THE BIN IN THE NARTHEX. THE SALVATION ARMY NEEDS THEM BADLY AS THE COLD WEATHER SETS IN. ARE THERE ANY TEENS AND PARENTS WHO COULD DELIVER THE BLANKETS FOR US? CALL SCOTT AT 782-1833 OR MARCIA AT 790-5342.

SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

WELCOME

Gregory & Anne Hlavacka

Charlie, Libby & Christine

Tony & Kelly Lamore

Jeannie David

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

Wed, Nov 12, 6:30-7:45

PARISH SUPPORT

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

Needed each week: \$17,400.00

Received 11/2: \$15,783.00

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Jet planes have passed the speed of sound. Next goal – to attain the speed of gossip.

COMING UP

Nov 11 Finance Council Meeting

Nov 11 Widows & Widowers, Famous Dave's, 6:00

Nov 13 Make and package cinnamon ornaments for Christmas Fair, 10 am

Nov 16 Family Rosary after 10:00 Mass

Nov 19 Make and decorate cut-out cookies for Christmas Fair, 10 am

Nov 22 Christmas Fair, 8:30 – 3:00

Nov 24 Men's Club Meeting, 7 pm

Nov 24-30 Our Parish's week for Mobile Meals

MUSIC NOTES

ADULT CHOIR, (High school age and older) will practice Thursday, 7-8:00, in the choir loft.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (grade school age) will practice Sat, Nov 15 and 22, 9:30-10:15, in the choir loft. The Choir will sing at the 10:00 Mass on Nov. 16, at the Christmas Fair on Nov. 22, and on Christmas Eve at the 4:30 pm Mass. We'd love to have more children join us! Call Pauline at 782-2953.

REST IN PEACE

Mary Crowley

VOLUNTEER GROUP OF THE WEEK

FUNERAL LUNCHEON VOLUNTEERS

Marie Allen	Barb Hafner
Mary Ann Bradley	Jeanette Hammes
Mary Ann Brownell	Rita Johnson
Marjorie Bushek	Mary Kachel
Teresa Callahan	Maureen Kieffer
Yvonne Caplan	Florence Koenig
Marge Chamberlain	Terri Levi
Loretta Clarkin	Carol Melde
Joyce Clason	Nancy Meyer
Bernie Colling	Mary Noelke
Margaret Cunningham	Lucille Newton
Mary Cunningham	Eunice O'Connor
Irm Drier	Marilyn Peterson
Betsy Fowler	Pat Peterson
Erna Gallagher	Mary Ritter
Evelyn Gallagher	Betty Schmitz
Anne Gilbert	Peg Schneider
Bernice Lansing, Coordinator, 793-1972	

THE KING AND I

Performances at Aquinas Fri & Sat, Nov 14 & 15, 7:30, Sun, Nov 16 at 2 pm

Tickets available during the day at the Aquinas office and at the door.

All seating is reserved.

\$8 general admission, \$6 students and senior citizens

AQUINAS OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Olivia Curti

***HOLLY BERRY FAIR** at St. James Nov 15, 9-6:00, & Nov 16, 8:30-11:30.

***CHRISTMAS FAIR** here at Blessed Sacrament, Nov 22, 8:30 - 3:00.

FISH FRY to benefit the Aquinas baseball program Fri, Nov 14, American Legion Post 52, 711 S 6 St, 5:30-7:30. Fish and chicken wings. \$8.00.

BLOOD DRIVE Mon, Nov 17, at the Cathedral. Call 782-0322, ext 0.

THOSE AFFECTED BY SUICIDE A support group will meet at Holy Trinity Nov 19, 7-9:00 pm. For more information call Nancy at 769-5007 or email Mary at marystoy@gmail.com.

PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR Wed, Nov 12, 7-8:30 pm, Reinhart Center at Viterbo U. Speaker: David Stickler. Topics: estate planning and charitable giving. RSVP by Fri, Nov 7, by calling 784-0707 or email monica.herman@couleecatholicschools.org.

ALUMINUM CANS may be dropped off in the Aquinas parking lot bin. Thanks! The Booster Club.

BIRTHRIGHT has openings for special volunteers. Birthright is a free, non-profit emergency pregnancy service. Volunteers offer friendly, non-judgmental information and help to anyone affected by a troubling or unwanted pregnancy. Call 782-0373 to volunteer your time.

CALENDAR RAFFLE for 2009 at St. Pat's Parish. \$25. Daily drawings. Call 783-5535 or stop at the parish office.

ROAD TO RECOVERY For some folks getting to the clinic for cancer treatments is very difficult. If you can help out by driving occasionally please call Causeway at 784-4517. Your help is greatly appreciated.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES offers supportive pregnancy counseling and adoption information and help. Call 1-800-CARE-002 or go to www.cclse.org.

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL HAPPENINGS: Food collection for Place of Grace; honoring veterans and those currently serving in the armed forces; Thanksgiving celebration preparations include making butter, muffins, and pumpkin pie.

***YOUTH RALLY** for Middle and High School students will be held Dec. 20 at St. Elizabeth's, Holmen. Mark your calendar. Music, prayer, fellowship, fun! Cost: \$5.00

***PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE** in Washington DC, Jan 20-24. Open to anyone 13 yrs. old and older. \$235 per person includes motorcoach, 2 nights in hotel, sweatshirt. Full amount due Dec. 1. This is a HUGE rally for life. Don't miss joining with thousands of others at our Nation's Capitol to make your voice heard. For more information contact Sister Stephania at snewell@dioceseoflacrosse.com. Registration form available on the Diocesan website at Youth Ministry Events link.