

# Blessed Sacrament Parish

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October 19, 2008

# MISSION SUNDAY

**LET US HELP THOSE WHO SERVE IN THE MISSIONS**

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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.

**October 19, 2008**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Notes from the Pastor*

We began the Diocesan Annual Appeal two weeks ago. My thanks to the many who have already returned their pledge cards. We are, in fact, off to a very good start. Even though this is "Amen" Sunday for the Annual Appeal, some of you will still be deciding on your contribution to this year's Appeal. Your generosity helps your parish tremendously as the Appeal has taken the place of having to organize a separate parish fund raiser.

On the matter of regular Sunday envelope giving; you will be able to see from the weekly bulletin report, the last few weeks have been particularly slim in giving. I suspect this is probably a result of the uncertain economic times we are in. None the less, the expenses of the parish for heat and electricity and maintenance remain, and the parish does rely on your regular envelope giving to pay the bills.

One very practical thing you can do, which will not cost you anything, but does help us pay our commitments to Catholic education, is to use SCRIP for your purchases of gas, groceries, restaurants, and day to day purchases. In fact, almost anything you need to buy can be purchased using SCRIP. A percentage of what you spend comes to the parish and costs you nothing more than the time it takes to buy SCRIP from the parish before you go shopping.

Parish Pastoral Council elections will be held next weekend, October 25/26. Please look over the list of parishioners who have agreed to serve if elected. They are all well qualified, and we will fill three places on the Parish Council following the voting. The Parish Council serves to advise and assist the pastor in administering the parish, and the Council is one way your voice is represented in decision making for the parish.

Let us pray for one another.

The Church devotes the month of October to the Rosary in order to honor our Blessed Mother in a special way. Come and enjoy the chance to pray for your intentions, those of our parish family and our country. We will gather in the Blessed Sacrament School cafeteria on **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, AT 11 am**. Bring a dish to pass for a potluck brunch. The rosary will follow at noon with time for fellowship afterward. Everyone is welcome! Questions? Call Joe or Barb Clements at 782-5777.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**October 20 - 26, 2008**

This week's reader: Steve Pavela

Communion Minister: Dick Meyer

Mon, Oct 20 Weekday, Paul of the Cross

7:30 **Special Intention**

Servers: Bill Chamberlain

Tues, Oct 21 Weekday

7:30 **+Florence & William Koenig**

Servers: Pete Fiorini

Wed, Oct 22 Weekday

7:30 **+Val Krokowski**

Servers: Jason Hutzler

9:00 **+Blanche Gallagher**

5:15 Evening Prayer & Benediction

Server: John Soldner

Thurs, Oct 23 Weekday, John of Capistrano

7:30 **Intention of Marge & Bill Chamberlain**

**54<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary**

Servers: Riley Campbell, Tyler Ebner

Fri, Oct 24 Weekday, Anthony Mary Claret

7:30 **+Bill Hines**

Servers: Evan Dolan, Maria Franke

Sat, Oct 25 Weekday, BVM

7:30 **+Betty J. Ambrose**

Servers: Danielle Langlie, Claire Craig

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

Sat, Oct 25

**4:30 +Debbie Watunya**

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Kate Riley, Claire Craig, Anna Schuttenhelm

Readers: Gene Kolaczowski, Christine Skemp

Petitions: Caroline Kroner

Eucharist: Mary Ann Bradley, Loretta Clarkin, Susan Fukuda

Don Gilbert, Nancy Padesky

Ushers: Allan Fukuda, David Sweeney, Bill Kroner

Offering family: Donna Cramer & Alison Thimis

Sun, Oct 26

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

MC: Dave Allen

Servers: John Paul Soldner, Derek Craig, Dan Bagniefski,

Jacob Dee

Readers: Tom Kieffer, Steve McGovern

Petitions: Maggie Clements

Eucharist: Carol Melde, Joe Clements, Earl & Lucille Newton,

Jean Kachel

Ushers: Gene Hafner, Robert Schaefer, Adolph Szymkowiak,

Mark Chamberlain

Offering family: Patrick & Ellen Cavadini

**10:00 +Mary Kimmet**

MC: Scott Doberstein

Servers: Eric Clements, Peter Coppola, Joey Francksen,

Josh Lentz

Readers: Jason Hutzler, Bob Kelemen

Petitions: Bob Steingraeber

Eucharist: Deb Gilkes, Mike Hartley, Larry Lee, Jeff & Sandy

Reinhart

Ushers: John Sullivan, Terry Felt, Tom Franke, Joe Dalton

Offering family: Arlen & Eileen Pierce

## AROUND THE PARISH

### MEN'S CLUB MEETING

Mon, Oct 27, 7 pm

Conference Room

Come, one and all!

Speaker: Tom Skemp of the Jail Ministry  
"Ministry of Presence"

### BLANKETS FOR THE HOMELESS

**PUT YOUR GOOD CLEAN BLANKETS IN THE BIN  
IN THE NARTHEX. THEY WILL BE TAKEN TO  
SALVATION ARMY WHERE THEY ARE BADLY  
NEEDED THIS TIME OF YEAR.**

**THANKS.**

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE**

### REST IN PEACE

Bernice Blanchard  
Sister of Mary Weiske

Pauline Gotz  
Sister of Mary Schuttenhelm

A bit of house-keeping needed

\*Someone to vacuum the Parish Center on Mondays.  
\*Folks needed to wash the windows on the Losey side  
of the Parish Center hallway. Supplies supplied.  
Call Susan at 782-2953, ext. 2, for details and pay  
scale (just kidding).

### RUMMAGE SALE COMING UP Nov. 1

Your good re-sale-able items are needed. We'd love  
to have a herd of folks help us set up Thurs and Fri,  
help with the sale and clean up on Sat. Young people  
can earn service hours. Questions? Call Pauline at  
782-2953, ext. 3.

### WELCOME

Jill Jensen  
David & MaryJo Stokes

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1-10

Wed, Oct 15, 6:30-7:45

Students in grades 1-3 will pray the rosary  
together in the side chapel in church at 7:15.  
Families are invited to join them.

## PARISH SUPPORT

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

Needed each week: \$17,400.00

Received 10/12: \$ 8,383.00

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Don't put a question mark where God put a period.

### COMING UP

Oct 19 Mission Sunday  
Oct 22 Christmas Fair Meeting, 9:00  
Oct 25/26 Anniversary Weekend  
Oct 27 Men's Club meeting, 7 pm  
Oct 27 – Nov 2 Our week for Mobile Meals  
Oct 30, 31 Set up for rummage sale, 8 am – 8 pm  
Nov 1 Rummage Sale  
Nov 13 Make and package cinnamon ornaments for  
Christmas Fair, 10 am  
Nov 19 Make and decorate cut-out cookies for  
Christmas Fair, 10 am  
Nov 22 Christmas Fair

### MUSIC NOTES

**ADULT CHOIR**, (High school age and older) will practice  
Thursday, 7-8:00, in the choir loft. The choir will sing at  
10:00 Mass next Sunday.  
**BELL CHOIR** will play at the 4:30 Mass next Sat.

### CHRISTMAS FAIR COMMITTEE MEETING

Wed, Oct 22, 9:00, Conference Rm.

**ALL CHAIR-LADIES are needed!**

### VOLUNTEER GROUP OF THE WEEK

#### READERS OF SCRIPTURE AT MASS

Anna Curtis	Dale Kusmitch	Ted Riley
David Curtis	Elizabeth Lyon	Luke Riley
Scott Doberstein	John Lyon	Christine Skemp
Joe Durst	Steve McGovern	Bob Skemp
Kris Gerke	Betty Nelson	Mark Steingraeber
Jeff George	Marian Pavela	Ruth Vanderploeg
Jason Hutzler	Steve Pavela	Dave Weinberger
Patti Keil	Jeanne Pavela	Mary Ann Bradley
Bob Kelemen	Steven Pavela	Luna Chou
Tom Kieffer	Jonella Rademacher	Gaylord Perry
Gene Kolaczowski		Don Gilbert
LuAnn Kratt	Mary Jo Reinders	Mary Ritter
Tim Hall	Dave Reinders	Earl Newton

Cheryl Pearse, coordinator, 784-3784

**It's not too late to return your Diocesan  
Annual Appeal pledge. Remember, any amount  
raised over the target set by the diocese is returned  
to our parish. It's a great "painless" fund raiser for  
us. God bless your generosity!**

## **CONFIRMATION PREPARATION**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 1:30-4:00, SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE**

**ALL CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND. PARENTS & SPONSORS WELCOME, ALSO.**

**THERE WILL BE A PRESENTATION BY CHRIS ROGERS, DIOCESAN DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY,**

**TOUR OF THE SHRINE CHURCH, STATIONS OF THE CROSS, MEETING WITH YOUR MENTORS, & SNACKS.**

**CALL 782-2953, EXT. 3, WITH THE NUMBER ATTENDING. IF YOU ARE A HIGH SCHOOL SOPHOMORE AND DID NOT RECEIVE A LETTER ABOUT OUR CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PLEASE CONTACT PAULINE AT 782-2953, EXT. 3.**

**GOSPEL FOR LIFE** Celebration Sat, Oct 25, will begin with Mass at 9:00 in our church celebrated by Bishop Listecki. Mary Ann Kuharski, Director of ProLife Across America, will present "Billboards and Babies: Speaking the Truth in Love." A light brunch will follow at 10:30 in the Parish Center.

**"HUMANAE VITAE GOT IT RIGHT"** presentation by Professor Bradford Wilcox, assoc. professor of sociology, U. of Virginia, Wed, Oct 22, 7 pm, Viterbo University Recital Hall. His research focuses on marriage and cohabitation, and on the ways gender, religion and children influence the quality and stability of American family life. Co-sponsored by the Center for Ethics of Viterbo U. and the Diocese of La Crosse.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Join the local group of the national "40 Days for Life" campaign Sept 24 – Nov 2 which includes praying and fasting and public demonstration to end abortion. Sign up at <http://40DaysforLifeLaCrosse.blogspot.com>, or call Angie Hanson at 715-302-8758 for times on Sunday or Monday; Susan Swanke at 608-381-4040 for Tues or Wed times; Marianne Pittman at 782-1304 for Thurs or Fri times; or Sarah Hamus at 715-572-6543. The Lord will bless you for any time you can spare to be a voice for the voiceless!

### ***PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS***

***NEXT WEEKEND***

***See the enclosed flyer***

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING** offers a reliable way to avoid or achieve pregnancy without artificial chemicals or devices. Classes will be offered in the Lang Conference Room at Franciscan Skemp Hospital, 2:30-4:30 on Oct 19, Nov 2, and Nov 23. To obtain more information call 1-800-255-6226 or email: [nfp@dioceseoflacrosse.com](mailto:nfp@dioceseoflacrosse.com).

**RUMMAGE SALE** at the Cathedral Wed-Fri, Oct 22-24.

**PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN KINDERGARTEN THROUGH 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** You are invited to a presentation "Embrace Parenthood: Teaching the Way of Love" Fri, Oct 24, 8:30-10:30 am, at Cathedral School, 13<sup>th</sup> and Ferry. Sponsored by CCS and designed to support parents in building a Christian family and help children develop into healthy, safe, and faith-filled adults. Questions? Contact Patty Gallagher-Kosmatka at 784-0156.

All are invited to a **TOWN HALL MEETING** at the Aquinas Auditorium Wed, Oct 22, 6:30. President of CCS, Kurt Nelson, will explain the many positive changes in the CCS system, discuss the proposed name change to St. Thomas Aquinas, and answer questions.

In conjunction with Father Hardon's "Masters of the Spiritual life" home study course, Father Damian Fehler of the Franciscans of the Immaculate and Rector of the Shrine Church will give an exposition on each of the 7 spiritual masters. The first talk will be Oct 25, 1:15-2:30, at the Shrine Pilgrim Center. All are welcome.

### **FAITH ALIVE FOR THE YEAR OF ST. PAUL**

**Small study groups will be formed using your sign-up sheets and times**

**Deadline is Sunday, Oct 26.**

**Sheets are available in the office and in the narthex of church.**

**We will use *The Greatest of These is Love*, a new resource written by Christopher Ruff. Cost: \$4.00**