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**August 9, 2009**

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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.

**August 2, 2009**  
**18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Dear Parishioners:

I write this on the memorial of St. John Vianney, the Cure of Ars. He is the patron saint of priests and was invoked as model and example by Pope Benedict when he inaugurated the Year of the Priest which began this past June 20<sup>th</sup>. This is the Year of the Priest, and you will hear a lot about that in the coming months. I think, however, it is important to keep what is meant by this in perspective. It is not the celebration of, or for, individual priests. Rather, I believe the Holy Father wanted to emphasize a spiritual renewal by priests, but also and I think, very importantly, it is an acknowledgement of the central role of priesthood in the Catholic Faith.

It is through the priesthood that the Lord established his church and through the priesthood that the sacraments are made available to everyone. The individual priest is merely the instrument through which Christ works, but the priesthood is the method he has chosen to supply us His Body and Blood from the Altar, the Host in the Tabernacle, the anointing of the sick, the forgiveness of sins, the witness for marriage, and the outpouring of grace at baptism. The priesthood is most evident at the Eucharist when the priest repeats Christ's words and makes present again the sacrifice of our Lord. The role of the priest is to bring about this sacrifice on behalf of the people as the priestly identity is always tied to the sacrifice of Jesus who as Eternal Priest freely gave himself for our well being.

Fr. Olson

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS**

*Tuesday, August 11, 6:30 pm*  
*Conference Room*  
*Call 782-2953, ext. 2, to register*

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**Aug 10 - 16, 2009**

Reader: Gaylord Perry

Extr. Minister of Body of Christ: Florence Koenig

Mon, Aug 10 Lawrence

7:30 **+Keith Szymkowiak**

Server: Bill Chamberlain

Tues, Aug 11 Clare

7:30 **+ Thelma Volz**

Server: Pete Fiorini

Wed, Aug 12 Weekday, Jane de Chantal

7:30 **+Raymond & Laretta Jahimiak**

Server: Jason Hutzler

5:15 Evening Prayer and Benediction

Server: John Brennan

Thurs, Aug 13 Weekday, Pontian & Hippolytus

7:30 **Intention of Fran & Greg Sauer**

**32 Wedding Anniversary**

Servers: Joe Cambio, Grant Joslyn

Fri, Aug 14 Weekday, Maximilian Mary Kolbe

7:30 **+Deceased & living members of the**

**Joseph & Mary Ellen Robertson family**

Servers: Claire Craig, Thomas Gallagher

Sat, Aug 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 **Intention of the Edmund Nix family**

Servers: Clare Roop, Emilie Steingraeber

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

Sat, Aug 15

**4:30 +Deceased members of Aquinas High School Class of 1964**

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Anna Schuttenhelm, Claire Craig, Kristen Sauer, Joe Cambio

Readers: David & Anna Curtis

Petitions: Helen Kirch

Eucharist: Walt Susdorf, Ruth Wills, Marilyn Holland, Andy Brannon, Pauline Jagodzinski

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

Offering family: Joe & Natalie Bennett family

Sun, Aug 16

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

MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Jason & Zach Hutzler, Mark & Sam Steingraeber

Readers: Betty Nelson, Jeff George

Petitions: Bobby Steingraeber

Eucharist: Mary Ritter, Bill Chamberlain, Bernice Lansing, Denis Kuennen, Carol Melde

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

Offering family: Tim & Mary Brennan family

**10:00 +Dick & Sally Pearse**

MC:

Servers: Joey Francksen, Riley Reinhart, Josh Alexander, John Paul Soldner

Readers: Jonella Rademacher, Patti Keil

Petitions: Claire Donskey

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

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

Offering family: Chris & Tami Thilges family

## AROUND THE PARISH

### WIDOWS & WIDOWERS GROUP

Supper at Maggie's on Main in Onalaska  
Tues, Aug 11, 6 pm

Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667, or Loretta  
Clarkin, 784-9917

### YOUTH GROUP

7<sup>th</sup> graders through High School

Thursdays, 7:30 pm, Conference Room

On Aug 13 we will have a movie night, 7:30-10 pm.

Questions? Call Jennifer Kulzer, 385-3459.

Blessed Sacrament Women's Bridge Group  
will be starting in Sept. Any lady interested in  
joining, please call Nancy Meyer, 788-0135.

## NOPTIALS

**Colleen Sullivan & Gavin Dunn**  
August 8

## PARISH DIRECTORY IS COMING

If you did not have your picture taken for the directory –  
and therefore will not be receiving your free copy of the  
directory – you may order a copy at a reduced price of  
\$4.75 by contacting the Parish Office by Aug. 14.

### SHARE THE HARVEST

*Please bring your excess veggies, etc. from your garden  
to church on the weekend. We'll have a table for them.*

*Anyone who'd like to take some home, just put a  
donation in the jar (for an area food pantry) and take  
what you can use. Left-overs will go to Place of Grace*

\*LEAVEN 2 HEAVEN registration forms due  
in next week – date: Aug 22

\*WOMEN'S CLUB surveys – return ASAP

\*PETITION READERS needed – call office

### RCIA CORNER

A new session of RCIA will be starting Aug 25, 7 pm,  
Conference Room with meetings weekly on Tuesdays at  
that time. RCIA is for anyone wishing to become  
Catholic or just learning more about the Catholic Faith.  
Contact Jennifer Kulzer at 385-3459.

## PARISH SUPPORT

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010

Received, August 2 \$10,872.00

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JUNK is something you keep for years and throw away 3  
weeks before you need it.

## COMING UP

Aug 11 Widows & Widowers Group, 6 pm, Maggie's in  
Onalaska

Aug 11 Baptism Preparation Class, 6:30

Aug 8/9 & 15/16 School Supply Drive & collection  
for shoes

Aug 13 Movie Night for Youth Group, 7:30-10 pm

Aug 22 Leaven to Heaven, noon-9:30 pm

Aug 25 First RCIA meeting, 7 pm

Aug 30 Parish Golf Outing and Fall Social

Aug 31 – Sept 6 Our week for Mobile Meals

Sept 9 Women's Club Potluck meeting, 5:30 pm

### MUSIC NEWS AND NOTES

**TEEN CHOIR** will sing at 10:00 Mass next Sun and  
will practice at 9:30 before Mass. All teens are invited to  
join us. Contact Michelle Skemp at 397-6251 if you  
have questions.

**ADULT CHOIR** will begin practices and singing for  
Masses in Sept. Watch this spot for details or call  
Pauline at 782-2953, ext. 3.

## \$crip News

\$crip phone: 782-2953, ext. 6 email:bspscrip@yahoo.com  
Don't you dare go school-shopping without a mittful of  
\$crip cards! We have an ample stock of cards for almost  
every store you'll need. AND be sure to use \$crip when  
buying those extra items for our School Supply Drive  
the next 2 weekends.

*Your beautiful blossoms would be welcome to  
decorate the altar on weekends. If you can supply  
some, please call Eenie at 782-2953, ext. 2. Altar  
flowers need to be dropped off in the SACRISTY  
on Sat at 9:00 am. If you bring in bouquets  
already arranged, mark your vases with  
your name and phone number.*

## BAPTISMS

**August Joseph Duane Weber**

son of August Weber & Jennifer Brion

**Gage Paul Stolpa**

son of Tim & Jennifer Stolpa

## SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Collection will be the weekends of Aug 8/9 & 15/16. Shop the back-to-school sales (use Scrip, of course) now to help keep our Aquinas Catholic Schools and Catholic Charities stocked for the year! Suggested items: expandable folders, loose-leaf paper (wide- and college-ruled), sharpies, highlighters, pencils, pens, crayons, glue-sticks, colored pencils.

We are also having a "Stepping Back to School" drive for the Salvation Army during the same weekends. We will have a drop box for \$ donations to purchase shoes for needy families. Anyone making a donation may put their name in a for a door prize drawing. Questions? Call Helen Roop, 796-2644.

**RETROUVAILLE**, a world-wide non-profit volunteer-run program for couples experiencing a troubled marriage (even couples who are separated or divorced), will offer a weekend Aug 14-16 at St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon. For more information call 877-922-HOPE or go to [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

**SENIOR FUN DAY** Tues, Aug 10, 10-3 pm, Pettibone Lagoon. Fishing, boat ride, lunch provided, Bingo, music. To register call 785-9710.

**NATIONAL PRAYER CAMPAIGN** to keep abortion coverage out of health care reform. Find out more at [www.PrayerCampaign.org](http://www.PrayerCampaign.org).

**ORGAN RECITAL** at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe Sun, Aug 9, 3 pm., by Bruce Bengtson, Dir of Music and Organist at Luther Memorial Church, Madison. Free-will offering will be taken.

On Aug 23 Randolph Lyden, former organist at our parish, and now director of music and organist at Good Shepherd Evangelical Lutheran Church, will give an organ recital.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** is coming Sept 23-Nov 1. This campaign draws attention to the harmful effects of abortion through the use of a three-point program of Prayer and Fasting, Constant Vigil, and Community Outreach. Call Marie (784-5189), Mari (783-6407), or Romelle (386-1499) if you would like to participate in this important event. More information will follow.

**BUS TRIP** to the Fireside Theatre to see The Sound of Music on Sat, Sept 12. Sponsored by Holy Trinity Parish. Call Arlene Young at 788-3440 for more information.

From Father Bob Hasenkamp:

On behalf of The Christian Foundation for Children and Aging (CFCA) I want to thank your pastor, Father Olson, and all the parishioners of Blessed Sacrament for the warm welcome to speak to you about our mission to poor children and their families in need. We received 27 additional sponsorships to add to those who are already sponsors. We received many one-time donations as well. So, thank you for your generous response, and I pray that God will bless you for your love and compassion for those who need a helping hand. If you wish to learn more about CFCA you may go to our website [cfcausa.org](http://cfcausa.org).

### **LEAVEN TO HEAVEN Youth Rally for Middle and High Schoolers**

**August 22, noon - 9:30 pm, Diocesan Center, La Crosse**

**Registration forms in the Narthex**

*You are invited to Barb Swieciak's 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Sept 12. The Mass will be celebrated at 10am at the Cathedral with a brunch reception following at Holy Cross Diocesan Center. Please RSVP to Barb at 784-6974 by Aug 28.*

*Many volunteers are needed to assist with the reception set-up, meal preparation and service, and clean-up. If you would like to help on Fri, Sept 11, or Sat, Sept 12, please contact one of the following people: Barb Swieciak (784-6974), Sheila Riley (788-3523), or Mike Watunya (788-9798).*