

**February 14, 2010**

**Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**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  
Wednesday – 9:00 am

**CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Saturday after 7:30 am Mass & 3:30-4:00  
Confessions heard in church; other times by appointment

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

Friday: 2:25 and 5:15 (with Benediction)

**EVENING PRAYER DAILY**

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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Dear Parishioners:

Lent begins this Wednesday as we celebrate again the call to repentance and new birth in Lent and Easter. In the early Church, Lent was the season for prayerful and penitential preparation for the feast of Easter. Though the obligation of penance was originally only imposed on those who had committed public sins and crimes, by medieval times all the faithful voluntarily performed acts of penance to repair for their sins.

Lent reminds us of both repentance and baptism. One of the instructions to the Mass expresses it well:

*Through the two-fold theme of repentance and baptism, the season of Lent disposes both the catechumens (those preparing to come into the Church) and the faithful to celebrate the paschal mystery. The faithful, listening more intently to the word of God and devoting themselves to prayer, are prepared through a spirit of repentance to renew their baptismal promises.*

*Catechesis should impress upon the minds of the faithful not only the social consequences of sin but also the essence of the virtue of penance, namely, detestation of sin as an offense against God. During Lent penance should not be only inward and individual but also outward and social, and should be directed toward works of mercy on behalf of our brothers and sisters.*

*The faithful should be urged to take a greater and more fruitful share in the Lenten liturgy and penitential services. They should be advised particularly to approach the sacrament of penance during Lent, in accordance with the law and traditions of the Church, so that they may share in the joys of Easter Sunday with purity of heart." (adapted from Daily Roman Missal copyright 1993, Fr. James Socias)*

**ASH WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**

Masses at 7:30, 9:00 (grade schoolers attending) and 6:45 pm (religious ed students and families attending). All are welcome at any of the Masses. Ashes will be distributed at all Masses. There is Mass at Cathedral at 12:10 pm. A Mass at the Shrine is at 5:30 pm (Stations at 4:30 & soup supper at 6:30. \$5 registration.)

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**  
**Feb 15 - 21, 2010**

Reader: Mary Ritter  
Extr. Minister of Body of Christ: Dick Meyer

Mon, Feb 15 Weekday

7:30 **+Karl Keppel**  
Server: Dick Meyer

Tues, Feb 16 Weekday

7:30 **+Phil Knothe**  
Server: Pete Fiorini

Wed, Feb 17 Ash Wednesday

7:30 **+Dick & Sally Pearse**  
Server: Jason Hutzler

9:00 **+James Smith**

5:15 **NO Benediction on Wednesdays during Lent**

6:45 **+Leo & Edith Berry**

Thurs, Feb 18 Lenten Weekday

7:30 **+Don Hefti**

Servers:

Fri, Feb 19 Lenten Weekday

7:30 **+Millie Finn**

Servers:

Stations of the Cross: 2:25 & 5:15 (with Benediction)

Sat, Feb 20 Lenten Weekday

7:30 **+Pat Sweeney**

Servers:

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Sat, Feb 20

**4:30 +Judy Larson**

MC: Pete Fiorini

Servers: Matt Brannon, Claire Craig, Kristen Sauer

Readers: David & Anna Curtis

Petitions: Emily Walker

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

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

Offering family: Wayne & Terri Levi

Sun, Feb 21

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

MC: Mike Vanderploeg

Servers: Jacob Dee, Charlie Hlavaka, Sam Scheidt

Readers: Betty Nelson, Jeff George

Petitions: Stephanie Koehne

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

Ushers: Dave Herlitzke, Paul Lyga, Pat Cavadini

Offering family: Bob & Mary Kachel

**10:00 +Mary Bahl**

MC:

Servers: Casey Cooper, Peter Coppola, Riley Reinhart

Readers: Jonella Rademacher, Patti Keil

Petitions: Olivia Curti

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

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

Offering family: Richard & Candi Pearse

## ***AROUND THE PARISH***

### **WIDOWS & WIDOWERS**

Dinner at Boot Hill  
in the old Footwear Bldg. on St. Andrew's St.  
Tues, Feb 16, 6 pm (rescheduled from the 9<sup>th</sup>)  
Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667,  
or Loretta Clarkin, 784-9917.

### **STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT**

#### **Fridays**

**2:25 – led by the grade schoolers**

**5:15 – Stations and Benediction**

**A soup supper is planned after Stations, about 5:45.**

**All are invited to join us in the Parish Center. If you'd like to help out, give a call to 782-2953, x. 2.**

### **REST IN PEACE**

Gregory Lawrence  
son of Dorothy

### **MEN'S CLUB RAFFLE**

Watch your mailbox for tickets and details.  
\$1000 1<sup>st</sup> prize, plus, plus.. Drawing Mar 20 at  
the Parish Fun Night.

### **First Communion & First Reconciliation** **Sat, Feb 27, 9:00am**

Meeting for parents and students in the Parish Center with Fr.  
Olson. See you all there. If you have questions, contact  
Pauline Connell at 782-2953, ext. 3, or Deb Gilkes at 782-  
5564.

**Calling all yellow stewardship sheets!**  
**Drop off in the office, drop in the**  
**collection basket, or mail to the parish. Thanks!**

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS**

**On Wed, Feb 17, Ash Wednesday, all students and families are invited to participate in Mass at 6:45. Families, you may sit with your student. Attendance will be taken, but there will be no class time in school. Go directly to church; dismissal will be when Mass is over at about 7:30. During Mass everyone will be invited to receive ashes, and the students will receive mite boxes for their donations to the Missions during Lent. Bring along a non-perishable food item for collection.**

## ***PARISH SUPPORT***

COLLECTIONS UPDATE: July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010  
Needed each week: \$14,000  
Received: 2/7 \$12,679

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Happiness is not a station you arrive at, but a manner of traveling.

### **COMING UP**

Feb 14 Rite of Sending at 10:00 Mass for RCIA  
Feb 14 Enchanted Evening  
Feb 16 Widows & Widowers, Boot Hill, 6 pm  
Feb 21 Benefit at Aquinas for the Francksen family  
Feb 23 New session of Yoga begins, 11:15  
Feb 27 1<sup>st</sup> Communion family meeting, 9am  
Mar 15-21 Our week for Mobile Meals  
Mar 20 Parish Fun Night; raffle drawing

### **MUSIC NEWS AND NOTES**

**ADULT CHOIR** will practice Thurs, 7-8 pm, and will sing at the 10:00 Mass next Sunday.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** will sing at the 10:00 Mass on Feb 28, and will practice on Sat, Feb 27, 9:30-10:15.

### **\$crip News**

Call 782-2953, ext. 6

Email: [BSPCSCRIP@yahoo.com](mailto:BSPCSCRIP@yahoo.com)

Did you know that your relatives, near and far, can buy \$crip from our Parish and have the profit applied to **your** Aquinas Schools tuition account? Be a salesperson, call Grandma, Aunt Jane, and cousin Bob, and watch your tuition bill shrink.

### **RESTORATIVE YOGA**

**A new 6-week session will begin Tues, Feb 23, 11:15-noon, in our Parish Center. The instructor is Bernice Olson-Pollack. Emphasis is on stretching, strengthening, and relaxing. To register or for more information, call 782-2953, ext. 2. Cost: \$30 for the entire session.**

### **PRAYER FOR THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP**

Lord God, You are our eternal shepherd and guide.  
In your mercy grant to your Church in La Crosse  
A shepherd after your own heart  
Who will walk in your ways  
And whose watchful care will bring us your blessings.  
Grant, too, that your servant, Archbishop Jerome Listekci,  
May serve your flock in the Church in Milwaukee  
With the faith, hope, and love of the apostles.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your son,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
One God, for ever and ever. Amen

**MEN OF CHRIST CONFERENCE 2010 will be held in Milwaukee Feb 20**  
**We'd like to caravan or perhaps bus. Call Nick Nicks, 788-5536, if you can go.**  
**This is a fantastic conference for men of all ages!**

**JESUS OF NAZARETH STUDY GROUP** will meet Tues, Feb 23, 6-7:30, in the Parish Center. Fr. Peter Fehler, rector of the Shrine Church, leads the discussion. Topic this time: Chapter 8 – The Principal Images of John's Gospel. All are welcome. For more information contact Luna at 788-5752.

**BABY BOTTLES FOR BIRTHRIGHT** Please return your baby bottles during the week to the parish office or next weekend in the Narthex. Thank you from this Pro-life volunteer group. Your donations are used to help women carry through with a pregnancy they may find difficult or unwanted. Pray for them.

**YOUTH RALLY NEWS**  
Steubenville Rockies (Denver)  
July 13-19

\$415 includes coach transportation, lodging and meals

This pilgrimage is being arranged by Pat Brueggen, Youth Minister at St. Elizabeth's Parish. A firm number of those attending is needed soon to secure all the arrangements. Teens, you will never be sorry you attended a Steubenville Rally. It's life-changing, thoroughly enriching, and a blast!!!  
Call 782-2953, ext. 2, ASAP to secure your spot.

**UNDERSTANDING VATICAN II** A series of 3 presentations by Benedict Nguyen, Chancellor of our Diocese, will be held at St. James Parish, Mondays, March 1, 8, and 15, at 6:30 pm. Call early to reserve your seat: 782-7557 or email: donnaccd@charter.net.

**NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING – OPEN TO LIFE, OPEN TO LOVE**  
**99% EFFECTIVE - 100% SAFE**

Natural Family Planning (NFP) offers a reliable way to avoid or achieve a pregnancy without artificial chemicals or devices. On going research findings on the long-term relationship, health and environmental risks of synthetic hormones (IVF, pill, patch, shot) have made many couples rethink their family planning options. NFP is completely safe, effective, and environmentally friendly. Most importantly, NFP is in harmony with God and the teaching of the Catholic Church. Classes will be offered beginning Feb 21. For information or to register, call 1-800-255-6226 or email: [nfp@dioceseoflacrosse.com](mailto:nfp@dioceseoflacrosse.com).

**CATHEDRAL SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP & REGISTRATION** Tues, Feb 16, 1 pm, for 5-yr-old Kindergarten, and Feb 23, 1 pm, for 4K. The 4K program is 5 days/week, 8:15 – 11:00. Extended Care is available 11:00-2:50. More information will be available at the round-up.

**MARDI GRAS AT CRUCIFIXION SCHOOL**, La Crescent, Tues, Feb 16, 12:30-6 pm. Games, food and fun for everyone. BINGO, of course.

**FRIDAY FISH FRY** is back at the KCs on Hwy 16. Fish and other great food is served; under new management.

**REFRIGERATOR NEEDED** Call Sandy at 782-0238.

**PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**  
**May 11-18, 2010**

Cost of \$2449 (\$200 deposit due by Feb 12) includes airfare from Boston, hotel, 3 meals/day, all tips, daily Mass, time at the Grotto, processions, confession, side trips.

Contact the Marist Fathers Lourdes Center for information: 617-536-2761. Or Terry Felt, 784-0952.