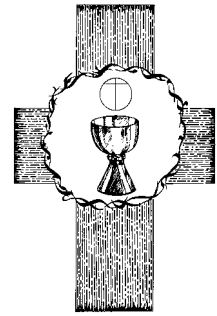




Parish of the Blessed Sacrament



**1725 South Walnut
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**November 8,
2009**

**32nd Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

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Blessed Sacrament Parish welcomes new residents and visitors. It is wonderful to celebrate the Eucharist with you. If you are new to the parish, please call the office to register.

CELEBRATING THE DAYS**Monday, November 9, Feast of the Dedication of the Latern Basilica in Rome**

- ✕ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Betty Jean Forgas

Tuesday, November 10, Leo the Great

- ✕ Confessions before 8:20 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:20 AM Alfred Kramp
Joseph Sullivan

Wednesday, November 11, Martin of Tours

- ✕ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Charles J. Welch

Thursday, November 12, Josaphat

- ✕ Confessions before 8:20 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:20 AM Perry and Twylah Pierce

Friday, November 13, Frances Xavier

- ✕ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Frances Olzewski
Theoline Benn

Saturday, November 14

- ✕ 7:00 AM Darlene Tasset (LATIN MASS)
- ✕ 7:30-8:00 AM Confessions
- ✕ 3:00-4:00 PM Confessions
- ✕ 4:30 PM Robert and Mary Louise VonBehren

Sunday, November 15, Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✕ 7:00 AM Jack Healy
- ✕ 8:30 AM Intentions of our Parishioners
- ✕ 10:30 AM Lloyd Mosley

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call Jean Quigley at 523-6573 or Mary Theresa Drake at 726-6649.

Please pray for the sick, including Mary E. Jordan, Jack Londrigan, John Atterberry, and Allie and Jennifer.

DEAR PARISHIONERS

The reading from the First Book of Kings and the Gospel reading from Mark present two widows to us. Both of them, as was usually the case, were destitute. Widows were often the poorest of the poor having no income and no standing in the community. At that point they would rely on the generosity of others for their existence. The New Testament contains many reminders to care first of all for the widows and the poor.

The two widows of these readings were willing to give or to share the last of what they had. In the Gospel the widow gave two small coins, her whole livelihood, to the temple treasury. In the first reading, the widow was willing to share her last meal with Elijah. These two women were willing to give everything they had back to God through the treasury or through Elijah, the man of God.

When considering what we give to God, Sacred Scripture says that we should give the first ten percent of our produce or income to God as thanks for all He has given us. Jesus once said, as our banners in the sanctuary tell us, give to Caesar what is Caesar's and give to God what is God's. Putting all this together we realize that beginning to end, everything we have and everything we are belongs to God and comes from Him as gift. It's all gift.

God gave everything He has and everything He is to us and personified that gift in Jesus Christ. The widows gave everything they had back to God. What are we doing with the gifts we've been given?

As we continue our prayers for our next bishop, please also remember to pray for more vocations to the priesthood for our diocese. The vocation of the priesthood requires a generosity that is willing to give one's whole life back to God in service to God's people. Thank God we currently have 13 men who are willing to consider making this gift and are studying for the priesthood for our diocese. Brian Alford, Al Allen, and David Curtin have served our parish in come capacity over the last couple of years. Please keep them and the other men in your prayers.

Also John Bultmann has entered the seminary for the FSSP. This is the order that provides the Latin Mass on Saturday mornings. John found his calling to the priesthood through his involvement with the FSSP here at Blessed Sacrament Parish. Although John is not studying for our diocese, please keep him in your prayers as well. Any vocation to the priesthood is good for the whole Church.

**Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Dave Hoefler**

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to Our Newly Wed

Nicholas Mayes and Tori Taylor, October 31

Pray for Our Recently Departed

Robert Baldoni

Mary Monnat

WINE TASTING NEXT SATURDAY

La Dolce Vino, Blessed Sacrament's Wine Tasting Event will be held Saturday, November 14 from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. in the school gym. Come enjoy an elegant evening of wine sampling and complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Wine ordered at the event will be available for pick up on Saturday, Nov. 21 from 3-6 p.m. in the gym. Tickets for the event are \$15 and can be purchased at the door or in advance by contacting the school office at 522-7534. Proceeds to benefit the Annual Fund.

OVER 55 CHRISTMAS PARTY

Plan to enjoy a fun-filled evening and delicious dinner with the "Over 55" group at Illini Country Club on Thursday, Dec 3rd. Social hour is 6:00 to 7:00 PM with dinner following. Cost of the dinner is \$28.00 per person with a cash bar. For reservations please call one of the following by Monday, Nov 30th:

Fritzi Belz 544-7338

Sandy and Joe Cavanagh 546-7839

Pat and John Dietrich 544-3906

Madonna and Joe Fluckiger 720-5891

Mary and John Staudt 787-7905

BREADLINE SUNDAY COMING SOON

Breadline Sunday, November 21-22-----Loaves of fresh white bread will be available after each Mass. Thanks to Schnuck's and your generous donations, all \$\$\$ will go to St. John's Breadline to help feed the hungry of the Springfield area. Let's make this 24th annual event the best one yet!

SHG PREVIEW NIGHT

"Step Inside SHG!" Sacred Heart-Griffin will hold its annual Preview Night, an open house for seventh and eighth grade students and their parents or guardians on Thursday, November 19th. Registration will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the SHG East Campus Auditorium, 1200 West Washington Street. Contact the Advancement Office at SHG at 787-9732 or e-mail egizii@shg.org for questions or further information. Come see what SHG has to offer!

BULLETIN SCHEDULE

Due to Thanksgiving, announcements for the Nov 22 bulletin will be due to the bulletin editor by Monday, Nov 16, and for the Nov 29 bulletin, due by Wednesday, Nov 18. Thank you.

NEWS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Wine Tasting - The third annual Wine Tasting, themed "La Dolce Vino", is only one week away! On Saturday, November 14, from 5:30 to 8:30, come to sample and order your holiday wines. There will be live entertainment, hors d'oeuvres, hand painted wine glasses and gift baskets. Tickets for the wine tasting are available for \$15 at the door. Please call Kim Hoffmann in the Development Office (522-7534) for further information. All proceeds from the Wine Tasting benefit the School Annual Fund. Thanks to the ladies on this committee, especially chairpersons, Tina Schmidt and Barb Drake, for their hard work and dedication to making this event both fun and profitable. We hope to see you there!

Pastor's Annual Party – Another Blessed Sacrament tradition, the Pastor's Annual Party will be celebrated on Sunday evening, November 22 from 6:30 to 8:30. The event, as always, promises to be a relaxing start to the holiday season with delicious food, live entertainment and the opportunity to get together with your fellow parishioners. We've scheduled the party this year to take place after Cathedral's 5:00 Mass, so parking should not be a problem. It's sure to be a wonderful evening.

BRICKS! - Order forms are still available in both the school and rectory offices, and in the back of church, for the purchase of commemorative bricks that will be placed in the prayer garden between the church and the school. There are three sizes available: 4x8 brick for \$100, 8x8 for \$200 and 12x12 for \$300. Last year, we sold several bricks as Christmas gifts. Completed forms and checks may be submitted to the school, the rectory or in the collection basket. We are nearly halfway to our sixth order of bricks. Concrete benches will be placed in the garden this spring. If you have questions about the bricks, please call Kim Hoffmann in the Development Office.

BAKE SALE THIS WEEKEND

Blessed Sacrament's 3rd grade Brownie Troop will hold a Bake Sale on November 8th after all Masses. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase Thanksgiving Baskets for needy families. This is our 2nd Thanksgiving Basket Bake Sale. Last year, we were able to raise enough money to put together 10 baskets for needy families. Let's see if we can help more families this year.

GOSPEL OF LIFE

48. The intimate partnership of married life and love has been established by the Creator and qualified by His laws, and is rooted in the conjugal covenant of irrevocable personal consent. Hence by that human act whereby spouses mutually bestow and accept each other a relationship arises which by divine will and in the eyes of society too is a lasting one. For the good of the spouses and their off-springs as well as of society, the existence of the sacred bond no longer depends on human decisions alone. For, God Himself is the author of matrimony, endowed as it is with various benefits and purposes.(1) All of these have a very decisive bearing on the continuation of the human race, on the personal development and eternal destiny of the individual members of a family, and on the dignity, stability, peace and prosperity of the family itself and of human society as a whole.

CHIARA CENTER SERIES

Chiara Center will host a retreat with well-known author Paula D'Arcy, who wrote Gift of the Red Bird, her story of losing her husband and daughter in a drunk-driving accident and how she grew through her grief. The retreat will be November 20-22 with theme of "Nurturing and Emerging Consciousness," sponsored by Theresians International, an international Catholic women's organization. For information, call Vicki Schmidt at 726-5484.

COURT MADONNA MEETING

Court Madonna, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, will hold a Memorial Service for past members, especially those who have died during the past year, at the regular meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2009, 6:30 p.m., at St. Agnes Parish Hall, 245 N. Amos. Regent Mary Frances Lavin, 522-6339

WOMEN'S DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Thursday, November 19, a Women's Day of Recollection will be offered at Christ the King Parish from 12:45 to 2:45 PM. All women throughout the diocese are invited to attend. A Mother's Room is available for women with infants and young children.

PLANNING SEMINAR

Blessed Sacrament Parish will host a Will and Estate Planning Seminar in the rectory basement on Tuesday, December 8 at 7:00 PM. You are invited to come hear a qualified panel explain this very important topic, free of charge. Please contact Kim Hoffmann at 522-7534 to reserve your space.

ADORATION HOURS

"The time we spend before Jesus [in adoration] is the time best spent during the day and during our life." Ven. James Alberione

DAYTIME

3:00 PM Friday
9:00 AM Saturday
3:00 PM Saturday

NIGHT TIME

12:00 AM Saturday
1:00 AM Saturday
12:00 AM Sunday
1:00 AM Sunday

cmheimlich@att.net

CALL DAVID OR CATHY HEIMLICH 793-9352

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 9-15**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00/8:20 AM

John Drake, Ben Eck

Thursday, Friday

8:20/8:00 AM

Ashley Dunn, Noah Edwards

Saturday, November 14, 4:30**PM**

Lectors: Steven Scheufel

Servers: Aaron Schofield, Anna Sakach, Danielle Sakach

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Belz, Larry Newell, Susan Gallagher, Mary Rita Dineen, Isabel Figueroa, Marty Mosley, James Keys, Rita Keys

Sunday, November 15, 7:00 AM

Lectors: Carolyn Graham

Servers: Brent Parquette, Emily Schuefele

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave Langston, Jim Wear, Kathy Wear, Kathryn Gietl, Johanna Toomey

Sunday, November 15, 8:30 AM

Lectors: Jim Clancy

Servers: Sean Wesp, Anneka Staub, Elaine Reyne

Eucharistic Ministers: Laurie Mann, Janine Feller, Beckie Figge, Harold Figge, Mary F. Conwill, Andrea Judd, Tom Karaiannis, Clara Ushman

Sunday, November 15, 10:30 AM

Lectors: Kathleen Dailey

Servers: Vinny Vespa, Taylor Pohlman, Abigail Perrero

Eucharistic Ministers: Dan Schuering, Mary Tuttle, James Dodge, Linda Thornberry, Lynn Frasco, Lori Criscione, Jude Kennedy, Tom Garvey

**BUILDING ON TRADITION
CAMPAIGN CORNER**

Don't forget that Commitment Weekend is next weekend! We will have pledge cards available in the pews after each Mass for you to consider a pledge, gift or prayer to the success of the campaign.

Also, if you know of any parishioners, students, friends or family that would like to assist the campaign in making follow-up phone calls to parishioners and alumni that have yet to make a gift to the campaign, please call Kim Hoffmann at 522-7534 ext 206.

VETERAN'S DAY BREAKFAST BENEFIT

An all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet will be held on Sunday, November 8 from 8 am until noon at Knights of Columbus Council 364 located at 2200 Meadowbrook Road. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$6.00 for VETERANS, \$5.00 for kids ages 6 – 12, and free for kids ages five and under. Proceeds will benefit VFW Post 755's Family Assistance Program, which helps out local families of soldiers who are stationed overseas.

EXPOSITION & ADORATION

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament plus meditations, confession, and prayerful reflections will be offered for all Catholic men on Thursday, November 12 at St. John's Hospital Chapel from 5:00 to 6:45 PM.

Building on Tradition

Goal	\$5,400,000.00
Total Commitments	\$4,132,024.00
Total number of donors	532
Total Cash Received	\$ 1,302,565.03

NOTE FROM FATHER HOEFLER

This December 2nd 2009, the Cathedral will be re-opened with a Dedication Mass. The Mass will begin at 2:00 P.M. Admission will be by ticket only. Our parish has been given a very limited number of tickets. If you are able to attend and would like to go, please call our parish office by November 16 to express your interest. After that date, we will randomly choose who will receive a ticket for admission into the Dedication Mass.

STEWARDSHIP

(Time | Talent | Treasure)

<u>Parish Collection</u>	
October 25, 2009	\$22,538.00
Target Amount	\$23,500.00