



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament



Sunday
May 9, 2010
Sixth Sunday
of Easter

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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, May 10, Damien Joseph de Veuster of Moloka'i

- ✕ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Barbara Dillon

Tuesday, May 11

- ✕ Confessions before 8:20 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:20 AM Eileen Kniery
Ray Sitki

Wednesday, May 12, Nereus and Achilleus

- ✕ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Members of the Poor Souls' Shrine

Thursday, May 13, Ascension of the Lord

- ✕ Confessions before 8:20 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:20 AM Greg Burton
Norma Burns

Friday, May 14, Matthias

- ✕ Confessions before 8:20 AM Mass
- ✕ 8:00 AM Sean Staudt

Saturday, May 15, Isidore

- ✕ 7:00 AM John Kreutzer (LATIN MASS)
- ✕ 7:30-8:00 AM Confessions
- ✕ 3:00-4:00 PM Confessions
- ✕ 4:30 PM Alfred and Mary Edna Kramp

Sunday, May 16, Ascension of the Lord

- ✕ 7:00 AM Gerald and Fran Zeigler
- ✕ 8:30 AM John VonDeBur
- ✕ 10:30 AM Intentions of our Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

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

Please pray for the following people: Thomas Schmidt, Ruth Pohlman, Sammy, Betty and Harold, Kendra, Joe, Michael, Angel, Mary, Rhonda, Ellen, Sue, Linda, Bill, Maureen, Mary Schwartz, Margaret Eskew, and the repose of the soul of Marilyn Harris.

DEAR PARISHIONERS

Happy Mother's Day! Thank God for the gift of life that came to us from our mothers and for all those who have mothered us into who we are today. This is not only a great day to offer words of love and thanks to our mothers but also a day to offer prayers to God for them. As we reflect on the impact our mothers have had on our life, let's also consider those who have been mothers to us in the spiritual life. Our Godmothers agreed to a commitment of support and prayer for our life of faith. May they remain persistent in that commitment and receive a reward from God for their efforts. The Church is also called our mother because she gives us birth into the life of Christ through baptism and nourishes us along the road to eternity through her other sacraments. Through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, may the Church always receive the graces she needs to form holy disciples of Christ out of all of us. This being the month of May, the month of Mary, thank God for her "yes" to being the mother of our savior. Thank God also for giving her to us as our mother. Her faithful assistance along our way to heaven will only be fully known in eternity.

Deacon Brian Alford will be here next weekend. He is taking a weekend between the end of the school year at seminary and the beginning of his assignment in Granite City to be with us. Deacon Alford will be at all the Masses next weekend. He has been excited to work out a time to be with all of you. You have been an important part of his seminary formation toward the priesthood. Let's continue to keep him in our prayers. God willing, he will be ordained a priest in a little over a year.

Hyland Smith, the seminarian that will be staying with us this summer, will be arriving the week of May 23rd. Please continue to keep him in your prayers as well as all those studying for the priesthood or discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life.

Please continue to keep Bishop-elect Paprocki in your prayers. It would be wonderful to offer a spiritual bouquet of prayers for him. Any novenas, rosaries, sacrifices, fasts, or Masses that you could offer for him would certainly be a wonderful way to prepare our bishop-elect to lead us and also prepare us to follow him into the kingdom of God. Thank you for your generosity in all these matters!

**Sincerely in Christ,
Father Hoefler**

OUR PARISH FAMILY

GOD BLESS OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Alexis Marie Olsson, daughter of John and Sharon Olsson

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

John R. Knight
John Rutkowski

NEWS FROM OUR DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

PEPSI REFRESH GRANT – We're still in the running! Blessed Sacrament School still has a unique opportunity to secure grant dollars for construction of bleachers in the new gymnasium. Throughout May, we will again be competing for \$25,000 – to be granted to the ten organizations that garner the most on-line votes during the month of May. Please go to the Pepsi Refresh web site and log your vote BSS. Our proposal is entitled "BLEACHERS FOR BRUINS". We will be listed under Education at the \$25,000 level. You may vote every day of the month. Please ask all of your e-mail contacts and family and friends to vote for us. (From the Pepsi site, you can also enjoy the You Tube video of our students that we produced for the kids to express their spirit and desire for bleachers.)

New Grant for Building on Tradition – We were notified last week that Blessed Sacrament's grant application to the Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation has been accepted. We will receive \$50,587 to fund the geothermal installation in the new school addition. Thanks to those, especially Paul Wheeler, who provided the technical details for the grant application process.

Tracy Foundation Grant – We also learned a few weeks ago that we were chosen to receive a \$20,000 grant from Tracy Family Foundation to fund technology and furnishings in the new school library. We're so grateful for our blessings.

Garage Sale – Parishioners may begin boxing up those unneeded treasures from their basements and attics for the Blessed Sacrament Parish Rummage Sale that will be held on Saturday, June 5. No clothing is accepted, but other household items, furniture, books, etc., will be collected starting the week prior to the sale. For more information, please contact Neil Malone at 793-4367.

Garden Party – Mark your calendars for the 86th Annual Garden Party to be held on June 16. If you're willing to help make this year's event a big success, please call Steve DePooter (220-9200) or Sean Noonan (691-0910) to volunteer your talents.

SCHOOL BOARD OPENINGS

The Blessed Sacrament School Advisory Board is seeking interested school parents and parishioners for 4 positions available on the School Advisory Board. Three positions are for parents of BSS enrolled students and one position is available for a parishioner with no students enrolled at BSS. Each position's term is for 3 years and meets 1 evening monthly, 9 months a year. If interested or for more information, please contact Anne Capestrain by May 21 at 793-0471.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School June 21-25
Set sail for a great adventure this summer at Vacation Bible School. We are having a High Seas Expedition and all students entering First Grade through 6th are invited to attend. June 21-25 from 9am to Noon. At High Seas Expedition, kids explore the mighty love of God on a journey that will change them forever! High Seas Expedition is filled with incredible Bible-learning kids see, hear, touch, and even taste! Bible Point crafts, teambuilding games, cool Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the High Seas Expedition activities that help faith flow into real life. (Since everything is hands-on, kids might get a little messy. Be sure to send them in play clothes and safe shoes.) Plus, we'll help kids discover how to see evidence of God in everyday life—something we call God Sightings. Get ready to hear *that* phrase a lot! Register online, there is a link on the school website at www.bssbruins.org if you are unable to register online you can send in the registration form (also available online or in the vestibule). Don't forget there are also many Volunteer Opportunities for both teens and adults to earn your service hours. We need help before and during the event. For registration information contact Karen Frost 698-1849 or ktfrost3@comcast.net For volunteer info visit the link on the school website or contact Linda Thornberry 523-7202 or Erin Sullivan 789-1256 or email bssvbs@live.com.

ROSES FOR MOTHERS

The Elizabeth Ann Seton program will be selling long-stemmed roses on Mother's Day (May 9) after Masses. Proceeds from the sale will support the Elizabeth Ann Seton Program, a non-profit organization assisting low-income pregnant and parenting women in central Illinois. Thank you for your support.

TEACHER OPENING

Sacred Heart-Griffin has an opening for a full-time English teacher starting in August 2010. Call 217-787-1595 ext 105 as soon as possible to inquire.

AMISH COUNTRY BUS TRIP

Butler Funeral Homes will be hosting a fun-filled bus trip through Illinois Amish Country and Rockome Gardens on Thursday, June 10. The cost for the trip is \$50 per person and will include round-trip charter bus transportation, including snacks and beverages; admission to Rockome Gardens; and a family-style meal in an Amish home. The bus will leave Butler Funeral Homes at 8:00 a.m. There is limited seating available for this exciting trip and reservations must be made by May 27. Reservations can be made by calling (217) 544-4646.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA MEETING

Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court Madonna, invites members and their guests, as well as all Catholic women of the area, to the regular monthly meeting on Thursday, May 13, at 6:30 p.m., at St. Agnes Parish Hall, 245 N. Amos. May Crowning of the Blessed Mother will precede the business meeting at which the slate of officers for the coming year will be introduced. (Installation of officers will be held at the June 17 meeting at St. Joseph Church, 6th and Eastman.) Further information may be obtained from Regent Mary Frances Lavin, 522-6339.

CORPUS CHRISTI WEEKEND - JUNE 4TH, 5TH, AND 6TH, 2010

The Springfield Diocese now owns a set of panels of the **VATICAN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION of EUCHARISTIC MIRACLES OF THE WORLD**. This Photographic Exhibition presents some of the principal Eucharistic Miracles that have taken place throughout the ages in various countries of the world and which have been recognized by the Church. The exhibition has already visited more than one thousand parishes in Italy and in other countries and has been translated into numerous languages. Now it is coming to the **Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception - Atrium**, 524 East Lawrence Ave., Springfield, IL 62703 on Corpus Christi Weekend. Friday, June 4th from 1PM – 5PM, and Saturday & Sunday June 5th and 6th from 7AM – 7PM. Information will also be available on how to check out panels for your parish event. All are Welcome. Free Admission. Questions: Claudia at 787-6705 or Donna at 622-8576.

TOTUS TUUS

You are invited to participate in TOTUS TUUS (Totally Yours), a summer catechetical youth program, being held at Blessed Sacrament Parish the week of June 6th-11th. The program runs Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM for school children going into grades 1-6. The day includes catechetical instruction, daily Mass, songs, games and recess. For junior and senior high school youth, the program runs Sunday-Thursday 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM. TOTUS TUUS combines catechesis and having FUN!!! The youthfulness and energy of the teachers - trained college-aged students - is contagious, come out and join us!!! Registration and additional information is available through both the Blessed Sacrament Parish website (www.bsps.org) and the School website (www.bssbruins.org). Please download and complete the Registration form. Mail form and payment of \$20.00 per participant/\$40.00 max per family, checks payable to Blessed Sacrament, to Angie Hyde, 1925 S. Walnut St. Springfield, IL 62704 or send with your child to Blessed Sacrament School in an envelope marked "Totus Tuus" or drop in the parish collection basket. If you have questions, please email Angie at 3hydeboys13@gmail.com or call 891-4619. If you'd like to help out (hugely appreciated and greatly needed), please see the link for volunteers. **Blessed Sacrament families need to register their elementary or high school students early as we will be opening up this program to the Diocese shortly and we are limited to 90 participants total.**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

WEEK OF MAY 10-16

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00/8:20 AM**Marissa Patten, Sami
DeJanovich**Thursday, Friday
8:20/8:00 AM**

Abby Pohlman, Charlie Delano

Saturday, May 15, 4:30 PM**Lectors:** Steven Scheufel**Servers:** Calyn Reardon, Sydney
Compton, Riley Hinds**Eucharistic Ministers:** Thomas
Schmidt, Karen Senger,
Andrea Judd, Susan
Gallagher, Isabel Figueroa,
Rick Campbell, Lori
Criscione, Noreen Luhr**Sunday, May 16, 7:00 AM****Lectors:** Val Simhauser**Servers:** Jesse Nicoletta, Kevin
Farley**Eucharistic Ministers:** Sally
Petroni, Johanna Toomey,
Mary F. Conwill, Ann Walker,
Kathryn Gietl**Sunday, May 16, 8:30 AM****Lectors:** Patrick Fitzgerald**Servers:** Emily Delvo, Eric Delvo,
Nolan Reid**Eucharistic Ministers:** Larry
Newell, Marge O'Keefe,
MaryAnn Gorney, Anne
Capestrain, Mark Ushman,
Colleen VonDeBur, Mike
Delvo, Kathy Harth**Sunday, May 16, 10:30 AM****Lectors:** Joseph Stannard**Servers:** Clare Stannard, Andrew
Hoffmann, John Stegeman**Eucharistic Ministers:** Barney
Bruzetti, Cordelia Moore,
Grace Stannard, Lynn
Frasco, Lila Dilbaitis, James
Dodge, Cindy Ledbetter, Sr.
Josphine Okeke, DDL

ADORATION HOURS

The Eucharist is a sacrifice of thanksgiving to the Father, a blessing by which the Church expresses her gratitude to God for all his benefits. We can give our personal thanksgiving to God in the Real Presence anytime we desire in our Adoration Chapel.

*Can you respond to Him who longs for you this Easter season?
Even if you cannot take a permanent hour, please consider signing up as a substitute for the scheduled adorers.*

OPEN HOURS

DAYTIME

NIGHT TIME

2:00 PM Sunday	1:00 AM Monday
3:00 PM Saturday	9:00 PM Friday
1:00 PM Sunday	1:00 AM Sunday
5:00 AM Wednesday	12:00 AM Saturday
	12:00 AM Sunday
	1:00 AM Saturday

cmheimlich@att.net
CALL DAVID OR CATHY HEIMLICH 793-9352

SILVER CROSS RECITAL
Sacred Heart-Griffin senior Elizabeth Farris will present her Silver Cross Recital in Voice on Friday, May 21 at 6:00 p.m. in Dominican Hall Auditorium. She is the

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Goal	\$5,400,000.00
Total Commitments	\$4,615,451.68
Total Cash Received	\$ 1,948,045.18

daughter of Blanca and Steve Farris. The recital is free and open to the public. Farris has been involved in SHG musicals, served as a member of O.P. Teens and Springfield's Diocesan Choir. She is a member and officer of the *Encore* choir, received consecutive superiors at IHSA Solo and Ensemble Contest and was chosen for the 2009 and 2010 IMEA District Honors Choirs. Her recital will include Handel's "Come Unto Him", Caccini's "Ave Maria" and Copland's "At the River".

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent / Treasure)

Parish Collection

April 25, 2010	\$18,384.25
Target Amount	\$23,500.00