

*“From this day ALL generations will
call me BLESSED:
the Almighty has done GREAT things
for me
and HOLY is his Name.
He has cast down the MIGHTY from
their thrones,
and has lifted up the LOWLY.”*

LUKE 1:48B-49, 52

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CELEBRATING THE DAYS

Monday, August 16, Saint Stephen of Hungary

- ✠ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✠ 8:00 AM Winifred Saunderson

Tuesday, August 17

- ✠ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✠ 8:00 AM Maria King-Peters

Wednesday, August 18

- ✠ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✠ 8:00 AM Walter Steck

Thursday, August 19, Saint John Eudes

- ✠ Confessions before 8:00 AM Mass
- ✠ 8:00 AM Dr. David and LouAnn Mack
Theresa Morris

Friday, August 20, Saint Bernard

- ✠ 8:00 AM Joseph Sullivan

Saturday, August 21, Saint Pius X

- ✠ 7:00 AM Mrs. Alma Hildebrand (LATIN MASS)
- ✠ 7:30-8:00 AM Confessions
- ✠ 3:00-4:00 PM Confessions
- ✠ 4:30 PM Intentions of our Parishioners

Sunday, August 22, Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✠ 7:00 AM Joseph and Dorothy Corrigan
- ✠ 8:30 AM Catholic War Veterans
- ✠ 10:30 AM Peg Bolin

NOTE: Beginning August 30, the TUESDAY and FRIDAY Masses will be held at 8:20 AM. Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday Masses will be held at 8:00 AM.

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

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

Please pray for the following people: For the health of Danielle Loftus, Jeff Baggerly, Melanie Hallman, Barbara Zaccari, Leona Garvert, Barb Langley, Paula, Elaine Grace, Kendra, Allen Stemper, Sandy Stemper, Joe, Sammy, Michael, Tom Schmidt, Tom Rice, Ruth Pohlman, Angel, and others in need of prayers.

DEAR PARISHIONERS

The Responsorial Psalm for Sunday's Mass reflects the understanding of the Church that Mary was assumed into heaven and "takes her place at your right hand in gold of Ophir." Mary is first and greatest of all disciples. She is also then the greatest of all saints. Without her perfectly faithful "yes" to God, we would not have our Savior Jesus Christ. Mary plays a key role in salvation history. Because of she was conceived without sin and remained sinless, she did not have to suffer death the way the rest of humanity does. She was assumed body and soul into heaven. There she remains as the greatest honor of our race. Today in the Mass for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we honor the woman who made our salvation possible with her fidelity to God. May we all imitate her perfect love and devotion to God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

This Sunday is the last Sunday for Alice Hill as our Music Director. At the 10:30 Mass, Alice will direct the choir as a farewell. After Mass there will be a reception for her. Please come and thank Alice for her years of dedication and hard work for our parish. We wish her well and are grateful that she has also agreed to be on our list of subs for our new Music Director Jody Kienzler.

This week then will be the first week on the job for our new Music Director Jody Kienzler. I am very grateful for her willingness to serve our parish in this capacity. Jody brings a wealth of talent and experience and I know we can expect great things from her for music in our liturgies in the future. Please welcome Jody when you get the chance. I know that if you have any musical gifts you would like to put at the service of the Church, Jody would appreciate the opportunity to work with you.

We are accomplishing a lot of work on our Building on Tradition project as we prepare the school for the beginning of classes on August 23rd. Once school starts, the workers will be concentrating their efforts on the addition and finishing up the elevator. As work continues, please keep this work and the safety of the workers in your prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Dave Hoefler

OUR PARISH FAMILY

WEDDING BANNS

Mark Donovan and Lara Stremsterfer plan to wed August 21, 2010.

Robert Coberly and Renea Owens plan to wed August 28, 2010.

FARWELL RECEPTION FOR ALICE HILL

Today, after the 10:30 Mass, don't miss the reception for our talented organist Alice Hill. A wonderful chance to thank her for filling our lives with music these many years. See you in the gym.

NEWS FROM OUR SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

School Office Hours

The school office will be open from Monday through Thursday, August 16 to August 19, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The office will be closed on Friday, August 20. Regular office hours will begin on the first day of school, Monday, August 23. The regular office hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on regular dismissal days. On early dismissal days, the office closes thirty minutes after the dismissal time.

Open Gym for 7th & 8th Grade Girls

Open gym times have been scheduled for seventh and eighth grade girls who are interested in playing basketball this school year. Open gym will be held at Blessed Sacrament's gym on Thursday, August 19, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Additional open gym nights will be held at St. Aloysius School's gym on Monday, August 23, and Wednesday, August 25, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

School Notes

Monday, August 16 & Tuesday, August 17 – Drop off items in the school office for the Used Uniform Sale to be held on Fee Night

Wednesday, August 18 – Fee Night in the gym from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. **(The scheduled time for families A-F is 6:30-7:00 p.m.; G-M is 7:00-7:30 p.m.; and N-Z is 7:30-8:00 p.m.)**

Monday, August 23 – First day of school for students in grades 1-8; 9:30 a.m. dismissal

Tuesday, August 24 – Friday, August 27 – 1:30 p.m. dismissal for students in grades 1-8; B.A.S.E provided

Tuesday, August 24 – Open house for kindergarten and M-F pre-kindergarten (Mrs. Klenke's class) students and their parents from 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 25 – Friday, September 3 - Dismissal for kindergarten and M-F PreK students only will be at 11:00 a.m. B.A.S.E. will NOT be available for kindergarten and M-F PreK students this week.

-Students in grades 1-8 will have full days of school and regular dismissal time (2:45 p.m.) with B.A.S.E. provided, except on Thursday, Sept. 2, which is an 11:30 a.m. dismissal day.

USED UNIFORM SALE DROP-OFF

Items for the used uniform sale can be dropped off in the church parking lot before and after all masses on the weekends of August 7-8 and August 14-15. Please call Mary Johnson at 741-0533 with any questions.

RCIA IS "GEARING UP"

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is set to begin on Thursday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm in the rectory basement meeting room starting on September 9th. It is for anyone who is searching, or feels a call or draw, or is just curious about the Catholic faith. It will begin with very informal sessions to ask any of those nagging questions or "I wonder whys" about the faith. The RCIA process will be fully explained and one will be in a better place to determine if they wish to pursue the journey. A commitment to follow the Catholic faith is not made until one comes fully into the faith (if they so choose) at the Easter Vigil (spring of 2011). In order to join us, simply call the parish office at 528-7521. Parishioners please watch the bulletin for ways that you may be able to help those making the RCIA journey. Thank you.

HELP SHARE THE PRO LIFE MESSAGE

Springfield Right to Life needs volunteers to staff its booth at the Illinois State Fair- August 13th-24th. Over 1500 men, women and children visit the booth, to pick up literature, sign a pro life petition and to see the fetal model babies. The shifts are for three hours and begin at 9:00 AM. Admission passes will be provided. We hope you will join us. Ask a friend to share this opportunity with you. For more information call Andrea Judd at 544-1300.

STATE FAIR PARKING

Please consider supporting St. Aloysius School's PTO and park in their parking lot when you visit the State Fair.

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL

Please keep saving those Box Tops for Education and remember to buy Scrip cards. Thank you so much for supporting our school with these simple programs!

FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION STUDY

Ladies: Have You Ever Wondered, "What Is The Meaning and Purpose of My Life?" or, "How Do I Find Happiness and Fulfillment?"

If you're wondering if there's more to life than just "getting by" and are ready to focus on what really matters, then discover the extraordinary Catholic teaching known as the Theology of the Body. It will give you a revolutionary and fulfilling vision for life, as it offers a new way to authentically see yourself, your faith, your relationships, and your world.

Given to us by Pope John Paul II, the Theology of the Body is renewing marriages, awakening vocations, healing deep personal wounds, and setting people free to live the life of greatness to which we are all called.

In *An Introduction to the Theology of the Body: Discovering the Master Plan for Your Life*, an adult faith formation program, renowned author and theologian Christopher West unfolds God's extraordinary plan for all of humanity. If you desire to live out the fullest meaning and purpose of your life, then join us for this amazing study!

This DVD and workbook study is open to women of all ages. It will be held in the CTK Parish Center on 8 consecutive Thursday mornings from 9:15-11:00am beginning Sept. 9th. Childcare will be available at the school. The cost is only \$13.00 and includes all course materials. For more information or to register, call Claudia Connelly at 836-0517, or email her at: cjconnelly@earthlink.net.

SUMMER TAIZE PRAYER

Sunday, August 15 – 6:00 p.m. at the Church of the Little Flower
Taize is a meditative common Christian prayer with combined music ministries.

For more information, contact Mark McCue at 529-1606 or visit <http://springfieldtaize.proxima.org>

ADORATION HOURS

"The living lamps before the Blessed Sacrament are the guardian angels of humanity" - Mateo Crownley

12:00 A.M. SUNDAY
1:00 A.M. SUNDAY
1:00 P.M. SUNDAY
1:00 A.M. MONDAY
2:00 A.M. MONDAY
4:00 P.M. THURSDAY
11:00 P.M. THURSDAY
9:00 P.M. FRIDAY
2:00 P.M. FRIDAY
12:00 A.M. SATURDAY
1:00 A.M. SATURDAY
3:00 P.M. SATURDAY

CALL DAVID OR CATHY HEIMLICH 793-9352

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

WEEK OF AUGUST 16-22

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:00 AM

Jesse Nicoletta, Albert Perlman

Thursday, Friday
8:00 AM

Sara Rotherham, Madeline Smith

Saturday, August 21, 4:30 PM

Lectors: Calvin Bell

Servers: Steven Long, Adam White, Clara Young

Eucharistic Ministers: Janine Feller, Lori Criscione, Larry Newell, Johanna Toomey, Scott Reimers, Kathryn Gietl, Isabel Figueroa, Susan Gallagher

Sunday, August 22, 7:00 AM

Lectors: Don Tracy

Servers: Elaine Reyne, Elizabeth Wiatrolik

Eucharistic Ministers: Nancy Smith, Colleen VonDeBur, Sally Petrone, Dave Langston, Ann Walker

Sunday, August 22, 8:30 AM

Lectors: Melaine Arnold

Servers: Nic Evans, Brent Parquette, Kate Healy

Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Sheehan, Jim Mophew, Barney Bruzetti, Kathy Harth, Mike Delvo, Marge O'Keefe, Hannah Perrin, Noreen Luhr

Sunday, August 22, 10:30 AM

Lectors: Mary Beth Malone

Servers: Nicole Gerber, Mallary Lemme, Taylor Loftus

Eucharistic Ministers: MaryAnn Gorney, Jude Kennedy, Cindy Ledbetter, Karen Senger, James Dodge, Virginia Moore, Rick Campbell, Dan Schuering

BUTLER FUNERAL HOMES FALL BUS TRIP

Please join us as we travel to Germantown, IL for the 43rd annual *Spassfest* celebration. *Spassfest*, which means “fun fest” in German, offers music, dancing, carnival rides, games, fireworks, and a vast assortment of traditional German food and drink. Activities will include music by traditional German and Polka bands, dancing, a washer tournament, trivia contest, plenty of food (*Knockwurst, Sauerkraut, Homemade German Pretzels, Fried Chicken, Hamburgers, Funnel Cake*), and even a German-themed “Polka Mass.” Fill the day with your own agenda—you are free to pick and choose the activities that you want to participate in. Transportation will also be available to St. Boniface Church for anyone interested in attending the “Polka Mass” at 4 p.m. The cost for this exciting trip is only \$25 per person. For additional information or to reserve your seat, please call 544-4646.

Building on Tradition	
Goal	\$5,400,000.00
Total Commitments	\$4,750,968.81
Total Cash Received	\$ 2,168,656.02

*“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
 From this day all generations will call me blessed.”*

— Lk 1:46-48

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***The Blessed Sacrament
 School Auction is coming
 soon! Mark your calendars
 for September 25!***

STEWARDSHIP <i>(Time / Talent / Treasure)</i>	
<u>Parish Collection</u>	
August 1, 2010	\$18,424.50
Target Amount	\$23,500.00