



OSANNA FILIO DAVID BENEDICTVS QVI VENIT IN NOMINE DOMINI. MACTEI .XXI.

CELEBRATING THE DAYS

Monday, April 18, Saint Stanislaus

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Mr & Mrs Ernest R. Hildebrand, Sr.
Brad Dodge

Tuesday, April 19

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:20 AM** Valerian Rossi

Wednesday, April 20

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Members of the Poor Souls' Shrine
- ✕ **5:30 PM** Prayer Service for the Sick & Suffering

Thursday, April 21, Holy Thursday

- ✕ **8:00 AM** Morning Prayer
- ✕ **7:00 PM** **Vocations to the Priesthood**

Friday, April 22, Good Friday

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Morning Prayer
- ✕ **3:00 PM** **Living Stations of the Cross**
- ✕ **5:30 PM** **Good Friday Service**

Saturday, April 23, Holy Saturday

- ✕ **8:00 AM** Morning Prayer
- ✕ **8:30 PM** Doris Wavering

Sunday, April 24, Easter Sunday

- ✕ 7:00 AM Mary Evelyn Rechner
- ✕ 8:30 AM Intentions of our Parishioners
- ✕ 10:30 AM Ann Pohlman

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

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

Please pray for the following people: Nicolle, Pat Stolleis, Angie Henderson, Jim Morris, Steve Weir, Joe, Donald Kren, John Atteberry, John A. Davis, Jr., Don Egan, John Carlyle, James Bridgewater, Donna Braun, Alyssa, Angel, Barbara, Beth, Bonnie, Cathy, Charles, Dana, Danielle, Gary, Jack, Irampelh, Loretta, Michael, Paula, Ruth, Ryken, Sammy, Thomas, the students, teachers, staff, and parents this school year, Margaret, Dick, Rita, Jackie T., Terry, Patrick, Cindy, Barbara, any relatives of parishioners who are in service, and others who need prayers.

DEAR PARISHIONERS,

This is already Palm Sunday. Today we enter into Holy Week. We enter the mystery of Christ's passion, death, and resurrection. This is a strange mystery that shows the depths of suffering and the beauty of God's glory all at once. The path to salvation, to the glory of the Resurrection, leads through the cross. May this week inspire us in a profound way to join the crosses of our own life to that of Christ that we may also join Him in the glory of the Resurrection. May we open our hearts, minds, and souls to a deeper conversion.

This is the final week of preparation for those in our R.C.I.A. They have been studying and praying their way to this point since last September. Thank you for your prayerful support of their journey. Please keep them in your prayers in a special way this week. Saturday night at the Easter Vigil they will enter this beautiful Church of ours and join us in the Eucharist for the first time.

Please make note of the special schedule for Holy Week. The liturgies are beautiful and powerful. Please make every attempt to be present at these liturgies and take advantage of the graces God pours out on us at this time. The Chrism Mass at the Cathedral will be Tuesday at 6:30 this year. There will be no morning Masses Thursday through Saturday. There will be Morning Prayer at 8:00 A.M. each of those days. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be Thursday night at 7:00. Living Stations presented by the 7th graders will be Friday at 3:00. Good Friday celebration of the Lord's Passion will be at 5:30 Friday evening. There will be no confessions Saturday afternoon. The Easter Vigil, the primary liturgy of the year, will be Saturday night at 8:30. The Mass schedule for Easter Sunday will be the normal Sunday schedule. For those interested in the devotion, remember that the Novena for Divine Mercy Sunday begins on Good Friday.

Our Building on Tradition project is moving along very well. The concrete and site work around the outside of the building continues. The masonry work is complete. Work on the ceilings inside continues. The sub-floor in the gym is complete and the hardwood floor is being installed. We are still on budget. Thank you for your continued generosity and faithfulness to your pledges. Please keep the safety of our workers, good working weather, and the successful completion of our project in your prayers.

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

OUR PARISH FAMILY

WEDDING BANNS

Blaine Marty and Marisa Doerfler plan to wed on May 7, 2011.

PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DEPARTED

Barbara Vespa

GOD BLESS OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED

Kate Alexandra Kane, daughter of Andrew and Colleen Kane

Kayla Rashel Rickman, daughter of James and Andrea Rickman

Kyli Renae Rickman, daughter of James and Andrea Rickman

SCHOOL NOTES:

Monday, April 18 – Wednesday, April 20 – Kindergarten screening for kindergarten class of 2011-2012; current kindergarten students not in attendance

Thursday, April 21 – 9:00 & 10:00 a.m. – Living Stations performances for the students; 1:30 p.m. dismissal for Easter break; B.A.S.E. provided

Friday, April 22 – 3:00 p.m. – Living Stations performance for the parishioners

Friday, April 22 – Friday, April 29 – Easter break (Classes resume on Monday, May 2)

Friday, May 6 – Grandparents/Special Persons Day – 9:30 a.m. Mass; NO B.A.S.E.

NEWS FROM OUR DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Unity Run – Registration for the Unity Run on May 7 is now open. The approximately 3-mile course around the Blessed Sacrament neighborhood is open to all ages and levels of fitness. Walkers, runners, strollers, bicycles, are all invited to this family event.

Refreshments are provided. Please see the enclosed flyer for more information about signing up for this fun event.

Unity Run Sponsors – We are still looking for sponsors for the Unity Run. A \$125 donation gets your business logo printed on the back of the race tee shirts. Call Kim Hoffmann at 522-7534, or via e-mail at Hoffmann@bssbruins.org.

ST. JOSEPH'S RAFFLE FOR CAMP ONDESSONK

St. Joseph's Parish is holding a raffle to win a free week's registration at Camp Ondessonk. Tickets are 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10. Money can be sent with name, address, phone and email address to: St. Joseph School, 1344 North 5th Street, Spfld, IL 62702. Drawing May 2nd. Entries by mail must be postmarked by April 25th or LADreceived in person at the school office by April 30th.

LADIES NIGHT OUT—MAY 5

Plan to celebrate Cinco De Mayo at the annual Ladies Night Out! If you would like to have a vendor table, please contact Kelly DeSalle at 691-2718. Space is limited!

NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care for children ages 1-4 years of age is available during Sunday 10:30 AM mass in our rectory basement. There is no monetary fee for this service. Participating parents are put on a rotating schedule to help with the care of the children (usually once every 6 weeks, depending on the number of parents). BSS parents also gain family service hours for watching the children. (even if you don't have a little one in the nursery you can help and get service hours) We are also looking for teenage or pre-teen helpers for the nursery. This is a perfect way to start collecting service hours. We are starting to put together our summer schedule, so if you are interested in joining the nursery, please contact Carrie Sluga at 529-6355 or carrie@sluga.net.

TIMOTHY RETREAT

MAY 20-21, 2011 at St. John Vianney Sherman
An overnight retreat for junior high students (grades 6-8), run by high school students (grades 9-12). All God's children adults supervising. Hosted by St. John Vianney Parish in Sherman and St. Jude Parish in Rochester.

\$30 retreat fee includes: t-shirt, breakfast, lunch, and other goodies. Retreat will include: Reconciliation, Rosary, Stations of Cross, & Mass. Retreat begins at 7:00 PM on Friday May 20 -- Ends after 5:00 PM mass on May 21.

For more information contact JOHN 496-2452 or DAN 498-9197 X 23.

GOOD FRIDAY WAY OF THE CROSS

The annual Good Friday Way of the Cross for Peace and Justice will be held on April 22, 2011 beginning at noon at the Supreme Court Building, 2nd & Capitol. The two hour prayerful walk remembers Jesus' passion and its connection with the sufferings of injustice experienced in God's people in our world today. Join with others in this ecumenical experience of prayer.

The walk is sponsored by Laurel United Methodist Peacemakers, Pax Christi Springfield, Hospital Sisters of St. Francis, First Church of the Brethren, and Springfield Dominican Sisters. For more information and in case of rain, call Sr. Marcelline at 787-0481. Change of location in case of rain will be found at www.paxchristispfld.org < <http://www.paxchristispfld.org/> >

ADORATION HOURS

"Prayer has power. Whether we pray for ourselves or intercede on behalf of another, prayer helps hold together what seems in danger of breaking down in our society, our families, our spirits, and ourselves." This text is the opening paragraph in a pamphlet by *Our Sunday Visitor* to promote rosaries of intercession on behalf of the jobless and underemployed in our country. In very few words, it gives an optimistic view of our time in adoration and prayer.

Prayer has power — remember this! Prayerfully consider a scheduled hour in our adoration chapel. Contact Merle King (528-6088) or Tom Karaianis (415-3281) if you have any questions.

1:00 P.M. SUNDAY**1:00 A.M. MONDAY****2:00 A.M. MONDAY****6:00 A.M. MONDAY****12:00 P.M. MONDAY (Noon)****3:00 P.M. TUESDAY****1:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY****1:00 A.M. FRIDAY****12:00 A.M. SATURDAY****2:00 A.M. SATURDAY****PRAYER VIGIL**

All are invited to join members of our parish in a peaceful prayer vigil outside of Planned Parenthood this Thursday from 12pm - 2pm and Friday from 9:30am - 11:30am. For more information, visit www.40daysforlife.com/springfield-il or call 414-3078.

FEAST OF MERCY - PRAYER SERVICE - SUNDAY, MAY 1, 2011

It is Our Lord's explicit desire that the Feast of Mercy be celebrated on the First Sunday after Easter. Bishop Thomas John Paprocki will preside over a Feast of Mercy Prayer Service on Sunday, May 1, 2011, 2 p.m., at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The service will include: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament; Scriptural Readings; Veneration of the Image; Recitation of the Chaplet; and Reconciliation. This service is not a Mass. Be sure to attend regularly scheduled Sunday Mass. "I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. . . On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet." (The words of Our Lord as recorded in the Diary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, entry 699.) All are welcome.

MEN'S WILDERNESS BACKPACKING RETREAT

Fr. Hoefler will lead a week-long retreat in Banff Canadian National Park. The retreat will run from Friday, July 29th returning the following Friday or Saturday. A passport will be required. This will include a 5 day/4 night backpacking trip. Participants should be in good health, (by then), and able to carry approx. 40 lbs. over rough terrain. If somehow this sounds interesting, contact Jim McDermott at taptap7@comcast.net or phone at 546-9467.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF APRIL 18-24**

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

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*Separate Schedule for Holy
Week Services*

Saturday, April 23, 8:30 PM**Lectors:****Servers:****Eucharistic Ministers:****Sunday, April 24, 7:00 AM****Lectors:****Servers:**

Eucharistic Ministers: Ann
Walker, Dave Langston,
Michele Hinds -
Greenwood, Johanna
Toomey, Kathryn Gietl

Sunday, April 24, 8:30 AM**Lectors:****Servers:**

Eucharistic Ministers:
Barbara Erdmann, Mark
Ushman, Pat Sheehan,
Scott Reimers, Thomas
Schmidt, Andrew Adams,
Ken Sommer, Mary K.
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Sunday, April 24, 10:30 AM**Lectors:****Servers:**

Eucharistic Ministers: Rick
Campbell, Jude Kennedy,
Mary Tuttle, Karen
Senger, Patricia Clarida,
Grace Stannard, Pat
Graham, Don Graham

ST. JOSEPH'S HOME OPENING

St. Joseph's Home has an immediate opening for a beautician. Individual must be flexible, able to work with seniors, available 2-3 days per week, and be licensed and insured. Call Sr. Lenore at 529-5596 or email to srlenore@saintjosephshome.org.

K OF C OPENING

The Knights of Columbus is seeking a Field Agent for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. We offer a complete benefits package with this full-time position. For more information, contact Stann Mudd at 618-282-2246 or email Stanley.mudd@kofc.org.

RETREAT FOR DIVORCED AND SEPARATED

DASK, a three-day Koinonia retreat for those who have experienced the pain of separation and divorce will be April 29, 30 & May 1, 2011, at Todd Hall in Columbia, IL., beginning with supper Friday at 5:30. Reasonable fee includes meals and lodging for the weekend. For more information please call Leo Schellert (636) 946-7782, or Marjie Gladish (217) 529-7372.

LENTEN REFLECTION

We hear in sacred scripture how Christ redeemed us not by a one-time small gift, but by becoming one of us and giving His whole self even unto death on a Cross.

Our Rice Bowl Collection will be taken during Holy Thursday Mass.

Building on Tradition

Goal	\$5,400,000.00
Total Commitments	\$5,163,395.69
Total Cash Received	\$3,212,681.62

SHG VOLLEYBALL ANNOUNCEMENT

There is a mandatory Parents meeting for ANY girl that is interested in trying out for volleyball at SHG this fall on MONDAY, April 18th at 6:30pm in the SHG cafeteria. One parent and your daughter are required to attend. Please contact Coach Kristin Sams with any questions (741-1522 or JKSams@hotmail.com).

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent / Treasure)

Parish Collection

April 3, 2011	\$21,212.50
Target Amount	\$23,500.00

Annual Catholic Services Appeal (as of 3/14/11)

Assessment	\$101,365.00
Pledges by Parish Families	\$ 53,862.00
Remaining	\$ 47,503.00