



**Parish of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Sunday, July 24, 2011**  
**Seventeenth 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, July 25, Saint James**

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Arlene Murphy

**Tuesday, July 26, Saint Joachim and Saint Anne**

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Marilyn Johnson

**Wednesday, July 27**

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Special Intentions of the Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit Volunteers
- ✕ **5:30 PM** Prayer Service for the Sick & Suffering

**Thursday, July 28**

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Special Intentions of Toni Bernardy

**Friday, July 29, Saint Martha**

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Dr. Fenton Drake  
Andrew and Mary Okwara

**Saturday, July 30**

- 7:00 AM Members of the Poor Souls' Shrine (LATIN MASS)
- ✕ Confessions 3:00—4:00 PM
- ✕ 4:30 PM Zigmas Kuprenas

**Sunday, July 31, Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ✕ 7:00 AM Patricia Kennedy
- ✕ 8:30 AM Eileen and Paul Ochman
- ✕ 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: Mae Henn, Ginny, Rob, Mary, Roberta, Mary Bernardy, David Neale, Becky Figge, Midge Ward, Toni, Angie Henderson, Angel, Alyssa, Barbara, Beth, Bonnie, Donna Braun, Danielle Loftus, Bill Forsyth, Elaine Grace, Joe, Mary Schwartz, Marlene, Michael, Sammy, Ruth Pohlman, Tom, Tom Schmidt, Michael Guzzardo, Pat, Don, Parishioners, relatives in service, and those who need our prayers.

**DEAR PARISHIONERS,**

**Take a little time to smile.** For many years, I have carried in my breviary a little pamphlet entitled the **Apostolate of Smiling**. It was written by a bishop named Thomas O'Leary in 1935. It is a message that is still important for today. I'd like to share it with you.

Just a little smile on your lips  
Cheers your heart  
Keeps you in good humor  
Preserves peace in your soul  
Promotes your health  
Beautifies your face  
Induces kindly thoughts  
Inspires kindly deeds.

Smile to yourself until you notice that your constant seriousness or even severity, has vanished.  
Smile to yourself until you have warmed your own heart with the sunshine of your cheery countenance. Then—go out and radiate your smile.

That smile has work to do—work to do for God. You are an Apostle now, and your smile is your instrument of winning souls. Sanctifying grace dwelling in your soul will give the special charm to your smile which will render it productive of much good.

Smile on the lonely faces...smile on the timid faces...smile on the sorrowful faces...smile on the sickly faces...smile on the fresh young faces...smile on the wrinkled old faces... smile on the familiar faces of your family and friends—let all enjoy the beauty and inspiring cheer of your smiling face.

Count, if you will the number of smiles your smile has drawn from others in one day. The number will represent how many times you have promoted contentment, joy, satisfaction, encouragement, or confidence in the hearts of others. These good dispositions always give birth to unselfish acts and noble deeds. The influence of your smile is spreading though you do not always see the wonders it is working.

Your smile can bring new life and hope and courage into the hearts of the weary, the overburdened, the discouraged, the tempted, the despairing. Your smile can help to develop vocations, if you are a Priest, a Brother, or a Sister. Your smile can be the beginning of conversions to the faith. Your smile can prepare the way for a sinner's return to God. Your smile can win for you a host of devoted friends.

Smile, too, at God. Smile at God in loving acceptance of whatever He sends into your life, and you will merit to have the radiantly Smiling of Face of Christ gaze on you with special love throughout Eternity.

I think sometimes we forget how important our smile can be. Of all the things we wear to work, to school, to church, to the gym or to the mall, nothing can be more appropriate or beneficial.

**Father Jeff**

**OUR PARISH FAMILY**

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AND APPRECIATED AGAIN**

Building Superintendent Mike Hickey is requesting help **this Monday, July 25**, from 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We will be finishing the planting of the landscaping and moving the old office to the new office. We will also set up the new teachers' workroom in the old Preschool room and moving items in the hallways to their proper location. This will be another opportunity for service hours, and if you can just come for an hour or two, it would be much appreciated.



**DAY OF RECOLLECTION CHANGE**

The July D.O.R. will be held on MONDAY, JUNE 29 from 1:15 p.m. until 2:30 p.m., instead of Thursday July 23 rd. There will be no D.O.R. in AUGUST, and our regular schedule will resume on the 4th Thursday of SEPTEMBER, 22th, from 12:45 p.m. until 2:45 p.m.

**VOTE FOR BLESSED SACRAMENT!**

In the Avery Give Back to Schools™ promotion, all you have to do is vote for your favorite school once a day online. The top five schools at the end of the promotion will each win \$10,000 worth of Avery School Supplies, 10,000 Bonus Box Tops coupons, and \$1,000 worth of gift cards. Twenty-five runner-up schools will also win 5,000 Bonus Box Tops coupons! So what are you waiting for? Start voting today! [www.avery.com/giveback](http://www.avery.com/giveback). The contest runs through September 16. Thank you very much for helping Blessed Sacrament win !

**MISSION CO-OP SPEAKER COMING SOON**

Blessed Sacrament will host our Mission Co-Op Speaker, Father Mansuetus Setonga, next weekend. Father Setonga is from the Diocese of Same in Tanzania. The second collection next weekend will be for his diocese.

**ST. JOSEPH'S HOME JOB OPENING**

St. Joseph's Home of Springfield is currently looking for a part-time employee to work in the Activities department of our Dementia wing. The individual would be asked to work with and help plan activities to bring joy to the 28 residents who live there. If interested, please contact Sr. Lenore at 217-529-5596 or [srlenore@saintjosephshome.org](mailto:srlenore@saintjosephshome.org).

**K of C BREAKFAST BENEFIT**

An all-you-can-eat breakfast benefit for Catholic Charities' St. Clare's Health Clinic will be held August 14 at the Knights of Columbus at 2200 Meadowbrook Road from 8:00 AM to Noon.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK**

**St. James, Apostle, July 25**

For [James](#) there was no indication that this was the day that his [life](#) would change. The dawn for him was not the bright beginning of a new day, but the end of long fruitless night of fishing. As [James](#) sat mending his nets in the boat with his brother [John](#) and his father Zebedee, he must have watched in wonder as his partner Simon brought in nets loaded with fish he had caught at the command of Jesus. Was he shocked when he saw Simon and his brother Andrew walk away from this incredible catch at a word from this same Jesus?

As he watched [Jesus](#) walk toward him followed by Simon and Andrew, did he feel curiosity, fear, hope, envy? [Jesus](#) didn't pass him by but, stopping by their boat, called [James](#) and his brother [John](#) to do just what Simon and Andrew had done. Without argument or discussion, [James](#) and [John](#) left their boat and even their father behind, and followed Jesus.

James did drink of the cup [Jesus](#) drank of, all too shortly after the Resurrection. [Acts](#) 12:1 tells us that [James](#) was one of the first martyrs of the Church. King [Herod](#) Agrippa I killed him with a sword in an early [persecution](#) of the Church. There is a story that the [man](#) who arrested [James](#) became a convert after hearing [James](#) speak at his trial and was executed with him. James is the patron saint of laborers.

Saint James, pray for us that we may be willing to leave everything to follow [Jesus](#) as you did. Help us to become special friends of [Jesus](#) as you were. [Amen](#)

**ADORATION HOURS**

"There is something very powerful about spending time in a quiet church. ...Experience has taught me time and time again that all answers are in the tabernacle. I can go to many people in my life and ask them what they think I should do in a given situation, but nothing compares to sitting before Jesus in the tabernacle and placing my questions before Him." Page 196, Rediscover Catholicism by Matthew Kelly.

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

**2:00 AM SATURDAY****1:00 A.M. FRIDAY****12:00 A.M. SATURDAY****8:00 PM WEDNESDAY****4:00 PM THURSDAY****10:00 PM FRIDAY****RIGHT TO LIFE BOOTH AT STATE FAIR**

It's State Fair time again, and the Springfield Right to Life needs volunteers for the Right to Life Booth from August 12 through 21. Over two thousand men, women, and children of all ages visit our booth to pick up literature, sign a pro-life petition, and show their support for life. The scheduling is for three-hour shifts from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. We need four volunteers per shift. Being a volunteer is an opportunity for being a witness for the unborn. Please help us. Older children and teens are welcome to volunteer, too. Call Andrea Judd at 544-1300 or Retta at the **Right to Life Office at 523-2700 for more information.**

**CATHEDRAL FEST**

All are welcome to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception's annual Cathedral Fest on August 6 from 6:00 to 10:00 PM. The event includes live 80s music by The ReJuvenilz. Cost is \$40 per person including all you can eat food and drink (beer, wine, soda), and 30 chances to win up to \$5000 in cash. Reservations and payment required. Visit [www.cathedral.dio.org](http://www.cathedral.dio.org) or call the office at 522-3342.

**"AH" DAY OF QUIET—August 1, 2011 at CHIARA CENTER**

This is a day for you to enjoy the Spirit's invitation to: walk...read...journal...appreciate...reflect...wonder...pray...listen...draw... Guests will have access to the spacious grounds, the beautiful St. Francis of Assisi Church, peaceful reflection areas as well as spiritual audio and printed resources. There is an optional session at 1 p.m. - Praying with Clare of Assisi. Massage is also available by appointment (additional fee).

Guests are welcome between 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. \$20 per person. Overnight accommodations are also available for an additional fee. Reservations are required. 217-523-0901 or email [mrenfro@chiaracenter.org](mailto:mrenfro@chiaracenter.org).

**CATHEDRAL RUMMAGE SALE**

Cathedral will be holding its annual CCCW Garage Sale in the air conditioned School Hall, on Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:30am-7pm and Saturday, August 6 from 8am-noon. Handicapped accessible from Atrium entrance. We have lots of items and will have someone available to help carry out.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE***WEEK OF JULY 25-31***Monday—Wednesday****8:00 AM**

Hannah Ketchum, Eric Ketchum

**Thursday-Friday****8:00 AM**

Jim Hollahan, Frank Hollahan

**Saturday, July 30, 4:30 PM****Lectors:** Steven Schuefele**Servers:** Ben Schuefele, Clara Munyer, Preston Njapa**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rita Keys, James Keys, Ken Dobucki, Michelle Bretz, Marge O'Keefe, Andrea Judd, Lynn Frasco, Rose Amon**Sunday, July 31, 7:00 AM****Lectors:** Judy Kjellander**Servers:** Brady Malone, Sarah Miller**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathryn Gietl, Barney Bruzetti, Dave Langston, Ann Walker, Michele Hinds-Greenwood**Sunday, July 31, 8:30 AM****Lectors:** Laurie Mann**Servers:** Aanise Sajna, Elizabeth Wiatrolik, Brent Parquette**Eucharistic Ministers:** Tom Karaianis, Clara Ushman, Mark Ushman, Anne Capstrain, Pat Sheehan, Eric Delvo, Mike Delvo, Emily Delvo**Sunday, July 31, 10:30 AM****Lectors:** Michael Lawless**Servers:** Adirenne Dodge, Frank Hollahan, Jim Hollahan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dan Schuering, Barbara Erdmann, Jim Morphew, Sally Petrone, Patricia Clarida, Cindy Ledbetter, James Dodge, Mary Tuttle

**Could RCIA Help a Friend, or Family?**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is a way for people who are thinking about strengthening their relationship with God, or listening to the call of the Holy Spirit, to find their way - perhaps through the Catholic Faith. It is also for those who may have been baptized as Catholics but didn't have Communion, or Confirmation.

It is truly an information gathering opportunity with no commitment until, or if, one becomes ready to take the next step. 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, "Why do Catholics...", "I heard that Catholics...", or "How can Catholics...". In the RCIA process, a full commitment does not come until Easter (4/8/12), if one opts to come into the Church, or move to full communion with the Church.

The next group for RCIA will meet for the first time on Thursday, 7 p.m., September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011. In order to join, 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.

*Building on Tradition*

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$5,400,000.00</b>
<b>Total Commitments</b>	<b>\$5,169,145.77</b>
<b>Total Cash Received</b>	<b>\$3,391,467.51</b>

**GROCERY SHOPPING THIS WEEK? CATCHING A MOVIE OVER THE WEEKEND?**

With just a little pre-planning, you can help our school raise money AND already have those store cards in hand when you BUY SCHOOL SCRIP! For more information and list of school scrip places, click on the "Buy School Scrip" icon on the School Web site, [www.Bssbruins.org](http://www.Bssbruins.org). You can even place orders online at [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). The more you buy, the more credit you earn towards tuition!!

*STEWARDSHIP*

*(Time / Talent / Treasure)*

<b><u>Parish Collection</u></b>	
<b>July 10, 2011</b>	<b>\$17,618.00</b>
<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>