



# Parish of the Blessed Sacrament

Springfield,  
Illinois



May 22, 2011

Fifth 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 23

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Harold Figge

### Tuesday, May 24

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:20 AM** Helen Kramp  
Brad Dodge

### Wednesday, May 25

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Sterling Krueger
- ✕ **5:30 PM** Prayer Service for the Sick & Suffering

### Thursday, May 26, St Philip Neri

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Bill & Margaret Bolin  
Minnie Maurer

### Friday, May 27, St Augustine of Canterbury

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:20 AM** Dorothy Knous

### Saturday, May 28

- 7:00 AM Members of the Poor Souls' Shrine  
(LATIN MASS)
- ✕ Confessions 3:00—4:00 PM
- ✕ 4:30 PM Robert & Mary Louise von Behren

### Sunday, May 29

- ✕ 7:00 AM Jim Fitzgerald
- ✕ 8:30 AM Dr. Fenton Drake & Thomas Drake
- ✕ 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: 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,

The Gospel today is preparing us for the Ascension of Christ Jesus to the Father. Jesus told the disciples that we know where He is going and we know the way. Jesus intends for us to continue His work in the world. "Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever believes in me will do the works that I do, and will do greater ones than these, because I am going to the Father." "The Father who dwells in me is doing his works." By virtue of our Baptism and with the reception of Holy Communion, Jesus dwells in us. May we respond to this grace and become more transparent to His presence in our life.

The first reading accounts the calling and ordination of the first seven deacons of the Church. They were ordained to serve. Join me in thanking God for our deacons continuing this ministry today. We pray for our deacons, for those who will be ordained next year, those who will enter the formation process this fall, and those discerning the call to the diaconate. God bless them, and God bless us through their service!

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders have their awards ceremony tonight, Sunday, and their graduation tomorrow. What a pleasure it has been to be with them from Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. They are a wonderful group of people and very talented in many ways. It has been a joy to see their faith develop and see them "learning to make a difference." I know they have great gifts to offer back to God and to the world. Please pray for them that they will always live their faith well and use their gifts for the glory of God and the good of us all. God bless you, graduates!

The new addition to our school is nearing completion. Most of what remains to be done is the site work. We are now down to a punch list on the building itself. We are not ready to ask for an occupancy permit yet, but we are asking the city for permission to let the students enter and exit the school through the new front doors. This will allow us to block off the area between the addition and the rectory so we can continue the site work that needs to be done there. Please note that there will not be access to this area while it is under construction. In order to get to the church from the south parking lot we will have to use the sidewalk on the Walnut street side of the church until the site work is complete. Anyone using the adoration chapel will probably want to park on Laurel.

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

**OUR PARISH FAMILY**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEWLY WED**

Jason Matthew Lancaster and Tisha Lynn Smith

**WEDDING BANNES**

Andrew Call and Alexis Morgan plan to wed June 4, 2011.

Christopher Vala and Jeni DeHeve plan to wed June 11, 2011.

**SCHOOL NOTES**

Sunday, May 22 –

6:00 p.m. – 8<sup>th</sup> grade awards ceremony & dance in the gym

Monday, May 23 –

No school for 8<sup>th</sup> grade only;

6:00 p.m. – Graduation Mass

Monday, May 30 –

No school in observance of Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 31 –

Tu/Th preschool last day of school

Wednesday, June 1 –

Kindergarten Cookout for kindergarten only; lunch with parents and dismissal following end-of-the-year program

MWF preschool last day of school & dismissal following end-of-the-year program

M-F preschool last day of school & dismissal following end-of-the-year program

Thursday, June 2 –

Fun Day for grades 1 - 7

1:30 p.m. dismissal; B.A.S.E. provided

Friday, June 3 –

Last day of school for grades 1 – 7

8:20 a.m. all-school Mass; 9:30 a.m. dismissal of students from the classrooms for summer break

**WHAT! WHAT! WHAT!** Only four more weeks until Fr. Hoefler's 50th birthday party! (The party is on June 12th from 4-7.) If you haven't reserved your tickets, please do so by June 5th! We want to make sure we have plenty of David's Italian beef and barbeque pork! Remember this is an adults only party. Tickets are \$10 per person and will cover the cost of food and drinks (tea and lemonade). Tickets will be given at the door. The rest of the proceeds will be donated to the Building on Tradition fund in Father's name as a gift. Call to reserve your tickets today! Karen Senger (741-2818), Willa Senger (529-1542), Kim Hoffmann (698-0184), or Friti Belz (544-7338). See you there!

**THANK YOU** for generously donating \$1,454.00 to the Collection for the Church in Latin America.

**NEWS FROM OUR DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

**Thank You, Susan Cook House Educational Trust!**

We were notified in April that Blessed Sacrament School has been awarded a \$30,000 grant from the Susan Cook House Educational Trust to purchase additional Smart Board technology for our classrooms. (A Smart Board is an interactive whiteboard projected onto a wall in the classroom from a computer that allows touch input onto the screen.) This grant will enable us to provide this technology for all grade levels at our school.

**Blessed Sacrament Gym Updates** – The bleachers are installed! We again thank the Pepsi Refresh program and all of you who spent hours of your time voting online so that we could win the \$25,000 grant that paid for the bleachers. We look forward to many opportunities to cheer on our Bruins! In that vein, we also thank this year's Class of 2011 who have already purchased a mascot costume (Bruno the Bruin) who will be appearing at future B.S.S. events.

**Happy Graduation** - We congratulate all of our Blessed Sacrament youth who will graduate this year from 8<sup>th</sup> grade, high school and college. In particular this year, we thank the parents of the Blessed Sacrament eighth grade class who have volunteered for so very many of our Blessed Sacrament events over the years. Thank you and congratulations.

**Unity Run** – The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Blessed Sacrament Unity Run was a great success. We thank our tee shirt sponsors: R.W. Troxell, Reid Chiropractic and The Nutrition Center, St. John's Children's Hospital, Mike Hoffmann & Associates, Cummings Carpet, Edward Jones (Tim Healy), Starcrest Cleaners, and Pathology Associates of Central Illinois, LTD.

**Garden Party** – Mark you calendars for the 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Garden Party to be held on June 15. 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.

**MEMORIAL DAY FIELD MASS**

Calvary Cemetery will hold Mass on Memorial Day, May 30, at 9:00 AM at the Father Howard Altar. Bishop Paprocki will be the principal celebrant. Limited seating is available. Lawn chairs are welcome. Please call 523-3726 with questions. A golf cart will help those who may have difficulty walking to the Mass site.

**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 A.M. MONDAY****2:00 A.M. MONDAY****12:00 P.M. MONDAY (Noon)****3:00 P.M. TUESDAY****11:00 P.M. THURSDAY****1:00 A.M. FRIDAY****12:00 A.M. SATURDAY****2:00 A.M. SATURDAY****FATIMA CRUSADE**

The Fatima Pilgrimage will take place TODAY, Sunday, May 22 at 3:00 PM at St. Aloysius Church. Speaker is Father Patrick Gibbons.

**GARDEN PARTY HELP NEEDED**

Volunteers are needed for the 2011 Blessed Sacrament Garden Party! All shifts are available. We are in need of the following: Pull games out of the basement into the gym on Sunday, June 12th immediately following 10:30 mass (this shouldn't take long) Set-up on Tuesday, June 14th from 5 :00 - whenever we finish. Set-up during the day on Wednesday, June 15th starting at 1pm . Game shifts from 5:00-7:30, 7:30-9:00, and cleanup. We need people to help with the different game booths and the face painting/tattoo booth. Volunteers to help serving food at the BSS Grill anytime from 5:00 - 9:00 . All hours worked will count towards your service hours! If you can help, please return the attached form to: Stephen DePooter [s.depooter@gmail.com](mailto:s.depooter@gmail.com) 220-9200 or Sean Noonan [snnoonan@skkr.com](mailto:snnoonan@skkr.com) 691-0910 Thank you!!!

**REUNION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

St. Joseph School is celebrating 135 years. Alumni, past and current Staff, Parishioners, and Friends of St. Joe's are all invited to attend. Festivities begin with 4:30 Mass on June 4, 2011 followed by dinner, live entertainment, giveaways & door prizes. Dinner is \$5.00 per person. To RSVP or for further details, please contact the school office at 523-6597

A reunion luncheon will be held for Cathedral Boys High School, Sacred Heart Academy & Griffin Alums who graduated 50+ years ago (1960 and prior). "Nifty Fifty" will be held Friday, June 3 at the Sangamo Club, 227 E. Adams, beginning at 12:30 p.m. Entertainment to follow. The cost is \$20 per person. Call 787-9732 for more information.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE***WEEK OF MAY 23-29***Monday—Wednesday  
8:00/8:20 AM**Alyssa Sweeney, Laura  
Hanselman**Thursday-Friday  
8:00/8:20 AM**

Ben Schuefele, Jack Jennings

**Saturday, May 28, 4:30 PM****Lectors:** Mike Goza**Servers:** Billy Wilhite, Steven Long, Nic Farris**Eucharistic Ministers:** Noreen Luhr, Janine Feller, Marge O'Keefe, Collee VonDeBur, Ken Dobucki, Marty Mosley, Isabel Figueroa, Susan Gallagher**Sunday, May 29, 7:00 AM****Lectors:** Don Tracy**Servers:** Jim Hollahan, Frank Hollahan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Johanna Toomey, Cindy Ledbetter, Jim Morphew, Phil Graham, Nancy Smith**Sunday, May 29, 8:30 AM****Lectors:** Patrick Fitzgerald**Servers:** Katie Rearden, Tristan Cano Nelson, Jeremy French**Eucharistic Ministers:** Pat Sheehan, Larry Newell, Sr. Francesca Okwars, DDL, Mary F. Conwill, Sr. Josephine Okeke, DDL, Mike Delvo, Eric Delvo, Barbara Erdmann**Sunday, May 29, 10:30 AM****Lectors:** Suzanne Baase**Servers:** Adrienne Dodge, Ben Portz, Grace Portz**Eucharistic Ministers:** Rita Keys, James Keys, Sally Petrone, Andrea Judd, James Dodge, Rose Amon, MaryAnn Gorney, Rick Campbell

**FAITH CAMP**

Dominican Faith Camp is an exciting 3-day camp June 26-28 for girls entering 5th grade - 8th grade graduates. Campers enjoy a safe summer holiday and learn more about Dominican Life. Activities include crafts, games and prayer time with the Sisters, learning about Dominican saints and the four pillars of Dominican life and meeting with a special "Sister buddy." The cost is \$50 and the registration deadline is June 6th. To learn more and to register, visit [www.springfieldop.org](http://www.springfieldop.org).

**ST. PATRICK SCHOOL ALUMNI**

St. Patrick Catholic School is putting together an alumni database to help communicate with former students and alumni. Brian Hardy, a Troop 2 Boy Scout and SHG student, is supervising construction of the database as his Eagle Scout Project. Brian and his troop have input almost 800 names from graduation pictures dating back to the late 1940s, but they need help to fill in missing contact information. If you know any former alumni or student of St. Pats, please send the information to Michelle Marley, Development Director, St. Patrick School, 1800 South Grand Avenue East, Springfield, Illinois 62703, or by email to [marley2557@gmail.com](mailto:marley2557@gmail.com). If possible, please include first and last name, maiden name if applicable, middle initial, year of graduation (or years attended if not a graduate), address, telephone number, and email address. Any information would be appreciated. Alumni information can also be input on the St. Patrick website at [www.st-patrick.org](http://www.st-patrick.org) or on the St. Patrick Catholic School Facebook page.

*Building on Tradition*

<b>Goal</b>	<b>\$5,400,000.00</b>
<b>Total Commitments</b>	<b>\$5,167,419.68</b>
<b>Total Cash Received</b>	<b>\$3,282,089.58</b>

**CUB SCOUT OUTING**

All boys completing Kindergarten or 6 years old are invited to join Cub Scouts and attend our outing on Sunday May 22nd at 1:00 PM at Iles Park, corner of 6th and Ash. Please RSVP to Joe Bright at [joebright1@att.blackberry.net](mailto:joebright1@att.blackberry.net) or 801-2864.

*STEWARDSHIP*

*(Time / Talent / Treasure)*

**Parish Collection**

<b>May 8, 2011</b>	<b>\$18,193.00</b>
<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>

**Annual Catholic Services Appeal (as of 4/12/11)**

<b>Assessment</b>	<b>\$101,365.00</b>
<b>Pledges by Parish Families</b>	<b>\$ 53,872.00</b>
<b>Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 47,493.00</b>