



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament

Sunday, September 4, 2011

Twenty-Third 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, September 5

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** John Gonterman
Leonard Metz

Tuesday, September 6

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:20 AM** Enos Tolan
Robert Bretz

Wednesday, September 7

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

Thursday, September 8

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:00 AM** Claire Forsyth

Friday, September 9

- ✕ Confessions before Mass
- ✕ **8:20 AM** Mario Baliva

Saturday, September 10, St. Gregory the Great

- 7:00 AM Barbara Vespa (LATIN MASS)
- ✕ Confessions 3:00—4:00 PM
- ✕ 4:30 PM Mary Ellen Green

Sunday, September 11, Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✕ 7:00 AM Chick Delano
- ✕ 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: Hannah, MaryAnn, Greta, Walter Dietrich Brafford, Lennie & William Reed, Margaret & Patty Taylor, Bill Waters, Mary Ellen Brown, Frances Quigley, J. Schleyhahn, Jeni, Josh, Theresa, Sr. Mary Dougherty, OP, 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, students, faculty, and parents of our school, and those who need our prayers.

DEAR PARISHIONERS,

On May 15, 1891, Pope Leo XIII issued the encyclical, **Rerum Novarum**. His purpose was to address many of the issues surrounding industry and labor. The rapid growth of the industrial revolution left many questions about the personal wealth of some industrial giants and the safety and fair treatment of the laborers who worked for them. Taking the traditional moral teachings of our faith, the encyclical addressed these questions in a new and precise way. For example, concerning the determination of wages, it states: "let it be taken for granted that workman and employer should, as a rule, make free agreements, and in particular should agree freely as to wages; nevertheless, there is a dictate of natural justice more imperious and ancient than any bargain between man and man, that remuneration should be sufficient to maintain the wage-earner in reasonable and frugal comfort. If through necessity or fear of a worse evil the workman accept harder conditions because an employer or contractor will afford him no better, he is made the victim of force and injustice."

This was the first time any church document clearly supported the rights of workers to form unions and associations. It stated that employers and workers could organize in both mixed and separate organizations for mutual and self-protection. It also stated the church's role was to put forth the moral principles and the state's role was to intervene on behalf of justice.

For over 120 years, this document has been extremely influential in shaping labor policy and justice. What is fair to the worker? What is fair to the employer? What values will determine the direction we go? These are issues that affect our lives even today.

This Monday, as we celebrate Labor Day, perhaps we should take time to reflect and even pray about this. Our work should give us dignity and also the means to support ourselves and our families. Much has been done to move us in that direction. Yet, there is more to be accomplished. As new questions and issues arise, perhaps it is the ancient moral values of our faith that can help us shape laws and guidelines that will be just for all.

Father Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY**GOD BLESS OUR NEWLY BAPTIZED**

Willa Marie Phillips and Grant Thomas Phillips,
children of James and Stephanie Phillips

MARRIAGE BANNES

Benjamin LaFata & Rebecca Drainer plan to wed
September 10, 2011.

NEWS FROM THE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

Dedication Day – We thank Bishop Paprocki for joining us to celebrate Mass and dedicate the newly constructed areas of our school. Words cannot express the gratitude we have for all of the people who came together as a team to fund and build this beautiful new addition for our Blessed Sacrament students. A special thanks to Mike Hickey and the maintenance staff who have so busily prepared the building for the dedication and the start of the school year.

Garden Party – A huge round of applause goes to this year's Garden Party Chairmen, Sean Noonan and Steve DePooter. They were able to put together an excellent event in spite of the construction delays that moved the party to this past weekend. Thanks also to their awesome volunteers.

Albert Cusick Memorial 50/50 Raffle –

Congratulations to Al Loken, winner of the Garden Party Raffle. Thanks to all of you who purchased tickets!

BIBLE GROUP AT CHRIST THE KING

Starting **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 (NOTE DATE CORRECTION)**, we will have a 5-week program called **A Biblical Walk Through the Mass**, from Ascension Press (www.ascensionpress.com). Cost of materials will be approximately \$18. We meet in the parish center library and start at 9:30, right after the all-school Mass. In Oct. we will start **Epic: A Journey Through Church History** from Ascension Press, a 20 part series, which will take us through the rest of the school year. To register for the course, or for more information, please email Mary Kay Hinkle at mbhinkle75@msn.com, or call her at 787-9750.

HELP OUR SCHOOL EARN MONEY

Kleenex is giving \$5000 to 100 schools to use for field trips. **JUST SIGN UP ONE TIME** on Facebook and choose Blessed Sacrament School! Thank you!
www.kleenex.com/BTSDetail.aspx

SEPTEMBER 11 REMEMBRANCE

A Prayer Service in remembrance of the victims of the 9/11 attacks will take place at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 11, at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. You are invited to join other prayerful people of Springfield from many denominations in the memorial. It will feature John Rutter's "*Requiem*". If you wish more information, you may contact Nichol DelGiorno; 522-3342 x135.

BULLETIN SCHEDULE

All items to be included in the weekly bulletin are due to the Bulletin Editor by email at **SLReimers@mac.com** or given to the parish office by Tuesday at noon each week for the following weekend.

**For the weekend of September 17-18, please submit your items earlier, by Friday noon, September 9. Thank you for your cooperation.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES AUCTION

Springfield Catholic Charities Ultimate BBQ and Live Auction will take place at Christ the King Parish Center on Sunday, September 11 from 5:00 to 8:00 PM with great food, live music, and exciting auction items. Call 525-0500 for ticket information.

K of C BENEFIT FOR ST MARTIN DEPOORES

An all-you-can-eat breakfast buffet will be held on Sunday, September 11 from 8 am until noon at KC Council 364. The cost is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children ages 6 - 12, and free for children ages five and under. All proceeds will benefit St. Martin de Porres Center in Springfield. For question, call the Council Office at 787-2360.

TRIP TO ITALY WITH MUSIC MINISTRY

The Music Ministry of Blessed Sacrament will be hosting a tour to Italy this coming summer, **June 23-July 2, 2012. Encore Tours will be coming to our Parish, Wednesday, Sept. 14, 7:00 p.m. to** present the vision for this amazing journey. Meeting room TBA. Part of this tour will include an intergenerational choir/orchestra made up of Blessed Sacrament parishioners, who will sing liturgies at the Vatican and Assisi as well as perform three concerts in Venice, Lucca and Rome. All parishioners are invited to make the pilgrimage, even join the singing. Please come and listen as James Knapp, artistic director of Encore Tours, unveils our very special trip to Italy. Call Jody at the church office if you have any questions.

ADORATION HOURS

Need a Spiritual Boost? This is a lead question in the CTK bulletin for Sunday the 21st. Recently Fr. Jeff's daily mass homily dealt with the question: Do we feed our Spirit with the same concern we feed our body? Prayer and Listening in the Adoration Chapel is a great way to feed your Spirit, to give it a 'Boost.' Time spent with our Lord in the Eucharist is always rewarded.

Prayerfully consider a scheduled hour in our adoration chapel. Contact Merle King (528-6088) or Tom Karaianis (415-3281) for more information.

6:00 A.M. MONDAY

12:01 AM SATURDAY

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2:00 AM SATURDAY

1:00 A.M. FRIDAY

ANNUAL RIGHT TO LIFE DINNER

The Annual Right to Life Dinner will be held on Friday, September 23 at the Northfield Conference Center. Joseph M. Scheidler, founder of the Pro-Life Action League, will be featured. Tickets are \$50 for adults and \$25 for students. Please call 523-2700 or visit www.srtl.org to make a reservation.

PRAYER VIGIL AT GRANITE CITY ABORTION CLINIC

Please join the Prayer Vigil sponsored by the Gospel of Life Committee on Saturday, September 17 at the Granite City Abortion Clinic. We leave Lakeside Christian Church on Toronto Road at 7:00 AM, hold a three-hour prayer vigil, and return to Springfield around 1:00 PM. Please call Eric Portz at 718-4030 to attend.

And **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**—October 1—Diocesan Annual Respect Life Mass and Prayer Vigil in Granite City beginning at 9:00 AM

YOUTH RALLY FOR LIFE TICKETS

If you are planning a trip to Washington DC for the March for Life this spring and are wanting to participate in the Youth Rally and Mass for Life at the Verizon Center/Armory, please contact Kyle Holtgrave for ticket information. The Archdiocese of Washington is no longer having "open seating" for this event, and Kyle is the designated "local" contact for this Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. Deadline to request tickets is October 7. Please note that these tickets are very limited so it is possible that requests may go unfilled, or that only a partial number of tickets will be issued. Call Kyle at the Diocesan Office at 698-8500 X 154.

RAISING CHASTE TEENS PRESENTATION

Renowned Catholic speaker and author Jason Evert will present communication techniques and resources to assist parents in their task as the primary sex educators of their children. The talk is open to parents, youth ministers, teachers, and all involved in the formation of youth. Registration is \$10 or \$15 a couple. It will be held on Thursday, October 20 from 7:00 to 9:00 PM at the Spalding Pastoral Center in Peoria. For more information, email Carlos Tejada in the Diocesan Office at ctejada@dio.org.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 5-11****Monday—Wednesday**

8:00 AM/8:20 AM

Tristan Cano Nelson, Emma Smith

Thursday-Friday

8:00/8:20 AM

Mary Helen Healy, Alex White

Saturday, Sept. 10, 4:30 PM

Lectors: Isabel Long

Servers: Tessie Jack Murphy, Riley Murphy, Tyree Redpath

Eucharistic Ministers: Susan Gallagher, Noreen Luhr, Marge O'Keefe, Sally Petrone, Andrea Judd, Colleen VonDeBur, Michelle Bretz, Rosemary DiNello

Sunday, Sept. 11, 7:00 AM

Lectors: Judy Kjellander

Servers: Riley Hinds, Grace McDonald

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathryn Gietl, Mary F. Conwill, Dave Langston, Michele Hinds-Greenwood, Ann Walker

Sunday, Sept. 11, 8:30 AM

Lectors: Patrick Fitzgerald

Servers: Ben Eck, Catie Eck, AJ Lust

Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Sheehan, Johanna Toomey, Scott Reimers, Patricia Clarida, Kathy Harth, Anne Capestrain, Mark Ushman, Clara Ushman

Sunday, Sept. 11, 10:30 AM

Lectors: Suzanne Miller

Servers: Jim Moore, Maria Moore, Josh Moore

Eucharistic Ministers: MaryAnn Gorney, Grace Stannard, Rick Campbell, James Dodge, Cindy Ledbetter, Jim Morphew, Barbara Erdmann, Barney Bruzetti

MUSIC NOTES

The choirs of Blessed Sacrament will begin the week of the Labor Day holiday, Sept 7th and 8th.

The Choristers, (3rd -5th grade) will meet Wednesdays after school, 2:50-4:00 p.m. in the music room of the rectory. All are welcome. Parents who have signed their children up for this experience should have received an email with choir info. If you would like to enroll your student, please contact Jody Kienzler in the parish office. Blessed Sacrament School children just need to walk over when walkers are dismissed. Weekend singing commitment: 3rd Saturday of the month and Tuesday School weekday Mass.

The Jubilate choir (an auditioned choir) will begin Thursday, Sept 8 from 2:50- 4:30 in the music room of the rectory. Weekend singing commitment - 1st Sunday of the month 10:30 and 4th Sunday 8:30.

The Chorale (Adult choir) will meet Wednesday, Sept. 7 at 6:00 p.m. at Villa Maria for a kickoff celebration. The evening agenda will be dinner, devotions with Father Jeff and then a rehearsal. Please make sure you have reserved a spot for yourself. We welcome new members. Call for an appointment. Weekend singing commitment: 1st Saturday of month, 2nd and 4th Sunday 10:30, and 3rd Sunday 8:30.

Building on Tradition

Goal	\$5,400,000.00
Total Commitments	\$5,228,110.20
Total Cash Received	\$3,492,185.60

DO SOMEONE A FAVOR!

If you know someone who may have some interest in our faith, tell them about RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation). It's a chance to learn about the Catholic Faith with an opportunity to join (at Easter) if they so choose. There are no gimmicks, commitments, or costs – other than time. We will meet starting this Thursday (September 8th) and each Thursday from 7 - 9 p.m. To join us, simply call the Office (528-7521).

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent / Treasure)

<u>Parish Collection</u>	
August 22, 2011	\$21,903.00
Target Amount	\$23,500.00