



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, February 8, 2015
Fifth 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, February 9

- ✘ Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:00 AM** Billy Cavanagh
Larry Richardson

Tuesday, February 10

- ✘ Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:20 AM** Bill & Margaret Sheehan

Wednesday, February 11

- Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:00 AM** Richard Beger
- 5:30PM** Prayer Service

Thursday, February 12

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:00AM** Lucille Puma

Friday, February 13

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:20AM** Greg Burton

Saturday, February 14

- 8:00 AM** Sally Marcin
(Latin Mass)
- Confessions 3:00-4:00PM**
- 4:30 PM** Rita Bramlet

Sunday, Feb. 15--6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✘ **7:00 AM** Deceased Members of the McCarthy & Reisch Families
- ✘ **8:30 AM** George Egizzi
- ✘ **10:30 AM** Intentions of our Parishioners

Rosary is prayed before 10:30 AM Mass Sundays.

Dear Parishioners,

Recently Bishop Christopher Coyne, an auxiliary bishop from Indianapolis, was installed as the new bishop of Burlington, Vermont. During his installation, he talked of the challenges he saw facing our church. He told of being in a restaurant for lunch just prior to leaving Indiana. A young woman in her twenties was telling her friend about her recent decision to join a church. She chose a mega-church only after first trying out the Catholic Church. Her reason was interesting. "It was like they (the Catholics) mourn their religion." The bishop went on to say, "No one wants to join a church that lacks joy. If we are going to call people to our churches and they do happen to come in, what are they going to find? People who have the joy of the 'good news' in their hearts, people who are welcoming and encouraging, who celebrate the Church's liturgy with care and commitment or a people who 'mourn' their religion. Friends, both inside and outside we have to be about the 'Good News.'" He went on to say that we are no longer the Church of the establishment in which if we just open our doors and ring the bells people will come. We have to change the paradigm to that of a missionary church, one that has to go out and engage the wider community in our ongoing acts of Christian mercy and in our words and conversation. Pope Francis calls us to move out to the peripheries. He tells his priests and bishops that it is time to leave the sacristies and go out into the fields as good shepherds who take on the smell of the sheep. Blessed Sacrament is a very fortunate parish—nearly 1600 households and growing; 507 children in our school; a healthy RCIA, perpetual adoration, prayerful liturgies, etc. But the role of the church is to bring that "good news" to all the world. Are we a people who exude the hope and joy of the Gospel? If we are to carry out the mission Christ has given us, it the most important thing we can do.

Congratulation to Bishop elect Ferdinand Cheri, OFM, who will be installed next month as the new auxiliary bishop in New Orleans. A native of New Orleans, he has served the past four years as Director for Campus Ministry at Quincy University, in our diocese. He has also directed retreats and days of recollection, including a city-wide mission he gave here in Springfield last spring. Our prayers go with him in his new episcopal role.

I'm not sure you noticed Dave Bakke's article last Sunday. It was about a young man named Joe Jiardina Jr. who serves on the USS Sampson in the Pacific. He was recently part of a crew sent to search for the remains of the Air-Asia flight that disappeared December 28th. Joe is the son of Joe and Regina Jiardina who attend Blessed Sacrament Parish. There are several in our parish who have family members serving in the military. They sacrifice many things for us and our safety and need our support and gratitude. Please remember all our service men and women in your prayers.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Newly Baptized:

Bristol Alyse Hughes, daughter of James & Miranda Hughes

Congratulations to our Newly Wed:

Louis Graham & Jennifer Sanders

School News:

Tuesday, Feb. 10-Mid quarter reports

Wednesday, Feb. 11-1:30pm Dismissal for faculty meeting; B.A.S.E. available

Thursday, Feb. 12-6:30-8:00pm– Open House for prospective families

Monday, Feb. 16– No School for Presidents' Day

Open House-Blessed Sacrament School will host an Open House for prospective families on **Thursday, February 12 from 6:30-8:00pm**. There will be tours of the school, opportunities to speak with faculty members, science and history fair projects on display, and of course, refreshments. We would love to have a crowd, so please help us spread the word to your friends, family and neighbors who may be interested in sending their children to B.S. S.

Save the Date– The Women's Club is hosting a **Prayer & Paint Night on Monday evening, February 23rd, at 6:30pm**, to help us along our Lenten Journey. Not an artist? No worries! Our own fabulous art teachers, Mrs. Ficke & Mrs. Mauntel will guide us through the whole painting process and you'll go home with a beautiful picture. We will provide all the supplies; you bring a beverage of your choice and a maybe a snack to share. Pre-registration is required along with \$20 to offset the costs of the painting supplies. Please submit your name and payment to the school or parish office by Tuesday, February 17th. Non painters are welcome to join us for free in the school cafeteria to watch, pray, and socialize.

Today, Sunday, February 8th is Boy Scout Sunday. Please join the Boy Scouts as they attend the 8:30am Mass and receive their Religious Awards. In conjunction with Boy Scout Sunday, the Scouts will have a **food drive for St. Martin De Poores**. There will be boxes in back of church for you to place your can goods and non perishable food items.

Men's Night Out—Men of the parish please join us this Wednesday night, February 11th at 7pm in the school cafeteria. This is a good opportunity to meet your fellow parishioners and discuss the upcoming activities in our parish

SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith Explained– Who is Jesus? Whether you would like a refresher on the basic beliefs of our Faith or there are topics you missed in Catechism class, SYMBOLON is for you. In ten stand-alone video/discussion sessions we will explore/review, and discuss, what Catholics believe, in SYMBLON: The Catholic Faith Explained. Attend all ten sessions or just the ones of most interest to you. The session, **Who is Jesus** will be held on February 10th at 6:30pm in the Rectory basement. We will discuss who Jesus is, and who he isn't. For more information please contact Bob or Connie Vincent at 523-4335. This program is made possible in part by a *Harvest of Thanks, Springtime of Hope* grant from the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois and the people of our diocese.

Bakers & Snack Makers!! Help!! The RCIA Team is looking for a few people to help, just a little bit. We need volunteers to help with the snack at break time. You choose it, cookies, cakes, cheese, fruit...whatever. This is just one concrete way we are able to show the Candidates a warm welcome from our community. Our sessions are on Thursday night and we break at 8pm. One person, a family, a couple, or several can do this. If you are able to help please contact Kathy at 899-7403. She will answers any questions you may have. Thank you and God bless you!

All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast– Buffet will be a held today, Sunday, February 8, from 8am-Noon at Knights of Columbus Council 364. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for children ages 6-12, and free for children five and under. Proceeds to benefit Special Olympics TORCH RUN. For questions call 787-2360.

St. Martin De Porres Center, is in great need of new or gently used household items: sheets, blankets, towels, pots, pans, small electrical appliances, dishes and silverware. The center is open from 8:30 to 11:00am Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday. Items may be dropped off at Blessed Sacrament School and a volunteer will take them to the center. Thank you!

SHG Volleyball: Parent/Player meeting, Thursday, February 26th, Team Room SHG West campus. For anyone wanting to try out for volleyball next season. 6:00-6:45pm-all welcome. This includes incoming freshmen.

ADORATION HOURS

Christmas as a season has past, and already some of our New Year's resolutions are a bit worn. January 22nd is the 42nd anniversary of Roe v Wade decision by the U. S. Supreme Court which legalized abortion in our country. Now is the time to pray for all affected: the babies killed, the mothers and fathers with guilt and sad memories and those who committed these deeds who often have a horrifying awakening of what they have done. Contact Merle King at 528-6088 or Tom Karaianis at 415-3281, if you want more information about scheduled adoration, or if you have any questions.

12 :00 A.M. SUNDAY
 1:00 A.M. SUNDAY
 2:00 A.M. SUNDAY
 3:00 A.M. SUNDAY
 3:00 P.M. SUNDAY
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 6:00 P.M. WEDNESDAY
 8:00 A.M. THURSDAY
 1:00 A.M. FRIDAY
 2:00 A.M. FRIDAY
 10:00 A.M. FRIDAY
 2:00 A.M. SATURDAY
 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY
 9:00 A.M. SATURDAY
 1:00 P.M. SATURDAY

Are you a Visitor to Blessed Sacrament? If you're visiting us today we're glad you're here. If you are considering Blessed Sacrament as your new spiritual home, or if you just want to know more about us, we have a packet of information we would like you to take home with you. Just ask any usher for a visitor's packet. You don't have to give us any information about yourself. Just ask an usher. No strings attached. Thank you for visiting Blessed Sacrament.

Mom & Tot Playgroup— This playgroup is for all moms and their children ages birth to preschool and meets once a week at different local kid friendly places. Please contact Morgan Ambrose for more information 741-3831 or morganfaithambrose@yahoo.com or check out our 'Blessed Sacrament Mom and Tot Playgroup' on Facebook to become a member. February Schedule: Monday, Feb.2 (9-10am)-Cheer Zone-Open Gym (\$5per child). Thursday, Feb. 5 (11:30-1:00pm)-McDonald's-Parkway Point. Monday, Feb.9 (9:30-10:30am)-Mall Play area. Thursday, Feb.19 (9:00:-10:30am)-Sprouts Playgroup @Southside Christian Church (free). Tuesday, Feb. 24 (11:30-1:30)- Ergadoozy-(\$5per child). Thursday, Feb. 26 (9-10:30) Sprouts Playgroup @ Southside Christian church (free).

Catholic Athletes for Christ— This past fall a Catholic Athletes for Christ Chapter was started at SHG and every Catholic High School in the Diocese. The mission of Catholic Athletes for Christ (CAC) is to serve Catholic athletes and share the Gospel of Christ in and through athletics. Bishop Paprocki is a member of the National Board of Directors as well as the liaison to the UCCB. CAC meets at SHG West Campus Team Room every other Sunday at 5pm with Pizza and refreshments provided. All SHG students are welcome to attend. The next meeting is Sunday, February 15. For more information contact Mike Stannard m.stannard@comcast.net or Calvin Bell at cbellgol@comcast.net.

Project Rachel can help women and men heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance please call 698-4456

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF FEB. 9-13**

Monday-Wednesday
8:00AM & 8:20AM

Reilly Mohn-Maggie O'Brien
Thurs.- Friday
 Ava Giacomini-Luke Portz

Saturday, Feb. 14, 4:30PM

Lector: Dan Schuering
Servers: Mary Helen Healy,
 Frank Hollahan, Jim Hollahan
Eucharistic Ministers: Sally
 Petrone, Colleen VonDeBur,
 Janine Feller, Noreen Luhr,
 Marty Mosley, Lisa Belz, Scott
 Reimers, Susan Gallagher

Sunday, Feb. 15, 7:00am

Lector: Ginny Schofield
Servers: Ben Kroner
Eucharistic Ministers: Riley
 Hinds, Michele Hinds-
 Greenwood, Kathryn Gietl,
 Ann Walker, Pat Sheehan

Sunday, Feb.15, 8:30 AM

Lector: Tom Karaianis
Servers: Jack Allen, Maggie
 Allen, Catie Eck
Eucharistic Ministers: Mike
 Delvo, George Rudis, Jr.,
 Larry Newell, Andrea Judd,
 Laurie Mann, Anne
 Capestrain, Kathy Harth, Mark
 Ushman

Sunday, Feb.15, 10:30 AM

Lector: Lila Dilbaitis
Servers: Gabe Bonansinga,
 Sophia Bonansinga, Mikayla
 Hady
Eucharistic Ministers: Jim
 Morphew, James Keys, Rita
 Keys, Barbara Erdmann,
 James Dodge, Rick Campbell,
 Cynthia Lamar, MaryAnn
 Gorney

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of : Steve, Hannah Clark, Ashley & Jackson Copple, Steve, Peter Schofield, Phyllis Hawn, Amy Gatewood family, Rose Mann, Donna, Kari Elliott, Monica Larch, Adam Dobucki, Austin Fields, Sue Hamilton, Pam Smith, Coleen Mays, Valerie Brown, Brighid Gallagher, Annamae, Larry Theise, Gwen Bramlet, Richard Judd, John M, Louie Rago, Gwinn, John, Claire, Mary, Liz, Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Bernadine, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Tom VonBerg, Ellen White, Barbara, Judy, Austin Shields, Brenda Price, Cindi, Dave, Sandy H, Jim C., Jason Baird, Dorothy Willenborg, Tyra Redpath, Miles Fifer, Maureen, Julie, Marian McDermott-Plain, Brian Meredith, Diane, Katie Bronken, Virginia Stannard, Nancy Hanlon, MaryAnn, Melissa, Layne & Thatcher Gregory, Laura Black, Don Egan, Ellen Rachkus, Scott Milner & shipma

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation 217-321-1155

Building on Tradition

Cost of Project	\$5,400,000.00
Total Received	<u>\$5,226,956.16</u>
Balance Remaining	\$ 173,043.84
Amount Received Last Week	\$ 1240.00

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent /Treasure)

Parish Collection

Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, January 25, 2015	\$19,597.25

ACSA (Annual Catholic Services Appeal)

Our Parish Assessment	\$105,827.00
Pledged to the Diocese (as of 1/6)	\$57,255.73
Amount Remaining	\$48,571.27

16% of our parishioners (221 families) have contributed to date