



**Parish of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Sunday, November 10, 2013**  
**32nd 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, November 11**

✧ Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:00 AM** Pauline Tolan  
Willa Senger

**Grandparents Day**

**10:00 AM** Special Intention of our Grandparents

**Tuesday, November 12**

✧ Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:20 AM** Jack Margaron

**Wednesday, November 13**

✧ Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:00 AM** Cour & Dineen Family  
**5:30PM Prayer Service**

**Thursday, November 14**

Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:00 AM** Jules & Celia Margaron

**Friday, November 15**

Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:20 AM** Andrew Madonia  
John Giachetto

**Saturday, November 16**

✧ Confessions before Mass

✧ **8:00 AM** Deceased Members of Galli Family  
( LATIN MASS)

**Confessions 3:00--4:00pm**

✧ **4:30 PM** Robert & Mary Lou VonBehren

**Sunday, November 17--33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

✧ **7:00 AM** James Shea

✧ **8:30 AM** Heather Gonet

✧ **10:30 AM** Intentions of Our Parishioners

**Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line**

**Call Jean Quigley at 523-6573.**

**Please pray for the intention of : Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Bernadine, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Tom VonBerg, Jim Hickey, Ellen White, Barbara, Jan Jones, Sharon Olsson, Judy, Austin Shields, Brenda Price, Cindi, Dave, Emma, Sandy**

**Dear Parishioners,**

In his encyclical, **Charity in Truth**, retired Pope Benedict XVI observed that “as society becomes ever more globalized, it makes us neighbors but does not make us brothers.”

Perhaps that is one of the major challenges facing our world today...we see the problems but become rather indifferent to them. Pope Francis, in continuing this theme has spoken several times on the “globalization of indifference.” He has called for the church to resist such forces, to think of all of us as brothers and sisters, and to become a church of the poor—that is, one that seeks the common good over selfish interest. Francis’ invitation to cultural conversion confronts three false cultures present in our modern world:

--A culture of comfort that makes us think only of ourselves and our own needs.

--A culture of waste that affords us the ability to enjoy things momentarily and then to throw them away.

--A culture of indifference that desensitizes us to the sufferings of others no matter how long or great that suffering might be.

Much of what Popes Benedict and Francis are saying is a challenge to leaders and nations of the world to make policies that are sensitive to the needy, the poor, and the defenseless. But it is also a challenge to all the faithful to look into our hearts and see if they are in sync with Christ.

Yet, the truth is there are many who want to be just and loving, but are overwhelmed by the size of the issues (such as poverty) facing our world. Others feel helpless when faced with the complexities involved in these issues. Still others have given up and succumb to a negative attitude that nothing has worked, why should we continue to try? So how do we begin to treat our “neighbors” as “brothers and sisters”? My thought is that it starts on a small scale with ourselves, our families, and our parish. Here are two suggestions where all of us could take the lead:

--we can broaden our circle of friends and associates.

--we can simplify our own lives.

When we associate only with those like ourselves, our experience is limited. It is harder to comprehend the needs and struggles of others. Also, by broadening our circle of friends, people, rather than things, become more important in our lives. Likewise, when simplifying our lives, we begin to understand what is truly important and necessary for a good life. By spending less energy on acquiring things, we can focus on living in communion with others. Both of these are positive steps toward changing our attitudes and our hearts.

When you look at our world’s problems in light of the Gospel, how do you respond? Do you simply lament and complain or do you have a plan? Jesus says we are light for the world and salt for the earth. Your contribution just might make the difference—that is, if you are willing to take the lead.

Don’t forget that Monday is **Veterans’ Day**. Many have fought that we might all live in freedom. Thank God and thank them for this gift.

**Fr. Jeff**

**OUR PARISH FAMILY**

**Please pray for our Recently Departed:  
Sandy Black**

**Congratulations to our Newly Baptized:  
Cora Leison Dumonceaux, daughter of Jason  
Dumonceaux & Leigh Hope**

**School Notes:**

**Monday, November 11**— Grandparents Day—  
10:00am Mass with Veterans' Day observance;  
dismissal immediately following Mass: no B.A.S.E.

**Wednesday, November 13**— **1:30pm** Dismissal-  
B.A.S.E. available. **6:30pm**-First Reconciliation for  
2nd Graders.

**Thursday, November 14**— 6:30pm SHG Preview Night  
for 7th & 8th Graders.

**Friday, November 15**— 5th grade joint service project  
at St. Joseph's Home.

**Barnes and Noble Book Fair:** Mark your calendars  
now for our annual Barnes and Noble Book Fair which  
will be held on Monday, November 25th in the evening  
at the store located on Veterans Parkway. You will  
also be able to make online purchases throughout the  
following week, which will count towards our school  
total. This is a great opportunity to start ( or finish)  
your holiday shopping and support BSS at the same  
time. Don't forget there is also Script available to use  
for your purchases.

**Special Second Collection for St. Martin De Poores  
Center** will be taken up at all the Masses next week-  
end **November 16-17**. Please be generous!

**Please Join Us!! This Week-end, Saturday,  
November 9th after the 4:30pm Mass (wine &  
cheese, soda & chips party) and Sunday,  
November 10th after the 8:30 & 10:30am Masses  
(donuts, juice & Coffee)!** We will gather in the school  
cafeteria for refreshments, news, pictures & videos  
regarding Fr. Jeff's and Deacon Tom's trip to the **St.  
Theresa Youth Development Center (STYDEC)** in  
Ghana, Africa! Everyone welcome!.

**Fr. Robert Barron's New Video Catholicism: The  
New Evangelization** will be shown on Tuesday,  
December 3rd at 6:30pm in the Rectory basement.  
Come and see how the New Evangelization is being  
implemented around the world, in this 90 minute video.  
There will be short discussion following the video.  
Light snacks and beverages will be served. For  
information contact Bob Vincent 523-4335 or Tim  
Moore 416-0937.

**Praying For Those Wounded by Abortion:** If your  
heart goes out to those who suffer the grief of loss and  
the personal devastation that results from abortion,  
please come and pray with us for them to find healing.  
Some of those we love have been suffering silently  
and very much alone for years and sometimes for  
decades. We want them to know they are not alone,  
that we are here praying for them, to help them find  
the healing Jesus so deeply desires for all of us.  
Come join us in prayer each Friday from 2:30-3:30pm  
by the Pieta..

**Special Second Collection for the Archdiocese of  
the Military Services** will be taken up this week-end  
**November 9-10**. The United States Conference of  
Catholic Bishops has approved this special collection  
to be taken up every three years. This collection will  
show our support for our men and women in the  
armed forces and for those chaplains who serve them  
so generously.

**28th Annual "Breadline Sunday"** is the weekend of  
**November 23-24**. Loaves of bread will be available  
after all the Masses that weekend. With your generous  
donation of **\$4**, the Breadline can meet the ever-  
increasing need to feed the hungry in our community.  
Please help us continue to provide hot, nutritious  
meals to the homeless, socially disabled, elderly,  
unemployed and many families including single parent  
families with children. The Breadline is currently  
serving an average of 600 meals a day! **All** proceeds  
go directly to St. John's Breadline.

**Monthly Prayer Vigil** at the Granite City Abortion  
Clinic sponsored by the **Gospel of Life Committee**  
will be held on Saturday, November 16. Leave  
Blessed Sacrament Parking Lot at 7:00am. Two hour  
prayer vigil. Return to Springfield approximately 12  
Noon. Please call Eric Portz at 718-4030 if you plan to  
attend.

**Save the Date:** Our Advent Concert this year will be at  
4:00pm on Sunday, December 1st. It will include the  
Chorister, Jubilate and Cantus Children's Choirs and  
our Chorale. Several of our orchestra members will be  
playing as well. We will be bringing in the Christmas  
Season with The Vivaldi "Magnificat: as well as many  
lovely selections. Again, there will be a donation of  
\$10 and tickets will go on sale in mid-November.  
Please plan to join us in celebrating this beautiful  
moment.

**Save the Date!** Pastor's Annual Party is Sunday,  
November 24th from 5:30-8:00pm

**ADORATION HOURS**

It is good to “have friends in high places.” To maintain a friendship you must spend some time with your friend, or the relationship withers like a leaf off a branch. [Hint-Hint]. Where do you go for counsel for the *real* problems in your life? Contact Merle King at 528-6088, or Tom Karaianis at 415-3281, if you want some more information about scheduled adoration, or if you have any questions.

2:00 A.M. SUNDAY  
3:00 A.M. SUNDAY  
1:00 A.M. MONDAY

1:00 A.M. FRIDAY  
2:00 A.M. FRIDAY  
2:00 A.M. SATURDAY

**SHG Annual Preview Night**, an Open House for seventh and eighth grade students and their parents or guardians will be held at **6:30pm** on **Thursday, November 14** in the East Campus Gymnasium, 1200 West Washington. We encourage all parents who have children in the 7th or 8th grades to attend this Preview Night. Call 787-1595 for questions and more information.

**Save the date!** The Novena to the Immaculate Conception will be held at Christ the King Parish beginning November 30 thru December 8. The Novena will begin each evening at 7:00pm. More details will be posted in the vestibule in the near future.

**Thanksgiving Food Baskets:** Holy Family Food Pantry has sent list of items that are needed to fill Thanksgiving Baskets for those in need. These lists are available in the vestibule of the church for anyone that is interested.

**Please stop by TODAY** and visit the display of beautiful hand-carved religious art from the Holy Land. Blest Art sells these items to support Christian and Catholic families in Bethlehem and the surrounding villages. Your support is necessary to help these families remain in the land of Christ's birth.

**Let's go shopping in St. Louis!** Knights of Columbus #4175 Ladies Auxiliary has chartered a bus to St. Claire Square and St Louis Mills shopping centers, seats are still available. Depart, Saturday, November 16th at 8:30am from the KC parking lot on West St. and return at 9pm. Cost \$25. Please RSVP by Nov. 11th. Contact Beth Mayfield 971-2325 for reservations or questions.

**All-you-can-eat breakfast buffet** sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council 364 will be held today, Sunday, November 10th from 8am-Noon at 2200 Meadowbrook Lane. Adults \$8 and \$5 for children 6-12. All proceeds will benefit Land-of Lincoln Honor Flight Program. For questions call 787-2360

**St. Agnes Parents' Club** will hold it annual Adult Trivia Night, Saturday, November 23rd beginning at 7:00pm in the school gym. Doors open at 6pm. Beverages are available for purchase—bring your own snacks. Cash prizes to top three teams. \$10 per person, teams of 8-10 please. To reserve a table, or for more information call Michelle at 299-0374 or email [StAgnesParentsClub@gmail.com](mailto:StAgnesParentsClub@gmail.com).

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE****WEEK OF NOVEMBER 11-15**

**Monday-Wednesday**  
**8:00AM –8:20AM**

Emmy Doll-Mikayla Hady

**Thurs.- Friday**

Noah Finch-Braeden Frey

**Saturday, Nov.16, 4:30PM**

**Lector:** Joseph Stannard

**Servers:** Billy Wilhite, Siobhan Wilhite, Ben Scheufeke

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lisa Belz, Colleen VonDeBur, Calvin Bell, Marty Mosley, Kathryn Gietl, Cordelia Moore, Noreen Luhr, Susan Gallagher

**Sunday, Nov.17, 7:00am**

**Lector:** Chris Perrin

**Servers:** Nathan Shafer-Tynan Madonia

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Phil Graham, Ann Walker, Michele Hinds-Greenwood, Pat Sheehan, Jacqueline Shafer

**Sunday, Nov. 17, 8:30 AM**

**Lector:** Patrick Fitzgerald

**Servers:** Jack O'Connor, Maggie O'Brien, Jack Murphy

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mike Delvo, Anne Capestrain, Scott Reimers, Janine Feller, Rick Campbell, Lynn Frasco, Larry Newell, Andrea Judd

**Sunday, Nov. 17, 10:30 AM**

**Lector:** Don Tracy

**Servers:** Raychelle Roesch, Augie Antonacci, Michael Dailey

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Tuttle, Rose Amon, MaryAnn Gorney, James Dodge, Jim Morphew, Sally Petrone, Barbara Erdmann

**Volunteer Assistant:** 20hrs/week evenings and Saturdays. Assist with volunteer activities at **Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach**. Requires some heavy physical effort, computer skills, and good driving record. Must have strong sense of mission and excellent interpersonal skills. Call 522-2287 x 686 or 684.

**Mostaccioli & Sausage Dinner, today,** Sunday, November 10th, St. Joseph Church, Chatham. Serving from 11:30am-5:00pm, Adults \$8, Children (4-11) \$4, Children under 4 free.

**St. Anthony's Greek Orthodox Church,** 1600 South Glenwood will have its **ANNUAL HOLLY FAIR** on Saturday, December 7, from 10am-4pm. Lunch includes gyros, spinach pie, poor boys and vegetable soup. Greek pastries and assortment baskets available. TAKE OUT or DINE IN. For more information, call 522-7010.

### Building on Tradition

<b>Cost of Project</b>	<b>\$5,400,000.00</b>
<b>Total Received</b>	<b><u>\$4,798,375.99</u></b>
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 601,624.01</b>
<b>Amount Received Last Week</b>	<b>\$ 2,400.83</b>

### STEWARDSHIP

*(Time / Talent /Treasure)*

#### Parish Collection

<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>
<b>Sunday, October 27, 2013</b>	<b>\$17,655.02</b>

#### **ACSA (Annual Catholic Services Appeal)**

2013 ACSA Assessment	\$122,624.00
Amount Pledged (as of 10/17/2013)	\$34,900.00
Amount Remaining	\$87,724.00
8% of our parishioners have contributed to date	