



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, October 12, 2014
28th 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, October 13

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Greg Burton
Louis Gietl

Tuesday, October 14

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:20 AM** Dr. Joe Fluckiger

Wednesday, October 15

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Peg Bolin
- 5:30PM** Prayer Service

Thursday, October 16

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:00 AM** Dr. James Graham

Friday, October 17

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:20AM** Thomas L. "Mick" O'Connor
Aloysius Stenger

Saturday, October 18

- 8:00 AM** Members of the Poor Souls Shrine
(Latin Mass)
- ✧ **4:30 PM** Helen & Paul Wernsing

Sunday, Oct. 19 –29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✧ **7:00 AM** Stephen James Vicari, Sr.
- ✧ **8:30 AM** Vincent Perrero
- ✧ **10:30 AM** Intentions of our Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of : Justin, Adam Dobucki, Austin Fields, Sue Hamilton, Pam Smith, Coleen Mays, Valerie Brown, Brigid 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, 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 & shipmates

Dear Parishioners,

Pray the Rosary. Prayer is a powerful thing and there are indeed many ways to pray. As a child, I remember being taught to pray the rosary. October and May were special and during those months our family would pray the rosary together each night after supper. My mother said when we prayed the rosary we welcomed Jesus' mother into our home and likewise, we welcomed her son.

Mary holds a unique place in God's plan of salvation. Where the scripture tells us we can be the mothers or brothers of Jesus (Matthew 12:48-50), the truth is he has only one biological mother. She holds a place no other human being has or can hold. Mary freely gave her consent to be the mother of Jesus and by doing so her motherhood extends to us—the brothers and sisters of Jesus—as well. The church spends a great deal of time and effort studying and reflecting on this human mother of Christ. The more we contemplate her the more we can comprehend her son and the mystery of the incarnation.

There are many who make exaggerated claims about Mary, speaking of powers and favors she gives. One must be careful about such piety. Mary's blessing is that she gave Christ his humanity. By her consent, she gave the world a savior—the Son of God. Mary gives nothing of her own. Any favor she may bestow is given by her cooperation with God. In fact, that is the central point of the church's teaching on Mary. Mary points the way to Jesus. She says, "Do what he tells you." (John 2:5) When we pray to or through Mary, we do indeed welcome Jesus' mother and Jesus into our homes.

The rosary developed in the middle ages as a substitute for the Liturgy of the Hours (the official prayer of the church). Because those who were required to pray it daily and those who wanted to were not always able to do so, this meditation on the mysteries of salvation and the repetition of the Hail Mary were easy to remember. Keep in mind this was in the days before the printing press and copies of the psalms and prayers were not readily available. Something that could be committed to memory was indeed helpful.

Another reason it became popular is because Mary is the perfect pray-er. To ask her to pray with us and unite our prayer to God with hers is indeed a good and powerful act of faith. Perhaps this month of October would be a good time for each of us to pray the rosary. You may wish to set aside a special time to pray it with your family or a group of friends. For to unite our prayers with Mary is to unite our prayers with all her children and that prayer is indeed a powerful thing—a powerful voice calling to God.

Thanks for your help! A special thanks to Andy and Colleen Kane who chaired the 45th Annual Auction, to the committee, and to all who helped and supported the auction in any way. Your effort and support shows a special spirit alive in Blessed Sacrament Parish and contributed to another successful year.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Recently Baptized:

Brady James Weston, son of Eric & Kelly Weston
Wyatt Michael Stoll, son of Matthew & Jennifer Stoll

Congratulations to our Newly Wed:

David Serra and Laura Rebbe

Please Pray for our Recently Departed:

Frances LaHue

School News:

Monday, Oct. 13 NO SCHOOL Columbus Day

Wednesday, Oct. 15– 6:30pm First Reconciliation meeting for 2nd grade parents in church

Monday, Oct. 20–End of the First Quarter

Friday, Oct. 24–Report Card Day

Women's Club kick-off potluck was held on September 30th with 95 ladies in attendance-a huge success!! The evening began with a welcome and prayer from Father Jeff. Everyone enjoyed choosing from the large variety of food, learning about others through a game with door prizes, reuniting with friends, and meeting new ones. Thank you to the committee for their preparations, providing the door prizes, and donating supplies for the potluck! **Mark your calendars** for our next event-**S'More Women's Club**. We will meet for a bonfire at the Villa Maria on the evening of **October 27th**. Watch our next bulletin for more details. All ladies of the parish are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Auction Raffle Winners were: Jim Osborne \$1000, Mary Ann Gorney \$600, and Mike Cravens \$400. Congratulations!!

PSR News– Our PSR is starting a class for those who have children in Kindergarten. For more information or to register contact Staci DePooter at 220-9300 or depooterfamily@hotmail.com

Blessed Sacrament/St. Theresa Youth Center, Ghana, Partnership is moving forward! Each Sunday in October we will be collecting school supplies for St. Theresa's (Pre-K-Grade 6). Please find Gift Tags taped to the barrel in the vestibule of the Church and return your items by October 26th. If you prefer giving a monetary donation for shipping costs, place your gift in and envelope in the Sunday collection marked for *Ghana*. For questions, call Kate Rossi-652-5345 or Mary Ann Burns 793-0328.

Mom & Tot Playgroup which is for any Blessed Sacrament mom with little ones (ages birth to pre-school). Our Playgroup is just starting out, and we are hoping to create a great group of wonderful, supportive and FUN moms and kiddos throughout our parish and school. During the fall, we will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month from 9:30-10:30am and the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 11:30am-12:45pm at differed parks around town. We would love for you to join us. As the seasons change, we will adjust our meet up locations. For the schedule of parks, or for more information contact Morgan Sullivan Ambrose at morganfaithambrose@yahoo.com or text/call 741-3831.

Building an Archive–Blessed Sacrament has a lot of memorabilia from it's early years. In building this archive, we are requesting that your search for such items. This may include pictures, correspondence, interesting items, etc. We are especially interested in early photos, items including Msgr. M.A. Tarrant, Fr. High P. Cassidy and other clergy and religious who have served at Blessed Sacrament. Please do not overlook items from our School. Please consider donating these items to the parish collection. Should you wish to do so, wrap them carefully, include your name and address and drop them by the Rectory. Mark them to the attention of Margaret Antenan

All You Can Eat Breakfast buffet will be held today, Sunday, October 12 from 8am-noon at Knights of Columbus Council 364. Cost: \$8 adults, \$5 for kids ages 6-12. All proceeds will be donated to Springfield Right To Life. For questions call 787-2360.

World Mission Sunday–Next weekend our parish will celebrate World Mission Sunday, This year we are invited to reach out and help build the Church in Mongolia, the world's youngest Catholic Church, as well as local churches throughout the Missions, in the most remote areas across our world. Through the work of these churches, and their witness to Christ, the poor receive practical help and experience God's love and mercy, His hope and peace. Please keep the Missions in your daily prayers. Please come prepared next weekend to give generously in the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. For more information, please visit www.IAmAMissionary.org

Rosary Rally in honor of Our Lady of Fatima will take place, today, Sunday, October 12th at St. Aloysius Church at 3:00pm. Speaker is Fr. Daniel Willenborg.

ADORATION HOURS

Is your prayer life ready for a change in routine? If you are not already a scheduled adorer, is it time to again give it consideration? Thanksgiving coming-what better place to give thanks? The blessings are guaranteed! Ask one of our many scheduled adorers! 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.

1:00 A.M. SUNDAY	4:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY
2:00 A.M. SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. THURSDAY
3:00 A.M. SUNDAY	2:00 P.M. THURSDAY (4th)
3:00 P.M. SUNDAY	9:00 P.M. THURSDAY
1:00 A.M. MONDAY	1:00 A.M. FRIDAY
12:00 A.M. TUESDAY	2:00 A.M. FRIDAY
1:00 A.M. TUESDAY	10:00 A.M. FRIDAY
4:00 A.M. TUESDAY	2:00 A.M. SATURDAY
2:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	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.

Theology on Tap on Wednesday, October 29 at the Knights of Columbus hall on Lake Springfield, 141 N. Lakewood Dr. Bishop Paprocki is the presenter on the topic of Catholic teaching on death and praying for the dead. Social hours starts at 5:30pm with the presentation at 7:00pm. For more information contact Justin Sinner at jdsinner@gmail.com Admission to this spooky edition of Theology on Tap is free and open to the all. Drinks and snacks will be available for purchase courtesy of the hosting Knights of Columbus council.

M.E.R.C.Y. Communities is having a 15th Anniversary Gala on October 18th beginning at 6pm at Christ the King Reception Hall. There will be International Dinner Stations, Silent Auction, and a Short Live Auction. Tickets are \$50. Proceeds enable MERCY to continue to provide transitional and permanent housing for homeless mothers and their children, as well as services that move their clients toward independence and healthy living. For more information call 753-1358.

Monthly Prayer Vigil at Granite City Abortion Clinic sponsored by the **Gospel of Life Committee** is Saturday, October 18th. Leave Blessed Sacrament Parking Lot, 7:00am. Two hour prayer vigil. Return to Springfield approximately 12Noon. Please call Eric Portz at attend-718-4030.

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF OCTOBER 13-17****Monday-Wednesday****8:00AM**

Reid Taylor-Laurelynn Weihmeir

Thurs.- Friday

Adrianna Thiele-MaryKateYockey

Saturday, Oct. 18, 4:30PM

Lector: Val Simhauser

Servers: Mary Helen Healy, Frank Hollahan, Jim Hollahan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Susan Gallagher, Noreen Luhr, Janine Feller, Rick Campbell, Calvin Bell, Joe Stannard, III, Rosemary DiNello, Ed Schofield**Sunday, Oct. 19, 7:00am**

Lector: Chris Perrin

Servers: Nick Broeker, Ben Kroner**Eucharistic Ministers:** Riley Hinds, Dave Langston, Jackie Shafer, Michele Hinds-Greenwood, Phil Graham**Sunday, Oct. 19, 8:30 AM**

Lector: Tom Karaianis

Servers: Kyle Ingram, Alex Mauntel, Andrew Mauntel**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bradley Frost, Mike Delvo, Kathy Harth, Patricia Clarida, Andrew Adams, Mary K. Sommer, Ken Sommer, Sr. Francesca Ezeokonkwo**Sunday, Oct. 19, 10:30 AM**

Lector: Sandy Etheridge

Servers: Jack Allen, Maggie Allen, Mikayla Hady**Eucharistic Ministers:** James Keys, Rita Keys, Jim Morpheu, Rose Amon, James Dodge, Barney Bruzetti, Don Graham, Pat Graham

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women 86th Annual Convention will be held on Wednesday, October 29th, 8am-4:30pm at the Pere Marquette Lodge & Conference Center, Grafton, Il. For further information, contact Alma Frohock, 618-363-1539 or frohock-alma@yahoo.com or Joyce Knodle, 217-538-2085 or ejknodle@dtnspeed.net.

SHG Mega Raffle Tickets are now available for the 20th annual Mega-Raffle. SHG's Raffle will include 50 total cash prizes, including a grand prize of \$100,000. Only 4,200 tickets are available at \$100 each. Final drawing in October 28th. Early Bird drawing is Oct. 3. All proceeds benefit the school's operating budget.

SHG ShopAPalooza is the shopping event of the season. Don't miss out on all the amazing items vendors from across the state will be selling, in addition to the fabulous food and delicious bake sale items. Admission is \$1.00. Hours are 11:00am-4:00pm, October 19 At SHG's West Campus.

St. Patrick School Annual Chili Lunch will be held Saturday, October 18th , 11:00am until it is gone. Serving at St. Patrick Church-across from St. Patrick School. Take out or dine in. \$8 includes chili, hot dog, & cookie. Dine includes beverage. For tickets or more information call 523-7670.

Building on Tradition	
Cost of Project	\$5,400,000.00
Total Received	<u>\$5,127,322.23</u>
Balance Remaining	\$ 272,677.77
Amount Received Last Week	\$ 4,719.00

STEWARDSHIP <i>(Time / Talent /Treasure)</i>	
<u>Parish Collection</u>	
Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, September 28, 2014	\$20,178.75

Pat Kornfield, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the of Springfield in Illinois. 698-8500