



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, September 22, 2013
25th 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 23

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Warren Foran
Ginny Valdez

Tuesday, September 24

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:20 AM** Special Intention

Wednesday, September 25

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Dennis Price
- 5:30PM** Prayer Service

Thursday, September 26

- Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Andrew Madonia

Friday, September 27

- Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:20 AM** Terry Spencer
Jacqueline M. Squires

Saturday, September 28

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Darlene Schumacher (LATIN MASS)
- Confessions 3:00--4:00pm**
- ✧ **4:30 PM** Jacqueline Toomey

Sunday, September 29--26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ✧ **7:00 AM** Teresa M.Egizi
- ✧ **8:30 AM** Intentions of Our Parishioners
- ✧ **10:30 AM** Vic Gorney

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call Jean Quigley at 523-6573 or Mary Theresa Drake at 726-6649.

Please pray for the intention of : Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Bernadine, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Susan Baird, Tom VonBerg, Jim Hickey, Ellen White, Barbara, Jan Jones, Sharon Olsson, Judy

Rosary is prayed before 10:30 AM Mass Sundays.

Dear Parishioners,

This week each family in the parish should receive a letter from the diocese asking for their support of the **Annual Catholic Services Appeal (ACSA)**. This annual appeal goes to support the infra-structure of our diocese. Included are over 20 offices and 90 ministries sponsored by the diocese. Without these services, our local parish would not be able minister to our people at the level we do. What services am I talking about? Well, there is the Marriage Tribunal which assists those who need to reconcile their marriage with the church. There is the education office which helps to provide teacher training and consultation, catechist formation, campus ministry at the colleges and universities in our diocese, lay ministry formation, etc. The appeal also provides funds for seminarian training, the diaconate program, lay ministry and the care of retired priests. It provides pre-cana for couples preparing for marriage, training in NFP, Totus Tuus and other youth programs. It provides low interest loans for parish projects such as our Building on Tradition program and allows us to purchase insurance collectively. I could go on, but I think it is clear that the services provided are needed and something we could not do on our own.

Here is how ACSA works. Since the diocese can't take up collections like a parish, they assess each parish 11.5% of their regular income. This consists of the Sunday envelope, interest income, gifts, etc. It does not include school tuition, the annual school fund, or special collections. Deductions are given for monies invested with the diocese and for loans that are paid off. Our assessment this year is \$122,624. If we exceed this amount, the surplus will be returned to the parish. What is not collected must be taken from parish funds. Last year, we raised 67.8% of our goal. The rest (\$31,704) came out of parish funds. 23% of our parish families contributed to the appeal. This is up from 16.5% the previous year, but still, 77% of our families did not consider it important enough to contribute. Since it is a parish assessment, it seems unfair to leave that burden for others to pay. Perhaps if we take the time to see how the money is spent, we may begin to understand the importance of the appeal.

This year when you receive your letter, take time to read it. Realize how God has blessed you through your faith. Realize how these administrative structures and services provided by the diocese help Blessed Sacrament Parish, as well as the other parishes throughout the diocese support that faith. Then contribute what you can afford. Your contribution will certainly be appreciated.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Newly Baptized:
Matthew Joseph Clark, son of Wesley & Elizabeth Clark

Congratulations to our Newly Wed:
Roger Kuhl and Kimberly Whittington

School Notes:

Saturday, Sept. 21-Sunday Sept. 22- Scholastic Book Fair open after Masses

Monday, Sept. 23-Friday, Sept 27- Scholastic Book Fair

Thursday, Sept. 26-Friday Sept. 27- Vision & hearing screenings.

Friday, Sept. 27-PSA fundraiser sale orders due

Tuesday, Oct. 1-11:30am Dismissal for Diocesan Regional Workshop; No B.A.S. E. available

Thursday, Oct. 3-Lifetouch School Picture Day
7th Grade joint retreat at K of C Hall.

Friday, Oct. 4-PSA Spirit Day,
8:20am -All-school Mass
11:30 dismissal-No B.A.S. E.

Saturday, Oct. 5-Annual Auction

It's getting closer!! Make plans now to come to this year's Blessed Sacrament School Auction on Saturday, October 5! The tailgate party begins at 5:30 with the silent auction starting soon afterwards, and the live auction starts at 7:30. There are many, many ways to participate in this year's Auction, our school's largest fund raiser, whether it's coming to the auction and bidding on packages large and small, playing the games or buying tickets for the various raffles, selling big cash raffle tickets or playhouse tickets, bidding on items online, or volunteering your time, talents, or treasures. Check out **ONLINE AUCTION**, new this year! If you can't make the auction, you can still bid on fabulous items. Click on the Auction link at the school website www.bssbruins.org. Hope to see everyone there !!

Wall of Wine contest for our Auction, during which one lucky winner will choose a bottle of wine wrapped with a \$100 bill, we need your wine donations! We need 100 bottles of wine, valued at least \$10 or more, no local wines, please. You can bring your donated wine to the school office or call Grainne Mahoney 544-7944 or email grainnekmahoney@comcast.net to coordinate drop off with her.

Attention Schnucks Shoppers! Blessed Sacrament School can earn 1-3% of your purchases at Schnucks. Pick up a Schnuck's escrip card in the school or parish

office and register by phone or online and designate Blessed Sacrament School as the school you would like to support. Scan you card every time your shop and BSS will receive automatic contributions. Last year BSS received \$2,751.51 from you purchases.

The programs, services and ministries supported by the **Annual Catholic Services Appeal** meet the larger diocesan needs of Catholics and others in the Diocese of Springfield. The theme this year for ACSA is "**Profess, Celebrate, Witness.**" This weekend a letter will be sent to each Catholic household in the diocese asking for your support. The diocese serves each of us, and our financial support is needed to continue God's work in the diocese. **Blessed Sacrament's** assessment for this year is **\$122,624.00.**

Bible Study at Blessed Sacrament beginning Tuesday, October 1 at 6PM, in the Rectory Basement for eight consecutive Tuesdays. Discover God's plan for your life as you discover his amazing story in **A Quick Journey Through The Bible**, a Jeff Cavins study program. In this study you will discover the "big picture" of the biblical story as it is presented in specific books of the Bible. Join us and learn the major people, places, events and themes of the Bible. For more information or to reserve your spot, call Bob or Connie Vincent at 523-4335. This Bible Study is made possible in part by a grant from the Diocese.

Just a reminder: If you had your picture taken for the Parish Directory, your free Directory is available in the Parish Office. If your would like to purchase a Directory, they are available in the Parish Office for \$5. Office Hours are 8am-5pm, Monday- Friday

Running to help those in need

Bishop Thomas John Paprocki
is seeking sponsors for his run at the

Crazy Horse Marathon *Run Crazy Horse*
in Hill City, SD on October 6, 2013 26.2 - 13.1

Proceeds are to benefit
Catholic Charities Mobile Food Pantry.

To pledge, go to www.dio.org/marathon or send in the form below:

Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Pledge: \$ _____ (Please make check payable to Diocese of Springfield in Illinois)
Send form & donation to: Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki
1815 West Washington Street
Springfield, IL 62704-4757

ADORATION HOURS

Friday is the day Jesus suffered his passion: Curious that Friday is the day with the most vacancies. What are YOU doing on Friday? Do you wonder why you do not feel led to “step up” and join the scheduled adorers? “Think About It”? 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.

1:00 A.M. SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. THURSDAY
2:00 A.M. SUNDAY	1:00 A.M. FRIDAY
3:00 A.M. SUNDAY	2:00 A.M. FRIDAY
1:00 A.M. MONDAY	10:00 A.M. FRIDAY
11:00 P.M. MONDAY	12:00 P.M. FRIDAY
3:00 P.M. TUESDAY	2:00 P.M. FRIDAY
2:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	11:00 P.M. FRIDAY
3:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	2:00 A.M. SATURDAY

Donut Sunday-Today, Sunday, September 22 the Parish Council will host Donut Sunday following the 8:30 & 10:30am Masses. Join fellow parishioners in the school cafeteria for donuts and coffee.

Flu Shots are available in the school cafeteria after all the Masses this weekend, September 21-22. The price of the shots is \$31.99 without insurance, most insurances will pay part if not all of the cost. With your Medicare card the shots are free.

You may have seen Bishop Paprocki's series on the Seven Deadly Sins recently in Catholic Times. A great way to supplement this series is to watch Fr. Robert Barron's Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues DVD. Blessed Sacrament's DVD library has a copy you can check out and view at home with your family. To check out this DVD or any of the DVDs in the library contact the Parish Office 528-7521 or stop by. For more information about the Lending Library contact Bob or Connie Vincent 523-4335.

Annual Respect Life Benefit Dinner will be on Friday, September 27 at the Northfield Conference Center. Mrs. Nancy Kreuzer, spokesperson for the *Silent No More Awareness Campaign*, is the featured speaker. Tickets are \$50 for adults & \$25 for students. Tables will seat 8. For reservations call the Springfield Right to Life 523-2700. Deadline for registrations is September 23rd.

The National Life Chain Prayer Witness is October 6 this year.

Please join in praying to end the abortion holocaust in America on the streets of MacArthur, Wabash, Sangamon Ave. and in front of Planned Parenthood at 11th & Washington. The time is 2-3:30pm. Blessed Sacrament will stand and pray on MacArthur between South Grand and the Walgreens Store.

Would your family know what your wishes are in a medical crisis?

Dr. Cristine Gorka, PhD, a clinical ethicist is presenting a **free interactive seminar** on advanced directives. It will be held at St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Chatham on Thursday, October, at 7:00pm. Registration and refreshments at 6:30pm. RSVP to 483-3772 with name, number attending and contact number. Sponsored by St. Joseph's parish nurses.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF SEPT. 23-27****Monday-Wednesday****8:00AM –8:20AM**

Patrick Rearden– Nick Allen

Thurs.- Friday

Michael Patton-Gabe Bonansinga

Saturday, Sept. 28, 4:30PM**Lector:** Melaney Arnold**Servers:** Ben Scheufele, Maya Dye, Tynan Madonia**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathryn Gietl, Marty Mosley, Susan Gallagher, Isabel Figueroa, Noreen Luhr, Sally Petrone, Rose Amon, Cordelia Moore**Sunday, September 29, 7:00am****Lector:** Ginny Schofield**Servers:** Jack O'Connor, Ben Portz**Eucharistic Ministers:** Phil Graham, Ann Walker, Dave Langston, Jacqueline Shafer, Michele Hinds-Greenwood**Sunday, September 29, 8:30 AM****Lector:** Don Tracy**Servers:** John Michael Stauffer, Ben Eck, Catie Eck**Eucharistic Ministers:** Bradley Frost, Kathy Harth, Patricia Clarida, Mike Delvo, Larry Newell, Scott Reimers, Colleen VonDeBur, Clara Ushman**Sunday, September 29, 10:30 AM****Lector:** Michael Lawless**Servers:** Sam Faivre, Jesse Nicoletta, Ethan O'Connor**Eucharistic Ministers:** Barbara Erdmann, Lynn Frasco, Lisa Belz, Rick Campbell, Joseph Stannard, II, Cynthia Lamar, Jim Morphew, Mary B Maloney

Saturday, October 12th– Rosary Rally at the Capitol Building. We will gather in front of the Lincoln Statue from 12-1pm to pray the Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and sing. *America Needs Fatima* had over 9000 rosary rallies all over the world on the same day last year. This year we strive for more. Bring your prayer group and family. We will be praying for our country. If you would like to lead in prayer or song contact Donna 622-8576.

Annual Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach Trivia Night will be held on Friday, October 4th. This year's theme is Broadway. Doors open 5:30pm and event beginning at 7:00pm. To reserve a table and for more information, please e-mail trivia@hsosf-usa.org or call 522-3386 and ask for JoEllyn.

Bishop Paprocki will be on local Catholic Radio on Monday, September 23rd at 8:00am. Springfield will be the topic of the hour on Covenant Network. Tune in to Am 1410, 88.0 FM, 96.9 FR, or online at www.covenantnet.net.

The Latin Mass on Saturdays October 5th and November 2nd will be a sung Mass with Gregorian Chant. Additionally, the November 2nd Mass will be a Requiem Mass for All Souls' Day. The Latin Mass is held every Saturday morning at 8:00am. For questions concerning the Latin Mass, call Sean Dailey 725-6006.

Building on Tradition

Cost of Project	\$5,400,000.00
Total Received	<u>\$4,770,381.83</u>
Balance Remaining	\$ 629,618.17
Amount Received Last Week	\$ 3,601.16

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent /Treasure)

<u>Parish Collection</u>	
Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, September 8,2013	\$25,548.00