

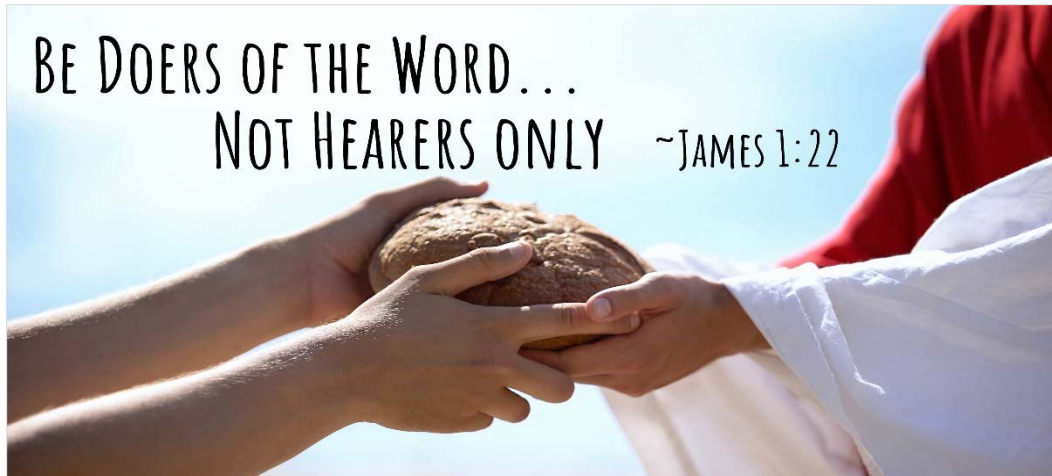


Blessed Sacrament Parish

Pastor
Rev. Peter Raj

Deacon
David Allen

BE DOERS OF THE WORD...
NOT HEARERS ONLY ~JAMES 1:22



Blessed Sacrament Parish
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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time August 29, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 pm
Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:00 am
Monday - Friday 7:15 am

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30-4:15 pm
Other times by appointment

BENEDICTION

First Friday 7:45 am

Call the Parish Office to make arrangements:

- *To join the parish
- *For a wedding (6 months in advance)
- *For Baptism class information
- *For Anointing of the Sick: Those who are seriously sick or have been ill for a long period of time should receive the Sacrament of the Sick and Holy Communion.
- * If you are home-bound because of illness and would like to be visited, please call.

MINISTRY LEADERS

MCs: *Gabe Trussoni*
Mike Vanderploeg
William Arnold

Weekend Servers
(Middle and High Schoolers):
Gabe Trussoni

Readers: *Mary Jo Reinders*

Extraordinary Ministers of the
Eucharistic: *Carolyn Steingraeber*

Petition Readers: *Barb Clements*

Ushers: *Tom Kratt*
tomkratt@charter.net

Offering Families: *Call the office to volunteer*

Rosary Leader Schedule: *Mary Schuttenhelm & Barb Clements*

Weekday Servers (Grade Schoolers):
Stephanie Gauger

Weekday Readers: *Caryl Doberstein*

Weekday Eucharistic Ministers:
Carolyn Steingraeber

PARISH CONTACTS

Office Ass't Dir: *Elizabeth Skemp*

Finances: *Steve McGovern,*
Luci Johnson

Building Maintenance:
Carl Francksen

Scrip Coordinator: 782.2953 ext. 1
Pat Hammes

Website: *Jennifer Kulzer*

Music Director: 782.2953 ext. 4
Pauline Connell

Religious Education: *Pauline Connell*

RCIA & Confirmation Preparation:
Jennifer Kulzer

First Communion & Reconciliation
Preparation: *Pauline Connell*

Funeral Lunch Coordinator:
Bernice Lansing

Bulletin Editor: *Pauline Connell*

Sacristan: *Jean Kachel*

Women's Club: *Helen Roop*

Men's Club: *Ken Hanson*

Widow & Widowers Group:
Barb Schmitz, Loretta Clarkin

August 29, 2021

HONORING BRUCE SIMONES

Viterbo University has named
our parishioner Bruce Simones

recipient of the Saint John XXIII Award for 2020.

Bruce is using his time in retirement to help the less fortunate in our community. He served as the morning cleaner at the Warming Center for several seasons, having a kind heart for the less fortunate. He has spent hours at The Exchange, at the Franciscan Hospitality House, and at Place of Grace. If there is a need, you'll probably see Bruce lending a helping hand. Of late he is a very popular visitor to the tent city folks in Houka Park as he is usually armed with the donuts and cookies left over from parish events. Bruce says that if you are going to do something you might as well do something worthwhile.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

Do you know anyone who is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic? Perhaps you yourself need to receive the sacrament of Baptism, Holy Communion, or Confirmation. This is the place for you. Weekly study/prayer sessions prepare one to receive the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Your contact person is Jennifer Kulzer. Call her at 608-385-3459 or email jkulzer@bsplacrosse.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

For students not attending a Catholic school

Classes meet on Wednesdays

Grades 1-5 6:00-7:00 in Blessed Sacrament School

Grades 6-8 6:45-8:15 at Mary, Mother of the
Church Parish Hall

Grades 9 & 10 7:00-8:30 in Blessed Sacrament
Parish Center

Classes will begin September 8.

Contact Pauline Connell, 608-782-2953, ext. 4

Or email music@bsplacrosse.org.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

The program will begin in the Fall. If you have a son or daughter in 10th grade and have not been contacted, call or email Jennifer Kulzer: 608-385-3459 or jkulzer@baplacrosse.org.

AFGHANISTAN REFUGEE HELP

Check out the insert in today's bulletin

August 30 – September 5, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 8/30	7:15 Weekday <i>+Kay Nix</i>
TUES 8/31	7:15 Weekday <i>+Margaret Stubler</i>
WED 9/1	7:15 Weekday <i>Intention of Kraig Brownell</i> 8:15 <i>+Donna Nolop</i>
THUR 9/2	7:15 Weekday <i>+Francis X. & +Mary Spika</i>
FRI 9/3	7:15 Gregory the Great <i>+Marianne Pittman</i>
SAT 9/4	Weekday; BVM NO 7:15 Mass

23rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrant: Father Peter Raj

Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC

SAT 9/4	4:30 pm <i>+Eunice O'Connor</i> Servers: Readers: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders Rosary leaders: Dave & Mary Jo Reinders
SUN 9/5	8:00 <i>+Evelyn Gallagher</i> Server: Readers: Dan Skemp, Donna Levi Rosary leader: Irm White/Drier/Barb Swieciak 10:00 <i>For the People of the Parish</i> Servers: Readers: Dave Weinberger, Kris Gerke Rosary leader: Steve Flottmeyer

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays, 3:30-4:15 pm
or call for an appointment

PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present
in the Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things,
and I desire You with all my heart.

Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,

I ask You to come spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already in my heart
and unite myself to You completely.

Please do not let me ever be separated from You.

Amen.

AROUND THE PARISH

THE ROSARY

Thursdays, at 6:30, in church.
The Women's Club will lead
our beloved prayer.
Use the alley handicap entrance.

WIDOWS & WIDOWERS

Lunch at Schmidty's
Tues, Sept 14, 11:30
Questions? Call Barb Schmitz, 788-1667.

FIRST SATURDAY AT THE SHRINE

Sat, Sept 4

11:15 meditation on the Holy Rosary;
11:45 pray the Rosary; 12:15 Mass;
confession opportunity before and
after Mass

*Found outside near the office
Timex woman's watch: silver band with
gold accents; white face.
Claim in the parish office*

3:00 WEDNESDAYS

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
is recited in the
Adoration Chapel

ADVENT/CHRISTMAS FAIR November 20

RAFFLE BASKET ASSEMBLY

October 4, 9 am
Conference Room
Please have all your donated
goodies and treasures there so the
fantastic baskets can be assembled.
Questions? Contact Marie: 784-5189

HELP FOR HAITI

The U.S. Catholic Bishops are calling
us to offer assistance to the people
of Haiti whose lives have been
turned upside down by earthquakes
and flooding. Make your check out
to our parish and drop it off in the
office or the Sunday collection at
Mass. Note "Haiti" on the Memo line.

*Those Bxotops for Education from
various grocery containers may be
dropped off in the Narthex. Our
school uses the proceeds to fund
special events.*

Extra garden produce? Drop off
what you can't use in the Narthex so
others can enjoy it. A little donation
for the Place of Grace is
appreciated.

From Bishop Callahan on Aug 24:

With the recent increase in cases and
hospitalizations of the delta variant of
COVID-19 in our diocese, I am asking
that you continue to be vigilant about
taking precautions in caring for the
health, safety, and well-being of your
parishioners, staff, and community. At
this time, I am recommending that these
guidelines be implemented in our
churches. In addition, any mandates
issued by your city or country officials
should be followed.

Wearing a mask is strongly
recommended while attending Mass
and other parish events.

Masks are to worn for the distribution of
Holy Communion by all priests, deacons
and extraordinary ministers of Holy
Communion. This includes visits to the
sick and homebound and applies even
to those who have been vaccinated.

Hand sanitizing stations should continue
to be made available to all who enter
church and institutions. Frequently
touched surfaces in the church should
be cleaned/sanitized per CDC
recommendations.

I ask that you continue to pray for all
those affected by the pandemic.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2021- June 30, 2022

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received August 22	5,006

Teachers don't teach for the income.
Teachers teach for the outcome.

COMING UP

Sept 6 Office closed - Labor Day
Sept 8 Catholic Daughters, 12:10 Mass
at the Cathedral & meeting
Sept 8 First day for Religious Education
Sept 12 Kick-off for "40 Days for Life"
Sept 13 Social Justice Committee
meeting, 6 pm, Conference Room
Sept 14 Widows & Widowers lunch at
Schmidty's, 11:30
Sept 16 Our parish supplies supper for
the homeless in Houska Park
Sept 22-Oct 31 "40 Days for Life"
Oct 1 Apple Pie making day
Oct 2 & 3 Parish Apple Pie Sale
Oct 23 "Men of the Cross" Gathering
Diocesan Center
Nov 20 Advent/Christmas Fair

COMING UP

Formed.org

Among other things, Pope St.
Gregory the Great is known for his
incredible pastoral presence and
servant leadership. In honor of this
magnanimous Saint, enjoy this
episode of "Into the Breach! Session
3- Leadership" this week on
formed.org. Although primarily
targeted at men, this video and its
emphasis on service will be fruitful
to anyone who desires sanctity and
self-mastery.
Check it out this week on
[formed.org](https://www.formed.org).

AQUINAS FEST

Friday, September 10, 3-7pm
Aquinas High School

SHARE THE HARVEST

If your zucchini plants are going
crazy, or you are drowning in
tomatoes, share the excess with
others by placing it on the table in
the Narthex. Anyone who can use
the veggies, etc. is welcome to take
some home. If you do, drop a little
donation in the flower pot. We give
that money to Place or Grace.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION

"There's nothing I can do about it!"
Yes, you can.

Check out the information on the
table in the Narthex. There you will
find pro-life information and prayer
cards to use as you pray for a baby
in danger of being aborted. Gather
your family around, even give your
baby a name, and pray for his/her
safe delivery and the health and
well-being of the parents.

AROUND TOWN

REFRESH AND RENEW: A CAREGIVER SERIES

In-person monthly gatherings through March, 2022, is a collaboration between FSC and the Aging and Disability Resource Center.
Session 1: Sept 8, 1-2 pm
Mindfulness Practices
Presenter: Sister Sarah Hennessey
Register at FSCenter.org. No cost

MEN OF THE CROSS GATHERING

"Walking with St. Joseph"
Saturday, October 23, Diocesan Center
More details to follow

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF AMERICA

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas involve themselves in local service projects. Examples:

- *Annual support of a Casa Hogar family
- * Making baby quilts for expectant mothers
- *Putting together greeting cards for jailed people to send to their families
- *Giving illustrated children's Bibles to students at Blessed Sacrament School
- *Sponsoring contests in art, computer, art, poetry, essay, music composition, and photography with monetary awards on the local, state, and national levels
- *Providing service dog training to help young women devastated by human trafficking.

Women age 18 and older are invited to become part of this established charitable group.
More information on their website.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE November 20, 2011

Our Diocese will organize a local/live event in order to participate in the simulcast stream of the main event in Indianapolis, IN.

Link to the Facebook event:
<https://fb.me/e/wh0DbZBc>

RUMMAGE SALE

Mary, Mother of the Church, 2006 Weston St.
Fri, Sept 17, 11-3pm : \$6/bag
Sat, Sept 18, 8-11: \$3/bag
Some items priced individually.

THE CATHOLIC VIEW FOR WOMEN EWTN RADIO SHOW

Beginning Sun, Sept 5
10:30 pm Sundays; 4:30 pm on Mondays
Some topics will be: Raising a Child with Special Needs;
Listening for God; Getting Healthy to Serve the Lord

RURAL LIFE DAY

Wednesday, September 22
Castle Rock Organic Farms, Osseo
Mass celebrated by Bishop Callahan at 10:00, followed by recognition, awards, and the blessing of crops and machinery, and catered lunch
More info at diolc.org/rural-life

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Kick-off Rally

September 12, 2 pm
Black River Beach Center
Speaker: Dan Miller, Dir. Of Pro-Life Wisconsin
Refreshments will be served
40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Sept 22-Oct 31

BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Birthright is an all-volunteer organization whose members offer a helping hand to anyone affected by a troubling or un-wanted pregnancy. A volunteer (or a couple) is needed to head up the once a year Baby Bottle Fund-raiser. This person needs to be well organized and detail-oriented. For more information contact Betty, 608-788-7619.

KNOW YOUR FAITH SERIES

The Social Justice Teachings of the Church

St. Anthony Retreat Center, Marathon
4th Thursday of the month, 6:30-8 pm
(in person or via zoom)

Register at sarcenter.com or call 715-443-2236
Social justice teachings are integral to our faith. Jesus taught that every person is invaluable and worthy of respect as a member of God's family. Human dignity comes from God, not from any human quality or accomplishment.
Topic for September 23: Dignity and Rights of Workers. Using the Scripture passage "...He did this on the Sabbath" as the basis for his reflection, Father Matt Marshall will explore how work is a way to create with and for God and others.
Go to: sarcenter.com or 715-443-2236.

CHICKEN-QUE

Thursday, September 9, 11- 6 pm
Mary, Mother of the Church
\$10/dinner; Pre-sale tickets, call 608-518-6145.

WELCOME NEW SEMINARIANS FOR OUR DIOCESE

Matthew Szymanski, Kyle Lang, Alex Radke

If you or someone you know is interested in discovering more about a call to the priesthood, please contact me:
Father Nate Kuhn, Director of Vocational Recruitment for the Diocese of La Crosse, 3710 East Ave. S, PO Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004; or phone 608-791-2667.

Prayer for Vocations

Heavenly Father, Bless Your Church with an abundance of holy and zealous priests, deacons, brothers, and sisters. Give those You have called to the married state and those You have chosen to live as single persons in the world, the special graces that their lives require. Form us all in the likeness of Your Son, so that in Him and through Him, we may love You more deeply and serve You more faithfully, always and everywhere. With Mary we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.