



# Blessed Sacrament Parish

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## 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Times July 5, 2020

### MASS SCHEDULE

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

### CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30-4:00 pm  
Other times by appointment

### BENEDICTION

First Friday 8:00 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):  
*Holly Gorman*

Readers: *Mary Jo Reinders*

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic: *Carolyn Steingraeber*

Petition Readers: *Barb Clements*

Ushers: *Tom Kratt*

Offering Families: *Call the office to volunteer*

Rosary Leader Schedule:  
*Kathy Nicks*

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 Coordinators: 782.2953 xt6  
*Paul Poehling, Pat Hammes*

Website: *Jennifer Kulzer*

Music Director: 782.2953 xt3  
*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*

July 5, 2020

July 6 - 12, 2020

**COVID-19  
A Prayer of Solidarity  
From US Conference of Catholic Bishops**

For all who have contracted coronavirus,  
We pray for care and healing.  
For those who are particularly vulnerable,  
We pray for safety and protection.  
For all who experience fear or anxiety,  
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.  
For affected families who are facing difficult  
decisions between food on the table or public  
safety,  
We pray for policies that recognize their  
plight.  
For those who do not have adequate health  
insurance,  
We pray that no family will face financial  
burdens alone.  
For those who are afraid to access care due to  
immigration status,  
We pray for recognition of the God-given  
dignity of all.  
For our brothers and sisters around the world,  
We pray for shared solidarity.  
For public officials and decision makers,  
We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may Your Church be a sign  
of hope, comfort, and love to all.  
Grant peace.  
Grant comfort.  
Grant healing.  
Be with us, Lord.

Amen.

**STOP IN FOR QUIET PRAYER**

**Our church is open daily 7:30-4 pm. There is  
adequate room in church. It is sanitized daily.**

**The Adoration Chapel is open as well.  
Remember to keep social distancing.**

Questions about your faith or the liturgy? Visit our  
parish website or the questionnaire box in the  
back of church to fill out a form to get the answer  
you need. The answers by Father can be  
provided privately or during Mass. Please take  
advantage of this opportunity to increase the  
faithfulness in your life.

**MONDAY through FRIDAY MASSES  
WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY**

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR July 6 - 12, 2020**

**MON 7/6** Weekday; Maria Goretti  
*+Betty Henke*  
**TUES 7/7** Weekday  
*+Jean Susdorf*  
**WED 7/8** Weekday  
*+John Leinfelder*  
**6:30 pm Confirmation Mass**  
**THU 7/9** Weekday; Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions  
*+Intention of Donald & Helen Flynn - 60<sup>th</sup>  
Wedding Anniversary*  
**FRI 7/10** Weekday  
*+Donald Schreier*  
**SAT 7/11** Benedict

**15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Celebrant: Father Raj  
Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC  
No altar servers  
No Eucharistic Ministers

**SAT 7/11 4:30** *Intention of Mary Anne & Gene Roesler  
58th Wedding Anniversary*  
**SUN 7/12 8:00** *For healing & comfort for our very ill  
friends*  
**10:00** *For the People of the Parish*  
**2:00 pm** *Confirmation Mass*

**WATCH MASS ON TV OR YOUR COMPUTER**

Sundays: Channel 19 9:30 am  
Also at diolc.org, the Diocesan YouTube channel, Facebook  
These Masses were pre-recorded  
EWTN  
7:00 & 11:00 am; 6:00 pm

**CONFESSIONS**

Saturdays, 3:30-4:30  
Or call Father Raj 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

### FATHER PETER KIEFFER

Father Kieffer, son of Maureen and Tom of our parish, was ordained to the priesthood on June 24, 2017. His first assignment was as Associate Pastor at St. Matthew Parish in Wausau, Chaplain at Newman Catholic Middle and High Schools in Wausau, and Chaplain to the Hispanic community in that area. He recently was appointed Associate Pastor at St. Mary Parish in Altoona and St. Raymond of Penafort in southern Eau Claire county, and Chaplain of Regis Middle and High Schools, Eau Claire.

He will be moving to his new residence on July 30. His new address is: St. Mary Parish rectory, 1728 Lynn Ave, Altoona, WI 54720

### FORMED.ORG

This week we celebrate the Feast Day of St. Maria Goretti. Formed.org has several good resources for learning about this young saint. Her example of faithfulness and forgiveness in the midst of persecution continues to provide an example of faith conquering evil. Check out this and so much more this week on [formed.org](http://formed.org). Use our parish code: K2768J

### THE ADORATION CHAPEL

The directive that only 2 people may be in the chapel at one time has been lifted. Please, however, be aware that the 6-foot social distancing suggestion remains in effect. Our church is open daily for private prayer, 7:30 – 4 pm.

### USHERS NEEDED

As we return to congregating in church for Mass, the role of our ushers takes on many new dimensions. Several of our faithful ushers are choosing to “retire” at least for now, due to age. We would be so happy to hear from men AND women, high school age and older, who can fill this role on a once-a-month basis. Contact Tom Kratt, 796-2716. Email: [thomaskratt@DOT.WI.gov](mailto:thomaskratt@DOT.WI.gov).

Your email is needed to receive almost weekly updates from the parish, please email your address to: [blsacparish@gmail.com](mailto:blsacparish@gmail.com).

### SCRIP NEWS

**\$SCRIP ORDERS WILL NOW BE FILLED.** We ask you to call the \$scrip office at 782-2953, ext. 6, or email orders: [SCRIP@bsplacrosse.org](mailto:SCRIP@bsplacrosse.org). We will fill orders within 2 days and let you know when yours is ready to be picked up. Our Parish Office is open daily 9:00-1 pm.

### RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults offers the opportunity for folks who are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their Sacraments of Initiation to study and pray together in preparation. Do you know someone who has expressed an interest in our Faith, learning more about the Catholic Church, or becoming Catholic? We will be offering the RCIA program.

### MEMORY STONES

We are getting ready to have additional stones etched in our Memory Garden. This is such a special way to memorialize someone, remember an event of importance in the family, or honor a loved one. Call the office for prices and details.

## PARISH SUPPORT

### BUDGET

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received June 28	5,588

If you are making a donation to the Parish Endowment or sending in your dues for the Men's or Women's Clubs here (\$5.00), please make those checks out to each group separately. Thanks.

### CHURCH SUPPORT

Thanks to all who have continued to support our parish financially during this time when we could not gather for Mass in church. If you are not yet attending Mass, you may drop your offering in the mail. Thank you.  
Father Raj

## COMING UP

### CALENDAR

July 8 Confirmation Mass, 6:30  
July 12 Confirmation Mass, 2:00  
July 13-19 Our week for Mobile Meals  
Aug 29 Witnesses for Christ Conference

### STEWARDSHIP VIDEO

We would like to include pictures of parishioners involved in activities in and around the parish – delivering meals, visiting the homebound, helping in the community, etc. If you have one or some to share please forward them to Jennifer at [jkulzer@bsplacrosse.org](mailto:jkulzer@bsplacrosse.org).

### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

Danny and Anita Miles  
Children: Johannes, Franziska, Maria

### CONFIRMATION

Father Raj has been given permission to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation here at the parish. There will be 2 Masses at which this will occur:  
July 8, 6:30 pm  
July 12, 2:00 pm

### FIRST COMMUNION

Families, please call the parish at 782-2953, ext. 3, to request a weekend Mass at which your child may receive First Holy Communion.

### MILESTONES

If you are celebrating a “milestone” birthday or anniversary and would like it published in the bulletin, please call a week beforehand to let us know. It's so nice for parishioners to offer a prayer of thanksgiving and congratulations with folks who have reached a special goal.

## AROUND TOWN

### RESTARTING MASS GUIDE BLESSED SACRAMENT

#### MASS DISPENSATION

The parish members and all the faithful should be aware that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains dispensed until further notice.

#### ALL WEEDAY PUBLIC MASSES REMAIN SUSPENDED – CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

The parish church will be open 7:30 AM - 4 PM for private prayer every day of the week.

#### CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30 to 4:00 PM or by appointment call office

#### RETURN OF PUBLIC CELEBRATION OF SUNDAY MASS

We are looking forward to the Sunday celebration of the Mass again at Blessed Sacrament and we welcome you. Please review the attached information as we resume weekend liturgy.

If you are sick, have a fever, or have flu like symptoms, please stay home.

Parish members who, defined by the health department as more vulnerable (i.e., 60+ years of age, those with compromised immune systems, those with underlying health conditions, those who are especially anxious about being in a large group, etc.) are encouraged to stay at home.

Blessed Sacrament Parish will commence Sunday and Saturday vigil Masses starting May 30 and 31, 2020. Attendance in the church will be limited to a total of 130 persons per Mass. Ushers will be monitoring and limiting access if excess numbers arrive to attend.

#### AT MASS

Mask coverings the face are not required but are strongly recommended. Please bring a mask from home as we are unable to supply them for everyone due to shortages.

We will be using a minimum distancing of every other pew. Intervening pews are cordoned off, not only for the sake of social distancing, but to reduce the areas in need of sanitizing between Masses.

The Sign of Peace is omitted from Mass.

Communion is to be distributed only by the priest and deacon.

Please observe the 6-foot distance while in line to receive Holy Communion. Only one, single-file line is permitted to approach the priest or deacon, rather than two parallel lines. Communion line and markings are placed on the floor to preserve social distancing.

BSP encourages Communion to be received only in the hand for the health and safety of both the priest and faithful, but can be received on the tongue. Any communicant wearing gloves must remove them prior to receiving.

Directions for dismissal after Mass should be offered by the celebrant to provide an orderly exit with proper social distancing. Please do not gather in the narthex or outside church once Mass is completed.

Frequently touched surfaces in the church (pews/pew tops, door handles, microphones, bathrooms etc.) shall be cleaned and sanitized per CDC recommendations after every liturgy.

In order to have necessary information for the possibility of contact tracing (only if required) you must fill out an attendance card located in the pew and deposit it designated box on your way out of church.

There still will be a risk for anyone who attends a public Mass to contract the coronavirus. There is no pre-determined timeline for how long restrictions will be in place; further developments may allow for the loosening of restrictions or call for the tightening of restrictions.

### WITNESSES FOR CHRIST CONFERENCE Overcoming Spiritual Discouragement

August 29; 10:00 – 3 pm

Father Timothy Gallagher, O.M.V.

Live-streamed webinar

Register: [diolc.org/witness](https://diolc.org/witness); \$15 includes his book

Father Gallagher was ordained in 1979 as a member of the Oblates of the Virgin Mary, a religious community dedicated to retreats and spiritual formation according to the Spiritual Exercises of Saint Ignatius. He obtained his doctorate in 1983 from the Gregorian University, has taught at 2 seminaries, assisted in formation work for 12 years, and served 2 terms as provincial in his own community. He's a respected author, teacher, and lecturer. Father's warmth and style of speaking is for people of all states in life and levels of formation. This one-day boost will provide guidance for when we struggle to overcome the greatest obstacle in the "everyday" and spiritual life – discouragement.

\*If you have not used ZOOM there is a simple way to do a trial run by visiting <https://zoom.us/test> and follow the instructions.

\*Father will speak at 4 times for about 45 minutes.

\*You may choose one or more break-out pre-recorded sessions and watch them before August 29 at [diolc.org/witness](https://diolc.org/witness). Each lasts about 1 hour. A description of each topic can be found at this site. Register online at [diolc.org/witness](https://diolc.org/witness).

Make your check payable to Diocese of La Crosse-Office of Catechesis and Evangelization, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse 54602-4004

For more information contact Susan Skemp, 791-2658 or [sskemp@diolc.org](mailto:sskemp@diolc.org).

This Conference should speak to every heart. If you have questions, contact Pauline Connell, 782-2953, or [music@bsplacrosse.com](mailto:music@bsplacrosse.com).

### 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, with 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.*