



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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Deacon
David Allen



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Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 4:30 pm
Sunday Morning 8:00 & 10:00 am
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri 7:30 am
Wed 9:00 am

CONFESSION

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

BENEDICTION

First Friday 8:00 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays, 5:15 pm, during Lent

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

Masters of Ceremonies:
Mike Vanderploeg
William Arnold
Gabe Trussoni

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

Parish 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

May 17, 2020

Here's a snapshot of what our marvelous ambitious Women's Club is up to:

Our Blessed Sacrament Women's Club Mission Statement:

To unite all women of the parish in religious, educational, and social activities in order to further the welfare of the parish, and to participate in Catholic action at the parish, diocesan, and national levels.

The Women's Club reports these expenses/donations:

Required expenses:

DCCW (Diocesan Council of Catholic Women) dues
Low Sunday collection for DCCW

Charitable Organizations:

Local Community:

Our Parish – altar candles and misc expenses
Catholic Charities
 Warming Center
 St. Lawrence Community Services
New Horizons (women's shelter)
Place of Grace (Catholic Worker House)
Jail Ministry
Hope Academy (girls' education)
Pro-Life Wisconsin
Compassionate Community Faith Alliance-
 Circles of Support
Aquinas Scholarships for 6th grader
Seminarian Fund
La Crosse Vocation Society (formerly Serra Club)

International Outreach:

One Child in India
Sister Parish in Tanzania
FSPA/ Trafficking Women & Children
Casa Hogar Orphanage
Cause for the Beatification of Fr. Walijewski

All ladies of the parish automatically become members of the Women's Club. Their service to the parish is invaluable: leading us in prayer, providing hospitality at so many times, especially at funerals, lending that special touch to church decoration, both inside and out, giving support to causes that are part of Jesus' message, opening the parish's arms to visitors, newcomers, and all seekers, and in so many other ways. Thank you, gals. God bless your endeavors.

May 18 - 24, 2020

ALL MASSES WILL BE CELEBRATED PRIVATELY

MASS INTENTIONS FOR May 18 - 24, 2020

MON 5/18 Easter Weekday, John I
 +Irene Kau
TUES 5/19 Easter Weekday
 +Mike Walter
WED 5/20 Easter Weekday; Bernadine of Siena
 +Robert Berg
THU 5/21 Easter Weekday; Christopher Magallanes
 & companions
 +Eleanor & Ellis Crook
FRI 5/22 Easter Weekday; Rita of Cascia
 *Intention of Nick & Kathy Nicks –
 Wedding Anniversary*
SAT 5/23 Easter Weekday

ASCENSION OF THE LORD

SAT 5/23 +Ralph Jagodzinski
SUN 5/24 *For the People of the Parish*

Because Father Raj celebrates just one Mass on Sundays, and that is always for the People of the Parish, some Mass intention requests have had to be rescheduled. Please call the parish office to find out what date your Mass intention will be used. 782-2953, ext. 2

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

CATHEDRAL LIVE STREAM MASSES (diolc.org)

Daily: 8 am
Sundays: 9:30 am

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

PARISH ROSARY CANCELLED

As per direction from the Diocese we may no longer offer the opportunity to pray the rosary as a group seated in our cars in the parking lot.

FORMED.ORG

Why are we here? What's life all about? What happens when we die? From the most skeptical "None" holding no religious affiliation, to the most diehard Catholic in the pew, every person on the planet must wrestle with these basic questions. "The Search" is an innovated video series that tackles the key questions of every human heart in seven beautifully filmed episodes. Chris Stefanick and experts from multiple fields of science, medicine, psychology, art, and religion examine our place in the larger story of life. Check out this new series this week on Formed.org. Use our parish code: K2768J

SEMINARIANS TO PRAY FOR THIS WEEK

Sun John Duranso
Mon Brian Ward
Tues Joseph Culligan
Wed Joseph Glatczak
Thurs Daniel Buchal
Fri David Dachel
Sat Isaac Wolfe
Sun John Regnier

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

\$SCRIP NEWS

Phone orders: 782-2953, ext. 6.
Email orders: SCRIP@
bsplacrosse.org

\$SCRIP orders will now be filled.

You **must** place your order either by phone, leaving your name, to whom the allocation is directed, and your phone number, or by email to the \$scrip office (info above). Your order will be filled within 48 hours, you will be notified by phone or email, and you may pick the cards up in the parish office during business hours (9:00-1 pm Mon-Fri). Place your check or money in an envelope marked with your name, and bring it with you when picking up your order. A \$scrip order form is available on the parish website: bsplacrosse.org. Blank forms are also in the office mailbox and in the Narthex of church.

*A beautiful illuminated statue of the Blessed Virgin is located inside the glass doors to the Parish Center along Losey Blvd.
Stop for a prayer or two.
The U.S. Bishops have rededicated our country to Mother Mary's care for the next year.*

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2019- June 30, 2020

Needed Weekly	\$13,000
Received May 10	10,861

And just like that:

Having a mask, rubber gloves, duct tape, plastic sheeting, and rope in your trunk is okay.

CHURCH SUPPORT

During these weeks when we cannot attend Mass, please don't forget your financial support of our parish and its importance in keeping the ship on course. Please mail in your envelope. Or, in the coming weeks, check out the online giving information on the website. It's such an easy way to keep up to date on this important matter.

COMING UP

WARMING CENTER NEEDS

Bottled water
Homemade snacks – package 2 per baggie (no cinnamon or nuts)
Prepackaged alcohol wipes
Paper plates & napkins
Men's white t-shirts
Men's body wash and shampoo
Books/magazines
All your donated items may be dropped off at the Warming Center, 413 S 3rd St.

Drop off your empty aluminum cans in the bin in the Aquinas parking lot at the corner of Cameron and 11th Streets. Thanks from the Booster Club.

Boxtops for Educations are still accepted. Drop off in the Narthex.

The Adoration Chapel may accommodate just 2 people at a time.

YOUR EMAIL IS NEEDED

To receive almost weekly updates from the parish, please email your address to: blsacparish@gmail.com.

BAPTISM

Bianca Maryanne Pittman
Daughter of Wade & Breanne
May 16, 2020

*To get nations
back on their feet,
we must first
get down on our knees.
Billy Graham*

AROUND TOWN

QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

Phone 608-782-2953 Website www.bsplacrosse.org

ALL MASSES PARISH GATHERINGS SUSPENDED— OPTIONS FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

The parish church will be open 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. for private prayer.

The Adoration Chapel will be open daily, and overnight starting at 8:00 p.m. - Enter code for access. Please respect the restriction of only 2 people in the chapel at one time. The Adoration Chapel and the church are cleaned daily with disinfectant.

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. or by appointment. Call parish office: 608-782-2953

SUNDAY MASS AND HOLY WEEK

The Diocese of La Crosse will be streaming all Sunday and Holy Week Masses at <https://diolc.org/live>
You can also watch daily Holy Week Masses (8:00 a.m.-English/8:30 a.m.-Spanish) and Easter Sunday Mass at 9:30 a.m. (10:30 a.m.-Spanish) on your local WXOW television station (ABC network affiliate).

DAILY MASS OPTIONS

Relevant Radio daily Mass <https://relevantradio.com/faith/daily-mass-video/>

Word on Fire daily Mass <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/>
EWTN broadcasts the daily Mass LIVE at 7:00 a.m. It is re-aired at 11:00 a.m., and again at 6:00 p.m. CT.

You can watch via TV or online via streaming at ewtn.com/tv/watch-live.

Check our parish website or local TV listings, as well as the Diocese of La Crosse website at <https://www.diolc.org>

PARISH OFFICE

The Blessed Sacrament office is closed to visitors. The office is staffed from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to address your individual needs. Please contact the parish by telephone: 608-782-2953 or email: office@bsplacrosse.org

RESOURCES FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH

FORMED.ORG – Formed has Bible studies, daily reflections, full-length movies, kids' programs, e-books, audio books, spiritual talks and much more.

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

1. Go to formed.org/signup
2. Select your parish (enter Blessed Sacrament La Crosse to find us, and follow directions)

WORDONFIRE.ORG – The Word on Fire on the web is Bishop Robert Barron's outreach and has many excellent resources, including a blog. [St. Thecla: Model of Prayer in a time of Plague STEWARDSHIP](#)

There are two ways whereby you can support our parish:

1. Continue to mail your weekly envelope to the office: Blessed Sacrament Parish, 130 Losey Boulevard South, La Crosse, WI 54601

2. Contribute online via a special diocesan website linked to our homepage on our website. <https://diolc.org/blessed-sacrament-parish-la-crosse/> Your donations will be forwarded to Blessed Sacrament, and a record will be made in our parish register. Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENTURE CAMP AND SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAMS through the Diocese of La Crosse

For the latest information on programs please visit:
diolc.org/yya/youth-opportunities or
<https://www.facebook.com/events/2278171182482792>

SILENT DIRECTED RETREATS

at the Franciscan Spirituality Center
These times offer a quiet time to be alone with God.
The Spiritual Directors are compassionate, nonjudgmental, trained listeners who will guide you through this experience.
Dates and details at www.FSCenter.org.

FATHER JOSEPH WALIJEWSKI LEGACY GUILD

Father Joseph Walijewski's heroic and priestly zeal impacted all those he encountered. As a missionary within the Diocese of La Crosse, Bolivia, and Peru, he established parish churches, soup kitchens, and the Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II Orphanage. Today his spirit lives on in the children who call Casa Hogar home, inspires missionary acts near and far, and calls us to action. In 2013 a beatification process formally began, and today the Congregation for the Causes of the Saints in Rome continues to study Servant of God, Fr. Joe Walijewski's rich life and uncover associated miracles. Our journey to live out his mission continues. Casa Hogar Juan Pablo II and the works of Fr. Joe's Legacy Guild are made possible and enriched solely through donor support like yours. To make a gift and for more information on sponsoring our children go to: HOMEAJPM.ORG

CAUSEWAY INTERFAITH CAREGIVERS

(from *WAFER FOOD PANTRY NEWSLETTER*)

When our lives return to some form of "normal," will you have some free time on your hands? Do you want to be part of life changing work? If yes, then WAFER is your place! One hour, one day a month, one day a week, etc, we will take all of it! Call or email to schedule. 608-782-6003 or info@waferlacrosse.org.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED: a Year of Service

March 25, 2020 - March 25, 2021

Our nation's Bishops ask that we take this year to assess what we can do to support mothers who may be struggling. Whether that be through a difficult or unplanned pregnancy, the challenges of raising children without a father's or family's support, or perhaps financial or emotional security, we are asked to reach out in love. Note that the year is book-ended by the special Feast of the Annunciation. Mary, Mother of God, be with us in this noble endeavor.