



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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ALL SAINTS DAY November 1, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

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

CONFESSION

Saturday 3:30-4:15 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:

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 ext. 1
Paul Poehling, Pat Hammes

Website: *Jennifer Kulzer*

Music Director: 782.2953 xt 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

November 1, 2020

**ELECTION DAY EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
in church
Tuesday, November 3, 8 am - 8 pm
Confession opportunity: 2:30 and 7 pm**

Next Sunday is "Amen Sunday" for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. Pledge cards will be available in church. If you did not respond to the Appeal as yet, please consider doing so. The funds collected help pay the bills for all the good work done at the Diocese, plus the charitable giving our Diocese engages in. Disbursements fall into these categories: 37% Parish Ministries Services Support; 20% Seminarian, Deacons, and Religious; 11% Catholic Education; 5% Diocesan Facilities; 22% Charity, Missions & the Wider Church; 5% Diocesan Annual Appeal cost. It is an added incentive that any money given over the target set by the Diocese for our parish, \$56,000 this year, is returned to us for our own use here. In last week's bulletin, you may have noticed in the financial report that our parish's Aquinas Schools subsidy is \$313,140, among many other expenses. That's substantial. Please consider a gift to the Annual Appeal this year, if you have not done so in the past. Both the Diocese and our Parish will benefit. Thank you most sincerely to all who yearly open their hearts and checkbooks, as well.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
Update: October 26, 2020**

Goal	\$55,635
Total Pledged & received	\$55,472
Amount received	\$50,937
Number of donors:	127
Number of donors (2019)	196

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
2020-2021 PRAYER**

Heavenly Father, together in humility, we thank You for the gifts of our time, our talents, and for the treasures You so generously bestow upon one and all. We pray, Lord, for You to strengthen our love of neighbor, so we may serve as a contagion of hope for those who are weakened by a world of sadness and discouragement. Holy St. Joseph, our patron, we implore you, in your example of faithful stewardship, to guide us as we care for what has been lovingly entrusted to us for the good of the other. We ask that you intercede for us, raising our needs before our Lord Jesus Christ, to bolster our hope, strengthen our faith, as we unite in the charity of neighbor. We make our prayer through Christ, our Lord. Amen

November 2-8, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN CHURCH

- MON 11/2 7:30 All Souls' Day
+Eleanor & +Ellis Crook
- TUES 11/3 7:30 Weekday
Intention of the Levi family
- WED 11/4 7:30 Charles Borromeo
+Therese & +Gordon W. Smith
2:20 pm *+Philomena Doran*

Grade school students will be attending the Masses on Wednesday afternoons. These Masses ARE NOT OPEN to others.

- THU 11/5 7:30 Weekday
+Mary Crowley
- FRI 11/6 7:30 Weekday
+Diane Franke
- SAT 11/7 Weekday: BVM
NO 7:30 Mass

32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

- SAT 11/7 4:30 *Intention of Sharon & Dan Weinberger (Belated 58th wedding anniversary)*
- SUN 11/8 8:00 *For the People of the Parish*
10:00 *+David Kulzer & +Sister Mary Blasé Kulzer*

The Rosary is prayed before our weekend Masses beginning about 20 minutes before Mass starts.
The leaders Nov 7 & 8:

- 4:30 Mary Schuttenhelm
- 8:00 The Allens
- 10:00 Les and Terry Lachine

CONFESSIONS

**Saturdays, 3:30-4:15
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 OFFICE HOURS
Mon-Thurs: 9am – noon;
and 1-4 pm
Fri: 9am-noon

MILESTONE

Deacon Jason Hutzler
10th anniversary of ordination
October 16

MARTHA'S MEALS

A wonderful dedicated group of meal-providers lend a hand to households where, due to illness, new baby, or other events, meal preparation is a problem. Natalie Bennett is the contact person for folks who can provide a nice meal when needed. Her phone number is 608-385-5078.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

The Bishops of our Wisconsin Dioceses are leading the Rosary via internet on the Sundays in October at 7:30 pm. Join them online at diolc.org/live or come to the Parish Center to join with others there to pray together.

How is your Christmas jar coming?
Date to drop off: November 21.

WELCOME TO BSP

Andrew Fiegen & Haley McLean

MEMORY STONES

A lovely way to remember a loved one, or honor someone or event is with a memory stone on our church's East plaza. There are 2 sizes:
12' X 12" \$350
6" X 12" \$175

Call the parish office to order your stone. Etching occurs during the warm months.

REMEMBERING OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED IN NOVEMBER

A Book of Remembrance is placed below the pulpit in church. Feel free to write the names of your loved ones who have died in the book as you remember them in your prayer.

They will be included in the intentions for each Mass in November.

It is a custom to light candles for these dear ones. Note that there are long-lasting votive candles and smaller day-long candles in the side chapel. Your donation may be dropped off in the box on the front wall of the chapel right next to the confessionals.

This is also a customary time to visit the graves of family and friends.

SCRIP NEWS

There are volunteer \$scrip sellers in the office daily 9:00-noon.

Masks are required face-wear.

Stop in to place your order or call the \$scrip office at 782-2953, ext. 1, or email orders: SCRIP@bsplacrosse.org so your order is ready when you stop by. Thanks to our volunteer Scrip sellers. Aquinas families, remember that the full 100% of the rebate can be applied to your tuition bill.

INTENTIONS FOR MASSES IN 2021

Beginning Nov 2 the office will begin scheduling intentions for Masses for 2021.

Call the parish office at 782-2953, ext. 2, or stop in to schedule Masses.

DO NOT leave your requests on voice mail; you must contact Elizabeth Skemp. One person may request 3 Masses for someone during the next year, one on the weekend, a holyday or a holiday, and 2 during the week. The dates must be a minimum of 6 weeks apart.

The stipend is \$10 per Mass.

PARISH SUPPORT

BUDGET

July 1, 2020- June 30, 2021

Needed Weekly \$13,000

Received Oct 25 8,803

Scientists say the universe is made up of protons, neutrons, and electrons. They forget to mention morons.

COMING UP

Nov 8 AMEN Sunday for Diocesan Appeal

Nov 21 Drop off of Advent/Christmas Jar donations

Nov 21 Giving Tree available

Nov 26 Thanksgiving Day Mass, 9 am

USHERS NEEDED

As we return to congregating in church for Mass, the role of our ushers takes on many new dimensions. 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. Sign up on our parish website: bsplacrosse.org.

COMING UP

WARMING CENTER NEWS

Our parish offers the "man-power" at the Warming Center once/month. The Center provides shelter, a place to rest overnight, a nice warm meal, and support for those who are homeless in our community.

Our first date is Saturday, Nov. 7.

Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex with times needed & duties.

The Center is in need of TV trays. If you have any, please let Ellen Smith know by contacting her at 608-780-8012, or Ellensmi@charter.net. She can even pick them up. Thanks a lot.

THE GIVING TREE

The tree will be in place starting on Nov. 21.

Our parish committee and Catholic Charities, who distributes the gifts, decided the safest way to reach out to families in need this year is with gift cards. Watch for details to come.

FORMED.ORG

This weekend we celebrate one of the great feast days in the Church, the Feast of All Saints Day. This feast day reminds us that we are all called to be saints. Those who have been declared saints and blessed in our church are our older brothers and sisters in the faith. Their lives are set before us as examples of faithfulness to God despite life's difficulties.

Through movies, documentaries, books and more, Formed.org offers a look into the diverse lives of the saints of the Church in order to inspire us to follow their example in witnessing to a world in need of God.

Use our parish code: K2768J

REST IN PEACE

Marlowe Watunya
mother of Michael

AROUND TOWN

PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE DIED SINCE ALL SOULS DAY LAST YEAR

Stanley W. Bakter
Clayton K. Zurfluh
John F. Leinfelder
Donald J. Finn
Mabel Johann
Judith Carter
Marian B. Sake
Catherine A Cooper
Diane K. Franke
Leonard Ambrose
Richard Schoen
Elizabeth Keppel
Marlowe Watunya

FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

For a reflection on "Voting as a Christian," a comparison of Republican and Democratic Party platforms, and a wealth of resources from the US Bishops and the Wisconsin Bishops, visit ciolc.org/faithful-citizenship.

DEPRESSED ANONYMOUS

Free meetings Mondays, 5:30-6:30,
by conference call

A 12-step program for those dealing with depression and needing to generate positive energy, form friendships and find support.

Call Gayle, 608-406-7990.

Sponsored by Franciscan Spirituality Center

At Aquinas students explore their passions, give back to their communities, grow in faith, and prepare for a successful future. Our schools are open to families of all faiths, and we offer several tuition assistance programs. We offer in person face to face learning or virtual learning. Visit us at

www.aquinascatholicsschools.org, or call us at (608)784-8585. Follow us on social media pages Facebook and Instagram.

2020 AQUINAS GOLD GALA

Saturday, November 14, 6:30 pm

The Gala supports our five schools by raising funds for our STEM initiatives and helping to update our curricular support for inquiry-based learning. The event will be a live-streaming VIRTUAL event! All info at <https://www.aquinascatholicsschools.org/gold-gala>.

ALL SOULS' DAY MASS

Monday, November 2, 5:15 pm

St. Francis of Assisi Mausoleum Chapel

at the Catholic Cemetery, 519 Losey Blvd. S.

A plenary indulgence, under the usual circumstances, can be gained for the souls in purgatory by Catholics who devoutly visit a cemetery and pray for the dead.

For Mass, masks are required along with physical distancing. Msgr. Robert Hundt, Celebrant

ST. PATRICK PARISH

Adesse Raffle

St. Patrick's is again offering their calendar raffle for \$25 each. There is no limit on how many times an individual can win. Checks are mailed monthly to winners with the prize amount at \$16,580. These calendars make great Christmas gifts. Contact the St. Patrick office at 783-5535.

WAFER VOLUNTEERS

Be part of life-changing community work by helping out at Wafer. A few hours a month can make a difference for someone in need, and for you.

Go to: info@waferlacrosse.org.

JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL NIGHT IN PERU

To benefit the families of Casa Hogar

Friday, November 6

There is no charge to join in, but a donation to the Father Joseph Walijewski Legacy Guild is appreciated. To access links for making authentic Peruvian dishes, test your knowledge of Peruvian trivia, and enjoy the music from the children of Casa Hogar, go to the diocesan website: dioflacrosse.org. The Zoom link and instructions will be emailed to you on Thurs, Nov 5.

JESUS THE HEALER

Virtual program by Father Matt Marshall

Saturday, November 7, 1 pm

Sponsored by the Richland Center DCCW

To have the link emailed to you contact candymcgrath@yahoo.com.

ADVENT VIRTUAL PARISH MISSION

"Preparing for the Birth of the Christ Child through the Eyes of St. Joseph"

There will be 4 presentations, 30-40 minutes each. You may participate in person or virtually.

Sign up details to follow

Week 1: St Joseph: The Man Selected by God to be Closest to Mary & Jesus – Msgr. Joseph Diermeier

Week 2: Joseph and Mary: A Holy Love Story – Msgr. Joseph Hirsch

Week 3: That Holy Night, through Joseph's Eyes – Father Woodrow Pace

Week 4: Joseph, Son of David... You are to Give Him the Name Jesus – Bishop William Callahan
