



Blessed Sacrament Parish

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THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME November 8, 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 8, 2020

TODAY IS AMEN SUNDAY

There are pledge/donation cards in the Narthex of church so you can donate to the Diocesan Annual Appeal. The Appeal funds all the offices and works of the Diocese, plus many out-reach causes. If you have not as yet donated, take a card home and prayerfully join the many parishioners who are so generous. Any amount collected over our parish target of \$56,000 is returned to us to be used for our own parish programs and needs.

**DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
Update: November 2, 2020**

Goal	\$55,635
Total Pledged & received	\$57,442
Amount received	\$52,907 (95.1%)
Number of donors:	137
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

Seminarians to pray for this week

Monday	John Zweber
Tuesday	David Nowicki
Wednesday	Joseph Glatczak
Thursday	Brian Ward
Friday	John Duranso
Saturday	Father Levi Schmitt, recently ordained

November 9 - 15, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED IN CHURCH

MON 11/9 7:30 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Intention of Bonnie Newburg

TUES 11/10 7:30 Leo
+William deGise

WED 11/11 7:30 Martin of Tours
+Wenzel Dvorak
2:20 pm *Intention of Karen Martin*

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

THU 11/12 7:30 Josaphat
+Don Gallagher

FRI 11/13 7:30 Francis Xavier Cabrini
+Leo & +Marguerite Schneider

SAT 11/14 Weekday; BVM
NO 7:30 Mass

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Celebrant: Father Raj

Assisting: Deacon Allen and MC

No altar servers; No Eucharistic Ministers

SAT 11/14 4:30 *+Philomena Doran*

SUN 11/15 8:00 *+Howard Bradley*
10:00 *For the People of the Parish*

The Rosary is prayed before our weekend Masses beginning about 20 minutes before Mass starts.

The leaders Nov 14 & 15:

4:30 **The Quillins**

8:00 **Joe & Barb Clements**

10:00 **Kevin & Helen Roop**

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
Monday – Thursday
9am – noon and 1-4 pm
Friday
9am-noon

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.

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

Hymnals

The new edition of the missal/hymnal we use will be available for your use starting on the first weekend of Advent. The Parish Council has directed that hymnals may be used at one Mass only each weekend, so there will be 3 groups, one for each Mass. Until further directed by the Diocese and public health rules, we will not be singing hymns as yet. Many folks have asked that the scripture readings and common prayers of the Mass be available.

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

We are now 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 Nov 1	9,253

COMING UP

Nov 8 AMEN Sunday for Diocesan Appeal
Nov 14 Our Parish mans the Warming Center
Nov 21 Drop off of Advent/Christmas Jar donations
Nov 21 Giving Tree available
Nov 26 Thanksgiving Day Mass, 9 am
Nov 28/29 Anniversary Blessing for Oct & Nov wedding anniversaries

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.

COMING UP

WARMING CENTER UPDATE

Our parish will join forces with Roncalli Newman to man the Warming Center. Our date is the **2nd** Saturday of the month. Names of those who have volunteered or expressed interest in helping were forwarded to Newman; they will handle the scheduling. Part of the ministry is providing a meal, and we will be doing that 3 of the 4 Saturdays each month. To jump on board, contact Tony Weisse at anthonyweisse@gmail.com.

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.

FORMED.ORG

In November we celebrate the lives of the saints and remember that we are all called to be on the journey to sainthood. This week on Formed.org we get a chance to listen to someone's journey so far. Matt Maher, an internationally acclaimed Christian singer, song-writer, and eight-time Grammy Award nominee shares the amazing story of his spiritual journey. He emphasizes the importance of forming relationships with others in order to be effective witnesses of the Gospel and help bring about the unity desired by Christ. Check out his story in "That They May All be One."
Use our parish code: K2768J

REST IN PEACE

James Bahr, brother of Joe

**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**

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.

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.aquinasatholicschools.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.aquinasatholicschools.org/gold-gala>.

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

**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.

RETREAT AT ST. ANTHONY'S, MARATHON

Nov 13-15

“Separating the Wheat from the Chaff in our lives: Upheaval, Deep Listening, New Paths”

Cost: \$200

715-443-2236 or info@sarcenter.com

BIG BROTHERS/BIG SISTERS

Do you have a couple hours a week to spare? Do you enjoy being with kids? Big Brother Big Sisters 7 Rivers Region is looking for Big Brothers, Big Sisters, and Big Couples to be matched with a child in the community and help them develop their potential. There are so many youngsters waiting for a Big in our area. Go to: www.7riversbbs.org to find out more.

ANNULMENT

Questions regarding the Annulment process can be answered by the Matrimonial Tribunal, 608-791-2684 or email Tribunal@diolc.org.

Blessed Sacrament Advent Christmas Jar Project

Donation Drop-off day is Sat, Nov 21, 9 am-2pm Parish Center

Use either of the doors on Losey Blvd You may designate the organization or program you wish to support with your donation. Your donation may also be dropped off in the parish office if in check form. Checks payable to: Blessed Sacrament Women's Club.