



Parish of the Blessed Sacrament
Sunday, April 27, 2014
Second Sunday of Easter



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Blessed Sacrament Parish welcomes new residents and visitors. It is wonderful to celebrate the Eucharist with you. If you are new to the parish, please call the office to register.

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CELEBRATING THE DAYS

Monday, April 28

- ✘ Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:00 AM** Anna & Patrick Conlon

Tuesday, April 29

- ✘ Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:20 AM** Jack Margaron

Wednesday, April 30

- ✘ Confessions before Mass
- ✘ **8:00 AM** Rita Bianco
- 5:30PM** Prayer Service

Thursday, May 1

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:00 AM** Vivian Kirby

Friday, May 2

- 8:20 AM** Michael & Nora Donovan

Saturday, May 3

- 8:00 AM** Theresa Vadakedath
(Latin Mass)
- ✘ **4:30 PM** Robert & Mary Lou Von Behren

Sunday, May 3– Third Sunday of Easter

- ✘ **7:00 AM** Richard Seefeldt
- ✘ **8:30 AM** Vincent Perrero
- ✘ **10:30 AM** Intentions of Our Parishioners

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521

Please pray for the intention of : Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Bernadine, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Tom VonBerg, Ellen White, Barbara, Sharon Olsson, Judy, Austin Shields, Brenda Price, Cindi, Dave, Sandy, Bernie Quigley, Sandy H, Jim C., Jason Baird, Dorothy Willenborg, Tyra Redpath, Miles Fifer, Maureen, Julie, Marian McDermott-Plain, Brian Meredith, Diane, Katie Bronken, Virginia Stannard, Nancy Hanlon, MaryAnn, Melissa

Dear Parishioners,

Welcome. We welcome into our parish Jessica Hitt, Kate Bown, Susan Bown, Heather Downs, Erica Kimball, Kenyatta Matheny, Owen Meredith, and Greg Sams. All were received into the church at the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. As they now join us as full members of the church please make the effort to welcome them to our parish.

Thank you. Did you know that over 215 volunteers were involved in helping with the services for the Triduum and Easter Sunday? Many were involved with our adult and children's choirs or served as musicians, cantors, or director. Others were involved as servers, lectors, Eucharistic ministers, volunteers for the foot washing, deacons, concelebrating priests, sacristans and ushers. Some were sponsors or served on the RCIA team. Still others helped by decorating, preparing our welcome boards, setting up and cleaning up, scheduling, and coordinating all the volunteers. (No wonder I was so tired by the time it was all finished.) We are very blessed in this parish to have so many people who are willing to help and give generously of their time in order to make these liturgies beautiful and prayerful. Please realize without them, it would not be possible. My thanks goes out to all who helped. May God's blessing be with you.

Just a note. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me." (Matthew 25:35) I would estimate that over 2,400 people attended Easter Mass at Blessed Sacrament. Many were visitors and guests from out of town. Two or three stopped me to comment on the hospitality our parishioners showed. They told me people greeted them and made room in the pews for them. As pastor, I am always glad to hear this for it reminds me that the way we welcome others is indeed the way we welcome Christ.

Divine Mercy Sunday is this Sunday. A special prayer service will be held at 2 pm Sunday afternoon at the Cathedral. All are welcome.

Canonization. This Sunday, Pope Francis will raise to the level of saints two 20th century popes—John XXIII and John Paul II. John XXIII was pope for only five years. Yet, he is the one who called the Second Vatican Council and set the direction our church would take in proclaiming Christ in the modern world. John Paul II served for 27 years. He brought new energy to the church as he traveled all over the world and worked to carry out the plan Vatican II put in place. We join with all the church as we honor these two great popes who helped spread the Gospel to all people.

First Communion will be held this Sunday and next Sunday. Over sixty second graders have been instructed and prepared for this important sacrament. Please keep them in your prayers as they join us at the Lord's table.

04/20/2014

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please pray for our Recently Departed:

David Blane Bryan

Congratulations to our Newly Baptized!

Declan Noah Watson, son of Thomas & Claire Watson
Lillianna Victoria Humphrey, daughter of Jerrod & Melissa Humphrey

School Notes:

Sunday, April 27-First Communion-Mrs.Kroner's class

Monday, April 28-School Resumes

Tuesday, April 29-Mid Quarter reports

Wednesday, April 30- 5:15pm Protecting God's Children Class in cafeteria

Thursday, May 1- 7:30am -Alumni Breakfast for the Class of 2010 & 2014 in the cafeteria

Saturday, May 3- State Science Fair in DeKalb

Sunday, May 4- First Communion-Mrs. Townsend's Class

Protecting God's Children Class will be held on Wednesday, April 30th, at 5:15pm in the School Cafeteria. If you volunteer in any capacity for the parish you are required by the diocese to take this class. To register, please call the Parish Office 528-7521.

Parish Council: There are vacancies on the Parish Council. If you are interested in being a member of the Parish Council, please call the Parish Office-528-7521. The only requirement is that you must be a member of the Parish.

Ladies Night Out- Friday, May 2, 2014, 6-10pm, at Blessed Sacrament School. \$20 per person with RSVP, \$25 at the door. Please join us for a fun evening including hors d' oeuvres, cocktails, door prizes and a fashion show. Get registered for a special door prize drawing if you pay by credit card when you RSVP. Please RSVP by April 30th to Tricia Schlosser at 971-9569 or Triciaschlos@yahoo.com

Save the Date: Mark you calendars. Our Annual Garden Party is Wednesday, June 18th. Be sure to make plans to join us for great food, games and the ever-popular carnival rides. More information coming soon.

Pregnancy Care Center would like to thank everyone that helped make the 32nd Annual Spring Luncheon a success. The Pregnancy Care Center is grateful for all the support it receives throughout the year in helping to bring healthy babies and prepared parents into the world. Thank you!

50th ANNIVERSARY INVITATION-Fr. James O'Shea will offer a Mass of Thanksgiving to celebrate his 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood here at Blessed Sacrament Church. Mass will be at 2:00pm on Sunday, June 1, 2014. Immediately after Mass at approximately 3:15pm to 5:00pm, a reception with light hors d'oeuvres will be held in the school gym next to the church. All parishioners and friends are invited to come. *My family and I would be honored and pleased to have you there. RSVP is not necessary. No gifts please. Fr. James O'Shea*

The Staab Family is privileged to once again offer the Kids Good Grief Camp, a one-day grief camp for children who have lost a loved one. Designed for kids 6-12, this year's camp will be Sunday, May 18th from 12noon-4pm, at Southwind Park. For more information or to register call 247-4421.

Knight of Columbus Membership - If you are a practicing Catholic male over the age of 18 and would like to join the Knights of Columbus, there is a membership ceremony on Sunday, May 4th, starting at noon at Springfield Council 364 located at 2200 Meadowbrook Road. Registration begins at 11:30am and the program lasts until approximately 4pm with a meal provided afterwards. If interested, please contact Council 364 Office at 787-2360.

Knights of Columbus, Holy Family Council 4179 First Friday Dinner will be held Friday, May 2 from 6:00 – 8:00pm. Menu consists of pulled pork sandwiches, baked beans and cole slaw. There will be pork sliders for the kids. Adult dinners are \$7 and children are \$4. There will also be an open mic night held in the upstairs of the club until 10pm.

SHG's Summer Activity Booklet is available online at www.shg.org. The booklet includes information about each camp, as well as registration forms for your convenience. For more information, call 787-1595.

Chicken Dinner- Knights of Columbus #4175, North Council and the Ursuline Academy Alumni Foundation will be hosting their 41st Annual Chicken Dinner, Sunday, May 4th, from 11am-7pm. Tickets are \$9.50 for adults and \$6 for children. Eat in, take out and drive thru are available. Tickets are available from members of the KC #4175 and the Ursuline Foundation members. Proceeds are split between the two groups with tuition assistance being provided to elementary and secondary parochial students.

ADORATION HOURS

We are in the home stretch for Lent! How are you doing? There is still time to “finish strong”. If not using one, the “Little Black Book” of Lenten meditations is great, and is available from the church office! Ignore the calendar—the daily meditations are timeless. “Spend some quiet time with the Lord.” Contact Merle King at 528-6088 or Tom Karaianis at 415-3281, if you want some more information about scheduled adoration, or if you have any questions.

1:00 A.M. SUNDAY	5:00 P.M. THURSDAY
2:00 A.M. SUNDAY	6:00 P.M. THURSDAY
1:00 A.M. TUESDAY	2:00 A.M. FRIDAY
3:00 P.M. TUESDAY	3:00 A.M. FRIDAY
2:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	10:00 A.M. FRIDAY
4:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	2:00 A.M. SATURDAY
11:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY	

The Springfield Area Young Adult Ministry invites Catholic couples to a monthly study program with Fr. Robert Barron’s Catholicism DVD series. Meetings will be every 3rd Sunday of the month starting in March. Each session is about an hour and there will be time for discussion afterwards. The session will start at 2:00pm. For more information, please contact Brett & Elizabeth Long at blong292@gmail.com.

Job Opening: Parish Business Manager –Christ the King Parish is looking to fill the full time position of Parish Business Manager. This person will organize, prioritize and execute all fiscal services for the parish and school so that the fiscal business of the parish is efficient and accountable. This person must have a strong accounting background, including payroll, accounts payable and accounts receivable, and be proficient in QuickBooks, having attention to accuracy in all transactions, while maintaining good working relationships and effective communications with other parish and school staff members, finance council, contractors and vendors. This person is directly responsible to the Pastor, Fr. Joe Ring. The applicant must participate in Protecting God’s Children training and undergo a background check. Pay with benefits based on experience and qualifications. Applications are available online at www.ckparish.com. Completed applications must be received no later than 4:30pm, May 9th or will not be considered. Completed applications shall be submitted to Father Joe Ring, Christ the King Parish, 1930 Barberry Drive, Springfield, Illinois 62704, or directly email jring@ckparish.com

Piano Player Needed: Springfield Area Young Adult Mass (YAM) is in need of a piano player for their 6:30pm Sunday Mass at the Catholic Pastoral Center, 1615 West Washington. The candidate must be able to select and prepare songs each Sunday, practice them with a small choir one hour before Mass and then play the songs during the 6:30pm Mass. A stipend is included. For more information please contact Andrew Hansen at andrewhansen1@yahoo.com

MINISTRY SCHEDULE**WEEK OF APR. 28-MAY 2****Monday-Wednesday****8:00AM –8:20AM**

Louie Yockey - Mary Kate Yockey

Thurs.- Friday

Gabe Bonansinga - Noah Bright

Saturday, May 3, 4:30PM**Lector:** Melaney Arnold**Servers:** Garrett Mohn, Ben Portz, Luke Portz**Eucharistic Ministers:** Noreen Luhr, Marty Mosley, Janine Feller, Susan Gallagher, James Keys, Rita Keys, Ed Schofield, Rosemary DeNello**Sunday, May 4, 7:00am****Lector:** Judy Kjellander**Servers:** Jackie Romer, Sophia Bonansinga**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ann Walker, Pat Sheehan, Michele Hinds Greenwood, Kathy Grubb, Sr. Francesca Ezeokonkwo**Sunday, May 4, 8:30 AM****Lector:** Jim McDermott**Servers:** Joey Kolis, Abby Johnson, Kaitlyn Johnson**Eucharistic Ministers:** Colleen VonDeBur, Rick Campbell, Bradley Frost, Andrew Adams, Carol Cuthrie, Ken Sommer, Mary K. Sommer, Joe Stannard, III**Sunday, May 4, 10:30 AM****Lector:** Tim Moore**Servers:** Joe Moore, Jim Moore, Louis Criscione**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jim Mophew, MaryAnn Gorney, Lisa Belz, Mary Tuttle, Barney Bruzetti, Pat Graham, Don Graham, Lori Criscione

Project Rachel can help women and men heal from the pain of abortion.

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Pat Kornfield, Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois. 698-8500

Building on Tradition

Cost of Project	\$5,400,000.00
Total Received	<u>\$5,013,874.91</u>
Balance Remaining	\$ 387,937.59
Amount Received Last Week	\$ 1,812.50

STEWARDSHIP

(Time / Talent /Treasure)

Parish Collection

Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, April 13, 2014	\$19,592.25

ACSA (Annual Catholic Services Appeal)

2013 ACSA Assessment	\$122,624.00
Amount Pledged (as of 3/19/14)	\$66,219.54
Amount Remaining	\$56,404.46
17% of our parishioners have contributed to date	