



**Parish of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**Sunday, November 9, 2014**  
**Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**



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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.

**CELEBRATING THE DAYS**

**Monday, November 10**

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Stephen Melton Jr.  
Herman & Fritz Hoemmen

**Tuesday, November 11**

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:20 AM** Charles J. Welch

**Wednesday, November 12**

- ✧ Confessions before Mass
- ✧ **8:00 AM** Sharon Olsson
- 5:30PM** Prayer Service

**Thursday, November 13**

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:00 AM** Charles Brady

**Friday, November 14**

- Confessions before Mass
- 8:20AM** Cour & Dineen Families  
Special Intention of Maxine Westendorf

**Saturday, November 15**

- 8:00 AM** Members of the Poor Souls Shrine  
( **Latin Mass** )
- ✧ **4:30 PM** Robert and Mary Lou vonBehren

**Sunday, Nov.16-33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- ✧ **7:00 AM** Vincent & Emma Thull
- ✧ **8:30 AM** Maria Elena Aranas
- ✧ **10:30 AM** Intentions of our Parishioners

**Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line**

**Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of :**Kari Elliott, Monica Larch, Adam Dobucki, Austin Fields, Sue Hamilton, Pam Smith, Coleen Mays, Valerie Brown, Brigid Gallagher, Annamae, Larry Theise, Gwen Bramlet, Richard Judd, John M, Louie Rago, Gwinn, John, Claire, Mary, Liz, Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Bernadine, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Tom VonBerg, Ellen White, Barbara, Judy, Austin Shields, Brenda Price, Cindi, Dave, Sandy, 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, Layne & Thatcher Gregory, Laura Black, Don Egan, Ellen Rachkus, Scott Milner & shipmates

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Thank you.** A special thanks to all who donated supplies or funds for the St. Theresa Youth Center in Ghana. We collected enough books, paper, pencils, crayons, etc. to fill four 50 gallon barrels. The gifts were taken to Chicago where they will be shipped to Accra—the capital—and then taken to the youth center. Interestingly, it cost \$180 per barrel to ship for a total of \$720. Our cash donations came to \$725. As you can see, God always provides what is needed. The St. Theresa Youth Center serves around 200 children in grades 1-6. The goal is to supplement their education with tutoring in academics along with religion and health/hygiene classes. It also provides recreation and a meal or a snack. The items we sent should arrive in about eight weeks. The goal of our involvement is not simply to provide needed things. We are striving to build a relationship with the families served by the center. For example, with each book, we included a letter written by a student from Blessed Sacrament School or PSR. We remember that Catholicism is a word meaning universal. Where our customs and culture may vary, the faith we share with them is one and the same. As we learn how that faith is lived in other places around the world, we broaden our knowledge and understanding. At the same time, we narrow the gap between ourselves and our brothers and sisters in faith.

**St. John Lateran.** This weekend, we celebrate the Feast of St. John Lateran. St. John's is the oldest and first of Rome's four great basilicas. It (not St. Peter's) is the cathedral of Rome. The name Lateran is given it because it stands on the site of the palace of the Laterani family. In the year 311, the emperor, Constantine, gave the palace and its lands to the church. A church council was held here in 313, a year before Christianity was officially made legal. The church has been damaged by earthquakes in 443 and 896. It was attacked by Vandals in 455 and the Saracens in the 8<sup>th</sup> century. It was destroyed by fire in 1308 and again in 1360. In 1309, the pope left St. John Lateran and went to live in Avignon (located in France). It was not until 1377 that Pope Gregory XI returned to Rome. However, at that time, the palace at St. John's was in such disrepair that it was deemed unsuitable for the pope. It never again served as the papal residence. Yet, even after the construction of the new St. Peter's during the 16<sup>th</sup> century, St. John's remained the cathedral of Rome. From the 12<sup>th</sup> century, November 9<sup>th</sup> has been the day we honor this place. We honor it not as a building, but as a special place where believers have gathered to worship God through Jesus Christ. It is a people of faith, ordinary people who have come together to live their faith and take it to every corner of the world. It is that people of faith that truly gives glory to God and makes this site holy.

**Don't forget** the Pastor's Appreciation Party scheduled for Sunday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. This year we celebrate and honor all those who have helped to make our Building on Tradition a successful campaign. We invite all the adults from our parish to mark their calendars and plan to attend.

**Fr. Jeff**

### OUR PARISH FAMILY

#### **Congratulations to our Recently Baptized:**

Truman Forrest Vig, son of William & Sara Vig

#### **Please pray for our recently departed:**

John Joseph Workman

#### **School News:**

**Sunday, Nov. 9**– Joint School Band Concert at SHG

**Wednesday, Nov. 12**-1:30pm-Early dismissal for faculty meeting-B.A.S.E. available.

**Thursday, Nov. 13**-2nd grade field trip to Illinois State Museum

**Friday, Nov. 14**-Regular PSA Spirit Day

12:00pm-5th grade Joint Service Day at Little Flower/ St. Joseph Home

**Monday, Nov. 17**– No School for DAEC

**Ladies Group:** Thank you to everyone who came out for our October event, a bonfire on Lake Springfield at Villa Maria. Our November event will be a Bunco Bash on Thursday, November 13th in the school cafeteria at 7:00pm. The Bunco Babes will help those new to Bunco, so no excuses! No charge, but please bring a little cash for a 50/50 drawing that will help pay for prizes. Bring your own beverage and maybe a snack to share (optional). All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

**Save the Date**-Women's Club will host our First Advent by Candlelight, an evening of fellowship and reflection on Monday, December 8. This beautiful event will feature a desert buffet with special place settings in the school cafeteria, along with music and a guest speaker, as we celebrate Advent and prepare for the celebration of Christmas. Look for more information soon.

**Save the Date!** The choirs of Blessed Sacrament will present their annual Advent concert on Sunday, November 30th at 4pm here at Blessed Sacrament. The Adult Choir and The Chorale will be joined by two of the children's choirs, Jubilate and Choristers, along with orchestra members from the Illinois Symphony, Blessed Sacrament youth orchestra and community musicians in a performance of Schubert's **Magnificat** and other beautiful Advent selections. Tickets are \$10 for adults & \$25 for families (siblings & parents), and may be purchased from choir members or the church office (528-7521). A limited amount of tickets will also be available at the door, based on capacity. This is a beautiful way to begin the Advent Season!

**Mark your Calendars:** The Pastor's Annual Party for adults of the parish will be on Sunday, November 23rd from 5:30-8:00pm in the school cafeteria.

**Holy Family Food Pantry** is gearing up for the busy holiday season. They are grateful for our past love and support & hope they can count on us again to "adopt" families for the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays by providing holiday food baskets. They anticipate serving 800 families this year and really need our help. The menus for the Thanksgiving Food baskets are in the vestibule of the Church. Thanks and God bless you for all your efforts.

**Ebola Crisis Response**-Will you stand with our brothers and sisters to assist them in their fight against the spread of the Ebola virus in West Africa? Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach needs your financial support to send personal protective equipment (PPE) and medical supplies to West Africa. You may make a donation online at: [mission-outreach.org](http://mission-outreach.org) or by mailing it to Hospital Sisters Mission Outreach, Ebola Crisis, PO Box 3531, Springfield, IL 62708. To learn more about how you can help with the Ebola crisis, please contact Jennifer Wolf at 303-2833.

**Special Collection:** Next weekend November 15th-16th we will take a **special second collection** to help **St. Martin De Porres Center** in its mission to help those less fortunate. **Please be generous!**

**29th Annual "Breadline Sunday"** to benefit St. John's Breadline, Loaves of bread will be available after Masses the **week end of November 22-23**. With your generous donation, the Breadline can meet the ever increasing need to feed the hungry in our community. Please help us continue to provide hot, nutritious meals to the homeless, socially disabled, elderly, unemployed, and many families, including single parent families with children. The Breadline is currently serving an average of 600 meals a day!

**Living Rosary** - Blessed Sacrament will host the Annual DCCW Living Rosary on Friday, November 21st (Feast of the Presentation of Mary) at 6:00pm. Fellowship and Potluck Dinner will follow in the rectory basement. For reservations please call Rose Amon 787-8826 or email [rose\\_amon\\_2828@comcast.net](mailto:rose_amon_2828@comcast.net) Everyone is welcome!

**Butler Funeral Home Holiday Help Program** for those touched by a loss will take place today, Sunday, November 9th from 2-4pm at the Springfield Hilton. Complimentary parking will be available.

**ADORATION HOURS**

Silence-Tranquility-Peace. How many of your waking hours are filled with sounds and demands for your attention? The Adoration Chapel is a place to retreat from the noisy world, and experience solitude. A place to talk to, and listen to, your Lord. Contact Merle King at 528-6088 or Tom Karaianis at 415-3281, if you want more information about scheduled adoration, or if you have any questions.

1:00 A.M. SUNDAY	2:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY
2:00 A.M. SUNDAY	8:00 A.M. THURSDAY
3:00 A.M. SUNDAY	1:00 P.M. THURSDAY (4th)
3:00 P.M. SUNDAY	9:00 P.M. THURSDAY
7:00 P.M. SUNDAY	1:00 A.M. FRIDAY
1:00 A.M. MONDAY	2:00 A.M. FRIDAY
12:00 A.M. TUESDAY	2:00 A.M. SATURDAY
1:00 A.M. TUESDAY	1:00 P.M. SATURDAY
2:00 A.M. TUESDAY	

**Are you a Visitor to Blessed Sacrament?** If you're visiting us today we're glad you're here. If you are considering Blessed Sacrament as your new spiritual home, or if you just want to know more about us, we have a packet of information we would like you to take home with you. Just ask any usher for a visitor's packet. You don't have to give us any information about yourself. Just ask an usher. No strings attached. Thank you for visiting Blessed Sacrament.

**Diocesan Adult Enrichment Conference** will be held on November 15 thru November 17 at the Decatur Hotel & Conference Center in Decatur, Illinois. This Conference "**Growing Communities of Faith**" is a wonderful opportunity for all adult Catholics. For more information contact Christine Malmevik at 698-8500.

**All-you-can-eat** breakfast buffet will be held today, Sunday, November 9th from 8am-Noon at Springfield Knights of Columbus Council 364. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6-12, kids 5 and under eat free. All proceeds will benefit Land of Lincoln Honor Flight program. For questions, call 787-2360.

**The Novena to the Immaculate Conception** will be held at Christ the King Church beginning November 30 thru December 8. The Novena will begin each evening at 7:00pm.

**SHG** will host its annual **Preview Night** on Thursday, November 13th at 6:30pm. The event will be held at the East Campus complex at 1200 W. Washington. Preview Night 2014 is open to students and parents in grades 5-8. Take a look inside and start your journey with SHG Preview Night 2014.

**2013 Church Directories** are still available in the Parish Office for those parish families who did not receive a copy last year. Please stop by the office between 8:00am and 4:30pm any weekday.

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE****WEEK OF NOVEMBER 10-14****Monday-Wednesday****8:00AM**

Mikayla Hady-Reilly Mohn

**Thurs.- Friday**

Emmy Doll-Gabrielle Njapa

**Saturday, November 15, 4:30PM**

Lector: Ken Dobucki

**Servers:** Mary Pohlman, Abby Pohlman, Taylor Pohlman**Eucharistic Ministers:** Marty Mosley, Susan Gallagher, Noreen Luhr, Lisa Belz, Rick Campbell, Sally Petrone, Ed Schofield, Rosemary DiNello**Sunday, November 16, 7:00am****Lector:** Judy Kjellander**Servers:** Maya Dye, Elise Huffstedtler**Eucharistic Ministers:** Pat Sheehan, Kathryn Gietl, Riley Hinds, Ann Walker, Kathy Grubb**Sunday, November 16, 8:30 AM****Lector:** Michael Lawless**Servers:** Lauren Smith, Emma Smith, Maggie O'Brien**Eucharistic Ministers:** Scott Reimers, Patricia Clarida, Colleen VonDeBur, Mike Delvo, Kathy Harth, Ken Sommer, Mary K. Sommer, Andrew Adams**Sunday, November 16, 10:30 AM****Lector:** Mike Goza**Servers:** Louis Criscione, Kevin Heffernan, Danny Heffernan**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lori Criscione, Pat Graham, Don Graham, Joseph Stannard, Andrea Judd, Lynn Frasco, Carol Guthrie, James Dodgel

**Board of Directors of Calvary Cemetery** wishes to extend their sincere appreciation for the continued support generated from your Calvary Cemetery envelope contributions. We have several major projects in the works, the most critical is a roof for the cemetery chapel. We have removed most of the gumball trees and repaired several of the oldest grave markers that were crumbling. It is our hope to revitalize the entrances and replace the fence along First Street. Your generosity will help make this possible. Thank you so very much.

**St. Agnes Parish** Annual Chili Supper and Bake Sale will be held, today, Sunday, November 9th from 12noon– 6:30pm. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$4 for children, Pre school-No charge. Carry outs available.

**St. Joseph the Worker Church**, Chatham, will hold its 38th annual Mostaccioli & Sausage Dinner today, Sunday, November 9th from 11:30am-5:00pm. Tickets are \$8 for adults, Children \$4. Children under 4 free. Carry outs will be available.

**Project Rachel** can help women and men heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance please call 698-4456

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

**Building on Tradition**

<b>Cost of Project</b>	<b>\$5,400,000.00</b>
<b>Total Received</b>	<b><u>\$5,138,219.56</u></b>
<b>Balance Remaining</b>	<b>\$ 261,780.44</b>
<b>Amount Received Last Week</b>	<b>\$ 3,542.00</b>

**STEWARDSHIP**

*(Time / Talent /Treasure)*

Parish Collection

<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>
<b>Sunday, October 26, 2014</b>	<b>\$20,450.25</b>

**ACSA (Annual Catholic Services Appeal)**

Our Parish Assessment	\$105,827.00
Pledged to the Diocese (as of 10/15)	\$19,515.00
Amount Remaining	\$87,724.00

8% of our parishioners have contributed to date