

**Parish of the Blessed Sacrament
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 24, 2017**



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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.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATING THE DAYS

Monday, September 25

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Joseph Eleydiath
Fred Wiessing

Tuesday, September 26

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Lisa Bloome

Wednesday, September 27

Confessions before Mass

8:20AM Donna Schmidt
5:30PM Prayer Service

Thursday, September 28

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Charles McGrath
Don Casper

Friday, September 29

Confessions before Mass

8:20AM Ted Sullivan

Saturday, September 30

8:00AM Mary Eleydiath (English)

3:00-4:00PM Confessions

4:30PM George Hashman

Sunday, Oct. 1 -26th Sunday- Ordinary Time

7:00AM Teresa Egizii

8:30AM Raymond Schmidt

10:30AM Intentions of our Parishioners

Rosary beginning at 10:05 is prayed before 10:30 AM Mass Sundays. Rosary is now being prayed for the Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line-one intention per week! Please join us in praying for our parish family. Hope to see you there!!

Dear Parishioners,

“The shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger.”

This weekend, at a ceremony in Oklahoma City, **Father Stanley Francis Rother** became the first U.S. born priest to be beatified. His story is one of great courage and devotion during a violent and brutal civil war that lasted from 1960 to 1996 in Guatemala where he served as pastor at the parish of Santiago Antitlan, in the southwestern part of the country.

Stanley Rother was born in Okarche, Oklahoma in 1935. He grew up on his family’s farm and after high school, announced to his family that he wished to become a priest. The local bishop first sent him to San Antonio for studies. However, his background in farming left him with many tasks at the seminary and his studies suffered. After six years he was asked to leave. Convinced that his vocation was still strong, the bishop sent him to Mt. St. Mary’s in Emmitsburg, MD where he completed his studies and was ordained in 1963. He served as an associate pastor in Durant, Tulsa, and Oklahoma City, before volunteering to work with the archdiocesan mission in Guatemala. Thus, in 1969 he began his work in the mission of Santiago Antitlan and would remain there for the next twelve years. At the beginning, he stayed with a local family in order to learn both Spanish and the Tzutuhil language (native dialect). In 1973 he wrote in a letter that he was now able to celebrate Mass and preach in Tzutuhil. He had even translated the New Testament into their language. The mission had a radio station which he used to transmit daily lessons in language and math. He also founded a small hospital in the area. On one occasion, he accompanied a boy to Guatemala City in order to be treated for lip cancer. The boy was eventually cured.

He, alongside his people, once operated a bulldozer to help clear land on the local farms. However, with the war going on, there were people who were suspicious of any education or improvement of living conditions for the local people. In 1980, the radio station was destroyed and more and more of his catechists and parishioners would be found dead with their bodies showing signs of torture. In a letter he wrote to the faithful in Oklahoma, he told of the violence and said, “This is one of the reasons I have for staying in the face of physical harm. The shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger. He was warned that his name was on a death list and so in January 1981, he returned to Oklahoma. However, he soon petitioned the bishop to let him go back. “I can’t stay away any longer.” He came back in April. Then, early on the morning of July 28 1981, gunmen broke into the rectory and shot him twice in the head. Father Rother was one of ten priests murdered in Guatemala that year. His body was buried in Oklahoma, but his heart was removed and buried under the altar of the little mission church he had served for 12 years. His cause for sainthood was introduced at Rome in 2012. It has since been unanimously approved by the Congregation for the Causes of Saints. Pope Francis declared that he was killed “in odium fidei” that is, in hatred of the faith. Beatification is the final step before being declared a saint. Fr. Rother’s story witnesses to the power of God’s love in every age. May it inspire us to also live our faith boldly.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY**Congratulations to our Newly Wed:**

Brett Andrew Jackson & Lexie Marie Steindl

Please pray for our Recently Departed:

E. Jean Brown

Margaret "Marge" Ludwig

Virgil Workman

School News**Friday, Sept. 29–** Coleman's Cozy Dog Auction Lunch**No regular Friday Lunch items for sale**

12:40pm– Children's Auction Raffle drawings

1:30pm-DISMISSAL-NO BASE AVAILABLE

Saturday, Sept. 30– Annual Parish/School Auction**Second Collection TODAY** is for the victims of Hurricane Irma. Please be generous**Beginning Saturday, September 30** the 8am Saturday Mass will be celebrated in English.**48th Annual Auction and Fall Festival—The****Countdown is on!**- Hurry and get your tickets before the price goes up! Tickets for the 48th Annual Auction & Fall Festival are \$30 until Friday, September 29 and available for purchase at www.bssbruins.org or at the parish & school offices. Tickets can be purchased at the Event September 30, for \$35.**Volunteer opportunities**-We need volunteers to help with the silent auction, plating food, and event clean-up the evening of the 30th. Any parishioner is welcome. For details contact Megan DeFrain 971-8726.**Bottles of Wine**-Have any bottles of wine you'd like to donate to the Auction's Wall of Wine? Please drop off your wine donations at the school or parish offices. Wine should be valued at a minimum of \$10 and no local wines. We need 100 bottles by September 23rd.**Live Auction Preview**-Thanks to Aztca and the Paz Family, Aztca is donating a Taco Truck Party for 30 people! Are your bellies and bids ready !?**Get your raffle tickets** before they're gone! You need not be a parishioner to buy nor present to win! The **Big Raffle** (\$5 per ticket) **The Creasey Construction Bar Raffle** (\$25 per ticket) and the **Golden Ticket** (\$100 per ticket) are all available for purchase at the school and parish offices or www.bssbruins.org We appreciate the support of the Blessed Sacrament Community to make our biggest fundraiser of the year a blazing success! Thanks!**Second Collection TODAY is for the victims of Hurricane Irma.****Coffee, Donuts and Flu Shot**-come join us this Saturday & Sunday, September 23 & 24 for any one, two or all three of these. Have some coffee, donuts (Sunday only), friendly conversation and an opportunity for a flu shot.**Flu Shot Clinic**, sponsored by Hy-Vee's Pharmacy (no charge with Medicare/Medicaid card or \$21.99 with no insurance) will be offered to the parishioners of Blessed Sacrament after all Masses on Saturday, September 23 & Sunday, September 24. So mark your calendars-protect yourself- get a flu shot.**3rd Anniversary of our Parish Women's Club**-We will begin this new year with a **potluck dinner**, this **Tuesday, September 26th at 6:30pm** in the school cafeteria. All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to come! We ask everyone to bring a favorite dish to share with your recipe.**Help Feed the Hungry**- Blessed Sacrament has an immediate need for a number of people to help serve at St. John's Breadline. Our next commitment is Saturday, October 14th from 10:30am-1:30pm. Serving at the Breadline is a great way to carry out Jesus' commandment to feed the hungry, and to be enriched by finding Jesus in others. To volunteer, or for more information, contact Bob or Connie Vincent 523-4335.**David the King**-Why is David such an important figure in Salvation History? What is the connection between David and Jesus? Come to this free six part Bible study based on the new DVD series from Bishop Robert Barron. Starting Tuesday, October 3rd, at 6:30pm in the rectory basement and continuing on Tuesday nights through November 7th, we'll review 1 Samuel and 2 Samuel. If possible read 1 Samuel and 2 Samuel before the first session. No registration is required. Questions, please call Bob or Connie Vincent at 523-4335.**Mission Partnership-Ghana**-Fr. Paul Kala (priest from Ghana who built the Youth Center we have been working with) will be here the evening of Tuesday, September 26th at 7PM in the rectory basement to inform us of the progress being made on internet communication for the center. Fr. Paul will also answer any questions we may have concerning our Mission Partnership with Ghana.



ADORATION HOURS

Featured Vacancy: 10:00PM FRIDAY! - Happy New Year! Our children have begun a new school year, adding to their knowledge about many subjects. How about your Catholic knowledge? There are many references in the Adoration Chapel to lead your prayer and meditation. Please 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.

2:00 A.M. SUNDAY	3:00 A.M. TUESDAY
3:00 A.M. SUNDAY	9:00 A.M. TUESDAY
2:00 P.M. SUNDAY	3:00 A.M. FRIDAY
3:00 P.M. SUNDAY	4:00 A.M. FRIDAY
1:00 A.M. MONDAY	3:00 P.M. FRIDAY
2:00 A.M. MONDAY	10:00 P.M. FRIDAY
11:00 P.M. MONDAY	8:00 P.M. SATURDAY
1:00 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.

STILL TIME TO JOIN!! RCIA and PSR are up and running. The Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) is the way that those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith are able to do so. Then they can make an informed decision whether they wish to enter into the Church. The Parish School of Religion (PSR) has had an Open House and classes begin this Wednesday (9/27/17) at 6:30pm in the school.. However, both are still open for new people, simply call the office (528-7521) and tell them you wish to join. PSR for Exceptional Students will also begin at the same time.

Back to School-Back to Sports-Fall sports season is quickly approaching. Pick up some Dick's Sporting Goods Scrip Cards (\$25 cards / 8% donation) and Walmart cards (\$25 & \$100 cards / 2.5%) before you buy those new cleats, shin guards, kneepads and helmets. Scrip cards are available to purchase in the School office during the regular office hours and result in an annual rebate for our school families and parishioners.

Mark Your Calendars: National Life Sunday is October 1. Life Chain will begin at 2pm and end at 3:3pm.

Friends of Ursuline Academy are invited to attend the 160th anniversary reunion on Saturday, September 30, 2017 in St. Angela's Hall (Old Ursuline Academy Gym) from 4-10:30pm. \$20 cost includes catered dinner. Advance sales recommended at eventbrite.com or call Beth Mayfield

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

WEEK OF SEPT. 25-29

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

8:00AM

Tyler Furkin-Finn Loken

Thursday- Friday

William Pittman-Olivia Redpath

Saturday, Sept. 30, 4:30PM

Lector: Melaney Arnold

Servers: Aliana Roland, Miles Roland, Joey Scott

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Mophew, Janine Feller, Scott Reimers, Susan Gallagher, Noreen Luhr, Colleen VonDeBur, Patti Naylor, Lisa Belz

Sunday, Oct. 1, 7:00AM

Lector: Carolyn Graham

Servers: Luke Harvey

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave Langston, Pat Sheehan, Kathryn Gietl, Michele Hinds-Greenwood, Kathy Grubb

Sunday, Oct 1, 8:30 AM

Lector: Kevin Lust

Servers: AJ Lust, Quinn Butler, Katie Eck

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy Harth, Patricia Clarida, Mike Delvo, Lisa Sarnowski, Dave Sarnowski, Andrew Adams, Mary K. Sommer, Ken Sommer

Sunday, Oct 1, 10:30AM

Lector: Cynthia Lamar

Servers: Jackson Pitz, Tyler Furkin, Olivia Redpath

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Tuttle, Rick Campbell, Barbara Erdmann, Lynn Frasco, Andrea Judd, Rose Amon, Sally Petrone, Lori Criscione

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of : Lucy Wallner, Drake Thomas, Carol Ann & Jerry Walton, Ken Bradbury, Jimmie Hill, Vance Arnold, Jr. Robert Farris, Terry Rossi, Amber, Dorothy Tracy, Vernon Spiedger, Joel, Terri Burwitz, Rita, Ron, Owen Doak, Kayte, Denise S, Christopher Morgan, Michael VonBehren, Dave, Betty, Ed Pauley, Steve, Hannah Clark, Peter Schofield, Ginny Schofield, Amy Gatewood family, Monica Larch, Adam Dobucki, Austin Fields, Sue Hamilton, Larry Theise, Gwen Bramlet, Richard Judd, John M, Louie Rago, Gwinn, John, Claire, Mary, Liz, Anna Eleyidath, Joesette, Danielle Loftus, Kitty, Susan, Cindy, Barbara Schuh, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Eric, Rosemary Sugent Fox, Lois Burton, Tom VonBerg, Dan O'Connor, Donna Fitts, Ellen White, Barbara, Rose, Archer Senft, Suzie Culters, Tom J., Judy, Doug, Tammie, Beth, Camden Spinner, Cindi, Andy Kates, Dave, Sandy H, Jim C., Jason Baird, Jen, Family of Gretchen Hornickle Harrison, Joyln Jensen, Jack Rhinehart, Dorothy Willenborg, Tom, Barry McCollom Tyra Redpath, Steve Kinsella, Destiny Renfro James, Clarita DeLargy, Steve, Karen, Steve, Miles Fifer, Maureen, Julie, Marian McDermott-Plain, Bill, Mary Coffey, Craig DeLargy, Brian Meredith, Diane Galli, Destiny Jane, Katie Bronken, Cheryl, Fonda, Angie Hamilton, Kristen, Tia, Clem McDermott, Jeff K., Laura M, MaryAnn, Helen, Sue, Bob Wise, Jean & Bernie Quigley, Elizabeth Handrich, Melissa, Mary Jane Harshbarger, Layne & Thatcher Gregory, Troy, Joan Casper, Sharon S, Laura Black, Don Egan, Ellen Rachkus, Scott Milner & shipmates

Building on Tradition

Cost of Project	\$5,400,000.00
Total Received	<u>\$5,345,981.62</u>
Balance Remaining	\$ 54,018.38

STEWARDSHIP

*(Time / Talent /Treasure)
In the Spirit of Giving*

Parish Collection

Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, Sept. 3 2017	\$20,341.75

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

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation
321-1155