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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil, July 28
5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Saturday, August 4
~ Father O

Sunday, July 29
7:30 a.m. ~ Father Regis
9:00 a.m.* ~ Father Regis
10:30 a.m.** (Church) ~ Father Bill
12:30 p.m. ~ Father Bill
5:30 p.m. ~ Father O

Sunday, August 5
~ Father Regis
~ Father Alec
~ Father D'Silva
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*American Sign Language interpreted Mass

**The 10:30 Gym Mass is not scheduled during the summer months.

Weekday & Saturday Masses

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m., 11 a.m.

Filipino Mass in Tagalog every 4th Sunday at 3:30 p.m.

Holy Day Masses

Eve of the Feast: 5:30 p.m.

Day of the Feast: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 5:30 p.m.

Adoration Of The Blessed Sacrament*

Exposition: Monday-Friday, 3-5:15 p.m., in the church

Thursday before first Friday of each month, 6-8 p.m.,
with Holy Hour from 7-8 p.m.

*No adoration or 5:30 p.m. Mass on federal holidays

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Parish Mission Statement

The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament is a welcoming Catholic community whose people encounter Christ in the Eucharist and serve Him in our neighbor.

THIS WEEKEND

There will be a baptism at the 12:30pm Mass today.

THIS WEEK

DDOT is resurfacing Quesada St, NW, between 33rd St and Western Avenue on or about Monday, July 30, 2018. "No Parking" signs will be posted 72 hours prior to the commencement of construction. All work will be conducted from 7am to 7pm, Monday through Saturday.

HEALING MASSES

Fr. Foley's Healing Mass will be held at 7pm in the church on the following dates:

September 7, October 4, November 1, and December 7.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism • Baptismal classes are required of all parents prior to baptism. We recommend taking classes before the child is born. Group baptisms are offered every 2nd Saturday at noon in the chapel and 4th Sunday at 2 p.m. in the main church. For more info visit: www.blessedsacramentdc.org/sacraments-rites

Matrimony • All couples who are to be married at Blessed Sacrament must contact one of our priests. Please contact one of the parish priests at least six months in advance of your marriage date.

Reconciliation • Saturday, 4 - 5 p.m. or anytime by appointment.

Altar Server Program: altarservers@blessedsacramentdc.org

Eucharistic Minister Volunteers: worshipministry@blessedsacramentdc.org

PARISH SERVICES & INFORMATION

Care Of The Sick & Homebound • If you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like a priest to visit, contact the parish office at 202.966.6575.

New Parishioners • Welcome! To register as new parishioners, visit www.blessedsacramentdc.org/new-parishioners. Hard copies of the registration form are available at the parish office or contact Rick Perry: 202.449.3982.

Website Postings • website@blessedsacramentdc.org

Church Bulletin Boards • The parish secretary maintains the church bulletin boards. Please drop off any flyers for posting to Joan Ward in the parish office, Duffy parish center.

Inclement Weather Policy • The parish center/office follows Montgomery County Schools for delays and closings. All evening activities are cancelled those days the schools are closed.

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When we gather for Eucharist, we are reminded that Christ is present in our assembly in multiple ways: in the assembly, in the proclaimed word, in the Eucharistic species, and in the person of the minister. Beginning today and continuing through August 26, our gospel will be taken from the sixth chapter of John's gospel. Accordingly, each week, I will reflect with you on one of the above-mentioned aspects of the Eucharist.

In the mid-twentieth century, theologian, Father Henri de Lubac, re-asserted the patristic teaching that *"the Eucharist makes the Church."* What we do each week on "the day of the Lord" forms us as the community called *"Church."* Msgr. Kevin Irwin wrote:

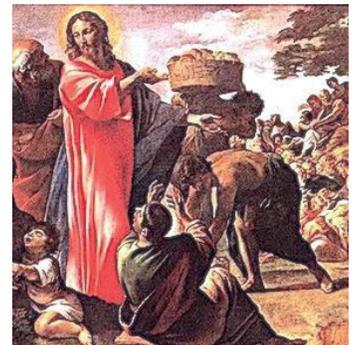
**"Liturgy always presumes prayer with and for each other; it always presumes we accept the perennial challenges of bearing each other's burdens and of washing each other's feet."
(Irwin, *Models of the Eucharist*, p. 71)**

Two of the Scriptures proclaimed today make mention of the *"fragments"* left over. Have you ever wondered why the priest breaks a portion of the large host and drops it into the precious blood prior to Holy Communion? Msgr. Irwin described it thus:

"This custom originated in a practice called 'fermentum.' In the early Church at Rome (when the Christian population was small), a part of the consecrated bread broken at the Pope's Mass was taken by deacons to other Churches in Rome where it was placed in the chalice during the singing of the Lamb of God at Masses celebrated at those other Churches." (Irwin, p. 76)

We are reminded at this moment of our *"one-ness"* with the Church universal and of our *"communion with the saints."* The origin of the tabernacle was to have a place to reserve the sacrament for the sick. The realities we call *"Church"* and *"Eucharist"* are dynamics that are intimately related. We cannot have one without the other. Thus, what we do each Sunday is of utmost importance not only for ourselves but for all humanity. As, St. Thomas Aquinas pondered, *"Could anything be of more intrinsic value?"*

Yours in Christ,
Father Bill Foley



Gustave Dore, ca. 1875



SOCIAL CONCERNS/OUTREACH

School of Religion

SOR Class Schedule: All classes take place in Blessed Sacrament school Sundays or Tuesdays:

- Sundays: 8:45-10:00am. **PreK–8th grade**
- Tuesdays: 4:30-5:45pm. **K–8th grade**

SOR Registration: For more information or to register, please see the School of Religion page on our parish website: <http://www.blessedsacramentdc.org/school-of-religion/>.

*Thought for the Week
From Pope Francis*



“The family is thus an agent of pastoral activity through its explicit proclamation of the Gospel and its legacy of varied forms of witness, namely solidarity with the poor, openness to a diversity of people, the protection of creation, moral and material solidarity with other families, including those most in need, commitment to the promotion of the common good and the transformation of unjust social structures, beginning in the territory in which the family lives, through the practice of the corporal and spiritual works of mercy” (Joy of Love, 290).

PLEASE INCLUDE OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS THAT THEY MAY EXPERIENCE HEALING AND COMFORT

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| Ana Maria Arce | Natalia Dombo | Patrick Adams Murphy |
| Armand Brignola | Patricia Friend | Fredy H. Ortega |
| Evelyn Childs | Bart Hayft | Daniel Ortman |
| James Curran | Alexa Hughes | Maria Stechschlte |
| Joan Devine | Elizabeth Kennedy | Nelly Turner |
| | Marian Middendorf | |

Poor Box Donations

Poor Box donations in **July** will benefit Christ House, a facility that provides comprehensive medical care for sick, homeless men and women. Patients also receive case management, addictions treatment, and pastoral care. In addition, Christ House offers permanent housing to formerly homeless men with chronic illnesses.

St. Thomas More School Supply Drive: September 8 & 9th

The Social Concerns St. Thomas More School Supply Drive is scheduled for Saturday 5:30pm and all the Masses on Sunday the weekend of September 8th and 9th. The next time you see an ad for school supplies on sale, please consider purchasing school items for a child in need at St. Thomas More, The Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament’s “*Sister School/Parish*” in Southeast DC. The children need Construction Paper, Scissors, Glue Sticks, Binders, Notebooks, Pens, Pencils, Crayons, Colored Markers and Highlighters. Volunteers will be outside of church entrances to collect donations.

If you are a student in need of “**Service Hours**”, please contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns Office to volunteer to collect supplies at one or more of the Masses, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org or 202.449.3987.

Food Donations Needed for Social Concerns

The Social Concerns Office Food Pantry needs food donations especially during the summer months when there is no Gym Mass. Items in most demand are as follows: tuna fish in water, Beefaroni, meat and chicken soups, peanut butter and jelly and cereal. Donations may be placed in containers located in the main Church entrance, Quesada Street entrance or brought up to the altar during Communion. Thank you for your support of our less fortunate brothers and sisters. Please call Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns Office with any questions, 202.449.3987. Thank you.

Eucharistic Ministers/Parish Volunteers

The Social Concerns Office is inviting Parishioners to serve as Eucharistic Ministers and Parish volunteers to assist in providing support services to fellow Parishioners in our Parish Community. Generally requests would include: transportation to church and appointments, and home bound Eucharistic Minister Services. Also to expand inclusiveness in our Parish, if you or you know of a Parishioner (s) who would like to receive a visit from a Priest or any of the services above, please contact Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns Office, 202.449.3987, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org. If you are providing a particular service to a Parishioner please let us know so we may offer prayers and support to you and the Parishioner. Thank you for your efforts to expand inclusiveness in our Blessed Sacrament Parish Community.

Blessed Sacrament Social Concerns Office Outreach

Parishioners and Parish friends. The Social Concerns Office is opened 10 am-1 pm daily Monday through Friday and by appointment to provide Direct Service and Outreach to needy individuals and families in our community. Also, the Office works directly with Catholic Charities which is officially designated as the Social Service Representative of the Archdiocese on Washington. A Parish Partners Program was specifically created as a resource for Archdiocesan Parishes. Please refer all individuals seeking assistance to Pat Kavanaugh, 202.449.3987, pkavanaugh@blessedsacramentdc.org. The Parish and Catholic Charities have many assistance programs some of which are now conveniently listed on tables located in the main entrance to our Church. Please refer individuals requesting personal or financial assistance to Pat Kavanaugh or the resource list in the main Church entrance. Please call Pat Kavanaugh in the Social Concerns Office for more information. Thank you.

SISTER MARIETTA OUTDOOR READING ROOM

Thanks to the generosity of Blessed Sacrament School parents, we were able to create the Sister Marietta Outdoor Reading Room on our campus. The dedication ceremony and blessing by Pastor William Foley took place this past spring on the same day as our Mission Fair which supports the Sisters of the Holy Cross School in Uganda. Principal Christopher Kelly welcomed many alumni and parents to a reception honoring Sister Marietta. Sister Marietta attended the ceremony and conducted the first book reading. She selected *The Little Engine That Could* to read to young children of donors. Sister Marietta Simpson, CSC, was our last Holy Cross Sister. Her legacy will live on in the Outdoor Reading Room for future generations of learners.



CYO Athletics

CYO cross country is **NEW** at Blessed Sacrament and open to students in Kindergarten through 8th grade. Registration is now open for both cross country and soccer. Register online at: www.blessedsacramentdc.org/youth/cyo-athletics. We are looking for cross country coaches and parent volunteers as well as coaches for the 4th grade soccer teams. If you have any questions about the program or are interested in coaching, please email Marilyn Campbell, Athletic Director, at mcampbell@blessedsacramentdc.org.



BLESSED SACRAMENT SCHOOL

Are you still looking for school placement next year?

Blessed Sacrament School still has openings in some grades for next year. If you are are interested in admission to Blessed Sacrament School, please contact admissions@blessedsacramentdc.org.



DID YOU KNOW??

Did you know that Alzheimer's disease and Down syndrome share a genetic connection, leading to increased risk of dementia at an earlier age. Families and caregivers who are worried about this possibility can go to National Down Syndrome Society at www.ndss.org to learn more.

For more information on how Blessed Sacrament is becoming inclusive, contact evaelzke@blessedsacramentdc.org

YOUTH CORNER

QUESTION FOR THE WEEK

Generosity is key to today's Gospel. What do you have that you should be sharing with others? Think of your possessions, your talents, and your time. How can you use these for the good of others?

(Source: <http://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/>)



Your SHARE @ Blessed Sacrament food co-op gives you the opportunity to save up to 40% from grocery store prices with a selection of nutritious, healthy food.

\$22 Value Package:

- Ground Beef – 1 LB
- Chicken Wingettes – 1.5 LBS
- Whiting Fish – 1 LB
- Ham Steak – 1 LB
- Plus 8-12 lbs of the freshest fruits and vegetables we can find for you and your family

\$15 Pot Roast Dinner:

- Six full dinner entrees with pot roast & gravy, green beans and mashed potatoes

\$21 Gourmet Chicken Breast:

- 10-pound box of hand-cut, skin-on, chicken. Each portion is ¼ of a whole chicken
- All white meat

\$21 Sirloin Steak Box

- 6-8 oz steaks, ready for the grill!

\$18 Summer Fruit Box

- A refreshing mix of berries, melon, stone fruits, and summer citrus

To order, visit the parish web site: www.blessedsacramentdc.org. Please order by **Friday, August 10th, at 4pm**. Food distribution is **Friday, August 24, 3–6pm**.

Credit Card Option: To pay online by credit card or to make a donation to SHARE @ Blessed Sacrament go to the parish website www.blessedsacramentdc.org/parish-organizations/share. Recurring monthly donations by credit card can be arranged with a one-time processing by going to the parish website and click on "GIVING" and select "Click Here to Give Online." Thank you for your support of SHARE @ BS.

Gift and Donation Idea: SHARE packages make a great "Thank You" or "Thinking about you" gifts for a friend or someone who has helped you. Make yourself and others happy with nutritious food from SHARE @ BS! And, we always appreciate donations so we can provide those in need. Thank you.

THE ADULT CENTER

All parishioners, "39 and holding," are invited to gather in Apt. 1 in the Chevy Chase apartment building next to the church for fellowship after the 11 a.m. weekday Mass. Bring a sandwich and join the activities. For more information or for transportation, call Rita Killian at 202.363.5069.

SUMMER SCHEDULE - JUNE 25–SEPTEMBER 7

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	Closed
Wednesday	11:30am: Strong Seniors Strength & Balance Class 12:30pm: Watercolor Art Class
Thursday	12:00pm: Bridge for Bridge Lovers
Friday	Closed

The Center will be closed the week of August 6-10th. Activities will resume the week of August 12.



Save the Date!

The Sanctuary Sodality Bazaar is your parish at work, and coming on Saturday, November 10th. Please **SAVE YOUR STUFF** for donation.

We collect gently used clothes and household items for sale to local families who rely on us for inexpensive, quality used goods. Last year, we made over \$12,000 on used clothes alone and the Bazaar netted over \$26,000. That's money sent to organizations throughout the community - as far away as Syria, and as close as the roof over our heads! We could not do it without YOU! This year, to add to the excitement, we are adding a section for used kids toys and sporting equipment.

We accept clothing for children and adults, including shoes, handbags and jewelry, lamps, appliances, dish ware, small furniture, pictures, and carpets, sports equipment and toys in good condition. No books, no stuffed animals or cushions. Please make sure all items are clean and complete, in good working order.

We also will be looking for donations of baked goods so start testing any new and interesting recipes over the summer. Thank you for your past support and keep watching this space for Bazaar announcements in the fall.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Would You Like To Have Your Home Blessed?

A long time tradition in the Catholic Church is having our home blessed with the new waters of Easter. The blessing prays that your home is filled with God's Peace and Holiness. The Blessing Ritual takes only a few minutes to perform. Ideally, as many family members who reside within your residence should be present when the blessing is given.

If you wish to have your home blessed then kindly e-mail Deacon Leo Flynn and include your name(s), address, phone number, and e-mail address and send it to leo@theflynnteam.com. Also, specify which days/dates and times may work best per your schedule to have your home blessed (week days are available!) and whether you are or are not a registered parishioner of the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Those without computers may contact Deacon Leo directly at 703.328.4762 and leave your name and telephone number (speak slowly and clearly) in his voice mail and he will return your call.



Labor Day 2018 Family Retreat

Interested in growing your faith, having fun with family and friends while creating lasting memories all in the same weekend? Then the Labor Day Family Retreat at Camp Maria is what you are seeking! This annual three day family retreat in Southern Maryland overlooking beautiful Breton Bay (about two hours from DC) is celebrating its 50th year in 2018 and we are looking for new families to join our group and past families to reconnect. The retreat features daily outdoor Mass, adult faith formation sessions with a priest and supervised crafts and sports for the children. Lots of down time for family swimming, canoeing, crabbing and old fashioned fun. Please contact BS parishioners Barbara Butler FernicolaB@aol.com or Dan Fernicola DJFernicola@gmail.com for more information.

FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE



Archdiocese of Washington Life Issues

Join us for an exciting 13-week series discussing Faith and Life! The series takes place every **Sunday night at 6:30pm** until September 23rd at St. Dominic Catholic Church (630 E St SW, Washington, DC 20024). Throughout the summer, we will hear first-hand testimonies on the value and dignity of all human life, at every stage and in every condition. During this series, we will explore the issues of abortion, adoption, racism, the sexual revolution, poverty, sex trafficking, immigration, war, capital punishment, physician assisted suicide, and much more. Find more information at www.facebook.com/adwlifeissues/events/

FROM THE COMMUNITY

The Class of 1968 Is Planning 50 Year Reunion

The Our Lady of Lourdes Class of 1968 is planning to celebrate the 50th anniversary of their eighth grade graduation. The reunion date and details are still being finalized. If you are interested in attending the reunion, are in contact with anyone from the Class of 1968, or if you want to share photos, memories or mementos from your years at Lourdes, please contact Mr. Bill Glacken at william.glacken@yahoo.com.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

We would like to thank DiscoverMass.com for placing an ad in our weekly bulletin.