

Parish of the Blessed Sacrament

Divine Mercy Sunday

April 8, 2018



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JESUS I TRUST IN YOU

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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Call the Parish Office to register

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CELEBRATING THE DAYS

Monday, April 9

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Jack Fisherkeller

Tuesday, April 10

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Allen Henderson
Virginia Stannard

Wednesday, April 11

Confessions before Mass

8:20AM Olive Eck
Vivian & George Kirby
5:30PM **Prayer Service**

Thursday, April 12

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Maxine Bretz

Friday, April 13

Confessions before Mass

8:20AM Jim Belz

Saturday, April 14

Confessions before Mass

8:00AM Carolyn Daniels
3:00-4:00PM Confessions
4:30PM Dr. John L. Hennessy

Sunday, April 15-Third Sunday of Easter

7:00AM Bernie Owens
8:30AM All Sacristans-past & present
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-two intentions per week! Please join us in praying for our parish family. Hope to see you there!!

Dear Parishioners,

Have Mercy on Me, a Sinner. "I think we too are often the people who, on one hand, want to listen to Jesus, but on the other hand, at times, like to find a stick to beat others with, to condemn others. And Jesus has this message for us: mercy. I think—and I say it with humility—that this is the Lord's most powerful message: mercy." —Pope Francis.

Last Sunday, we celebrated Easter, the resurrection of Jesus. Our church was packed as we announced this good news that evil and even death could not hold Jesus. He conquered them. He rose from the dead and filled the hearts of many people with a hope that they too would rise from the dead. But the problem is that the joy of Easter fades too soon. The world and the challenges of my world soon come back. I hear the sorrows of people who face serious illness, betrayal, ridicule and rejection. I see the violence and suffering of war and terror, famine, storms, and earthquakes. I read about the bad choices even good people make and I begin to wonder if living my faith is not in vain. In fact, it is not so much the sins of others as it is my own sins that dishearten me. It is my stupidity, mistrust, anger, and denials that confront me. It is my scapegoating, cruelty, and tolerance of injustice to others that makes me wonder if there is hope for me...let alone the whole world.

Yet, today's feast offers hope. It is in mercy, divine mercy, that my hope remains intact. Jesus died not in spite of my sins, but because of my sins. It was his act of mercy meant to save me. This is hard to comprehend. I do not have to earn it—in fact I can't. But it is mine if I humbly accept it as a gift. If I believe this, then his divine mercy has the power to envelop my life and change my world; and if I accept it, the message of Easter will continue beyond a single day once a year. Jesus' divine mercy changes everything. It makes it possible for sinners to hope in eternal life.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Recently Baptized:

McKenna Lynn Meado, daughter of Jacob & ReJeana Meado

Please pray for our Recently Departed:

Donald "Gene" Stoutamyer
Rachel Madonia

School News:

Monday, April 9—School reopens

8th Grade Confirmation retreat at St. Joseph's in Chatham

Wednesday, April 11— 1:30pm—Early dismissal for faculty meeting, BASE will be available
7:00pm—Confirmation Mass

Friday, April 13—8:20am—All School Mass
7-9pm—Builders Club dance for 7th & 8th grades in the cafeteria.

Saturday, April 14—1:00pm SHG 0hour exam for present 7th graders

Sunday, April 15—1:00pm First Communion for Mrs. Yoho's class

Confirmation: This Wednesday, April 11th at 7pm our eighth graders will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep these young men and women in your prayers.

Christ Renews His Parish (CRHP) the CRHP retreat for the women of Blessed Sacrament Parish, will be on April 28-29 at the Villa Maria on Lake Springfield. This weekend retreat offers individuals and the parish community a unique opportunity for spiritual renewal, growth and fellowship. For more information, contact Ann Walker 741-6798 or Trish Marriott 725-2895

Women's Club is hosting a craft night, Thursday, April 19th, at 6:30pm in the school cafeteria. The staff from "Its Scrapicated" will be here to help us create a Spring Shape. Cost is \$25. Please send in your check for \$25 to the school office. Any questions, call Jane Miller 553-7314

Springfield Catholic Charities invites you to "Take a Chance to Change Lives" a \$10,000 Raffle & Dinner to be held on May 5th, 6:00pm at the Crowne Plaza. Dinner Tickets are \$75. To purchase tickets go to cc.dio.org. Raffle tickets are \$20 each or 6 for \$100. **Raffle tickets will be available here at Blessed Sacrament, this weekend April 7 & 8 in the vestibule.**

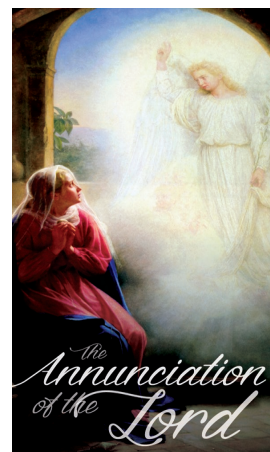
Congratulations!! To Grace Lambert and Amanda Brown who are Students of the Month for April at SHG. Both of these young ladies are graduates of Blessed Sacrament Parish Grade School. We are very proud of them.

Spring has Sprung—and that means..baseball!!!. Do you need cleats, bats, mitts or baseball pants? Stop by the School Office and pick up **Dick's Sporting Goods** script. OR you can special order **Adidas, Nike** or **Under Armour** scrip—all of these special order items give an 11-13% rebate back to Blessed Sacrament School! Is your playing career over and you've moved on the spectating? Email scrip@bssbruins.org to find out how to order **Stub Hub** gift cards—perfect for Cardinals or Cubs tickets.

SHG presents "THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE" their Spring 2018 musical. Show times are April 13, 14, 20, and 21 at 7:30pm and April 15 at 5pm. The Children's event will be Sunday, April 15th at 3pm in the Commons. For tickets and children's event reservations, call the ticket office at 217-787-1595 ext. 153

Elizabeth Ann Seton Program invites you to join them for EAS Rocks, Saturday, April 28th at Christ the King Parish Hall. Tickets are \$50 per person. Doors open at 5:45pm, Entertainment begins at 7PM. Join them for a rocking good evening with live entertainment by Classic Stl Band, hor d'oeuvres, wine beer and more! For tickets or more information, please contact EAS at 757-6025 or email us at infor@elizabethannsetonprogram.org.

Good Grief Camp—The Staab Family is hosting the 6th Annual 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 held Sunday, April 22, 12pm-4pm, at Southwind Park. For more information or to register call 247-4421 or visit KidsGoodGriefCamp.com.





ADORATION HOURS

Featured Vacancy: 6:00PM SATURDAY! The Roe v Wade Anniversary is past and 40 Days for Life is being observed during Lent. Consider prayer for those promoting abortion, that their hearts be changed. Prayer in the Chapel in the presence of Jesus and his Mother is the answer!

12:00 A.M. Sunday	11:00P.M. Monday	3:00 A.M. Friday
1:00 A.M. Sunday	12:00A.M. Tuesday	4:00 A.M. Friday
2:00 A.M. Sunday	1:00A.M. Tuesday	8:00 P.M. Friday
3:00 A.M. Sunday	2:00A.M. Tuesday	10:00 A.M. Saturday
1:00 A.M. Monday	3:00A.M. Tuesday	6:00 P.M. Saturday
2:00 A.M. Monday	3:00A.M. Wednesday	
3:00 A.M. Monday	1:00A.M. Friday	
8:00 P.M. Monday	2:00A.M. Friday	

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.

St. Patrick School in Springfield, Illinois is seeking a principal for the school year 2018-2019. Applicants must be Catholic, have teaching experience; administrative experience preferred.. Send resume to Jeff Hamrick, hamrick1@comcast.net

St. Aloysius School in Springfield, Illinois is seeking a Grade School Principal for the 2018-2019 school year. Interested candidates please mail cover letter, resume, references, by April 25, 2018 to : Fr. Clint Honcomp,O.P. St. Aloysius School, 2119 N.20th Street, Springfield, IL. 62702

Church of the Little Flower —St. Therese Guild is having a Geranium Sale. Individual Geranium plants \$2.50 each. Orders with payment due by Friday, April 13. Pick up is Saturday, April 28 from 8am-12noon at Little Flower Parish Center. Questions: Nancy-494-3077 or Janet 494-4743). Download order forms: <http://littleflowerchurch.net>.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

WEEK OF APRIL 9-13

MONDAY-WEDNESDAY

8:00AM

Brady & Eleanor Maloy

Thursday- Friday

Mike Hollahan-Augustine Hyde

Saturday, April 14, 4:30PM

Lector: Vincent Tooler

Servers: Lennon Long, Leo Havey, Cameron Booker

Eucharistic Ministers: Andrea Judd, Colleen VonDeBur, Kathryn Gietl, Eric Madiar, Sally Petrone Susan Gallagher

Sunday, April 15, 7:00AM

Lector: Judy Kjellander

Servers: Alio Giacomini

Eucharistic Ministers: Pat Sheehan, Dave Langston, Ann Walker, Christy Geving, Riley Hinds

Sunday, April 16. 8:30 AM

Lector: Jim McDermott

Servers: Harrison Faulkner, Jack Allen, Emily Leefers

Eucharistic Ministers: Becky Leonard, Dave Sarnowski, Lisa Sarnowski, Bradley Frost, Kathy Harth, Scott Reimers, Patricia Clarida, Mike Delvo

Sunday, April 16, 10:30AM

Lector: Tim Moore

Servers: Ava DeSalle, William DeSalle, Elizabeth DeSalle

Eucharistic Ministers: Lila Dilbaitis, Barbara Erdmann, Rick Campbell, Lynn Frasco, Mary Tuttle, Jim Morphew, Lisa Belz, Barney Bruzetti

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of : Lucy Wallner, Drake Thomas, Carol Ann & Jerry Walton, Jimmie Hill, Robert Farris, Terry Rossi, Amber, Dorothy Tracy, Vernon Spiedger, Joel, Terri Burwitz, Rita, Ron, Owen Doak, Kayte, Denise S, Christopher Morgan, Dave, Betty, Ed Pauley, Steve, Hannah Clark, Peter Schofield, Ginny Schofield, Amy Gatewood family, Monica Larch, Austin Fields, Sue Hamilton, Larry Theise, Gwen Bramlet, Richard Judd, John M, Louie Rago, Gwinn, John, Claire, Mary, Liz, Anna Eleyidath, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Kitty, Susan, Cindy, Barbara Schuh, Ruth Pohlman, Charles Klaphake, Annie, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Eric, Lois & Jim Burton, Tom VonBerg, Dan O'Connor, Donna Fitts, Ellen White, Barbara, Rose, Archer Senft, Suzie Culters, Tom J., Judy, Anna Gietl, 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, Tom Burns, Steve, Karen, Steve, Miles Fifer, Maureen, Julie, Bill, Mary Coffey, Craig DeLargy, Brian Meredith, Diane Galli, Destiny Jane, Katie Bronken, Cheryl, Fonda, Kristen, Tia, Clem McDermott, Jeff K., Laura M, Helen, Sue, Bob Wise, Jean & Bernie Quigley, Elizabeth Handrich, Melissa, Mary Jane Harshbarger, Troy, Joan Casper, Sharon S, Laura Black, Anna Chougry March, Charlotte, Don Egan, Ellen Rachkus, Donald Cole, Dave, Leo, Emily Amy, Eliose Havey, Arlene Komyathy, Gloria, Mark Skube, Susan McCain, Ray Shaw, Jeanette, Kevin Henry, Mary Alice Owens, Gary Bartels, Don John

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

Parish Collection

Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, March 25	\$24,687.20

ACSA (Annual Catholic Services Appeal)

Our Parish Assessment	\$97,229.00
Pledged to the Diocese	\$39,625.00
Amount Remaining	\$57,604.00

10% of our parishioners (154 families) have contributed to date

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