

Parish of the Blessed Sacrament

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 15, 2020



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“The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, ‘Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.’” - Mt 25:20

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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, November 16

Confessions before Mass

8:00am Mass: Midge Ward

Tuesday, November 17

Confessions before Mass

8:00am Mass: Heather Gonet

Wednesday, November 18

Confessions before Mass

8:00am Mass: Dean Galli

5:30pm: Prayer Service

Thursday, November 19

Confessions before Mass

8:00am Mass: Wayne Phillip Moore

Jack Fisherkeller

Friday, November 20

Confessions before Mass

8:00am Mass: Robert Headley

Saturday, November 21

8:00am Mass: Elizabeth Tobin

3:00-4:00PM Confession

4:30pm Mass: Richard "Dick" Giesing

Sunday, Nov. 22– Feast of Christ the King

7:00am Mass: Anna Eleydiath

8:30am Mass: Intentions of our Parishioners

10:30am Mass: Mary & Louis Schmitt

**Confessions are heard before the weekday
Masses and on Saturday from 3-4pm.**

Confessional in the Adoration Chapel

Dear Parishioners,

As the holiday season approaches there are several things I need to call your attention:

Bread Sunday. Next Sunday (November 22) is Bread Sunday. Traditionally loaves of bread are placed on a table near the entrance of church. Parishioners are asked to make a donation and take a loaf of bread. The money collected goes to Springfield Catholic Charities to help fund the St. John's Breadline. Due to covid-19, this year there will be no loaves of bread. You can go on line at cc.dio.org and make a donation or you can simply put your donation in an envelope marked Bread Sunday, drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the parish, and we will make sure it gets to Catholic Charities. As we celebrate the holidays may we not forget the poor. For when you feed the hungry, you feed Jesus himself.

Angel Tree. The Angel trees will be set up in the church beginning next weekend (November 21-22). You may choose an ornament off the tree, buy the gift and bring it back to church. Catholic Charities will collect these on Monday, December 7th (notice the earlier pickup date) where they will be taken and prepared for distribution. Remember to include wrapping paper, but do not wrap the gift.

Pastor's Appreciation Party will not be held this year. Look for us next year when things move back to normal.

Teacher Support Envelopes are in your packet to help prepare Christmas bonuses for the teachers and staff at Blessed Sacrament School. This year has indeed been a difficult year. Yet, we have seen many teachers go over the top in making sure their students kept safe and are engaged in learning. Please show them your appreciation.

St. Theresa of Calcutta Statues. We still have some statues of "St. Theresa with the Children" available through the parish office. They are ten inches tall and are a replica of the larger statue recently installed in the prayer garden next to the church. Cost: \$75. They would make an excellent Christmas gift.

Christmas Masses. At its last parish council meeting we discussed the issue of how to do Christmas Masses. In keeping with the safe environment requirements, seating will be limited to 25% or less (about 100 people). With five Masses, we will only be able to accommodate about 500 people in the church for Christmas. Masses will be at 4:30 pm, 8:00 pm, Christmas Eve; and 12 midnight, 8:30 am, and 10:30 am Christmas day. We will of course livestream the Masses and offer communion services so one can receive Eucharist on Christmas. However, attendance at Christmas Masses will be **by ticket only**. People who have been attending Mass regularly will be given priority. We hope to have some overflow in the school cafeteria, but as much as it hurts, we will simply not be able to accommodate everyone who would like to attend. Watching the Christmas Mass on livestream from your home may be the option you should consider. I will be writing more about this in the next couple of weeks, but I want to let you know now so there will be no unwanted surprises on Christmas.

Fr. Jeff

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Recently Baptized:

Alexander Nicholas Ligon son of Scott and Theresa Ligon

The parish is not closed - questions can be directed to the parish office at 217-528-7521. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 4 PM.

Adoration Chapel will remain open and you are encouraged to come and pray. The public hours will remain 5 AM to 10 PM. Please remember that the Chapel is for private prayer. We ask that you not pray out loud or in a way that distracts another person trying to pray privately.

Holy water is available in the dispenser in the chapel. Please bring your own container to take it home. If you are taking large amounts, please see one of the priests to have them bless your water.

A donation to H.O.P.E. (Helping Our People in Emergencies), formerly known as St. Vincent de Paul, will let our parish reach out to our many parishioners who are also suffering financially from this crisis

Keep in touch with Blessed Sacrament via email and text! During these days of "virtual" church, it's more important than ever to stay in the loop with our texts and e-newsletter. Sign up on our website www.bsps.org and scroll down to "Receive electronic messages" on the right side of the page or send an email to Lsarnowski@bsps.org with your cell number and email address and we'll sign you up.

Visit the parish website at www.bsps.org. This is the best way to know what is going on in the parish.

All are welcome to participate in our virtual Mass Visit our website at www.bsps.org and click on "Watch Mass" to go directly to the Blessed Sacrament video link. Please join us...

The parish depends on your stewardship and generosity in order to bring sacraments and spiritual services to you. With everything severely curtailed, our finances have suffered. Please remember to mail in your contribution or donate on line, This will help us meet our obligations. Call the parish office to sign up for ACH (automatic contributions).

NO BREADLINE SUNDAY this year due to COVID 19 To offset the loss of this fundraiser you may put an envelope in the collection marked **St John's Breadline** and we will see to it that the Breadline gets your donation. At the present time all the meals at the Breadline are served as "to go". The Breadline continues to serve 300 hungry men, women and children everyday. Please consider a donation to the Breadline to able them to continue serving these meals

Sign Up. Those who do come to Mass will need to sign up. The easiest way to do so will be to go to the parish website at www.bsps.org, scroll down until you see the box that says "sign up for weekend Masses" and follow instructions. If you are uncomfortable or unable to do that, you may call the parish office on Mon-Fri from 8am to 4pm and someone will be available to sign you up. You will only be able to sign up for the upcoming weekend. It is important for planning that we know who is going to attend Mass. So please sign up.

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (for those not attending Mass)

**WILL TAKE PLACE OUTSIDE OF MASS THIS
SUNDAY, November 15**

**Hours for the Reception of Communion
are:**

SUNDAY

9:45-10:15am (after 8:30 Mass)

11:45am-12:15pm (please be here by Noon)

**Please enter the north end of the parking lot on Walnut Street and exit the South end on Walnut
Please wear a mask**

OWN YOUR OWN STATUE

Timothy P. Schmalz created 10" miniature desktop versions of our Saint Teresa of Calcutta statue. We are selling these beautiful replicas for \$75. Please contact the parish office at 528-7521 or simply stop by during office hours - Monday through Friday 8:00 AM until 4:00 PM.

The Teacher Salary Support Fund is specially designated to offset our teachers' salaries by giving them a well-deserved bonus at Christmas each year. The monies donated through the green parish envelopes throughout the year are combined with donations from school families, the PSA and the Men's Club. All donations are allocated to the teachers and staff once a year - at Christmas! Please consider a donation during this challenging school year by submitting the Parish Teacher Salary Support Fund envelope or an envelope on which you designate "Teacher Christmas Bonus Fund" by Monday, December 14. Thank you in advance for your support of our hard-working teachers and staff.

The Angel Giving Tree— Advent is approaching and Blessed Sacrament will again provide Angel Giving Trees, sponsored by Catholic Charities, starting next weekend, November 21 & 22. Please take a tag off the tree and purchase a gift(s) for a child or two children listed on the tag. Then bring the **unwrapped** gifts back to the church or church office by **December 7th**. Donations of wrapping paper will be appreciated Thank you for your acts of love and caring.



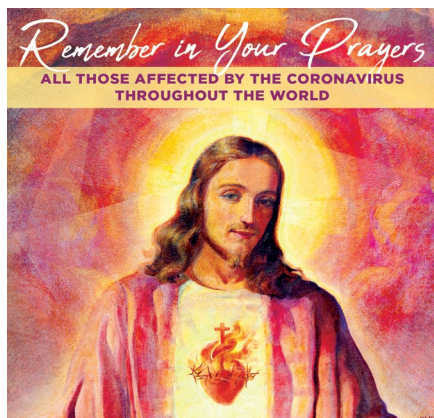
ADORATION HOURS: “Nowhere on earth are you more welcomed, Nowhere on earth are you more loved, than by Jesus, living and truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament. The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will bring about an everlasting peace on earth.” (St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta) For further information please email Karen Senger at senger@bssbruins.org.

Sunday 1am	Tuesday 2am	Friday 10pm
Sunday 2am	Tuesday 3am	Saturday 1am
Sunday 3am	Friday 1am	Saturday 2am
Sunday 1pm	Friday 2am	Saturday 10am
Monday 1am	Friday 3am	Saturday 11am
Monday 2am	Friday 4am	
Monday 3am	Friday 7am	
Tuesday 1am	Friday 11am	

Blessd Sacrament School, Book Fair, Barnes & Noble-3111 South Veterans Parkway, Monday, November 23rd. You may shop in-store or order online for curbside pick-up anytime on Monday, November 23. Please note that we will not hold any special evening events in the store this year. Please support us online anytime from November 23-28. Teacher wish list baskets will be available in the store. This is a great opportunity to start (or finish!) your Christmas shopping! Visit BN.COM/bookfairs to support us online from 11/23/20 to 11/28/20 by entering Bookfair ID 12599809 at checkout.

We've added a new vendor to our scrip gift card inventory... Sonic!

We've got \$10 Sonic cards and each purchase donates 8% back to Blessed Sacrament School. If you're looking for a quick fast food stop we've got **Arby's, Burger King, Chipotle, Dairy Queen, Panda Express, Steak n Shake, Subway, Taco Bell and Wendy's.** They make great stocking stuffers!



MINISTRY SCHEDULE NOVEMBER 16-20 MONDAY-FRIDAY

**8:00am
No Servers**

Saturday, Nov.21 4:30PM

Lector: Paul Wheeler

Servers: Charlie Pittman & William Pittman

Eucharistic Ministers: no one at this time

Sunday, Nov. 22, 7:00AM

Lector: Jjim McDermott

Servers: Andrew Reimers

Eucharistic Ministers: no one at this time

Sunday, Nov. 22, 8:30 AM

Lector: Mary Maloney

Servers: Caroline & Grace Lambert

Eucharistic Ministers: no one at this time

Sunday, Nov. 22 10:30AM

Lector: Suzanne Baase

Servers: Wade Naylor & Jackson Pitz

Eucharistic Ministers: no one at this time

Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of :
 Jimmie Hill, Robert Farris, Amber, Vernon Spiedger, 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, Larry Theise, Gwen Bramlet, Richard Judd, John M, Louie Rago, Gwinn, John, Claire, Mary, Ray Roland, Josette, Danielle Loftus, Kitty, Susan, Cindy, Barbara Schuh, Ruth Pohlman, Annie, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Eric, Lois Burton, Tom VonBerg, Donna Fitts, Ellen White, Barbara, Rose, Archer Senft, Suzie Culter, Tom J., Judy, Doug, Beth, Camden Spinner, Cindi, Andy Kates, Dave, Sandy H, Jim C., Jason Baird, Jen, Family of Gretchen Hornickie 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, Charlie Adams, Julie, Bill, Mary Coffey, Craig DeLargy, Brian Meredith, Destiny Jane, Katie Bronken, Cheryl, Fonda, Kristen, Tia, Jeff K., Laura M, Sue, Dave, Leo, Betty, Elizabeth Handrich, Melissa, Mary Jane Harshbarger, Troy, Sharon S, Laura Black James G., Anna Chougry, March, Charlotte, Don Egan, Shandi Chrysler, Andy, Donald Cole, Dave, Leo, Emily Amy, Gloria, Susan McCain, Ray Shaw, Jeanette, Kevin Henry, Gary, Laurie, Gary Bartels, Don John, Dale, Peggy Cadigan, Sarah & Everett O'Connor, Mary, Rocky Tom Acker, Caleb Cross, Callie, Marlene Keldermans, Jeannie Marie Gorman, Dcn. Ben Hoefler, Colleen, Denny McDaniels, Terry Jordan, Janet Ketchum, Michael Mauch, Steve Bartels, Bette Atteberry, William Burkey, Barb Hansen, Helen Rhinehart, Edward, Diana Schumacher, Melissa Brown, Mary, Beverly Rago, Sharon O'Brien. Jim & Cynthia Novello, Becky Wood, Denise Cindy Ramirez, Tod Pierce, Bertha S, Daniel, Janet Nelch, Kim, Bobby, Kathy, Janet Keating, Nicky, Nick, Ben & Monique Gaston, M. Blazis, John P. Steil. Sarah Bice, Bob, Jill Burwitz, Mary Staudt, Rich Brown, Pat H, Charlene Dolan, Jack & Millie Gillen, Nancy Jensen, Bertha Saiz, Jane Cloyd, Kate Rossi, Emily Monaghan, Mary Theresa Drake, Kathy, Kim, Matt, Gabriele, Spencer

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

Parish Collection

Target Amount	\$23,500.00
Sunday, November 1	\$24,700.35

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