

**Parish of the Blessed Sacrament**  
**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**January 23, 2022**



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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.

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### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### CELEBRATING THE DAYS

**Monday, January 24**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Patricia M. Martin

**Tuesday, January 25**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Eugene Costa

Intentions of Eckert Family

**Wednesday, January 26**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Kevin Stengel

**5:30pm Mass:** Prayer Service

**Thursday, January 27**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Norman Soler

**Friday, January 28**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** James Meredith

Pat Tadlock

**Saturday, January 29**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** John & Mary Tweryon

**3:00-4:00pm: Confessions**

**4:30pm Mass:** John Sankey, Jr.

**Sunday, January 30-4th Sunday Ordinary Time**

**7:00am Mass:** Jack Brown

**8:30am Mass:** Intentions of our Parishioners

**10:30am Mass:** Intentions of Donald &  
Patricia Graham

#### Confessional in the Adoration Chapel

**Rosary beginning at 10:05am is prayed  
before the 10:30am Sunday Mass**

Dear Friends,

**Changing Hearts.** At every stage and in every circumstance, we are held in existence by God's love. The presence of an illness, disability, or other challenging situation never diminishes the value of a human life. God does not call us to perfection of appearance or abilities, but to perfection in *love*. Christ invites us to embrace our own lives and the lives of others as true *gifts*. Abortion tragically rejects the truth that every life is a good and perfect gift, deserving protection. This violent practice ends the life of a human being at its very beginning and horribly wounds all those involved. But Christ came that we "might have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10:10), taking on human flesh for the sake of our redemption. May our culture experience the power of God's transforming love, that all eyes may be opened to the incredible beauty of every human life.

The above reflection is from Day One of the *9 Days for Life* novena. Organized through the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB), each day is given an intention, a short reflection, and a suggested action to help build a culture of life. This weekend marks the 49<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court's decision, *Roe v. Wade*, legalizing abortion in our nation. Legal protection to the right to life is important; yet, to simply reduce the issue to a legal matter is to fail to grasp the larger picture. Even after half a century the controversy has not died. Does one really think changing the law again will make the controversy go away? What must change are hearts. This is not done in debate, designed to challenge an intellectual stance. Rather it is done through prayer, reflection, and acts of reparation. It is done through compassion and generosity designed to reach out to others struggling with the issue. The goal must not be to simply win the argument, but to win the heart. Pray that human life will be held sacred by all. Pray that our actions and words will hold each and every person with respect as God's creation. Only when we change our attitudes and our behavior will we begin to change the hearts of others.

#### *Every Life is Worth Living*

*"Heavenly father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen."*

**Fr. Jeff**



## OUR PARISH FAMILY

### **Please pray for our Recently Departed:**

Therese Rechner  
Mary E. "Beth" Esela  
Jeanette Catherine Sgro  
Yvonne Butcher

### **RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION (for those excused from Mass) WILL TAKE PLACE SUNDAY OUTSIDE OF MASS FROM 9:45-10:00AM**

**Mass will continue to be live-streamed** and can be found by going to the parish website at [www.bsps.org](http://www.bsps.org) And click on WATCH MASS HERE.

**Confessions** are heard Monday-Saturday mornings from 7:30-7:45am and on Saturday afternoon 3-4pm.

**Sign up for Formed Now** Blessed Sacrament parish provides a subscription to Formed for our parish community. Formed offers the best in Catholic movies, videos, audio talks, e-books, and live events available for your computer, streaming TV, tablet, or phone. To register just go to <http://www.Formed.org> and click on the Sign Up button, then click on Sign Up As A Parishioner, then enter 62704 in the blank. You'll see Blessed Sacrament come up as the only choice. Click it and click Next, then enter your name and email address and click Sign Up and you're all set. If you need assistance with Formed please contact Bob Vincent at 217-523-4335.

**Volunteers needed:** If you are interested in helping us live stream our Masses please contact Aaron House, 217-528-7521 ext. 113.

**Retreat at Blessed Sacrament Offered** On January 24, 2022 we will offer a retreat on Monday mornings from 9:15 to 11:00 a.m. focused on "Consoling the Heart of Jesus", written by Fr. Michael Gaitley. Through this 10 week retreat we come to realize that the man who walked in Nazareth and died on Calvary walks with us each day throughout life's pilgrimage. During the week we will read a chapter in Fr. Gaitley's book and answer questions in a study guide. On Mondays we will view a short video by Fr Gaitley and engage in discussion of that week's teachings. The retreat is greatly influenced by St. Ignatius and St. Faustina. It is a wonderful path to the Heart of Jesus for all who are living busy and demanding lives – aren't we all! The cost is \$30, which provides the book, a companion guide, and other helps. Please contact **Dcn Dave Erdmann to join the retreat (217) 522-4683 or [olddonegal@gmail.com](mailto:olddonegal@gmail.com)**. All meetings are offered online for those who are not able to attend in person.

**Save the Date!** The Blessed Sacrament Rummage Sale will return to the parish event line-up Saturday, June 4, 2022. Keep the date in mind as you declutter, downsize, redecorate, or reorganize your household in the coming months!

**Springfield Right to Life—**March for Life, this Sunday, January 23rd, 2-3pm, Gather at Central Baptist Church, 501 S. 4th and march to the Capitol. Rally at the steps of the Lincoln Statue.

**Scrip Resolution #3** Gift cards are a great way to help you stay on budget. Each month, or a couple times each month, load a set amount of money on gift cards for brands you like to shop. Once your gift card runs out of funds, you've reached your budget for that brand. The earnings you get on your shopping are an added bonus for your savings. Scrip gift cards are available at the school office during regular school hours. Contact [scrip@bssbruins.org](mailto:scrip@bssbruins.org) for more information on reloading your gift cards.

**Contribution statements:** If you chose to have your contribution statement emailed to you, the emails will be sent on Tuesday, January 25 and paper contribution statements will be in the mail on Thursday, January 27.



"Statistics are coldly impersonal and cannot convey the human tragedy of the abortion slaughter.

Thirty-two million babies [have been] killed in the United States alone.

Yet

Every one had a face, a life, a Creator who loved them and created them in His image."

-Sarah Smith, abortion survivor

[savethestorks.com](http://savethestorks.com)



**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](mailto:senger@bssbruins.org).

Sunday 12am	Monday 8:30am	Friday 10am
Sunday 1am	Monday 8pm	Friday 1am
Sunday 2am	Monday 8pm	Friday 2am
Sunday 3am	Tuesday 1am	Friday 3am
Sunday 1pm	Tuesday 2am	Friday 7pm
Sunday 2pm	Tuesday 3am	Friday 11pm
Sunday 9pm	Friday 12am	Friday 2pm
Monday 1am	Thursday 2am	Saturday 12am
Monday 2am	Thursday 6pm	Saturday 1am
Monday 3am	Sunday 5am	Saturday 2am
Monday 1pm	Saturday 6pm	Saturday 3am
Wed 2pm	Thursday 4am	Saturday 1pm
Thursday 3am		

**Dominican Family Teach In–** How can you live the Dominican Charism within your own family? Sacred Heart Griffin, Saturday, January 29th 9am-2pm at SHG's East Campus.

**St. Patrick Catholic School** is looking for a short term substitute to teach a kindergarten class during the months of January and February. If interested, please call the school at 217-523--7670.

**St. Thomas  
Aquinas**



**Feast Day  
January 28**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE JANUARY 17-21 MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:00am  
No Servers

### Saturday, January 29 4:30PM- MASS

**Lector:** Sandy Etheridge  
**Servers:** Abby & Natalie Shafer  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Carter Etheridge, Kathy & Mike Harth

### Sunday, January 30, 7:00AM

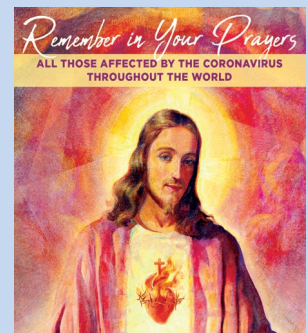
**Lector:** Michael O'Brien  
**Servers:** Andrew Reimers  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Christy Geving, Mark Ushman

### Sunday, January 30, 8:30 AM

**Lector:** Mary Maloney  
**Servers:** Kate Lambert, Henry & William Pennell  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Michael Delvo, Andrea Judd

### Sunday, January 30, 10:30AM

**Lector:** Tim Moore  
**Servers:** Claire Klinner, Jackson Pitz, Max Portz  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Rose Amon, Mary Tuttle



**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, 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, 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, Tom VonBerg, Donna Fitts, Ellen White, Barbara, Rose, Archer Senft, Suzie Culters, Tom J., Judy, Doug, 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, 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, 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, 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, Helen Rhinehart, Edward, Diana Schumacher, Melissa Brown, Mary, Beverly Rago, Jim & Cynthia Novello, Becky Wood, Denise Cindy Ramirez, Tod Pierce, Bertha S, Daniel, Janet Nelch, Kim, Bobby, Kathy, Janet Keating, Nicky, Nick, M. Blazis, John P. Steil, Sarah Bice, Bob, Jill Burwitz, Mary Staudt, Rich Brown, Pat H, Charlene Dolan, Millie Gillen, Nancy Jensen, Bertha Saiz, Jane Cloyd, Kate Rossi, Emily Monaghan, Kathy, Kim, Matt, Gabriele, Spencer, Kathy Pingsterhaus, Judy, Robert D. Fields, Rose Morrison, Barb McDermott, Kelly W. Miguelismo & Celia, Joe, Ed VDB, Lorie Allen, Jeanne McCarthy, Sharon Elliott, Dale Elder, Lin Howard, John McCarthy, Jr., Becky, Mary Garvert, Mitch,

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

**Parish Collection**

<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>
<b>Sunday, January 9</b>	<b>\$29,103.03</b>

**Project Rachel** can help women and men heal from the pain of abortion. For assistance call 217-698-4456

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting & Investigation 217-321-1155

**Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line (cont)**

Noah, Jeff Stauffer Patty Redpath, Diane Canavan, Carol Jirousek Jill Willenborg, Cathy Napier, Ursuline Sisters of New Orleans, Eloise Havey, Sam Atherton, Therese Rechner, Dodie Stannard, James Reynolds, Myla Jane Meisner, Joan Putrich