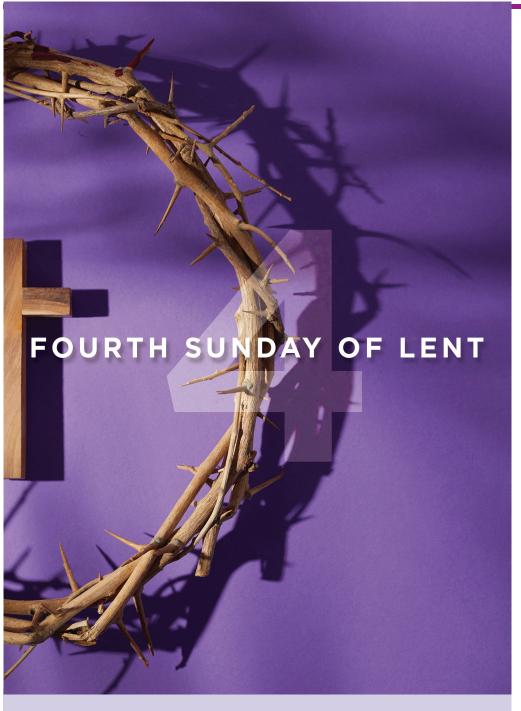
Parish of the Blessed Sacrament Fourth Sunday of Lent March 27, 2022



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, March 28 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: Pat Doyle

Tuesday, March 29 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: Ernest R Hiltebrand, Jr

Wednesday, March 30 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: Deborah Maxwell Ann E. Welch 5:30pm Prayer Service

Thursday, March 31 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: :Larry Hueslman

Friday, April 1 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: Sue Senger Don Weinhoeft 5:30pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, April 2 Confessions before Mass 8:00am Mass: Therese Rechner 3:00-4:00pm: Confessions 4:30pm Mass: Dean Galli

Sunday, April 3-Fifth Sunday of Lent
7:00am Mass: Intentions of our Parishioners
8:30am Mass: BS Adoration Chapel Adorers
10:30am Mass: Jim Tamblin

Confessional in the Adoration Chapel

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

Dear Friends,

Restored Order. This coming Tuesday (March 29) several 3rd graders from our parish will be confirmed and make their 1st Communion in the Cathedral at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Paprocki. Originally scheduled for October, the date was first moved to January due to a schedule conflict and then to March after an upsurge of Covid cases. In our diocese, the process for conferring the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation to children is known as "Restored Order." Until the early 20th century, youth were confirmed prior to their 1st communion. However, St. Pius X wished to encourage more frequent reception of communion by the laity and so he lowered the age of 1st communion to seven. Thus, children were receiving communion before they were confirmed, changing an ancient order of receiving the sacraments that stretched back many centuries. A movement began several years back to restore the order in which the sacraments were received. This will be our third year for the change and the first year the children will go to the Cathedral for the Mass. We will celebrate their reception of these sacraments with a special Mass in the parish to be held on the Sunday following Easter. Please pray for our children that the sacraments of Eucharist and Confirmation will strengthen them to live by faith in Jesus Christ.

Peace in Ukraine. Since the invasion of Ukraine by Russia began, many have asked what our parish can do to help. Prayer is perhaps the most powerful. Not only does it ask God to intervene, but it helps to unite our hearts with others around the world, praying for peace. For the time, the rosary is being prayed each morning (Monday through Saturday) after Mass for the intention of peace. You are welcome to attend, or you might pray the rosary at home for this intention. The diocese is planning a collection to help with the needs of refugees. In the meantime, if you wish to make a financial gift, I would suggest either the Catholic Relief Services (CRS) or the Knights of Columbus Ukrainian Solidarity Fund. If you do not know where to send the donation, you can put it in the collection and the parish will see that it gets to the right place.

Penance Service. A Penance Service will be held at Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, April 5th at 7 pm. We will host it together with St. Agnes and Christ the King Parishes. Perhaps the most important thing we can do during Lent to turn our hearts to God is to confess our sins and accept the gift of God's forgiveness. I strongly encourage you to receive the sacrament prior to the Easter Triduum.

40 Days for Life. Each year, Right to Life asks various churches and groups to take a day to pray and witness for life. Our day is April 5th. If you can help out in this way, there are sign-up sheets in the vestibules at church. It is an opportunity to stand up for life and pray for the most vulnerable of all human beings.

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Congratulations to our Recently Baptized:

Henry Robin Schlindwein, son of Nathan Schlindwein & Darrah Dunlap

Evelyn JoAnn Derosear, daughter of Tyler & Isabella Derosear

Let us pray for our Recently Departed: Ruth Pohlman

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** And click on WATCH MASS HERE.

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

Fish Fries: Please join us at the BSS cafeteria this Friday April 1, for the BSS Men's Club Fish Fry from 5pm-7pm. We will be serving fried walleye, fried catfish, blackened catfish, fried shrimp and cheese pizza. Sides include french fries or baked potato and coleslaw. Adult dinners \$10 and children dinners \$5.

Invest in Kids Scholarships – An Opportunity to Provide Funding for B.SS. Scholarships and Receive a 75% Illinois Tax Credit - Donating to the Invest in Kids scholarship program will benefit families right here at Blessed Sacrament and earn the donor a 75% Illinois income tax credit. And again in 2022, Blessed Sacrament will receive up to \$10,000 in private matching funds for donations made between now and April 15. The tax credit for a donation made during the matching period applies to the 2022 tax year. Go to empowerillinois.org for more information and step-bystep instructions to becoming a donor or contact Kim Hoffmann in the Development Office (hoffmann@bssbruins.org). Last year, the program provided scholarships for twenty-eight B.S.S. students!

Parish Penance Service for Blessed Sacrament, St. Agnes & Christ the King will be held here at Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday, April 5th at 7PM.

Stations of the Cross will be held on the Fridays of Lent at 5:30pm

40 Days For Life: Prayer Partners are being invited to provide a daily prayerful presence in front of Planned Parenthood during the Lenten Season. Blessed Sacrament's day is April 5th. Please help us out by volunteering for an hour on this day, Recommended shifts are 1 hour. Parking and Life Signs are available at Springfield Right To Life, 519 N. Bruns Lane, Springfield, IL – just south of Planned Parenthood. If there are questions please call Springfield Right to Life (217-523-2700) or Dave Klestinski (217-741-8230). 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: ON-LINE SIGN-UP has been added. To sign up online for vigil hours please use one of the links below. You will need to open an account with 40 Days to sign up. https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/vigilhours-signup.aspx?l id=101 or https://40daysforlife.com/en/springfieldil

HELP! The Boy Scouts are in need of a place to store their Trailers when not in use. If anyone has some space that they would let the Boy Scouts use, please contact Bob Scott at <u>bscott1103@yahoo.com</u>

Spring has Sprung! And that means... baseball! Do you need cleats, bats, mitts or baseball pants? Stop by the parish office between 8 AM and 1 PM and pick up **Dick's Sporting Goods** or **Scheel's** scrip. 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 to spectating? Email <u>scrip@bssbruins.org</u> to find out how to order **StubHub** gift cards - perfect for Cardinals or Cubs tickets.



Men's Club Fish Fry April 1 - 5-7pm. Walleye, Catfish , Shrimp, Cheese Pizza, French Fries. Adults \$10 - Children \$5.



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"Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and will dine with him, and he with Me." Revelations 3:20.

We have all heard the saying by Alexander Graham Bell, "When one door closes, another door opens!" Will you open the door of your heart to Christ? He's knocking! It's never too late to connect or reconnect with God. This beautiful season gives us time to grow closer to God by living differently. One way for us to do this is to add more prayer into our life. On January 5, 1997, we opened the doors to our Perpetual Adoration Chapel and since have seen many wonderful blessings. This is OUR chapel and we need YOU! The more prayer warriors we can get, the stronger our parish will be! Get your hour today! Find a friend and take turns! Sign up to be a sub for those who are unable to make their hour that week. The possibilities are endless! God is knocking at your door to spend more time with Him. How will you respond? To sign up email us today bspeucharisticadorers@gmail.com or www.bsps.org or call one of our committee members: David & Karen Senger 525-6052 Donna Berte-622-8576 Eric & Susan Portz-718-4030

SHG presents "The Little Mermaid!" Come join us for a trip *"Under the Sea,"* March 25th-28th and April 1-3. Friday and Saturday shows are at 7:30 pm. Sunday shows are at 2:00 pm. Tickets may be purchased (a) <u>https://shg.ticketleap.com/littlemermaid/</u> and will also be sold at the door. Hope to see you there!





Congratulations 3rd Graders On receiving your First Holy Communion & Confirmation Tuesday, March 29th

MINISTRY SCHEDULE MAR. 28-APRIL 1 MONDAY-FRIDAY

8:00am No Servers

Saturday, April 2, 4:30PM

Lector: McKinzie Oshesky Servers: Malik Greco, Patrick Harvey Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy & Mike Harth

Sunday, April 3, 7:00AM

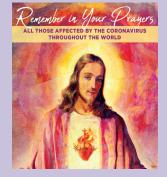
Lector: Jim McDermott Servers: Andrew Reimers Eucharistic Ministers: Mike & Carrie O'Brien

Sunday, April 3, 8:30 AM

Lector: Laurie Mann Servers: Andrew & Annaliese Hofner Eucharistic Minister: George Rudis & Mark Ushmann

<u>Sunday, April 3, 10:30AM</u>

Lector: Patti Naylor Servers: Beatrice Hunter, Jackson Pitz Eucharistic Minister: Rose Amon, Cynthia Lamar



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, 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, Daniel, Janet Nelch, Kim, Bobby, Kathy, Janet Keating, Nicky, Nick, M. Blazis, John P. Steil. Sarah Bice, Bob, Jill Burwitz, Rich Brown, Pat H, Charlene Dolan, Millie Gillen, Nancy Jensen,, 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, John McCarthy, Jr., Becky, Mary Garvert, Mitch, Noah, Jeff Stauffer, Patty Redpath, Diane Canavan, Carol Jirousek, Jill Willenborg, Cathy Napier

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

Parish Collection Target Amount Sunday, March 13

\$23,500.00 \$17,006.38

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)

Ursuline Sisters of New Orleans, Eloise Havey, Sam Atherton, Dodie Stannard, James Reynolds, Myla Jane Meisner, Joan Putrich, Walter Howe, Margaret Jordan, Pete Wayne, Jim Kane