

# Parish of the Blessed Sacrament

## 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### August 21, 2022



## 21<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"People will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God. For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last." - Lk 13:29-30

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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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**CELEBRATING THE DAYS**

**Monday, August 22**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Mary Staudt  
Ernie R. Hildebrand, Jr

**Tuesday, August 23**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:20am Mass:** Fritzie Belz  
Therese Rechner

**Wednesday, August 24**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** John & Jean VonBehren  
**5:30pm Prayer Service**

**Thursday, August 25**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** John & Betty Laurenzana

**Friday, August 26**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:20am Mass:** Sue Senger

**Saturday, August 27**

**Confessions before Mass**

**8:00am Mass:** Therese Rechner  
**3:00-4:00pm: Confessions**  
**4:30pm Mass:** Dean & Diane Galli

**Sunday, August 28-22nd Sun. Ordinary Time**

**7:00am Mass:** James "Mac" Graham  
**8:30am Mass:** Intentions of our Parishioners  
**10:30am Mass:** Rita Sheppard

**Confessional in the Adoration Chapel**

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

**Dear Parishioners,**

**Persecution 2022.** Since the time of Christ himself, the church has witnessed persecution. Much of it has come at the hands of rulers and governments opposed or threatened by its teachings or by the efforts to assist the poor. Many recent attacks have happened in Nicaragua, a small country in Central America. This past week, Father Oscar Tinoco from the diocese of Siuna, was arrested and reportedly taken to a detention center in Managua, the capital. The reason for the arrest has not been given. He is the third priest arrested so far this year and the ninth cleric put in police custody. This list includes Bishop Rolando Alvares of Matagalpa and five other priests who have been under house arrest since August 4 on grounds of using media and social networks to carry out acts of violence in order to destabilize the country. In March of this year, the papal nuncio, Polish Archbishop Waldemar Sommertag was expelled from the country. In July, two sisters from the Missionaries of Charity (Mother Theresa's sisters) were also expelled. The relationship between the Sandanista government and the church is tense. Following the re-election of President Daniel Ortega in 2021, the crisis has deepened. There have been nearly 200 attacks and desecrations of churches or sacred places as well as the harassment and intimidation of priests. Bishops have been labeled as terrorists. A special session of the Organization of American States (OAS) met on August 11<sup>th</sup> to discuss the problem and look for ways to reduce the tension. The Vatican observer to OAS, Msgr. Juan Antonio Cruz Serrano, appealed to all to find ways of understanding based on respect and mutual trust in order to find the common good and peace for all.

There are many places around the world where people are treated in harsh and unjust ways. The poor are the most vulnerable to such treatment. Those who try to stand up or change these injustices pay a hefty price. Yet, we must always remember that our founder, Jesus Christ, endured the cross and grave; not because we were unjustly treated or condemned; but rather as an act of love—an act that made us just in the eyes of God. Our response ought to be gratitude. We show that gratitude by what we do for others. When we are mindful of the poor and attentive to those unjustly treated, we are giving thanks to God for what he gave to us. Pray for those who suffer persecution in their service to the Lord. Turn your ear and your heart to those who cry out in need; for if we want peace, we must work for justice...and that justice must extend to all.

**Fr. Jeff**



**OUR PARISH FAMILY****Let us pray for our Recently Departed:**

Walter Johnson

**Regular Dismissal All Week****4:30- 8/24**

**Girls Softball (B.S.S./CTK/LFS/St. Agnes)**  
**Home Games (SHG softball field) v. Rochester**  
**8/25**

**v. Lincoln Magnet at the SHG softball field**

**4:30: 8/24**

**B.S.S. Baseball Home (Schlitt) games v. Grant**  
**8/25**

**v. Lincoln Carroll Catholic**

**Tuesday, August 30**  
**Parent Open House 6:00 – 7:30**

**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..

**The Blessed Sacrament School Advisory Board** is looking for parent and non-parent volunteers to serve on the board this fall. If interested, please contact the Parish Office. 217-528-7521

**Mass Schedule Change:** Beginning this week **August 22** the daily Mass on Tuesday & Friday will begin at 8:20am.

**Are you interested in becoming Catholic?** If you've ever considered becoming Catholic please plan to attend an information session at 7 PM on Thursday 9/8 in the rectory basement. No reservations are necessary but if you have questions please contact Bob Vincent at [rvincent324@yahoo.com](mailto:rvincent324@yahoo.com) or call him at 217-523-4335.

**Back to School = Back to Scrip** Purchasing scrip gift cards reduces next year's tuition! The scrip committee keeps track of every rebate you earn with your scrip purchases and issues a tuition refund each year. Buy scrip cards for your everyday purchases of groceries, gas, coffee and dining out Contact [scrip@bssbruins.org](mailto:scrip@bssbruins.org) to learn more.

**Springfield Right to life and Two Hearts Springfield** will be hosting a joint fundraiser on September 10, 2022 with Ms. Amy Gherke, the Director of Illinois Right to life as the featured speaker. The Breakfast event will be held at Christ the King Parish from 8:00 to 11:30 with the doors opening at 7:30.

**Women's Day of Recollection**, Thursday, August 25, 12:45-2:45pm at Sacred Heart Church. Spiritual guidance is entrusted to a priest of the Prelature *Opus Dei*.

**Don't Fall for the Flu** For your convenience, flu shots will be available outside by the school entrance or in the cafeteria (as conditions permit) **after 4:30PM** **Mass on Saturday September 10 and on Sunday September 11 after all the Masses.** The shots are no charge with Medicare or Medicaid cards (most insurances will pay for a yearly flu shot and Hy-Vee will bill your insurance for you). Remember that it takes up to two weeks to build immunity after a flu shot. Free coffee and donuts for all—with or without flu shot—come join us. **Make it a family affair.**



**Queenship of Mary**  
**August 22**



**This is an excerpt from Blessed Carlo Acutis' website.**

Eucharistic Miracle of BETANIA VENEZUELA, DECEMBER 8, 1991  
On December 8 of 1991, Father Otty Ossa Aristizábal was celebrating Mass in the chapel of the Shrine of Betania in Cúa and during the consecration, saw the Host bleeding. The miraculous Host is preserved in the city of Los Teques, at the convent of the Augustinian Recollects Nuns of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, where It is permanently exposed for the adoration of the faithful and It is visited every year by numerous pilgrims coming also from abroad. Many prodigious events have taken place, connected to the Host of the Miracle, among the one which stands out that occurred to a young American who filmed the miraculous Host pulsating like a heart, while It was exposed to the faithful. Want to learn more? Check out *The Eucharistic Miracles of the World website* by Blessed Carlo Acutis. If you would like to sign up for a weekly hour in our Adoration chapel, email us today at [bspeucharisticadorers@gmail.com](mailto:bspeucharisticadorers@gmail.com) or [www.bsps.org](http://www.bsps.org) or call one of our committee members: David & Karen Senger 525-6052, Donna Berte, 622-8576, Eric & Susan Portz, 718-4030

**Please join us, as we study *Jesus: The Way, The Truth and The Life*.**

*This is a 10 week study, produced by Ascension Press. We will discover a new and fresh look at Jesus Christ through scripture, dvd lecture, and small group discussion. Meetings are on Thursday mornings from 9:15 AM to 11:00 AM in the Christ the King Parish Center, beginning on Thursday, September 15th. Childcare may be available for a small donation, if we have enough children sign up. All are welcome! Participants will receive a workbook and have light reading with homework. The cost of the materials will be around \$30. Each week we will view a 30 minute DVD lecture with discussion following. For more information or to register, contact Kristin Luker at (217)546-4959 or [KLuker9@gmail.com](mailto:KLuker9@gmail.com).*



**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**AUGUST 21-25**

**MONDAY-FRIDAY**

**8:00am**

**No Servers**

**Saturday, August 27, 4:30PM**

**Lector:** Melaney Arnold

**Servers:** Kaden Smith, Greta & Audrey Madiar

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Abigale Millburg, Vince Toolen

**Sunday, August 28, 7:00AM**

**Lector:** Jim McDermott

**Servers:** Orlaith Mahoney

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Kathy Gietl, Rachel Pennell

**Sunday, August 28, 8:30 AM**

**Lector:** Mary Maloney

**Servers:** Sophie Watson, Lucy Wallner, J. P. Leonard

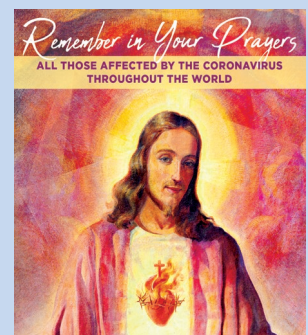
**Eucharistic Minister:** Dave & Lisa Sarnowski

**Sunday, August 28, 10:30AM**

**Lector:** Claire Manning

**Servers:** Shea Stone Wade & Peyton Naylor

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lynn Frasco, Patti Naylor



**Blessed Sacrament Prayer Line**

Call the Parish Office 528-7521 Please pray for the intention of :  
 Jimmie Hill, Robert Farris, Amber, Vernon Spiedger, 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,, Annie, Barb, Tony, Kurt C, Eric, Tom  
 VonBerg, Donna Fitts, Ellen White, Barbara, Rose, Archer  
 Senft, Suzie Culters, Tom J., Judy, Doug, Beth, Camden Spin-  
 ner, 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, Emily Monaghan, Kathy, Kim, Matt, Gabriele,  
 Spencer, Kathy Pingsterhaus, Judy, Robert D. Fields, Barb  
 McDermott, Kelly W. Miguelismo & Celia, Joe, Ed VDB, Lorie  
 Allen, Jeanne McCarthy, Sharon Elliott, Dale Elder, Becky, Mary  
 Garvert, Mitch, Noah, Jeff Stauffer, Patty Redpath, Diane Canavan,  
 Carol Jirousek, Cathy Napier, Chuck DeMoissey, Mark Schmidt

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

**Parish Collection**

<b>Target Amount</b>	<b>\$23,500.00</b>
<b>Sunday, August 7</b>	<b>\$21,378.88</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)**

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,  
 Lori Lawless, Sue Furman, Rev. George Bernard, Mary K.,  
 Michael Bresnan, John & Donna Maloney, Pat Maloney, Bill Reed