

# BLESSED SACRAMENT PARISH

## 18th Sunday

in Ordinary Time

### PARISHIONER MEMBERSHIP

New members are always welcome to our Parish. Parishioner status is maintained by registration in the parish, active participation in weekend liturgies and full participation in the parish stewardship program. All family members 18 years and older should be individually registered with the parish. Parish membership and participation is required of those desiring the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist, Confirmation and Matrimony.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at 3:30 pm or by appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Parish registration of six months is required. Preparation session required. Contact the parish office for details.

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Contact the parish office a minimum of six months prior to the preferred wedding date. Marriage preparation sessions are required.

Fr. George Darling, Pastor

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**Weekday Mass:**

Tuesday — Friday: 8:30am

**Weekend Mass:**

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 11:00am

### SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday, 8:30am-4:00pm

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"Take care to guard against  
all greed, for though one may  
be rich, one's life does not  
consist of possessions."

Luke 12:15

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Jim Wila, Vice Chair.

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### PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Scott Ware

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## Masses for the Week

<b>Sat, Aug 3</b> 4:30 pm	<b>VIGIL: 18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Ken, Emmet & Jean Amidon
<b>Sun, Aug 4</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Fr. John Wisneski Parish Family
<b>Mon, Aug 5</b>	<b>WEEKDAY</b> <b>**No Mass**</b>
<b>Tues, Aug 6</b> 8:30 am	<b>TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</b> Norton Thompson & Carolyn Szubinski
<b>Wed, Aug 7</b> 8:30 am	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Adeline Passuelo
<b>Thurs, Aug 8</b> 8:30 am	<b>ST. DOMINIC, PRIEST</b> Susan Keller, O.P.
<b>Fri, Aug 9</b> 8:30 am	<b>WEEKDAY</b> Raymond O'Malley
<b>Sat, Aug 10</b> 4:30 pm	<b>VIGIL: 19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Leo Boruta
<b>Sun, Aug 11</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Muriel Kuhn Parish Family

### SACRED SCRIPTURE

#### Readings for the Week of August 4, 2019

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>18th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Eccl 1:2, 2:21-23; Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17; Col 3:1-5, 9-11; Lk 12:13-21
<b>Monday</b>	Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Transfiguration of the Lord</b> Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
<b>Wednesday</b>	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7b, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>St. Dominic, Priest</b> Nm 20:1-3; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23
<b>Friday</b>	Dt 4:32-40; Ps 77:12-16, 21; Mt 16:24-28
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>St. Lawrence, Deacon</b> 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> Wis 18:6-9; Ps 33:1, 12, 18-22; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

## ~In Our Thoughts & Prayers~ Homebound Parishioner of the Week

Please remember in your thoughts and prayers our parishioner Dorothy Czerney. Cards may be sent to Rest Haven Home, 1424 Union Ave NE, 49505. Let Dorothy know you are a parishioner and that you are thinking of her.

### PASTORAL TEAM

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### BY GEORGE....

Every other year the Bishop's Office assigns a missionary to join us for a weekend to remind us of our missionary role as Church in spreading the Gospel throughout the world. This is our year, and next weekend we are supposed to be hosting Fr. Jan Demythenaere, a member of Missionhurst - CIMC the Congregation of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Missionhurst - CIMC was originally founded in 1862 for the conversion of China. Today Missionhurst - CIMC serves in some of the most remote places of Mongolia, Indonesia, Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Next weekend you will get more information about Missionhurst - CIMC from Fr. Demythenaere.

Last week I wrote that on Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., we will be hosting Scott McClure, a member of the Steier Group, from Omaha, Nebraska, which is the fundraising company that has been hired by Bishop Walkowiak to manage the *Our Shepherds - Our Future* Capital Campaign. This is the Capital Campaign that Bishop Walkowiak has decided to undertake to raise \$33,000,000 to provide for the education costs of seminarians such that we have future priests. We will begin the fund drive in the Fall and before then we have some preliminary work to do to help the Bishop raise the \$938,460 for which he is asking over the next three years from us here at Blessed Sacrament as our Parish portion of the Campaign. Scott will be joining us for a training meeting for the members of the Parish leadership groups as well as those of you who are willing to assist us as "ambassadors" contacting parishioners and encouraging them to assist the Bishop with funding to train seminarians as future priests for you. "Ambassadors" would be the ones who would visit another family to deliver their packet of information about the Capital Campaign and encourage those folks to participate to the best of their ability to financially support the education of those who are to be the priests of the future. This is not a position where an ambassador has to "hit anyone up" for money, but rather a position of fellowship and encouragement to support a common need. Each ambassador would contact up to 10 families or persons. The goal would be to visit as many homes as possible realizing we will probably not reach everyone as some may be away. A second best option Scott says is that families that can't be visited could at least receive an encouraging telephone call from one of our ambassadors, possibly one of our senior citizens who might like to have an excuse to chat with one of your old friends. We need to have your involvement as if we do not make a good faith effort of trying to contact everyone or to raise the funds then the goal of \$938,460 can become an assessment or tax instead of a voluntary goal. The more folks involved as ambassadors the fewer each will have to contact.

I would ask that you take some time and think about, pray about, and talk about whether or not you would be willing to serve as an ambassador for the Capital Campaign *Our Shepherds - Our Future*. This might be a good way for some of the younger of you to become involved as you will be the ones who will be most directly benefiting from the Campaign since you will be the ones most directly benefiting from the services of future priests when we old folks are long gone. Please contact Lori in the Parish Office or let me know that you would be willing to help with this and then plan to join us in the lower level of the Church on August 13.

## ~THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH~

Sun Aug 11: after Masses Coffee & donuts, Church garden



### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Adoration will begin again on Tuesday's during the school year. The first week back will be **Tuesday, September 10th, from 9:15am-3:00pm** in the Church. All are invited to spend some peaceful time in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like, you could sign up for a specific hour or you could stop in when you are able. They are looking for someone to fill in from September 13th thru October 11th from 11am-noon. If you are interested, please contact Mary Lou Thompson at 363-8710.

### CATHOLIC UNITED HABITAT BUILD

Once again Blessed Sacrament Parish is participating with other GR area Parishes and Habitat for Humanity of Kent County for the CATHOLIC UNITED BUILD. Our Blessed Sacrament team completed our first build day July 13th and it was very successful. The next build day will be Saturday, August 24th. The build site is 354 Rumsey SW.

If you have any questions please call Brian Chisholm at 616-885-4219 or contact him at [b.a.chisholm@gmail.com](mailto:b.a.chisholm@gmail.com).

All skill levels are needed and welcome.

### PARISH PICNIC

Please plan on attending Blessed Sacrament's Parish Picnic, hosted by the Knights of Columbus Council 13391, on **Sunday September 8**, from noon until 3pm. Food serving starts at 12:30pm. Bring a dish to pass and tableware. Cake donations for the Cake Walk are welcomed!

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

A disabled parishioner who lives in an apartment near Fuller & Knapp needs a ride to church. If you pass by on your way to Mass and are able to help, please contact the parish office.

### STEWARDSHIP - Week of July 27 & 28

#### Week 5/53

Adult Envelopes (134 used)	\$7,385.00
Automatic Envelopes (51 used)	3,909.00
Youth	23.00
Loose Stewardship	431.37

**Total Stewardship this week** \$11,748.37

YTD	\$64,230.22
Budget YTD	\$73,211.54
Last YTD	\$66,506.34

5% Tithe this week	\$587.42
YTD Tithe	\$3,211.51

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You can make your CSA donation online by visiting our parish website. On the main page there is a link to the Diocese of Grand Rapids website, [grdiocese.org](http://grdiocese.org). Go to that link and it will tell you how to make your donation. Don't forget to reference Blessed Sacrament when filling out the form.

## ~OUTSIDE THE PARISH~

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Together with your families, the Diocese of Grand Rapids honors the faithful witness to your vocation of marriage and wishes to celebrate with you. Bishop Walkowiak is inviting all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries to join him on Sunday, October 13 at the 10am Mass at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew (301 Sheldon Ave. SE, Grand Rapids). Please invite your family and friends, a simple reception will immediately follow. RSVP to your parish office.

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