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The 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 31, 2021

“...if we have grown into union with Him through a death like His, we shall also be united with Him in the resurrection.”

Romans 6:5



All Souls Day
November 2

Parish Mission Statement

Blessed Sacrament Parish forms and nurtures active disciples of Christ, who love God and neighbor, through the Dominican pillars of Prayer, Study, Community, & Ministry.

Parish Vision Statement

To be a flourishing faith community, with all parishioners engaged in transforming lives through evangelization and discipleship.

Mass Times

Monday & Friday: 8:30 AM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 7:00 & 8:30 AM
Saturday: 8:30 AM & Vigil Mass: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, & 11:00 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday: 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 to 10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6:30 to 7:00 PM
Saturday: 9:00 to 10:00 AM & 4:15 to 4:45 PM
Sunday: 7:00 to 7:30 AM & 10:15 to 10:45 AM



Book VI of the Code of Canon Law

I, with so many members of our church, have become exhausted from the ongoing revelations of sexual and financial malpractice among the clergy. Recently, the secular press reported an extensive study in France that records decades of these crimes within the church. It begs the question, when will the church get its house in order? Beginning with Pope Benedict XVI and continuing under Pope Francis there have been going restructuring of procedures in addressing the ongoing crisis. The first major action taken last year with the publication of the *Vademecum* that clearly states what must be done when there is an accusation made against a church member.

It is common opinion that, in the climate of accentuated pastoral orientation connected with the Second Vatican Council, attention to requirements of law was for some time in the background, in the name of an unfounded opposition between pastoral care and law, and criminal law. The Code of Canon Law promulgated in 1983 had rightly reduced the number of canons on criminal law compared to the Code of 1917 but had also followed a different orientation. The new texts were often indeterminate, precisely because it was believed that individual bishops and religious superiors, whose task it was to apply penal discipline, would better determine when and how to punish in the most appropriate way. But experience has showed the concrete difficulty in which bishops found themselves in combining justice and charity. Different procedures followed by the authorities have caused bewilderment in the Christian communities. The very serious scandals in the field of sexual abuse of minors have contributed in recent decades to a clear understanding that a laxity in the application of criminal laws was pernicious for the Church and that canonical criminal law urgently needed to be renewed.

On December 8, 2021, by order of Pope Francis, the present Book VI of the Code will be abrogated and a new text, approved by him, will replace it. The new text creates a greater uniformity in the Church in favor of reducing discretion while leaving room for discernment. In addition, in the new text, offenses are better specified, penalties are listed clearly, and in a more orderly and detailed way (cf. can. 1336). Greater attention is given to the protection of the community and attention to repairing the scandal and compensating for damage. The text gives those in authority the means to prevent offenses and to intervene in time to correct situations that could become more serious. Lastly, it does not mean that the necessary precautions should not be used to protect the presumed offender and it is explicitly stated that “any person is presumed innocent until the contrary is proved (can.1321.1).

Other aspects of the new Book VI should also be noted because they represent major changes and additions. The section now applies to all those who work in the name of the church, not only clergy. If a person functions in any way within the Church, they are subject to its law and are therefore subject to its penalties. It includes, in addition to sexual crimes, things such as financial mismanagement. It clearly states what it means when speaking of vulnerable persons. “Vulnerable is any person in a state of infirmity, physical or mental, describing them as deprivation or personal liberty which, in fact, even occasionally limits their ability to understand or to want or otherwise resist the offense.” [Law No CCXCVII of the Vatican City State.]

The new Book VI of the Code does not introduce great novelties in the context of the fight against sexual abuse, but it constitutes a formidable and necessary practical aid for bishops and religious superiors to effectively conduct this fight and a clear reaffirmation of the duties of justice in the life of the Church.

Br. Edward van Merrienboer, O.P.

October 31, 2021

New and Noteworthy

Please take the Disciple Maker Index Survey!

From now until November 22, we are asking all parishioners to take the Disciple Maker Index Survey. The survey can be accessed via our website, bbsacramento.org/dmi-survey. You can also obtain a paper copy from the back of church or the parish office; please return paper surveys to Erin in the parish office by November 22. We thank those who have completed it so far! We have had 99 online surveys and a few paper surveys returned, which is a 24% response rate. We're shooting for 100%! Every parishioner age 16 and up is eligible to take the survey and it should take about 10-15 minutes to complete. Your feedback is completely anonymous and makes a difference!

All Saints Day is Monday, November 1!

Because it falls on a Monday this year, you are NOT obligated to attend Mass on All Saints Day. We will have an additional Mass at 7:00 pm that evening for those who want to attend Mass that day but cannot make it to the 8:30 am Mass. Join us for this special solemnity!

All Souls Day Memorial Mass Tuesday, November 2, 7:00 pm

We will have a special Mass in honor of our deceased parishioners on All Souls Day at 7:00 pm. We will especially honor and pray for those who have had funeral services at Blessed Sacrament in the last three years, but all are welcome to attend to pray for all our deceased parishioners and loved ones.

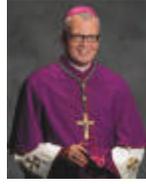
Coffee and Donuts is back!

You've missed Coffee and Donuts. We've missed Coffee and Donuts. It's time to bring it back! Starting November 7, we'll be offering Coffee and Donuts on the first Sunday of each month after all Masses! We hope you can join us!

Daylight Savings Time ends next Sunday, November 7!

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night!

More parish events are on the back page!



A Mission by Bishop Donald Hying Sunday-Tuesday, November 21-23 Church (2121 Rowley Ave.)

We are excited to host Bishop Hying as he delivers a three-night mission this month! He will be speaking on his favorite subject: Jesus Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel. Each night will begin at 6:00 pm with Eucharistic adoration. The talk will begin at 7:00 pm, and at around 8:00 pm there will be an opportunity for Q&A from the audience. We hope you can join us for any or all of these evenings! Each night will also be live-streamed on our YouTube channel, beginning with adoration at 6:00 pm.

THIS WEEK IN YOUTH MINISTRY

There is no confirmation prep, High School Ministry, or Middle School Edge this week. High School Ministry and Middle School Edge resume next week!

Finals Week Care Packages

Hey parents! We miss your college students, too. Let us send a package for finals week so they know that we are thinking of and praying for them! If you want your child to receive a care package, please fill out the form here: tinyurl.com/2es9hw55 If you're a parishioner who would like to help us let college students know that we care for them, we would appreciate cash donations for gift cards and packages; submit a check to the parish with "Finals week care packages" in the memo line. If you have questions, please contact Patrice Qualey (pqualey@yahoo.com) or Karen Gallagher (kmgmadtown@gmail.com).

School Happenings

The school year is off to a great start! Please keep the students and teachers in your prayers as the year continues. If you're interested in learning more about our school or would like to enroll your child, call 608-233-6155.

Blessed Sacrament school admits students of any race, color, national, and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered program.

Readings for the Week of October 31, 2021

Sunday: Dt 6:2-6/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/Heb 7:23-28/
Mk 12:28b-34

Monday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 6]/
1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

Tuesday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1 or 4ab]/
Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40a

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9 [5a]
Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Rom 14:7-12/Ps 27:1bcde, 4, 13-14 [13]/
Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [cf. 2b]/
Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11
[1b]/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/
Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-4

Safety Precautions at Mass

Dane County's mask mandate has been extended until November 5. Please continue wearing a mask when you come to Mass or to any indoor spaces on campus. Extra disposable masks are available in the back of church, if you need one!

Seeking 100th anniversary memorabilia!

Blessed Sacrament will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2022. A committee has been working on this celebration for the last year and many events are planned for next year to remember all that makes the parish what it is today.

The Committee is requesting photos, documents, and memorabilia from any parishioners that would like to share it for the 100th anniversary. If you have something you'd like to display, please contact Br. Edward (bredward@bbsacrament.org). Photos can be scanned and returned easily to their owners. Thank you for your assistance!

Please pray for the repose of the soul of parishioner **Phil Werner**, who passed away in late September. His funeral services will be Saturday, November 6 at Blessed Sacrament; there will be a visitation beginning at 12:30 and the funeral Mass will begin at 2:00. The funeral will also be live-streamed on our YouTube channel.

Mass Intentions

+ indicates the person is deceased

Saturday, October 30, 2021

8:30 AM +Arthur Stiennon and Dolores Stiennon

5:00 PM +Christina Rudolph (*Celebrant: Fr. Andy*)

Sunday, October 31, 2021—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM +Jim Lieske (*Fr. Andy*)

9:00 AM Our Parish Family (*Fr. Andy*)

11:00 AM +John Huber (*Fr. Andy*)

Monday, November 1, 2021 — ALL SAINTS DAY (Solemnity)

8:30 AM Fr. Ron Kreul, O.P.

7:00 PM +Mary O'Toole Kitamura

Tuesday, November 2, 2021 — All Souls Day

7:00 AM +Elizabeth Matkiewicz

8:30 AM Alana Herro

7:00 PM Our deceased parishioners and loved ones

Wednesday, November 3, 2021 — St. Martin de Porres, O.P.

7:00 AM +Mary Jean Whelan-Iacovani

8:30 AM +Norman Herro

Thursday, November 4, 2021—St. Charles Borromeo, bishop

7:00 AM +Bertha Pitot Hubbard

8:30 AM +Daniel Jantsch

Friday, November 5, 2021

8:30 AM +Mary O'Toole Kitamura

Saturday, November 6, 2021

8:30 AM +Mary Rowlette

5:00 PM +Christina and Heinz Paul Rudolph (*Celebrant: Fr. James Pierce*)

Sunday, November 7, 2021—31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Our Parish Family (*Fr. Andy*)

9:00 AM +Therese O'Connor (*Fr. Andy*)

11:00 AM +Salvacion Demetriou Peralta (*Fr. James Pierce*)

Please pray for all those who are ill, especially:

Andy Devine, Alexander Kotloski, David Stiennon, John Ouellette, Paul Werth, Cormac Bower, Helen Karls, Sarah Opitz-Stapleton, Dave Wirka, Ila Elizabeth Scullion, Linda Kelly, Margaret Sommer Sazani, Colleen Brown, Br. Vince DiRienzo, Elliott Volin, Larry Lazars, Buffy Stevens, Bob Lunda, and Barbara Chryst.

Stewardship Report

September 2021

Total: \$49,350.27

September 2020: \$52,308.24



We are still having Wednesday adoration and are in need of adorers! Please consider spending an hour with Our Lord. Visit bbsacrament.org/adoration to sign up!

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www.school.blsacrament.org
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Project Angel Tree is coming!

It's the time of year to start thinking about bringing the joy of Christmas to others! As always, we will participate in Angel Tree ministry, purchasing gifts for the children of prisoners. There are several ways to help with this project, including: calling prisoners' families to ask what the children want/need for Christmas, writing information onto paper angels, writing down which parishioners select angels before/after Mass, sorting presents into family groups, and delivering gifts. If you want to help with any of these jobs, please contact Kathy Wall: 608-212-4603, or wallfamily647@gmail.com.

New and Noteworthy (continued)

Senior Meal

**Wednesday, November 10
Noon, Parish Center**

Contact Megan Stram (megan@blsacrament.org or 608-238-3471 x119) to learn more or RSVP!

**The Beauty of Noticing
Wednesday, November 17
7:00 pm, Assembly Hall**

Truth, Beauty, and Goodness, the three Transcendentals of the Church, are commonly combined as attributes that transcend time and space and describe the Lord. But how much time have you spent solely focusing on Beauty? Beauty has the power to draw us beyond itself and point to its source, the Creator of the Universe. While striking sunsets often give us pause, do we take the time to notice the beauty in other moments throughout our day? Follow the journey of local Catholic artist Molly Sweeney as she describes ways to seek beauty, and, thus, seek the Lord in all we do. You will ponder ways to draw closer to the Lord in your own life by noticing the spaces you inhabit and the interactions you have with those around you.



Around the Diocese

**St. Joseph Strong Men's Conference
Saturday, November 13, 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
St. Cecilia's Parish, Wisconsin Dells**

All men of the Diocese are welcome! Speakers include Bishop Donald Hying, Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC (author of *Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father* and other books), and Steve Karlen (Campaign Director for 40 Days for Life). Visit menofchristmadison.com for more information and to register!

**Faith Formation for People with Special Needs
Sponsored by the Diocesan Apostolate for Persons
with Disabilities**

The Apostolate for Persons with Disabilities is offering faith formation classes over Zoom for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities. Classes will "meet" Saturday mornings at 9:30, and they are hoping to gather in-person 4 times a year to build community and go to Mass together, if possible. If interested, please contact Jean Robertson, our Parish Disability Liaison, at imajr2@yahoo.com or 608-354-8310.



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